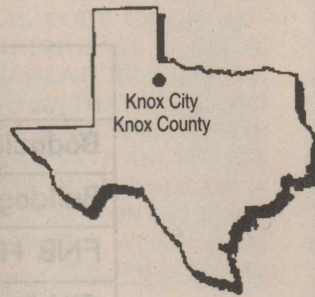


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Saying goodbye...

By Dave Thompson

Over the years, I have found that saying good-bye to a friend who is moving away is one of the hardest things to do. It's never easy, usually awkward, and often sad. I realize it's just a part of life, but I dislike doing it anyway.

In just a few weeks, I'll be saying good-bye to another friend, and I hope that a lot of you reading this will take the time to also say good-bye and thanks for a job well done to Danny Parker, our departing City Manager who has accepted a job offer from the City of Spearman.

A key figure in city operations, Danny will be missed by myself and many others. Having worked closely with Danny through EDC matters over the last few years, I know that he given a lot to Knox City. While I wish Danny the best in his new job, I just wanted to take this opportunity to let him know he will be missed here!

Locals win in volleyball championships

Meagan and Makenzie Davis of Knox City, with their respective Wichita Falls Rebels club volleyball teams, competed in the 2000 Kaepa 3rd Coast Volleyball Championships June 15 through 18 in Austin.

This event has become a great season-ending tournament for club volleyball programs with top teams from all parts of the United States participating in the experience of exceptional competition and fun.

The Austin Convention Center was the main site for the tournament with some play at Saint Edwards University.

One hundred fifty four teams competed within the championship division and single age divisions.

Meagan played for the Wichita Falls Rebels 16 and under team with Makenzie playing for the 14 and under team. The 16 and under division had 30 teams competing and the 14 and under division had 18 teams present.

Each team was guaranteed 10 matches of volleyball over the four days of play with final rounds played on Sunday, June 18.

The WF Rebels 16 and Under team, Meagan's team, completed the tournament with a consolation finish.

The WF Rebels 14 and under team made it into silver bracket play finishing in the top 10 teams.

Meagan will be a junior this coming year and Makenzie, a freshman, will be participating in the Houndette volleyball program.

Knox City All Stars set for Seymour tourney

With Munday on Monday at 7:00 P.M.

The Little League Baseball 11 and 12 year old All-Star Tournament has been scheduled for the week of July 3 through 7 at the Portwood Baseball Park in Seymour.

Knox City's 2000 All-Stars are Derrick Magana, L.B. Thompson, Cody Wainscott, Zak Stevens, Dylan Smith, Quentin Spells, Grant Lewis, Donald Taylor, Andy Shaver, Daniel Rodriguez, Kylin DelValle and Amos Lerma. Alternates are Michael Taylor and Tim Sanders. Coaches are Chuco Magana, Danny Wainscott and Fred Ledesma.

Teams from Knox City, Munday and Seymour will compete for the right to advance to the District Tournament to be held in Graham during the week of July 10-14.

Knox City will face Munday in the Monday night, July 3, game beginning at 7:00 p.m. Seymour drew the bye.

The tournament is a double elimination tournament, which means that each team has to lose two games before they are eliminated, Chris Styles, area tournament director, said. Little League tournament levels are area, district, section, division, state, region and finally the Little League World Series.

There will be one game each night at the Area Tournament with all games beginning at 7:00 p.m. A concession stand will be available for everyone attending the games.

Seating is available or spectators may bring lawn chairs and sit next to the fences down each baseline.

Art Stall preparing to celebrate twenty-sixth store anniversary

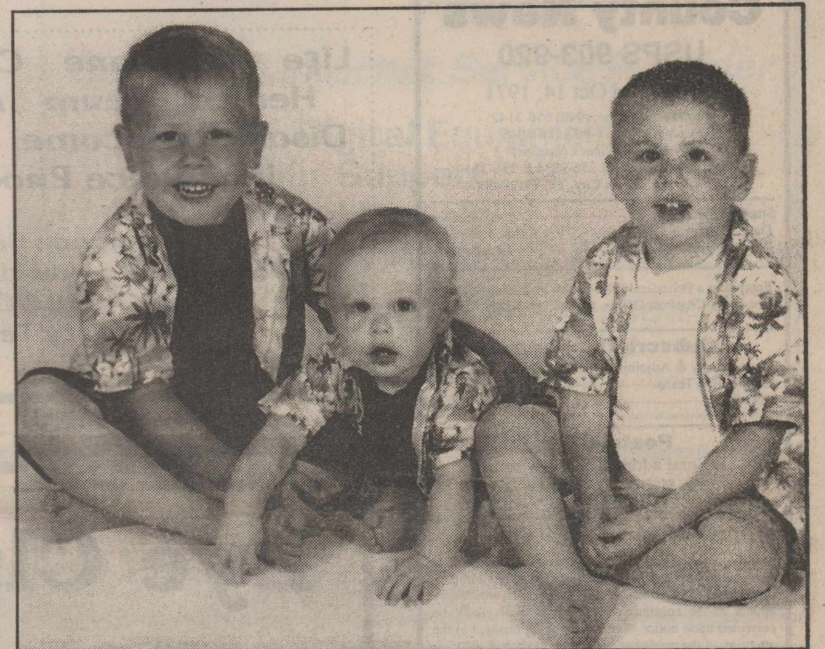
Things are in full swing at the Art Stall, 114 Central in Knox City as they are preparing for their 26th Anniversary Sale and Fourth of July celebration.

Owners Romain and Jack Stubbs began their venture in July 1974 and have been in their present location for the past 14 years.

Originally known as The Art Stall and Frame Shop carrying arts, crafts and frames; the business soon began stocking paintings, rugs, crystal, silverware, toys, silk flowers, DaySpring cards, children's, pre-teen and ladies clothing.

Probably the 'biggest hit' to the Art Stall has been the line of Beanie Babies that patrons love to come buy and see.

Romain and Jack, a daughter and her family Shea and Scott Edmonds and their sons Stratton, Spencer and Stuart, are familiar faces in the store as well as Romain's assistants Rita Rosenzanz, Kayla Moss and Biviana



THESE THREE GUYS, from left, Stratton Jack, age four; Stuart Day, eight months; and Spencer Scott, age two; are ready for the 26th anniversary celebration of the Art Stall. They are the sons of Shea and Scott Edmonds and the grandsons of store owners Romain and Jack Stubbs. (Courtesy Photo)

and Anita Silva.

Gift wrapping, along with MasterCard, Visa, Discover and

American Express are all a part of the extras offered to their customers.

Time to 'saddle up' and head to Stamford for this year's 70th Texas Cowboy Reunion

STAMFORD - Hailed as the World's Largest Amateur Rodeo, the 70th Annual Texas Cowboy Reunion will get underway for fun, rodeo and reunion, Saturday, July 1; and continue through Sunday, July 2; Monday, July 3; and Tuesday, July 4.

The excitement will kick off Friday, June 30, at 6:00 p.m. when the children of famed western photographer and one of the originators of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, Ray Rector, will lead the Grand Parade through the historic streets of downtown Stamford.

The event will follow a dedication of Stamford's Centennial Monument of a 15 foot tall metal cowboy on a bucking horse by Throckmorton sculptor Joe Barrington. The dedication will be at 4:00 p.m. Congressman Charles Stenholm, Representative David Counts, Senator Tom Haywood and other diplomats are scheduled to be present at the unveiling.

Following the parade at 7:30 p.m. will be a dinner at the Chuckwagon Grounds followed by a dance. Then on July 1, 2, 3 and 4, cowboys and cowgirls of the past, present and future will fill the authentic rodeo arena for

the grand entry introduction to the rodeo performances each night at 8:00 p.m.

Classic events of the rodeo plus a few that are unique to the TCR include double mugging, oldtimers events, wild cow milking and the infamous wild mare race.

The setting for the rodeo is picturesque as the grounds are located on the beautiful SMS Ranch with the West Texas sunset playing backdrop to the rustic arena which has been coined by many throughout the years as "Little Cheyenne".

Couples can dance the night

away beginning at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday night to the music of Red Steagall and the Boys in the Bunkhouse on Saturday night and to Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys on Sunday through Tuesday.

Held in the TCR's open air covered pavilion, the dance is a fun and relaxing way to end a day full of TCR excitement.

Various other events are planned throughout the four days, including the Western Art Show in the air conditioned John Selmon Gallery and the TCR Trade Show featuring wall-to-wall booths of western attire, jewelry and TCR

souvenirs in the upstairs portion of the gallery.

The art Preview Party will be June 29 at 6:30 p.m. This evening of dancing, a Joe Allen's steak dinner, cocktails and a quick-draw auction benefits the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

On Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 p.m., old Matador ranch cowboy Dennis Gaines will headline this year's Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Many of today's top cowboys and cowgirls of verse and song will be on hand for this extraordinary event.

Other events scheduled include the brisket cookoff on Saturday

and one of the largest Bit and Spur Shows in West Texas on Monday and Tuesday.

The Chuckwagon Cookoff and Ranch Horse Show will take place on Tuesday.

The Cowboy Oldtimers Association Reunion will be held in conjunction with the events and will include the ever-popular fiddler's contest on Tuesday.

For more information, contact the Stamford Chamber of Commerce at 915-773-2411 or visit the TCR website at terodeo.com.

Rodeo tickets may be reserved in advance by calling 915-773-3661.

Stroke organization reaches out to Knox County survivors

Stroke survivors, caregivers and others affected by America's third leading killer and major cause of disability have a "friend" who understands their problems.

According to Peggy Guinn, president of the Knox County Division of the American Heart Association, "often stroke survivors feel overwhelmed by the challenges of a radically altered life." "Until a few years ago, stroke

survivors had no formal, national network linking them in their emotional and physical recovery," she said.

The friend can be reached by dialing 1-800-553-6321, which connects the caller to the American Stroke Association's Stroke Connection's "Warmline". The calls are answered by volunteers who themselves have either suffered a stroke or are the caregiver

of a stroke survivor. The American Stroke Association is a division of the American Heart Association.

Stroke Connection is a grassroots network of alliances, coalitions, outreach programs and support groups dedicated to improving the quality of life for survivors and caregivers.

Stroke Connection began in 1983 as a way to help stroke

survivors and caregivers help themselves. Today the Stroke Connection includes more than 1,600 stroke support groups with about 180,000 members.

Healthcare providers regularly advise their patients to contact Stroke Connection and to become involved in network activities offered in outreach, education, information and inspiration.

Aging center lunch menus

July 3rd thru July 7th

Monday, July 3 - Fourth of July picnic, sandwiches, potato chips, pork and beans, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, ice cream, cookies.

Tuesday, July 4 - Holiday - closed.

Wednesday, July 5 - Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, green salad, biscuits, cobbler.

Thursday, July 6 - Beef stew, cheese sticks, seven minute cabbage, cornbread, cookies.

Friday, July 7 - Beef spaghetti, fried squash, salad, garlic bread, peaches with topping. (All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)



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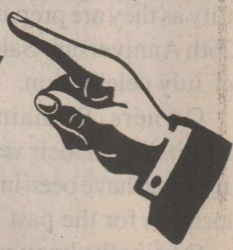
Walk Across Texas is an 8-week fitness program sponsored by The Texas Agricultural Extension Service - Family & Consumer Sciences Committee.

Eleven teams are participating in the program and trying to be the first team to reach Brownsville, TX. Below is the current status of this friendly competition. These figures reflect the total team mileage after 7 weeks of the 8-week program.

TEAM	TOTAL MILES	RANKING
Bodacious Bikig Bankers	1064	1 st
Bulldog Trekkers	765	2 nd
FNB Happy Hikers	711	3 rd
Citizens Bank Walkers Too	711	3 rd
Citizens Bank Walkers	523	4 th
Munday Lions Club	475	5 th
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TCR oldtimers plan full slate of activities for attendees during July 1 thru 4 events

STAMFORD - The TCR Oldtimers Association has planned daily activities July 1 through July 4 for TCR Rodeo attendees.

All activities are open to the public and anyone interested in wanting to be a part of preserving

the Farm and Ranch way of life is encouraged to become a member. Information is available at the Bunkhouse/Museum office from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day of the Rodeo.

Members who have died since last year's meeting will be remem-

bered at the Saturday morning memorial service at 10:00. They are Horace Arledge, B.J. (Barney) Barnett, B.O. Hawkins, Juanita (Neat) Bevel, Alan Overton and Pat Patterson.

Sunday, July 2, at 2:00 p.m. a gospel singing will be held. All area musicians and singers were welcome to share their talents. To be listed on the program, call 915-773-2275.

July 4 featured the fiddlers' contest in the roundup hall. Fiddlers should contact Carl Griggs, chairman, for more information. Following lunch, the traditional dance will be held, the music will be provided by Roland Smith and the Road Runners.

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Dr. Neufeld to be honored in Mansfield, Missouri July 15

June 16, 1950, was a red letter day in Mansfield, Missouri. On that date, Dr. Newton D. Neufeld opened his medical practice. On the same day in 2000, he took down his shingle to enjoy being a "gentleman farmer" tending to his 700 plus fruit tree orchard.

During his practice in Mansfield, Mo., Dr. Neufeld was the personal physician to Laura Ingle Wilder who wrote the series of books titled "Little House on the Prairie". After Mrs. Wilder's death, he and nine other men in the community endowed the foundation of the "Laura Ingle Wilder Home and Museum".

Dr. Neufeld practiced medicine in Knox County in the 1980's and early 1990. He was instrumental in keeping the doors of the hospital open during the time of government redesign of health care that almost closed the facility. He was presented the "Extra Mile" award by the Knox City Chamber of Commerce for his dedication to Knox County Hospital.

Upon leaving Knox City, Dr. Neufeld returned to Seymour, Mo., just up the road from Mansfield, to his farm. He continued his practice his practice in the Mt. Vernon Clinic.

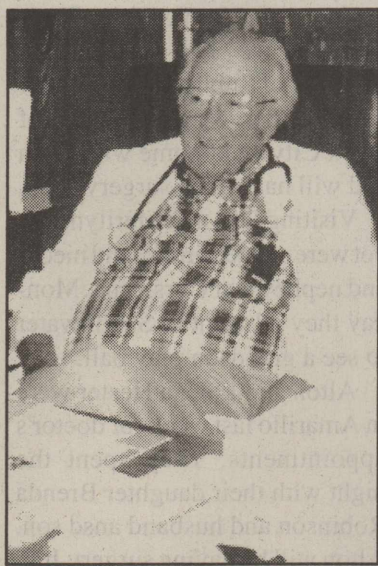
He also served as the chief of Staff of the Veterans Home. Among his patients were several veterans of World War I. Dr. Neufeld took great delight in visiting with them each day and lovingly referred to them as "my boys". His daily community was 150 miles, round trip, a testimony of his dedication to the medical profession.

While keeping a rigorous medical practice schedule, Dr. Neufeld tended to his farm. Over the past 10 years he has developed an orchard of apple, pear, peach and nut trees and has grown some huge gardens, sharing most of the produce with his neighbors and friends. His pride and joy was a herd of Texas Longhorn cattle. Following double hip replacement surgery a few years ago, he was unable to tend to them, and sold the herd to devote his time to the orchards.

Although Doc is retiring from the "office" medical practice, he just can't seem to quit doctoring all together, and has added a room to his house on the farm so he can tend to the medical needs of the neighbor. The title of "Country Doctor" and "Gentleman Farmer" suit him well and is pretty amazing for a man who celebrated his 78th birthday in February.

It is not uncommon for Dr. Neufeld to call old friends in Knox County and start asking about his former patients. He always speaks fondly of Knox County folk and still misses them. When he came to Knox County for a visit, he always had a load of Missouri apples to share. He said the only thing he regretted about having both hips replaced was that he could not longer travel to Texas for his annual visits.

Friends and family will be hosting a surprise retirement celebration for Dr. Neufeld on July 15 in Mansfield, Mo. His former patients are invited to send cards and letter to him for this occasion. If readers would like to drop him a line, they can mail it to Rob or Dorothy Harrison, 905 SE Third, Knox City, drop it by their house



DR. NEWTON D. NEUFELD

or catch them in town. These should be received by Thursday, July 13, for hand delivery to Dr. Neufeld at the celebration.

Thanks for helping make this a memorable day for a man who touched many lives in Knox County.

Benjamin news

It's another nice day today (Monday). Cool, cloudy and showery. Couldn't ask for anything better. If July and August will be half as nice as June has been, we can't complain much about the summer of 2000!!!

It's good to report that Louse Hertel is improving every day. It's slow but encouraging. Donnie is here today and I just talked to him and he's feeling better about her condition. He had to come in to take care of some business and will go back this afternoon. Their son, Craig of Gainesville, was with Louise.

Barbara Pierce is in Hendrick in Abilene. Having a pretty rough time but hopefully after a few days will feel better. She's in room 6723 and enjoys hearing from friends.

Christine Patterson is having a pretty rough time also. Some days are better than others but she, these others and their families are in need of your prayers.

Here 'N There - Little visiting and vacationing going on the past week or so. Things are beginning

to pick up "travel-wise".

Dutch and Imagean Young, their grandson, Anthony Lamb and nephew, Bubba Benson, spent last week in Corpus Christi. Imagean was there for a JP meeting and the guys had a fun time.

Omitene Barnett, Debbie Clower and family and Debbie's mom, Dickie Lloyd, spent last week in Dallas, Dickie was hospitalized soon after they arrived suffering from a stroke. She's still in the hospital but is having some therapy and is probably going to get to come home in a few days. Certainly we wish her well.

Jack and Mary Young visited their daughter, Debbie Neil and family in Haltom City, during the weekend.

Gloria and Leroy West attended the funeral of his uncle, Joe West, in San Angelo last Friday.

Dub and Jo Cartwright returned home last week from vacation in Branson, Mo. Her aunt of San Antonio accompanied them.

Corrine Parrish and Philomae Roberson were in Abilene on Saturday.

Randy and Mel Reed and Chase were weekend guests of her

daughter and family in Abilene.

In listing my homecoming weekend company last week, I failed to mention Gene Hall and Carolyn Mills of Kerrville, who also visited me.

Last week our school board and Supt. were in San Antonio for a state meeting. This is an annual thing and families get to go along for a little R&R while the board members attend meetings. Attending from here were Mitzi Ham and Shane Welch, Randy and Mel Reed and Chase, Dickie, Laura

and Gina McCanlies, Tracy and Susan Cartwright, Shanna and Glen Heard and Ryan (of Gilliland), Wyman Meinzer, Tim and Barbara Horne (also of Gilliland), and Supt. Ben Grill.

Bud Conner, Hazel Stockton and Clay Conner spent the weekend with Bud's sons and families, the Steve Conners in Colorado City and the Keith Conners in Big Spring. Clay remained for a visit.

Debbie Clower and her children attended a Christian camp last week near Canton. Debbie was the camp nurse and she said it was a busy four days.

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O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"One of the life's mysteries is how a two-pound box of candy can make a woman gain five pounds."

"It's frustrating when you know all the answers and nobody bothers to ask you the questions."

"If you can remain calm, you just don't have all the facts."

"I finally got my head together, and my body fell apart."

"The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing in the right place, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

"Time may be a great healer, but it's also a lousy beautician."

"Brain cells come and brain cells go, but fat cells live forever."

Here and There - Ranzy's brother, Felton and Betty Herring and daughter Ava Margeret and son Cody of Fort Worth visited Ranzy in the care home at Munday. They also visited Adelle at home. Jean Gibson of Springtown visited Sunday with her father, Marvin Manning, in the care home in KC. She also visited with Charlene Brothers and Don in

O'Brien and the James Manning and Cody Manning families in Knox City.

Janoma Stephens returned after spending eight days in Boston, Massachusetts, attending the 109th convention of General Federation of Women's Clubs. All 51 states and seven foreign countries made up the 1400 ladies registering. Highlights of her trip were visiting Harvard University, John F. Kennedy museum, many historical buildings and churches. The last night was spent attending the Boston Pop at the old Symphony House, counted 25 violins plus. Large city, lots of good food, thick traffic and many, many people, Janoma said.

Vivian Hendrix returned home Saturday after spending the week in Wichita Falls. Her daughter LeNear had surgery and will be in the hospital for several days. She also needs our prayers.

Saturday night Clara Hanson picked up Billie Walker, Bernice Rowan, Vivian Hendrix and I and we attended the musical at Old Glory. There really was a crowd

of people and lots of musicians.

I had a nice visit Sunday afternoon from Lubbock, Wendi Anderson and Jamie Wells. Their parents are Jim and Tenia Johnston of Lubbock. Their other grandmother Maizie Kainer of Knox City went home with them and will have back surgery soon.

Visiting Dan and Marilyn Talbot were a sister Jimmy and nieces and nephews of Corsicana. Monday they all went to Shallowater to see a grandson play ball.

Alton and LaUna Hester were in Amarillo last week for doctor's appointments. They spent the night with their daughter Brenda Robinson and husband and son. Alton will be having surgery July 13 for his problem. LaUna still has lots of backaches and is still on medication for it.

Royce Manning of Abilene visited with his parents Orval and Helen Manning last week. The men enjoyed a good time golfing.

Spending the weekend with John Lippard was his daughter Nancy of Oklahoma. She attended church while here.

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It's a boy!

Preston Everett Lynn

Lawri and Scott Lynn are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Preston Everett Lynn, born Friday, June 23, at 4:09 p.m., at Abilene Regional Medical Center. The baby weighed in at seven pounds, eight ounces, and measured 20 inches in length.

Helping welcome the baby home were big brother and sisters, Landon, age seven; Allison, age five; and Andrea, age three.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Tankersley and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lynn are paternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Tankersley of Knox City and Mrs. Myrl Hall of Anson.

TxDOT issues moratorium on removing markers

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently temporarily suspended the removal of unauthorized memorial markers from highway right of way until it completes a review of department guidelines on the markers.

The moratorium still allows for the removal of markers that pose an immediate safety threat to motorists. Owners of markers that are removed for safety reasons will be notified if possible.

Since 1986, TxDOT has allowed markers in the right of way at locations of fatal crashes that involve driving while intoxicated. The markers must meet size, location and construction restrictions for safety reasons.

The intent of the markers is to raise public awareness of the dangers of DWI. Nearly 30 percent of all fatal crashes on Texas highways involve alcohol.

"Our intent behind the guidelines has been to raise public awareness of the dangers of DWI, not to memorialize victims," Michael Behrens, TxDOT assistant executive director for engineering operations, said. "The issue we must now consider carefully is what is the appropriate use of highway right of way. Traditionally, our department has taken a strict view that highway right of way should be reserved for only regulatory and guide signs and that it be used to benefit the general public while being consistent with the safe operation of the state highway system. The DWI markers have been considered appropriate due to their public safety awareness intent. We are very sensitive to the fact that any memorial marker currently in our highway right of way is there because someone has lost a loved one. For that reason, the moratorium on removing unauthorized markers is appropriate while we have time to review our guidelines. The temporary moratorium should not be misinterpreted as a change in the guidelines, but it will provide us time to carefully review them."

TxDOT is reevaluating its guidelines for markers in highway right of way following concerns raised by citizens that memorials should be allowed along highways regardless of the nature of the fatal crash.

Texas crime drops in 1999

The number of major crimes committed in Texas decreased by .06 percent in 1999, according to preliminary data compiled by the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The crime rate - the number of crimes per 100,000 population in Texas - declined 1.5 percent.

The eight-page summary of crime information can be accessed at the DPS web site, www.txdps.state.tx.us.

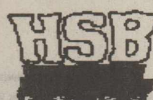
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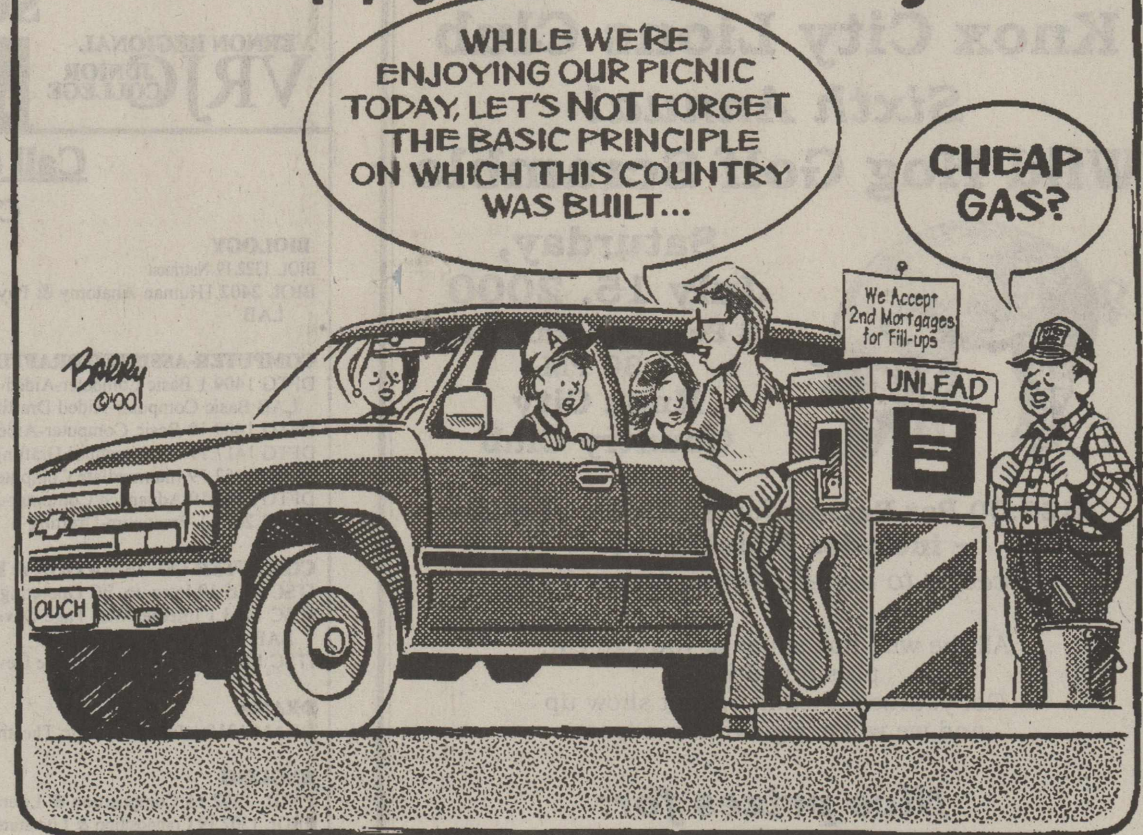
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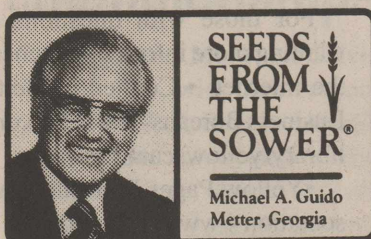
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A little fellow sat on a fence, gazing at some apples.
Suddenly a farmer appeared and asked, "Are you trying to steal my apples?"
"No, sir," answered the boy, "I'm trying not to, but my not to isn't too strong."
You and I live on a battleground in this world. The struggle between good and evil is constantly raging. The devil controls the evil and attacks the good. He's powerful, and no one is excluded from his attacks.
So be careful, and look to the Lord. Your "not to" isn't too strong. The Bible says, "Be strong in the Lord's strength, not your own. Get your power from Him."
You'll trust the Lord, won't you?

Braxton shares highlights of French national championship game

(Editor's Note: This email was received by Faye Shaver in regard to her grandson's championship game win in France on Friday, June 16. With so many interested in Braxton's achievements, we are running this in its entirety.)

Everyone - Well yesterday we won the

FFFA National Championship. We defeated the Agronauts 68-35. The games was a close game until about halfway through the third quarter, then we were able to pull away from them. We were behind early in the first quarter and then we led by 30-21 at half-time. It was a lot of fun. Everyone on our team played great.

Each of our three running backs scored a TD of 20 yards or more, and I was able to throw seven touchdowns to five different receivers. Our slotback Vincent had a great game. He caught two touchdowns and a lot of passes. One of the touchdowns went for about 65 yards. It was a deep corner route where he beat his man and then

made an excellent catch on the sideline. He then raced the next 30 yards to the endzone. One of his other catches was a deep route down the middle of the field with only 50 seconds left in the first half. It was about a 55 yard reception that got us down to our 10 yard line. Two plays later we scored. He was awarded the MVP

of the game and got a huge trophy. The last touchdown pass was to a receiver that was pulled up from the Flash junior team a month ago. His name is Fabrese, he is 18 years old, he is one of the two fastest receivers on the team, and he speaks about as much English as I do French (which means none).

For the last month, I have been working one-one with him on our days off to teach him how to play receive, everything from running routes to catching balls and he has made a huge improvement. He finally got into the game late in the fourth quarter and our coach wanted to get him a catch. Since the kid can't catch very well, the only route we thought he would be able to catch was a deep route, one where he could just run under the ball. Well he ran under the ball in the endzone and both he and the defensive back jumped up for it. Neither of them caught the ball and it was knocked back into the air. As the two of them and the ball were falling to the ground, Fabrese reaches out and catches it just before it hits the ground. I don't think that the official could believe what just happened because it took him a good five or six seconds to signal touchdown. Our sideline went wild and Fabrese was jumping around in the endzone like a . . .

well, like a kid who just caught a TD pass. He then ran from the endzone past our sideline and up into the stands where he stood like a statue with his hands on his hips while the entire stadium was roar-

ing. I almost fell down on the field because I was laughing so hard. I finally made it to our sideline where Fabrese came running out of the stands and then came and tackled me. Needless to say, it is a lot different playing football over here in France that it is in the states.

This was our best offensive game of the year. The defense also played the best they have all year, they had three interceptions, one they returned for a touchdown, and also recovered a fumble. I was told that I broke two French National Records, TD's in a season (28) and TD's in a game (7), the team and owners of the team were very happy about that.

This is the second National Championship in the 16 years of the Flash, the first coming in '97 and my first championship.

I will be returning to the states on Monday, the 19th of June. I will be in Fort Worth for a couple of days and then I will be in Abilene after that. Coach Keenum has offered me a job at McMurry coaching the defensive backs, so will once again be in Abilene in the fall. I am excited about coaching at McMurry, I have had a lot of fun there the past four years and look forward to more of it.

Hope everyone is doing well and I appreciate all the emails that I have received from everyone, they have certainly helped me along in the five months that I have been over here in Paris.

Talk to everyone later.
Braxton

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Fireworks Safety

Obey local fireworks laws this July 4. Some cities prohibit personal fireworks use, and due to widespread drought, many counties are discouraging personal fireworks use this year. If fireworks use is permitted in your community, observe these safety guidelines:

- Only adults should handle fireworks.
- Discuss safety procedures with children.
- Read labels and carefully follow directions.
- Never use fireworks indoors.
- Never aim or throw fireworks at others.
- Never try to reignite fireworks that malfunction.
- Keep a bucket of water handy.
- Light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from buildings, dry vegetation and flammable materials.

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us) and the Texas Department of Health.

El bienestar de Texas

Seguridad en el uso de fuegos artificiales

Obedezca las leyes locales con respecto a los fuegos artificiales este 4 de julio. Algunas ciudades prohíben el uso personal de fuegos artificiales y debido a una sequía general, muchos condados se están oponiendo al uso personal de fuegos artificiales este año. Si en su comunidad se permite el uso personal de fuegos artificiales, observe estos lineamientos de seguridad:

- Los fuegos artificiales deben ser utilizados sólo por adultos.
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- Mantenga una cubeta de agua cerca.
- Encienda los fuegos artificiales sobre una superficie lisa y plana y alejada de edificios, vegetación seca y materiales inflamables.

FUENTES: Carol Keeton Rylander, Contralora de Cuentas Públicas de Texas (www.window.state.tx.us) y el Departamento de Salud de Texas.

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT

PERMIT NO. 10416-001

APPLICATION. City of Knox City, P.O. Box 128, Knox City, Texas 79529, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. 10416-001 (EPA I.D. #TX005505) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 200,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located approximately 0.5 mile north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 143 and State Highway 6, on the eastern bank of China Branch in Knox County, Texas. The discharge route is from the plant site to China Branch, thence to the Brazos River above Possom Kingdom Lake. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on November 3, 1999. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at City Hall, 200 N. Central Avenue, Knox City, Texas.

The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TNRCC will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

MAILING LISTS. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below. You may also ask to be on a county-wide mailing list to receive public notices for TNRCC permits in the county.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about his application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitte to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **The TNRCC may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Knox City at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Danny Parker at (940) 658-3313.

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This alert provides tips on how to recognize a bogus Yellow Pages bill and what to do should you receive one.

- If it is a solicitation, not an invoice, federal postal law requires that it must state this very clearly in a different, larger type face, often in a contrasting color.
- Use common sense. Examine the bill carefully before paying it. Check files for pending contracts with Yellow Pages publishers to ensure the mailing relates to advertising ordered.
- Contact the local Better Business Bureau for a reliability report.

• Notify the local postal inspector. The United States Postal Service works to stop misleading and fraudulent mail solicitations and wants to know when one is received.

• Alert the state attorney general's office.

• Photocopy the solicitation and post it on a bulletin board. Circulate it among accounts payable staff members.

Contact the Yellow Pages publishers that business is done with. They may want to help alert other advertisers in the area about the bogus billing scheme.

For those with questions or wanting more information, check the internet: • Council of Better Business Bureaus - www.bbb.org/library/yellowscam.htm

• Yellow Pages Publishers Association - www.yppa.org

• U.S. Postal Service - www.usps.gov/websites/department/inspect/yellow.htm

• Federal Trade Commission - www.ftc.gov/bcp/conline/buspubs/yellow.htm

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70th Texas Cowboy Reunion offers fun and excitement for all ages

Hailed as the World's Largest Amateur Rodeo, the 70th Annual Texas Cowboy Reunion will get underway for fun, rodeo and reunion, Saturday, July 1, and continue through Sunday, July 2, Monday, July 3, and Tuesday, July 4.

The excitement will kick off Friday, June 30, at 6 p.m., when the children of famed western photographer and one of the originators of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, Ray Rector, will lead the Grand Parade through the historic streets of downtown Stamford.

The event will follow a dedication of Stamford's Centennial Monument of a 15 foot tall metal cowboy on a bucking horse by Throckmorton sculptor Joe Barrington. The dedication will be at 4 p.m.

Following the parade, at 7:30 p.m., will be a dinner at the

Chuckwagon Grounds followed by a dance. Then on July 1, 2, 3, and 4, cowboys and cowgirls of the past, present and future will fill the authentic rodeo arena for the grand entry introduction to the rodeo performances each night at 8 p.m. Don't miss the classic events of the rodeo plus a few that are unique to the TCR including Double Mugging, Oldtimers Events, Wild Cow Milking and the infamous Wild Mare Race.

The setting for the rodeo is picturesque as the grounds are located on the beautiful SMS ranch with the West Texas sunset playing backdrop to the rustic arena which has been coined by many throughout the years as "Little Cheyenne."

Couples can dance the night away beginning at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday night to the music of Red Steagall and the Boys in the Bunkhouse on Saturday night

and to Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys on Sunday through Tuesday..

Held in the TCR's open air covered pavilion, the dance is a fun and relaxing way to end a day full of TCR excitement.

Various other events are planned throughout the four days, including the Western Art Show in the air conditioned John Selmon Gallery and the TCR Trade Show featuring wall-to-wall booths of western attire, jewelry and TCR souvenirs in the upstairs portion of the gallery. See the art early at the Preview Party on June 29, at 6:30 p.m.

This evening of dancing, a Joe Allen's steak dinner, cocktails and a quick-draw auction benefits the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

On Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 p.m., old Matador ranch cowboy "Dennis Gaines" will headline this

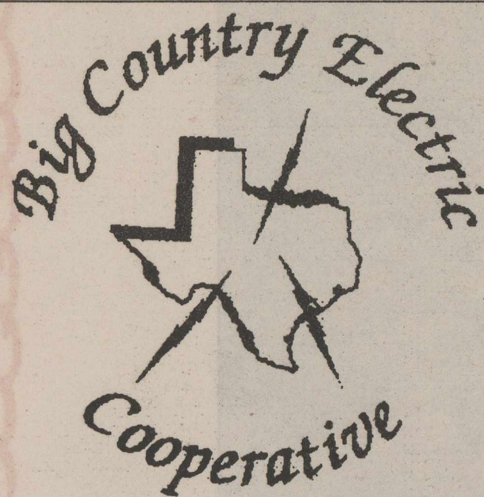
year's Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Many of today's top cowboys and cowgirls of verse and song will be on hand for this extraordinary event.

Other events scheduled include the Brisket Cookoff on Saturday and one of the largest Bit and Spur Shows in West Texas on Monday and Tuesday. The Chuckwagon Cook-off and Ranch Horse Show will take place on Tuesday.

The Cowboy Oldtimers Association Reunion will be held in conjunction with the events and will include the ever-popular fiddler's contest on Tuesday.

For more information, please contact the Stamford Chamber of Commerce at 915-773-2411 or visit the TCR web site at tcrrodeo.com.

Rodeo tickets may be reserved early by calling 915-773-3661.



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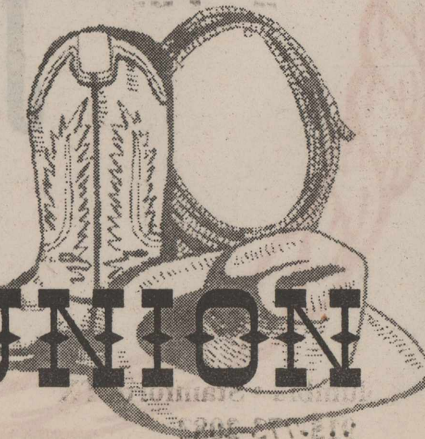


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June 30, July 1, 2, 3, & 4, 2000

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Western Art Show and Sale – Art Gallery, Pavilion Building

June 30, July 1, 2, 3, & 4 – Preview Party, June 29, 6:00 P.M.

Friday – June 30th

A.M.

9:00 Team Roping in Main Arena

P.M.

4:00 Dedication of Stamford Centennial Monument

6:00 Grand Parade - Downtown

7:30 Dinner at Chuckwagon Grounds

9:00 Dance at Pavilion

Saturday – July 1st

A.M.

9:00 Coffee and Fellowship for Old Timers at Bunkhouse

9:00 Sponsors Barrel Race - Main Arena

10:00 Memorial Services for Old Timers at Bunkhouse

11:00 Barbeque Cook-off Judging

12:00 Barbeque Lunch at Bunkhouse Shed

P.M.

6:00 Chuckwagon Dinner at Ranch Chuckwagons, Catered by Joe Allen's Pit Bar-B-Que

8:00 Rodeo Performances – Grand Entry, Rodeo Contest and Special Attractions

9:30 Dance at Pavilion – Red Steagall & The Boys in the Bunkhouse

Sunday - July 2nd

A.M.

7:00 Cowboy Church Service - Chuck Wagon Grounds

8:00 Slack Roping in Main Arena, Calf Roping and Double Mugging

9:00 Coffee and Fellowship for Old Timers at Bunkhouse

12:00 Barbeque Lunch at Bunkhouse Shed

P.M.

1:00 Slack Roping Main Arena

2:00 Gospel Singing - Bunkhouse

6:00 Chuckwagon Dinner at Ranch Chuckwagons, Catered by Joe Allen's Pit Bar-B-Que

8:00 Rodeo Performances – Grand Entry, Rodeo Contest and Special Attractions

9:30 Dance at Pavilion – Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys

Monday – July 3rd

A.M.

8:00 Slack Roping in Main Arena, Calf Roping and Double Mugging

8:30 Bit, Spur and Western Collectible Show

9:00 Coffee and Fellowship for Old Timers at Bunkhouse

10:00 Business Meeting of Old Timers at Bunkhouse

12:00 Barbeque Lunch at Bunkhouse Shed

P.M.

1:00 Slack Roping - Main Arena

1:00 Bit, Spur and Western Collectible Show

6:00 Chuckwagon Dinner at Ranch Chuckwagons, Catered by Joe Allen's Pit Bar-B-Que

8:00 Rodeo Performances - Grand Entry, Rodeo Contest and Special Attractions

9:30 Dance at Pavilion - Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys

Tuesday - July 4th

A.M.

8:00 Old Time Cowboys Calf Roping and Breakaway Roping Eliminations - Main Arena

8:30 Bit, Spur and Western Collectible Show

9:00 Coffee and Fellowship for Old Timers at Bunkhouse

10:00 Fiddler's Contest at Round-Up Hall

10:00 Ranch Horse Competition - Main Arena

12:00 Barbeque Lunch at Bunkhouse Shed

12:00 Chuckwagon Dinner at Ranch Chuckwagons, Catered by Joe Allen's Pit Bar-B-Que

12:00 Chuckwagon Cook-Off Judging at Chuckwagon Grounds

P.M.

1:00 Bit, Spur and Western Collectible Show

1:30 Cowboy Poetry - Pavilion

2:00 Dance at Round-Up Hall, Roland Smith and Roadrunners

6:00 Chuckwagon Dinner at Ranch Chuckwagons, Catered by Joe Allen's Pit Bar-B-Que

8:00 Rodeo Performances - Grand Entry, Rodeo Contest and Special Attractions

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Parade June 30.....

Rector family to serve as 2000 Parade Marshals

Much of the history of Stamford, the Swenson Ranch and the surrounding area was recorded in the photographs of Stamford photographer Ray Rector.

Keeping with the theme of the Stamford Centennial and the 70th anniversary celebration of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, the children of this special man have been invited to serve as the Parade Marshals for this year's TCR.

As Parade Marshals, Tommie, Lena and Margaret Rector will officially lead the Texas Cowboy Reunion into town on Friday, June 30, at 6 p.m.

Three of six siblings, they all say they feel very honored to be representing their family at this special event which their father helped organize back in 1930.

"I always thought the parade marshal is usually a governor or senator and I was very honored when I was asked to do it," says Tommie, who at 90 years of age is still known as "Stamford's historian."

"We consider it a privilege and an honor to have been invited," says Margaret, 80, the youngest sibling. "I just wish that all six of us could be



here."

According to Margaret, the other three sisters, Lyndall, Dorothy and Elaine will not be able to attend due to health reasons.

It was about 1902 when Ray Rector moved to Stamford from Roby, where he had been influential in the founding of Fisher County.

Shortly later, he opened a photog-

raphy studio and, according to Tommie, took pictures for ten cents each.

"I like to say that he was in 'ancient' photography," says Tommie, who followed in his father's footsteps and became a photographer himself, "he started before they even had rolled film and he just used plates."

Tommie says his father's love of ranch photography stemmed from his own experiences as a cowboy.

"He loved being a cowboy, but just decided that he needed to do something else to help support a family," Tommie adds.

"Most people remember my father for his photography collection," agrees Margaret, who donated his collection to the University of Texas Humanities Research Center.

In fact, Margaret was able to acquire her father's collection to be displayed throughout the TCR, in the art pavilion, beginning the night of

the Preview Party on June 29.

"This will be a special treat for all TCR visitors," says Gary Mathis, TCR president, "I feel very fortunate that we were able to get this here on this anniversary year for both Stamford and the TCR."

This exhibit has traveled throughout United States and was even featured at Dundee, Scotland's 800th Year Anniversary.

Margaret also adds that she will have copies of her dad's book, *Cowboy Life on the Texas Plains*, available for purchase.

"These are no longer in print and I have most of the remaining copies," she says, "they are collectors items."

Margaret, who moved to Austin with her sister Lena, after graduating from Stamford High School, worked for the State of Texas until

See Rector on page 8

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At a given signal, the four wild mares will be turned out of the chutes and each contestant, along with his helpers, must saddle his wild mare between the chutes and the line marked across the arena nearest the chute.

If no mares are saddled within a six minute time limit, all the contestants will be disqualified. After sad-

dling his wild mare, the contestant must mount the ride across a line marked at the far end of the arena and return to the starting point, crossing the line at the end of the arena nearest the chutes.

The contestant who first completes this ride will be declared the winner if in the opinion of the judge he has qualified in all respects.

No hazing of mares other than members of the rider's team will be allowed.

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Wild Cow Milking

The contest consists of a roper and two muggers. Only the roper will be mounted.

Cows will be given deadline start, and when said cow crosses deadline, she is roper's cow. Ten-second fine for roper's mount breaking barrier. Only one loop will be permitted. All catches must be by the head. No healing or intentional tripping. Optional dally or tie, but rope must be removed from saddle horn before milking commences.

JERK DOWN RULE— Jerking animal over backwards will result in a ten-second penalty.

The roper must do the milking in a 12 ounce bottle. Cow must be up when milked and rope must be removed from cow before milker runs to the judge. If the milk will not pour, the team is disqualified. The team with the fastest time wins.

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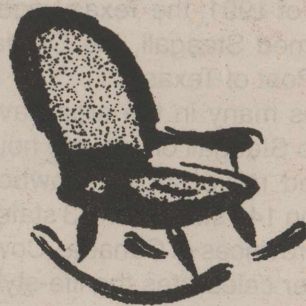
Every year since 1936, they have marched in the parade and they also provide the arena music at each nightly performance of the rodeo.

The legendary band is known for their original uniforms of chaps and cowboy hats, and their performance manner represents the true cowboy spirit. They delight the crowd with their hootin' and hollerin' while performing western tunes.

The Cowboy Band has played at five presidential inaugurations and numerous Texas governor's inaugurations. The band also performed with many celebrities, namely, Will Rogers, Bob Hope and Gene Autry. They receive countless invitations each year and must turn many down, but always keep the first week of July open for the TCR.

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Red Steagall to play Saturday night dance

Visitors at the Texas Cowboy Reunion will have an extra special treat Saturday night, July 1, as Red Steagall and his Boys of the Bunkhouse band will sing authentic Texas swing music and cowboy songs to dancers of all ages.

Co-sponsored by Swenson Land and Cattle Company, Steagall is excited to play the dance which will begin at 9:30 p.m.

Spanning 30 years, Steagall's entertainment career includes over 200 compositions recorded both by himself and other artists.

Known mostly for his Texas Swing dance music and such songs as "Here We Go Again," Party Dolls and Wine," Freckles Brown and "Lone Star Beer and Bob Wills Music," Steagall is beloved by Texas cowboys for the quiet times they have spent with him around the chuckwagon campfires.

In their opinion, Steagall's best music has never been heard by the public. And, if you ask him where his favorite place to play music was, he would probably answer, "on a lonesome cow camp in West Texas."

As a native Texan, Steagall enjoyed a career in Agricultural Chemistry after graduating from West Texas State University in Canyon, with a degree in Animal Science and Agronomy.

He then spent eight years as a music industry executive in Holly-

wood, California and has spent the last thirty years as a recording artist, songwriter and television and motion picture personality.

He currently offices outside of Fort Worth, where in addition to his entertainment activities, he is currently involved in the production of motion pictures and television shows.

He has over 200 of his compositions recorded by himself or by other artists.

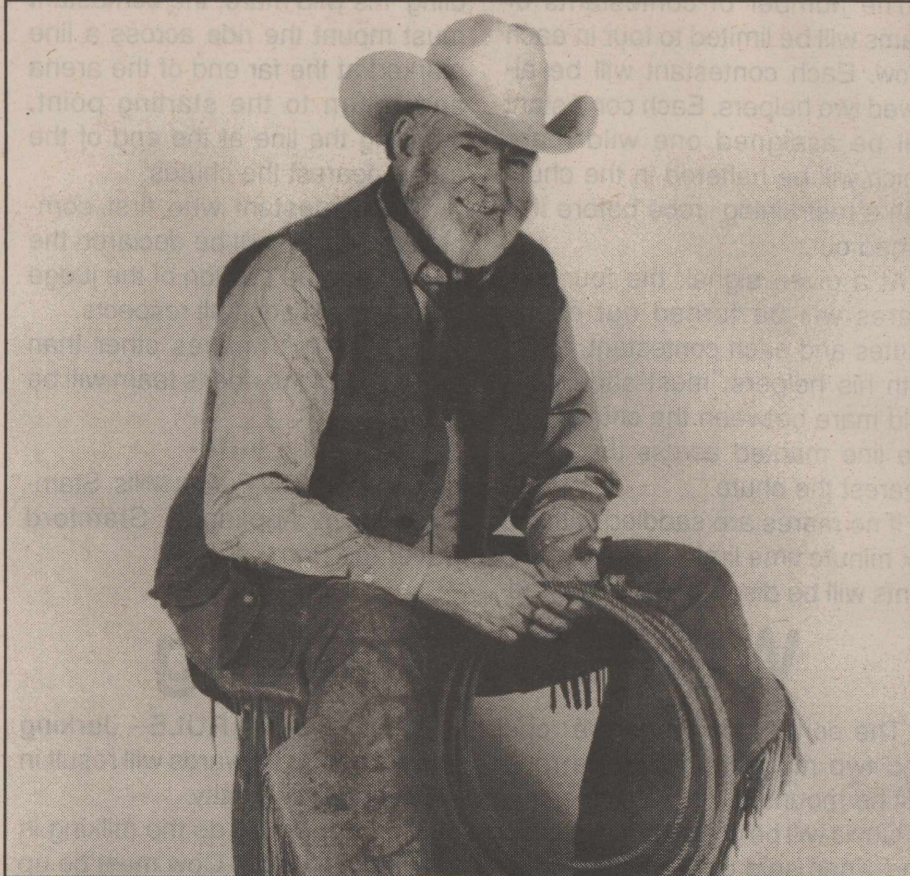
He has recorded 26 consecutive records on the national charts and released a total of 19 albums.

As an actor, he had a major role in the motion picture, *Benji, the Hunted*, which was released in the summer of 1987. He also had a role in the motion picture, *Dark Before Dawn* and *Abilene*.

He produced the motion picture *Big Bad John* and has been a regular on the NBC series "Music Country USA." He has hosted the National Finals Rodeo four times and has done numerous television and radio commercials (including the Texas Cowboy Reunion).

In April of 1991, the Texas Legislature named Steagall, the Official Cowboy Poet of Texas.

Perhaps many in the area have listened to Steagall on his one hour syndicated radio show, "Cowboy Corner," on 140 stations in 43 states and two provinces of Canada. Cowboy Corner celebrates the life-style



of the American west through the poems, songs and life stories of the American Cowboy. He has featured many guest artists including Charlie Daniels, Michael Martin Murphy, Waddie Mitchell, Buck Ramsey and

Stamford's own Gary Mathis, president of the Swenson Land and Cattle Company and the Texas Cowboy Reunion.

Steagall was also the 1998 Texas Cowboy Reunion Parade Marshal.

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Stamford celebrates Centennial on June 30 with monument and commissary dedications

Friday, June 30, will be a big day for the City of Stamford as the town celebrates its Centennial.

Festivities will begin at 3 p.m., with the dedication of the Swenson Commissary (1 1/2 block south of square on Swenson) as a historic landmark.

According to Maxie Kohout, president of the Jones County Historical Society, the program will consist of a posting of colors by local city officials and a charge for restoration by Congressman Charles Stenholm and Representative David Counts.

The history of the commissary and its vital role to the everyday lives of Swenson cowboys will be presented.

Dr. Tony Selmon will recall some childhood memories of the commissary when his father, John Selmon worked as SMS ranch foreman.

Bruce Swenson, patriarch of the Swenson family, will be on hand to represent the Swensons.

Centennial Monument

At 4 p.m., the celebration continues with the dedication of the Centennial Monument (in front of the City

Swimming Pool on McHarg Street).

Both Stenholm and Counts will be present at this event when the \$20,000 Joe Barrington sculpture representing the founding influences of Stamford will be unveiled for the first time.

During the dedication, citizens will have the opportunity to hear from the artist about his methods of constructing the 15 foot bucking horse and cowboy.

The history of Stamford will be read and all donors announced.

A time capsule will be buried at the location which will include various items put together by local high school history students and a resolution to the US Congress recognizing Stamford's Centennial presented by Stenholm.

State Senator Tom Haywood will also make a special presentation to the city.

Parade

At 6 p.m., the Texas Cowboy Reunion kicks off with its Grand Parade taking its usual route down Swenson, McHarg, Hamilton and

Ferguson Streets and around the square.

This year's theme is "100 Years of Pride, 70 Years of Tradition," paying tribute to the Centennial and the 70th year of the TCR.

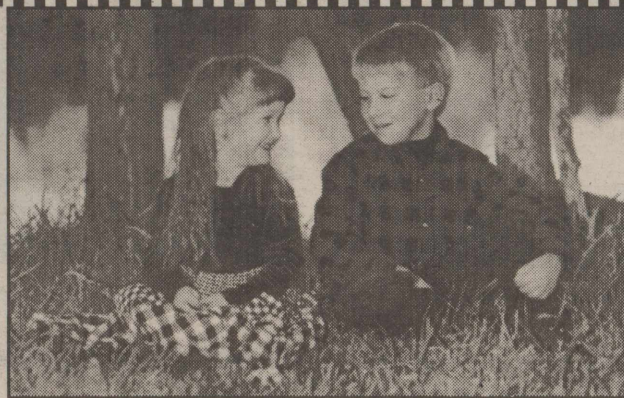
Hamburger Supper

A free hamburger supper will be served at the Chuckwagon Area of

the TCR grounds at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend this special event which is being sponsored by area businesses.

Dance

Muddy Creek of Abilene will play a special Centennial Dance at the pavilion at 9:00 p.m. There will be an admission charge for the dance.



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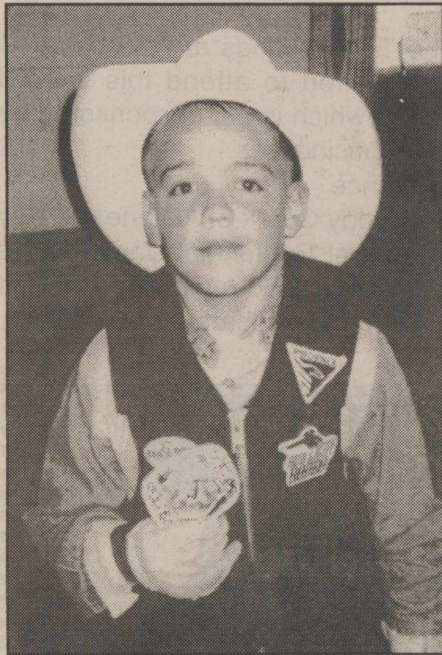
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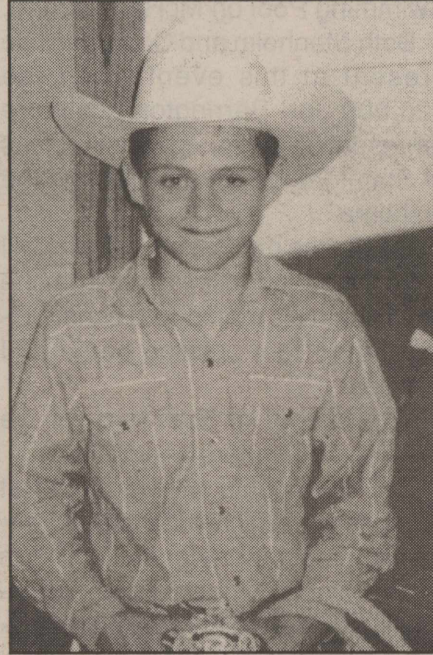
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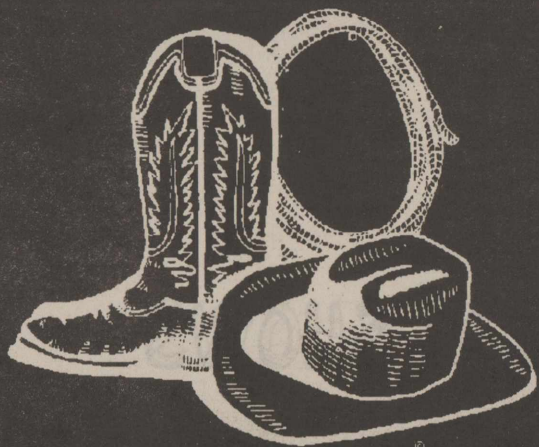
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Entries for the July 1, event are now being accepted in all divisions.

Categories include beans, spare-ribs, chicken and brisket. Participants may enter individual meats for \$20 each or all three meat categories for \$50.

There will be a pay-back on four places in all categories this year.

Beans will be judged at 11 a.m., Spare-ribs at 12 p.m. chicken at 1 p.m. and brisket at 2 p.m.

To enter, send name and money to John Jensen at 4632 CR, Lueders, TX 79533 or Cody Mathis, P.O. Box 928, Stamford, TX 79553.

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her retirement in 1977.

Lena, who retired the same year, had a 41 year career working in the Comptroller's Office.

Never marrying, the sisters have lived together since high school and love to travel and especially enjoy visiting their other siblings.

Their oldest sister, Elaine Magnuson, 93, lives in Wilmington, North Carolina. Lyndall Hodges, 87, lives in Canyon Lake and Dorothy Tuck, 82, lives in Arlington, Virginia.

"We really enjoy visiting Tommie in Stamford," she adds, "our family roots are there and it means a lot to us."

Tommie, who worked 71 years in the photography business himself, remains active in the Stamford community.

Probably in better physical health than most half his age, he is active in the Preservation League, the Museum Board and is a member of the Centennial Committee.

Tommie is also active in St. John's United Methodist Church. In fact, his family were among the first families at St. John's.

"Tommie and his wife (the late Ora Dell Rector) were married in that church, our parents' funerals were there and we all grew up there," recalls Margaret, "we have many memories of that church."

Excited to reunite once again, the Rectors are all looking forward to being a vital part of this year's 70th

Behind the Scenes at the TCR

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Annual art show dedicated to Jim West

This year's Stamford Art Foundation Show and Sale is dedicated to longtime volunteer Jim West.

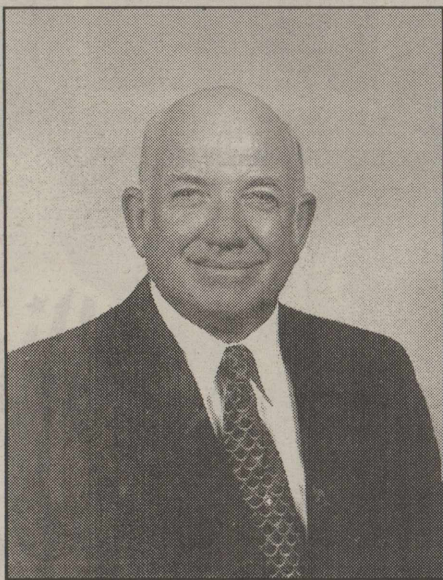
West, who has been a member of the Art Foundation since its inception in 1976, has served in almost every capacity from hanging and shipping paintings to selling tickets and hosting artists in his home.

In fact, throughout the years, West has maintained that people should always come out and support the western art show each year, "Besides being a heck of a nice party, you're contributing to the Rehab and you have the opportunity to buy some of the nicest western art."

Growing-up in the oil business, West moved to West Texas from San Diego, California, when he was only eight-years-old with his father, J.F. West, and his grandfather to take advantage of the oil boom.

His dad, a cable tool contractor and producer had jobs in Cisco, Graham and other area locales before settling in Stamford.

"One reason we settled here was because it was the only place in the area that didn't bother my severe



asthma," he recalls, "I always had really bad asthma as a child."

In fact, it was his severe asthma that kept him from being drafted into the war.

During that time, he drove a bus and helped out his dad.

"I tried to do everything I could to make up for the men who were gone then," he says.

In 1946, West graduated from Stamford High School and ventured to Lubbock where he attended Texas Tech University.

The summer prior to his senior year in college, a tragic house fire forced him to quit college and help his father and step-mother build a new house.

He then began working for his father and doing roustabout work on leases.

While working on a rig near Albany, he met a "beautiful" young lady, Nancy Moore.

They were married on September 23, 1950.

The young couple moved to Stamford and then on to Graham where West built a gasoline plant on a lease.

They then returned to Stamford and began working with his dad until he began Gem Drilling Company, 25 years ago with Lynn Gillespie.

Since that time, West, taking after his father who was a founder of the hospital and Mabee Clinic, has become active in every facet of the community.

Long time and faithful members

of St. John's United Methodist Church, West has served on several boards in the church.

He has been president of the Rotary Club and was on the Stamford CLISD Board of Trustees for twelve years.

He is a longtime director of the Texas Cowboy Reunion where he serves as secretary and was ticket chairman from 1966-1989.

West is a director of the West Central Texas Oil and Gas Association, the United Way and the American Cancer Society.

West says he is also a very proud husband, father and grandfather.

The West's son Jimmy works in Houston for an environmental group and has two daughters, Kirby and Lacy.

Their daughter Jeanie is a doctor's assistant in Dallas and has two daughters, Sara and Katie.

Accomplishing much, West remains humbled about this year's art show being dedicated to him, "there are so many others who deserve this honor much more than me," he says, "everyone works together, that's what makes it a success."



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Paula Bennett to serve as 2000 TCR Hostess

On May 1, Ann Kinney delivered a small wrapped box to Paula Bennett. In the box was a note which stated that Paula had been selected as the Hostess for the 70th Texas Cowboy Reunion.

"I was completely shocked and speechless," she recalls, "I always thought it would be an honor, but never thought about it being me. I am so honored and am so excited about the festivities throughout the month of June and the TCR itself."

During her reign as Hostess, Paula was the honoree at various parties, brunches and events throughout the month of June.

Throughout the TCR, Paula will remain extremely busy as she will ride in the parade on June 30, attend all four nights of the rodeo, give a special welcome at the Cowboy Poetry Gathering and host the luncheon and coke party for the Sponsors.

"I love the tradition at the TCR," she exclaims, "this is such a wonderful event with so many different activities....everyone can find something they like."

Attending the TCR each year has become somewhat of a tradition for Paula and her husband Blaine.

"We never miss a performance," she smiles, "I love all of the events, but really enjoy the barrel racing and roping."

Paula has several friends and relatives that compete in these events at the TCR which helps add to the excitement.

In fact, it is not unusual for the Bennetts to spend the entire day watching slack roping or barrel racing, run home to grab a quick sandwich and then head out for that night's performance.

"We usually just take all of it in," she grins.

Perhaps, Paula's love for the rodeo is a family thing. Her uncle Birch Wilfong and cousins Bob and Chick have all competed.

In 1942, her Uncle Birch won two saddles in the Wild Cow Milking. Thirty years later, his son and his former partner's son won the same event.

In addition, Paula and Blaine have both worked at the Stamford Art Foundation Show and Sale, both during the rodeo and the Preview Party.

One of her favorite memories of the TCR was a few years ago when her brother who lives in Tennessee brought his wife to visit.

"She had never been to a rodeo and just really got into it...bought a hat and all....I just had a wonderful time watching her take everything in," she explains.

As the administrator at Stamford Memorial Hospital, Paula has a very "high stress" job which she likes to compliment with her hobbies of gardening and keeping an absolutely beautiful yard.

She also takes care of their Thoroughbred horses which run in a pasture next to their house. She especially enjoys working with the



young colts.

Her love of horses goes back to when she was a young girl in Palo Pinto and her family began raising horses.

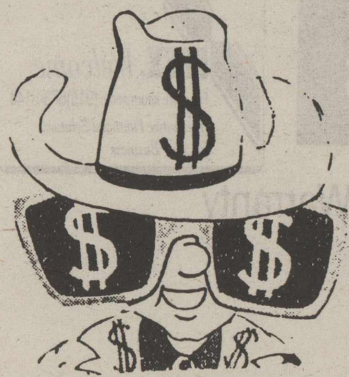
Paula's family later moved to Knox City and the Haskell area. She graduated from Weinert High School in 1971.

She received her B.S. degree in Nursing at the University of Texas. She met and married her husband

Blaine twenty five years ago and moved to Stamford.

Since then, she has worked at Stamford Memorial Hospital in many capacities including O.B. Supervisor, Director of Nurses and now as Administrator.

This year's TCR will be a good "vacation" for Paula and an extra special one as she helps welcome everyone to this year's exciting 70th anniversary event.



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The son of Texas Playboy Hoyle Nix, Jody inherited his father's love of music and his talent: a combination that was shown early in life.

He learned the soft swing of country music guided by his father and Bob Wills.

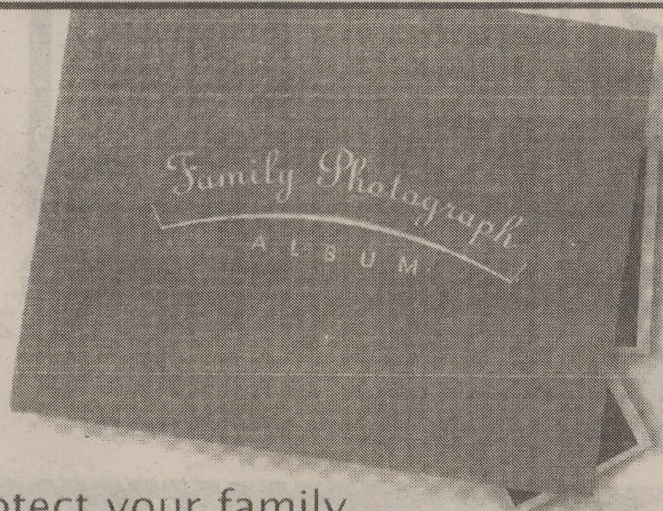
His natural talents and total dedication to western swing fiddle have dazzled audiences of all ages. Jody has created a mix of pure traditional western swing and true country music which blends to produce a unique sound that appeals to the educated listener of today.

Realizing the importance of his band, Jody carefully chose members whose music philosophy and talents mirror his own. The style and experience blend to form a unique "family". Ken Kelly is an accomplished drummer. Mark Douglas' extraordinary bass playing compliments his polished harmony singing. Bob Kelly is an outstanding steel guitar player and songwriter and Ricky Boen plays twin fiddle and sings harmony.



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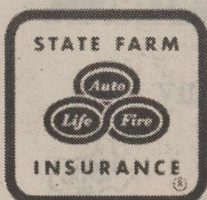
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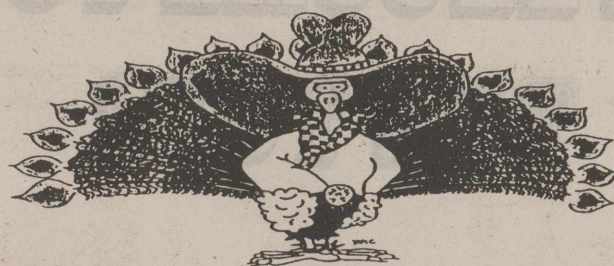
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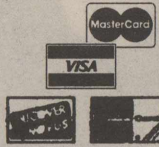
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Cowboy Poetry Exhibition on Tuesday, July 4

Cowboy poets and musicians will gather at the Texas Cowboy Reunion Dance Pavilion on July 4, for a celebration of the cowboy and his evolution into the new millennium.

Former Matador Ranch cowboy, Dennis Gaines, San Antonio humorist, brings his side-slapping humor to Stamford as he recalls the calamity resulting from a runaway bull in downtown Matador.

Gaines' talents range from his ability to capture an audience with his cowboy logic to his melodic acapella version of the western lament, "I'd Like to Be In Texas For the Roundup in the Fall."

Musical talent will include a performance from Jody Nix who can bring the audience their feet with his incredible mastery of the fiddle and his unique rendition of authentic western songs.

This year's Cowboy Poetry Gathering will also include local singer/songwriter Kent Wallace, John Dalliston, with Aussie poetic humor

and Stamford's own Steve Rogers, who will deliver new works penned for the centennial celebration.

Rodeo announcer Tom Blanton, returns from Geronimo, Oklahoma, who brings his poetic talents to the gathering with a tribute to rodeo and the men who compete in the rodeo arena.

Lanny Burnett, Bonham, Texas poet will make his first appearance at the Stamford gathering with a poem dedicated to the first cattle drives in the state and the cowboys who made the journey.

"We can promise young and old alike, an afternoon of laughter, a visit back to the time when a person's handshake was as good as contract and western singers that will have you humming into next week," says Linda Dalliston, event coordinator and emcee.

The 11th Annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering begins at 1:30 p.m. at the Dance Pavilion on July 4.

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Allison Denson to set pattern each night as Sponsor



It might be noted that the Texas Cowboy Reunion ended the last millenium with a Denson as Official Sponsor and is now beginning the millennium with another Denson.

Allison Denson, 16, has been selected to represent the community as the TCR's Stamford Sponsor.

A second cousin to last year's Sponsor Megan Denson, Allison says that she is looking forward to the upcoming busy month.

She will first represent the TCR by riding in the Wild Horse Prairie Days Parade this Friday in Haskell.

Later this month, she plans to ride in the Fandangle Parade in Albany bearing the TCR flag.

Then, throughout the TCR, she will not only ride in the parade and set the barrel pattern each night at the rodeo, but will help host a special luncheon for the competing sponsors on Saturday, July 1.

The luncheon is one of the continuing traditions for the hostess and sponsor and will be held during the barrel racing slack.

Another tradition that Denson and Paula Bennett, this year's Hostess, is bringing back is a tailgate Coke party following the parade.

Denson said that since this year's parade is at night (June 30), the coke party seemed like a good idea. "Everyone won't be so rushed to get to the rodeo," she explains.

"I am so excited to be this year's

Sponsor," says Allison, "it has been something I have wanted since I was little."

She explains that one of her mentors when she was younger was April Reves, the 1993 Sponsor. "I wanted to be just like her," she recalls, "and wanted to do everything

that she did, especially be the Sponsor."

"She was a really good role-model for Allison," adds Allison's mother, Teresa.

The Texas Cowboy Reunion has been a long-time tradition in the Denson family.

Allison's great-grandmother Alice Denson, rode horseback in the TCR parade until she was 89 years-old and continued to ride horses until her death at age 99.

Evidently, that love for horses has been inherited by Allison who was put on her first horse when she was three-years-old.

At age five, she got her first horse named Ed and began competing in playnights with the Sheriff's Posse.

As she matured, she began competing in the TCR Sponsors Barrel Race and recalls one year when she actually got covered in mud during the race.

"It had rained so much and the arena was so muddy that I was scared I was going to fall off of my horse," she recalls, "but I didn't...I made it but had mud splattered all over me."

A few years ago, as Sheriff's Posse Sweetheart, Allison led the Stamford Junior Sheriff's Posse into the arena as they set the pivots for

the Grand Entry.

Little did she know that in only a few years, she would be setting the barrel racing pattern as Sponsor on her horse Rocky.

"I love the TCR," she adds, "it has a lot of tradition and I have never missed a night since I was a baby."

The daughter of Ronny and Teresa Denson, Allison's involvement extends into many areas.

She was recently named the Bulldog Mascot for next year (something else that April Reves did) and will be attending cheerleading camp in June.

A senior next fall, Allison plays basketball and softball. This past spring, she received All-District honors in softball.

She is also active in FFA where she has participated on several judging teams and showed pigs. She was also a member of the state qualifying land judging and ag. issues teams.

Allison is also the secretary of the local Fellowship of Christian Athletes and is active in the youth group at Orient Street Church of Christ.

After graduation next year, she plans to attend Texas Tech University and study elementary education.

She also adds that she will continue to ride horses as long as she is able.



l-r: Lisa Mohler, Karl Mohler, Sindi West, Kim Willis; front: Sandy Bullard

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Art Show and Sale at John Selmon Gallery

The Stamford Art Foundation is making final plans for the 27th Art Show and Sale on July 1-4 at the John Selmon Memorial Gallery. The Preview Party will be Thursday, June 29th. The art Show is held in conjunction with the Texas Cowboy Reunion.

The Stamford Art Foundation is a non-profit organization with 15 directors and approximately 140 volunteers who work without pay to bring outstanding art to Stamford.

The proceeds from the Art show benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. The Rehab serves more than 14,000 patients annually without charge for their services. The Rehab has helped many people in Hamlin and the surrounding area.

This years show is dedicated to Jim West who is a director of the Art Foundation and a dedicated volunteer since the founding of the foundation in 1974.

The participating artists are: Barry Arthur, Brian Asher, George Boutwell, Lynn Brown, R. Russell Brown, Garnet Buster, Hugh Campbell, III, Bill Chappell, David Clark, Gerald Clark, Cary Clawson, Gail Copeland, Robert DeLeon, Paul Friske, Steve Grey, Sally Griewahn, Richard Harvey, Erwin M. Hearne, Jr., Shirley Hullum, R.P. Kidd, Daniel Maldonado, Theresa Martin, Bob Moorhouse, Tom Scarborough,

Douglas Weaver, and K.W. Whitley.

R. Russell Brown, artists, from Canyon, Texas painted and donated a watercolor painting entitled "Mountain Trail" for the Art Foundation to use in a raffle. The painting depicts two cowboys riding down a mountain trail enjoying the beauty of tall pine trees, mountains, and snow while riding slowly toward a crystal clear lake. The painting is valued at \$950.00.

The drawing for the painting will be the last performance of the Texas Cowboy Reunion on July 4th. The raffle tickets are \$5 each with all proceeds benefiting the Rehab.

The painting can be seen at the home State Bank and will be at the John Selmon Memorial Gallery during the Art Show.

The art for the 27th show can be seen for the first time at the Preview Party on June 29th. There will be a steak dinner, the music of the Billy Bob Bud Band, the "Quick Draw" event, and the drawing for two \$100 gift certificates.

Resumptions for the Preview Party are requested and can be made by writing the Stamford Art Foundation, Box 609, Stamford, TX 79553. Enclose a check payable to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center for \$30.00 per person. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

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Tommy Blanton has become somewhat of a fixture at the Texas Cowboy Reunion.

His unique style of announcing the rodeo on horseback, from a cowboy's viewpoint, is a delight to audience members of all ages.

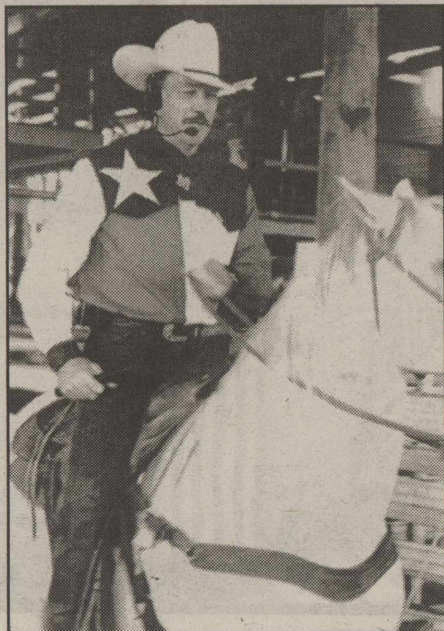
Blanton began announcing at the TCR back in 1988 and hasn't missed a year since.

Hailing from Geronimo, Oklahoma, Blanton says the TCR has become one of his favorite rodeos to announce, "I think I have a pretty good idea of what it takes to present an outstanding rodeo and they do just that at the Texas Cowboy Reunion. It is truly a great and unique rodeo and it is always a pleasure to be a part of the TCR."

Besides announcing about 40 rodeos each year, Blanton produces ridings across the country each year with his business Buckaroo Productions.

Also returning to the rodeo this year are the riding event judges, Bob Doty and Buddy Reynolds.

Besides their experience from several years of judging at the TCR,



Tommy Blanton

they both are former TCR participants.

In fact, Doty, a rodeo coach at Western Texas College, won the bareback riding championship here in 1975.

Reynolds, who was an AJRA World Champion Bareback Rider, rode in the National Finals Rodeo four years.

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PICK-UP MAN-A mounted cowboy in the arena who "picks up" the riders after they have completed their contest rides.

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HOTSHOT-A harmless electric device pressed against the hide of a bull or bronc to shock the animal into a sudden start. Used around the loading chutes.

COMMUNITY LOOP-A large loop thrown at stock by a roper.

HIGH ROLLER-A horse that leaps high in the air when bucking.

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BICYCLING-Spurring a bronc's sides first with one foot and then with the other.

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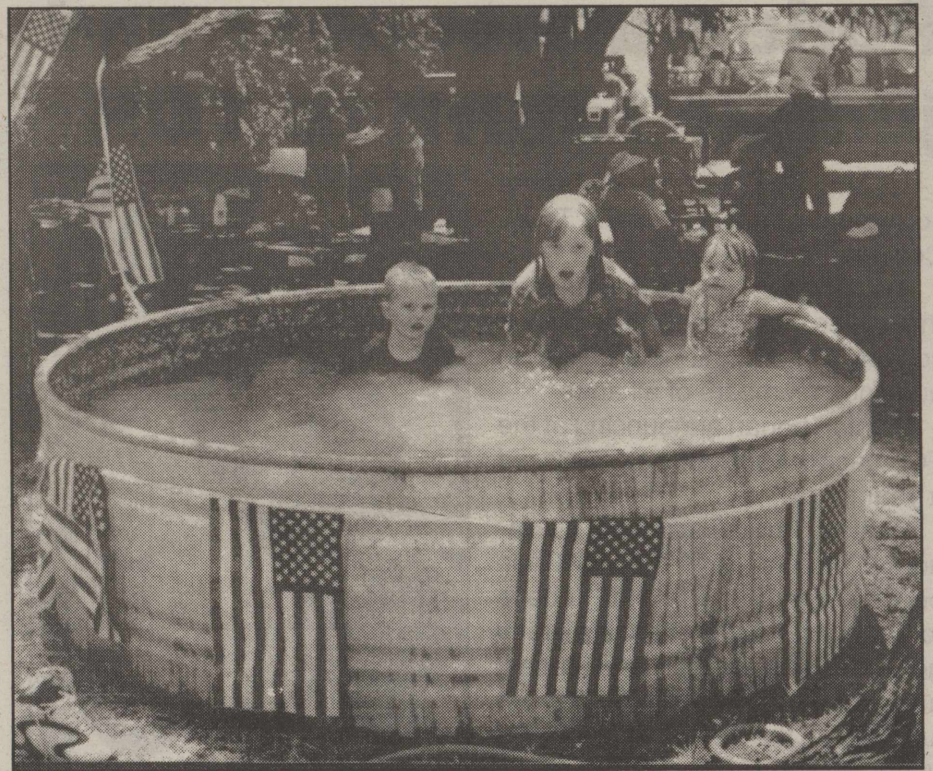


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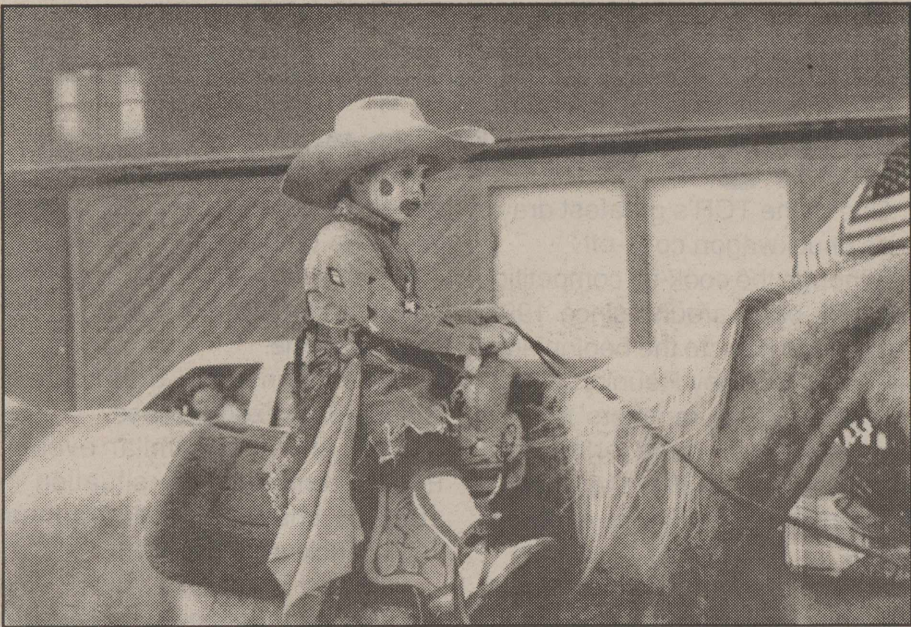
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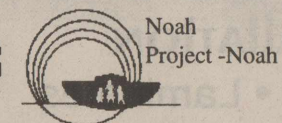
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People visiting the TCR can go by the Bit, Spur and Western Collectible Show in the Tri-Area Show Barn located north of the rodeo grounds on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Joe Mack Hargrove, chairman and founder of the event said he expects to have 20-30 exhibitors with Western Memorabilia from saddles, boots and hats to western furniture and sculptures.

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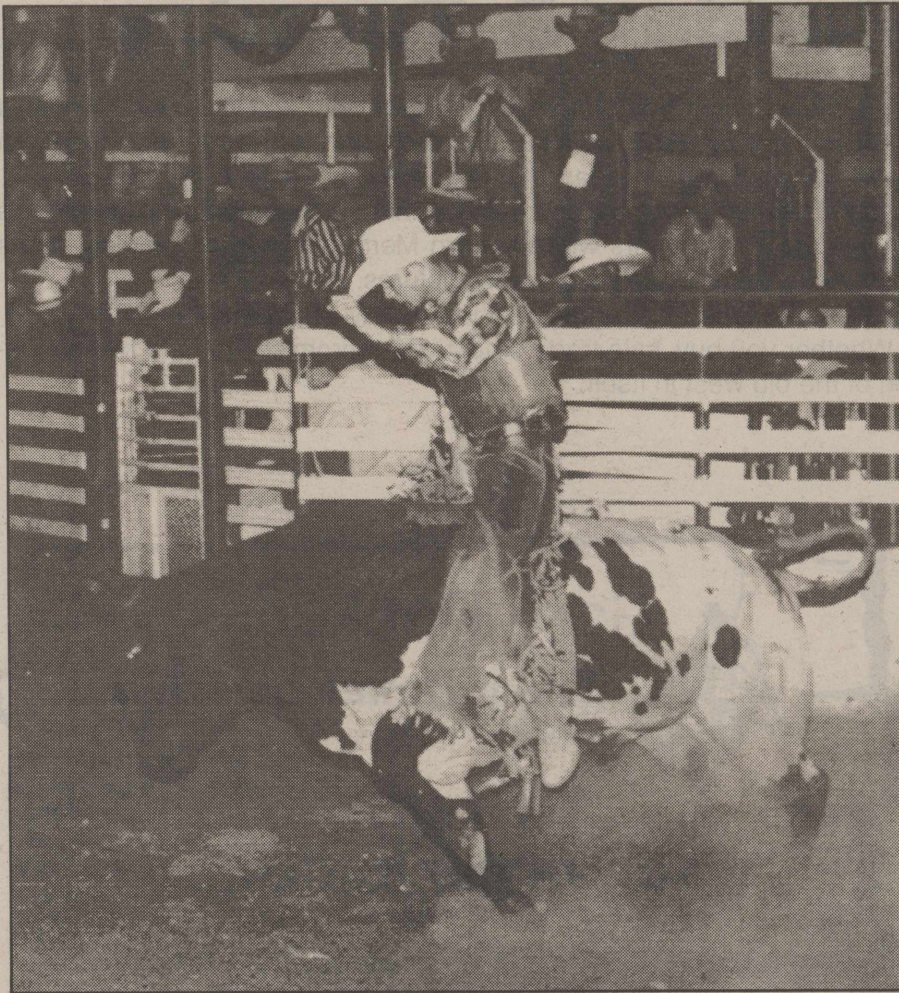
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Chuckwagon Cook-off brings back nostalgia

One of the TCR's greatest draws is its chuckwagon cook-off.

Although the cook-off competition has only been around since 1992, it's roots go back to the beginning of the Texas Cowboy Reunion.

In the 1930's, ranchers from all over the area would bring their chuckwagons, so that their participants could eat without extra expense.

As the popularity of the TCR increased, there was a need for the "city folks" to find a place to eat.

The act of eating from a real chuckwagon was so appealing that they offered to pay the wagons for the "city folks" to find a place to dine.

Soon, the directors of the TCR realized that this situation could enhance the entire atmosphere.

So, for several years they sold tickets that included meals from a "real live chuckwagon."

As time passed and the reunion continued to grow, the directors were

forced to have a separate caterer take care of the eats.

When this happened, a certain sense of nostalgia left with the chuckwagons.

However, in 1991, Ed Ekdahl of Stamford realized the loss.

After attending similar events, Ekdahl remedied the situation in 1992 by chairing the first annual TCR chuckwagon cookoff.

Bill Reed Distributing was the first sponsor and continues to sponsor the event by offering large cash awards through fourth place.

The food entered includes a beef dish, one vegetable, one bread and dessert.

Ekdahl expects seven to nine entries. Entries received as of press time are the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, the Thieving Vaqueros, the Wild Rag Ranch and the Swenson Land and Cattle Company.

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TCR Ranch Horse Competition on July 4

Area ranches will be competing in the Invitational Ranch Horse Show to be held, Saturday, July 4 at 10 a.m.

These selected cowboys from the following ranches will bring his favorite gelding to the fourth annual competition: Kelly Garrison- Beggs Ranch, Girard; Jerry Bob Daniel- Circle Bar Ranch, Truscott; Bobby Bowen- Keechi Valley Cattle Company, Milsap; Randy Reed- Spike Box Ranch, Benjamin; Gene Vickers- 3C Cattle Company, Abilene; Tom Moorhouse- Moorhouse Ranch Company, Benjamin; Bruce Ford- Harrington Ranch, Snyder; Robert Masterson- JY Ranch, Guthrie; Ed Mayfield- WT Waggoner Estate, Electra; Bob Moorhouse- Pitchfork Ranch, Guthrie; Joe Allen- Lytle Bend Ranch, Abilene.

Each cowboy will have eight minutes to complete a six maneuver course that will demonstrate their ranching abilities.

Among the skills, the cowboy will first have to lead the horse into the

arena ready to ride, drop the reins to the ground and pick up all four feet in any order.

Second, the rider mounts the horse and rides to the center of the arena to complete a designated figure pattern following pre-set guidelines.

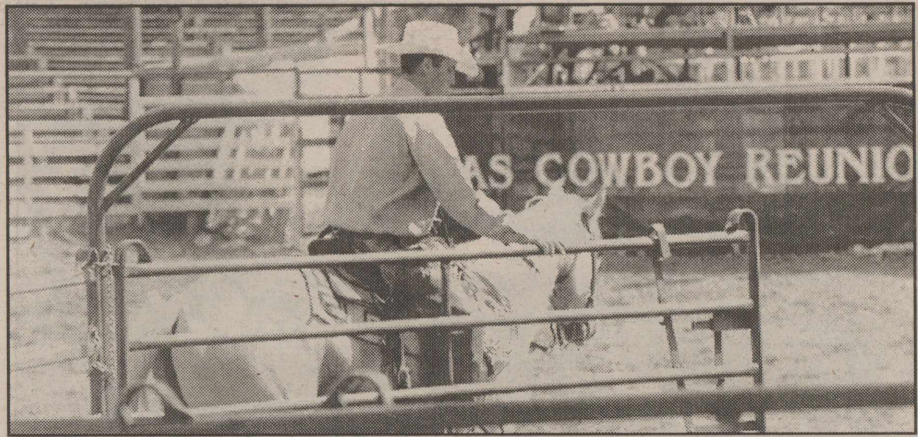
Following the pattern, the rider will ride the horse to a set of pens and open the gate on horseback. With the gate open, the rider will then drive a yearling calf into the pen.

The rider is then supposed to rope the calf in only two loops.

Finally, a drag or log, with a rope attached will be placed in the arena. The rider will have to attach the log to the saddle and drag the log around the arena to demonstrate the horses pulling ability. Failure to complete the course in eight minutes will disqualify the cowboy.

The Ranch Horse Show is being sponsored by Home State Bank.

A TCR trophy buckle in memory of Cotton Rhodes will be awarded to the winner with cash prizes going to the top two cowboys.



Robert Masterson with the JY Ranch near Guthrie opens a gate to pen a calf during the ranch horse competition. Don't miss this exciting portrayal of cowboy and horse teamwork on July 4.

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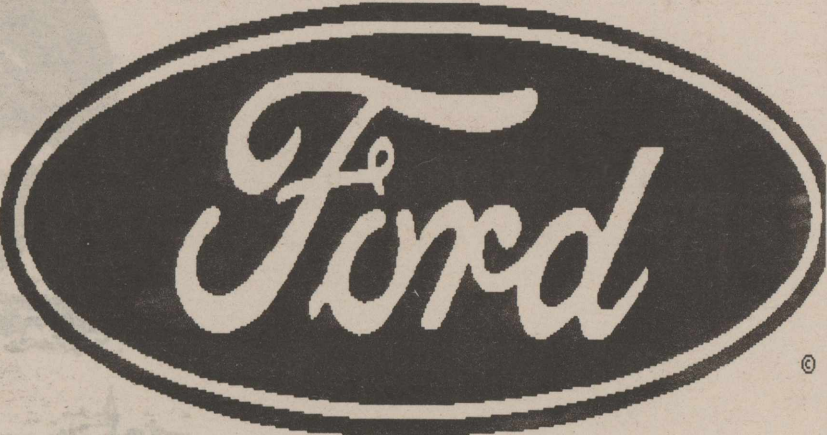
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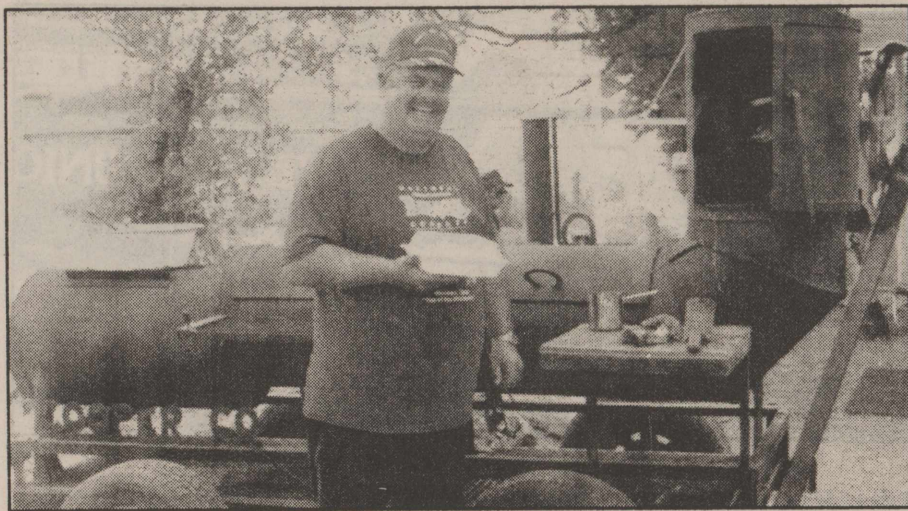
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The Preview Party for the Stamford Art Foundation Show and Sale is Thursday, June 29, at the John Selmon Gallery on the grounds of the Texas Cowboy Reunion.

At the Preview Party, you can view the artwork of twenty-seven outstanding artists for the first time and visit with sixteen who will be in attendance.

You will enjoy a delicious steak dinner with all the trimmings, the music of the "Billy Bob Bud Band," the Quick Draw event and the drawing of two \$100 gift certificates.

In the Quick Draw event, seven artists will start from scratch and create a painting in one hour. Wind, rain, loud music, or people talking to the artists will not deter them. The artists keep on working and in the hour will have a beautiful painting ready to be auctioned. All proceeds from the auction benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. The

"Quick Draw" artists are George Boutwell, R. Russell Brown, Hugh Campbell, Paul Friske, Steve Grey, Daniel Maldonado and Douglas Weaver.

If you cannot attend Preview Party, the show will continue June 30 through July 4.

The twenty-seventh Art Show is dedicated to Jim West, a longtime director of the show that has worked diligently to make each one a success.

Reservations for the Preview Party are requested and can be made by contacting the office of Kris Fouts, 915-773-5777 or writing the Stamford Art Foundation, Box 609, Stamford, TX 79553.

The ticket price is \$30 per person. A check can be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

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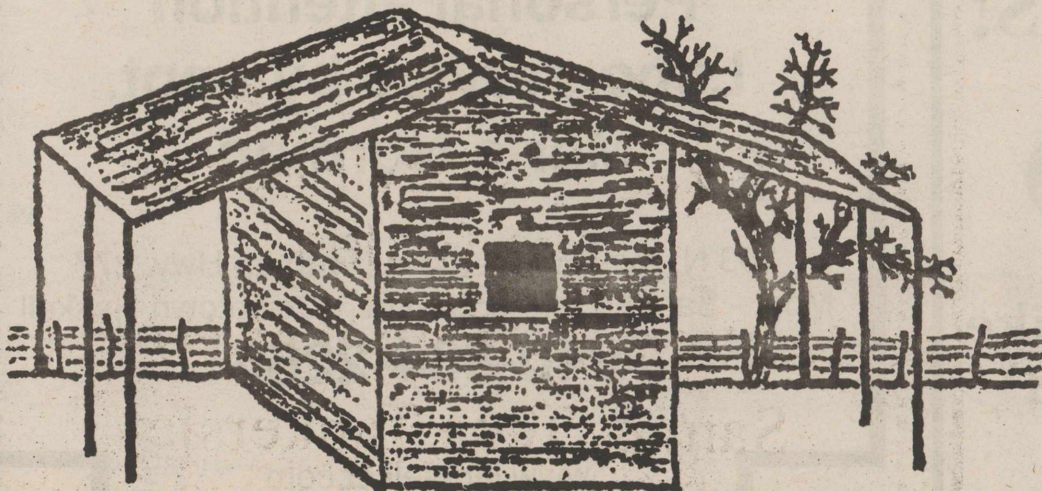
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Oldtimers plan variety of activities

The Texas Cowboy Reunion Oldtimers Association has planned daily activities July 1, through July 4, for TCR rodeo attendees.

All activities are open to the public and anyone interested in wanting to be a part of preserving the farm and ranch way of life is encouraged to become a member. Information is available at the Bunkhouse Museum/Office from 8:30 a.m. through 2:30 p.m., each day of the rodeo.

Members who passed away since last year's meeting will be remembered at the Saturday morning Memorial Service at 10 a.m. They are Horace Arledge, B.J. "Barney" Barnett, B.O. Hawkins, Juanita "Neat" Bevel, Alan Overton and Pat Patterson.

A noon meal, catered by Peacock's of Anson will be sold each day from 11:30 to 1:30.

Sunday, July 2, at 2 p.m., a gospel singing will be held. All area musicians and singers are welcome to share their talents. Please call 773-2275 to be listed on the program.

Tuesday, July 4, features the popular Fiddler's Contest in the Round-Up Hall. This contest is now underwritten by the Wal-Mart Pharmacy, Stamford.

Interested fiddlers should contact Carl Griggs, chairman, for more information.

There is no admission charge for this contest.

After lunch, the traditional dance will be held with music provided by Roland Smith and the Road Runners. Admission is charged at the door.

The schedule allows time for lots of visiting during the coffee and snacks each morning and after the noon meal. There will be a Sunday dinner served which was inadvertently omitted from the schedule.

For more information, please call Barbara Billington at 773-2275.

TCR Oldtimers Schedule

July 1st-Saturday

9:00 a.m.- Coffee and Fellowship-Bunkhouse

10:00 a.m.- Memorial Service

12:00 Noon - Barbecue Lunch- (Peacock's Barbeque) - Bunkhouse

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July 2nd-Sunday

10 a.m.- Coffee and Fellowship- Bunkhouse

2:00 p.m.- Gospel Singing

July 3rd - Monday

9:00 a.m. - Coffee and Fellowship - Bunkhouse

9:30 a.m. - Directors Meeting - Bunkhouse Office

12:00 Noon - Barbecue Lunch - (Peacock's Barbeque) Bunkhouse Shed

1:30 p.m. - Business Meeting - Bunkhouse

2:00 p.m. - Gospel Singing - Bunkhouse

July 4th-Tuesday

9:00 a.m. - Coffee and Fellowship (Peacocks Barbeque) - Bunkhouse

9:45 a.m. - Fiddlers Contest - Roundup Hall

12:00 Noon - Barbecue Lunch - Bunkhouse Shed

1:30 p.m. - Afternoon Dance - Roundup Hall

Ranch Bronc Riding

Contestants entered in this event should be working cowboys sponsored by an active ranch. Horses will be drawn by management and may be substituted if the horse drawn gets crippled. Rider must be ready when called upon to ride.

Saddles will be standard working saddles and must be furnished by

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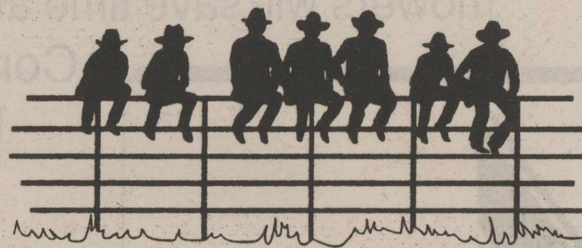
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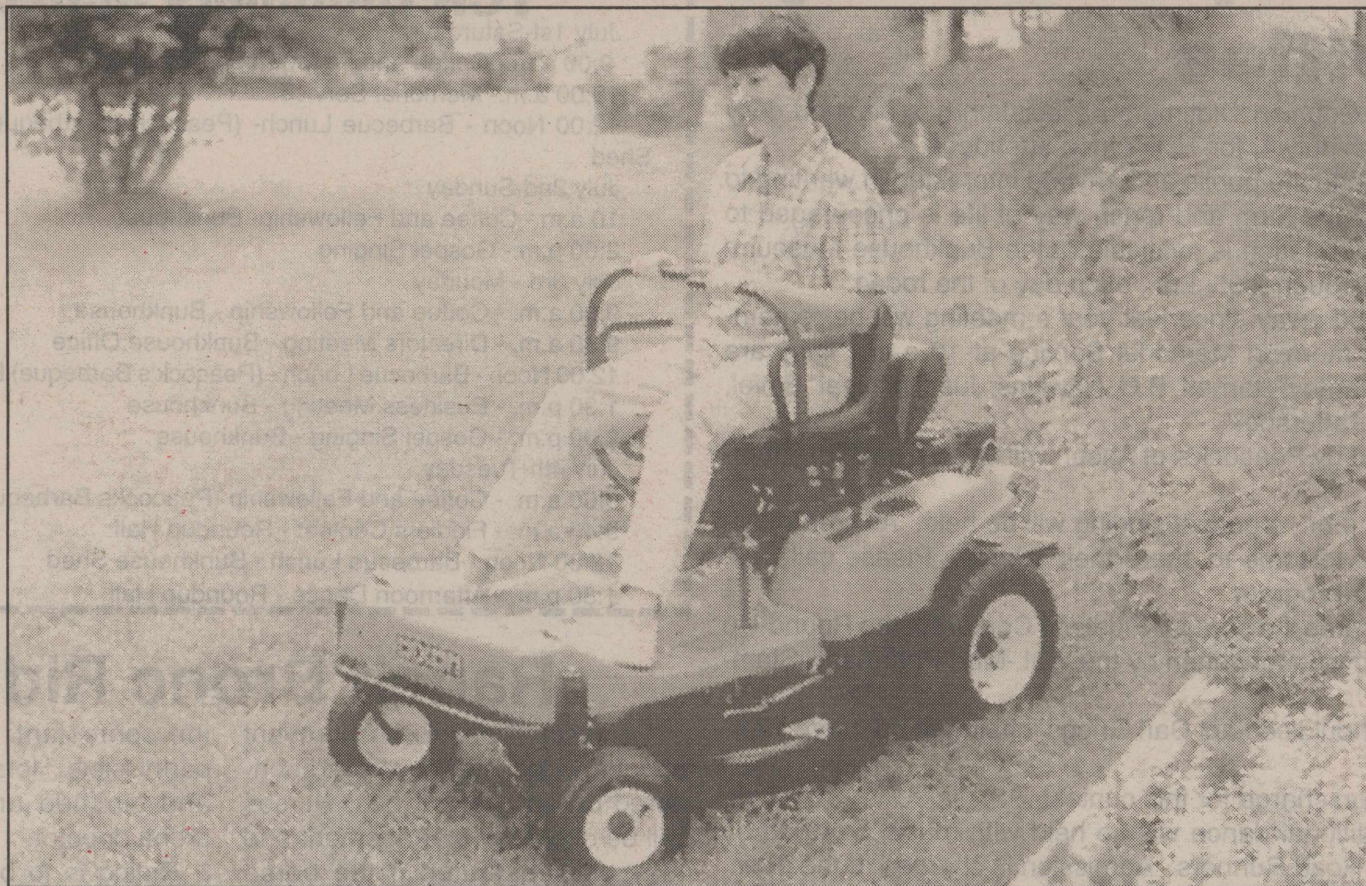
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