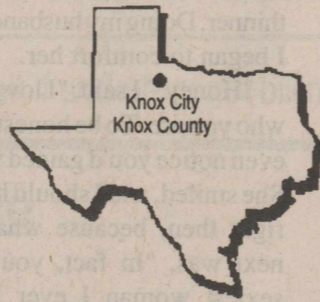


Community Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, 7:00 a.m. at Foursquare Church

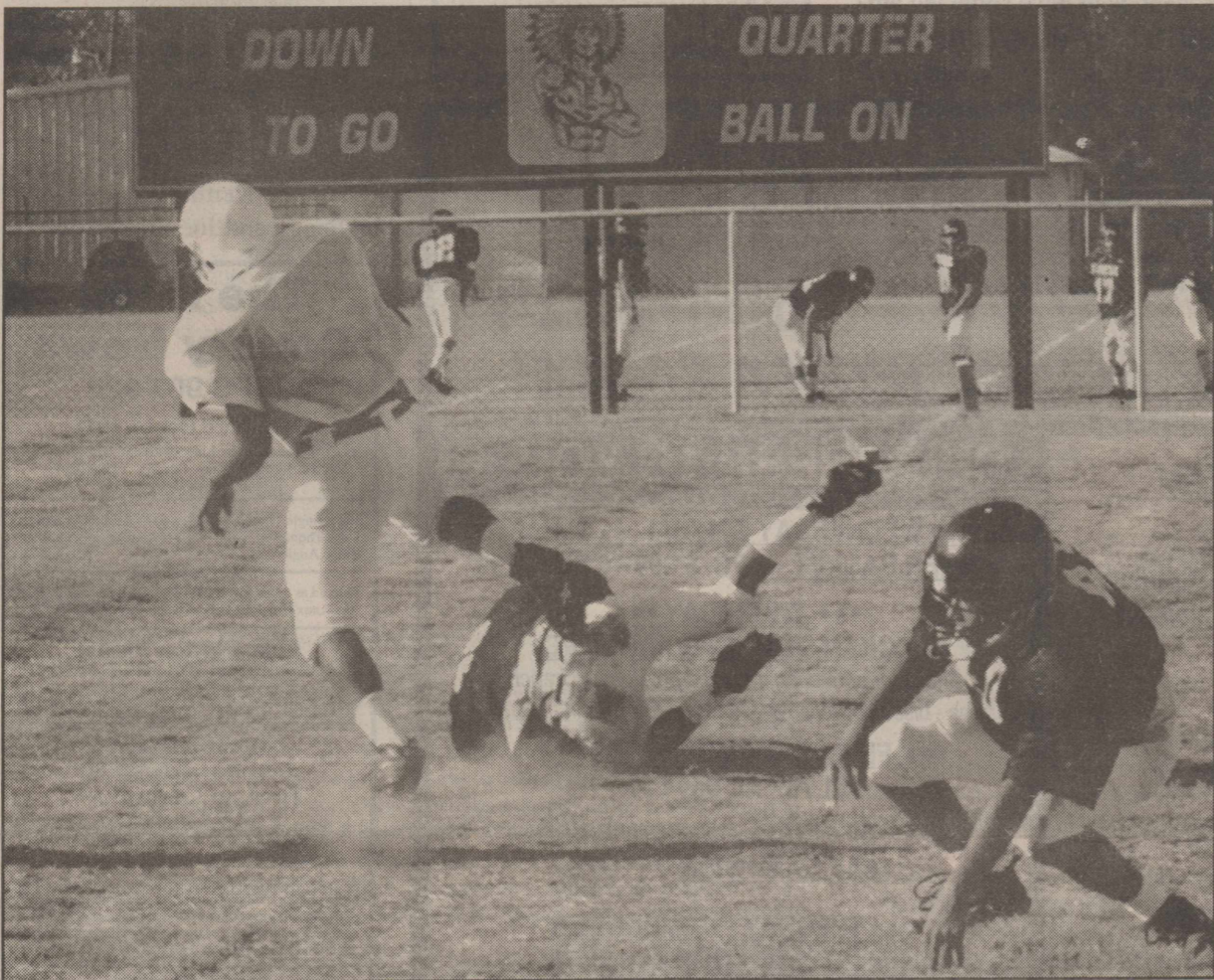
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## Be There ! KCHS Greyhounds prepare for season opener Friday night at home against Rotan's Yellowhammers



FORCED OUT OF BOUNDS in the scrimmage last Friday, Dominique Collier (in white jersey) is shown here after being chased down the field by several determined Indian defenders at Haskell.

Under the direction of Head Coach Lynn Lierly, the 2000 edition of the Knox City Greyhound Football Team is set to begin the season with their first game at home on Friday evening as they host the Yellowhammers from Rotan in non-district action at Greyhound Stadium.

With a lot of returning experience, the 'Hounds look better than they have in several years. Nine returning seniors play key roles on both offense and defense, but the team can also count on a host of talented underclassmen backing up just about every playing position.

Lineman Aaron Sanchez, defensive back Omard Walton, linebacker Nefro Gonzales and end Jay Sandusky are seniors leading the defense.

On the offense, three running backs that gained valuable experience last year will be back to mark their turf again. Gemile Roberson fought for 651 yards on 143 carries last year, while Omard Walton gained 383 yards on 63 carries and Nefro Gonzales tallied up another 309 yards on 65 attempts.

Other seniors returning this year are defensive back Jeffrey Hernandez, center Matthew (Biscuit) Lowe, wide receiver Erik Rocha, lineman Salvador Silva and linebacker Justin Vasquez.

Juniors include offensive linemen Casey Carver, defensive back Will Grimsley, lineman Felipe Sanchez, tight end Shawn Speck, center - defensive end Russell Bishop, running back Justin Casillas, wide receiver Eric Green and offensive lineman Garry Manley.

Sophomores on the roster in addition to Gemile Roberson include offensive back Dominique Collier, Sedrick Roberson at quarterback, Scooter Thompson at linebacker, Caleb Carver, Sean Duncan, and Nathan Lierly on the offensive line, Logan Morrow at wide receiver and Landon Weirshausen at tight end.

Freshman players include quarterback Carlos Ruiz and lineman Brandon Espinosa.

### 2000 Schedule

Sept ember		
1	Rotan, here	8 p.m.
8	at Anson	8 p.m.
15	Perin, here	8 p.m.
22	at Spur	8 p.m.
29	at Roby	8 p.m.
October		
13	Aspermont*, here	7:30 p.m.
20	at Crowell*	7:30 p.m.
27	Munday*, here	7:30 p.m.
November		
3	Motley Co.*, here	7:30 p.m.
10	at Paducah*	7:30 p.m.

\* District games

Season opening pep rally set for 3:05 p.m. on Friday in the W.R. Baker Auditorium on the KC school campus

Plan to be there and show your support for the Greyhounds as they begin the 2000 season !!



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS for the 2000-2001 school year at Knox City High School include (front row, left to right) Senior Audrey Lankford, Sophomore Ashley Jobe, Team Mascot and Senior Latisha Munsell, Head Cheerleader and Senior Jennifer Vacek, Senior Erica Quintana, and (back row, left to right) Junior Angela Roberts, Senior Amber Collins and Senior Keyla Garcia. (Kis Photo)

## Rites held here Wednesday morning for Monty Penman, local community leader

Funeral services for Ashton Monty Penman were held Wednesday, August 30, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Knox City.

Officiating were Gene McCarty, assisted by Jerry Williams.

Burial was in the Rochester Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Penman, 87, died Sunday, August 27, 2000, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Monty was born in Wichita Falls on January 14, 1913, the son of A.M. and Gussiedell Penman.

He founded Penman Conoco Service, Inc. retiring in 1976. He began his service station business with Magnolia, later becoming a Conoco distributor.

Mr. Penman was a 32nd De-



MONTY PENMAN  
1913 - 2000

gree Mason. He was also an active civic leader serving on the Knox City Council, as well as

being a member of the Knox City Lions Club and serving on various boards of the First United Methodist Church. He was known far and wide as a master fisherman.

Monty was preceded in death by his wife of 39 years, Eva; and is survived by his wife Exa Faye of 19 years.

Survivors include his wife, Exa; two daughters, Julia Kaylor and husband Steve of Fort Worth; and Belva Gruden and husband Doug of Arlington; a son, Ray Penman of Knox City; and four grandchildren, Melissa Seago, Kelley and wife Tracy Seago, Jane Ann Penman and Lindsey Penman.

Pallbearers were Buddy Cypert, Danny Lewis, Joe Marion, Roland Marion, Mark Munoz and Albert Schumacher.

## Bloodmobile to visit here Tuesday from 3-7

The American Red Cross is urging residents of Knox City to donate at the upcoming blood drive on Tuesday, September 5, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Knox City Community Center.

This summer, with its normal high temperatures, has slowed blood donations to a trickle, Red Cross representatives said.

The heat may cause many potential donors to have concerns about the donation process. It will not harm a donor as long as certain common sense precautions are taken, such as, increasing fluid intake 24 to 48 hours prior to donating, eating a good meal, and continue to replace fluids for 1 to 2 days following a donation.

The need for blood by patients being treated for accidents, routine surgeries and serious diseases, such as cancer, heart disease, and hemophilia, is ongoing.

To donate blood, one must be healthy, at least 17 years old, and weigh 110 pounds or more.

To make an appointment, call Charlene Brothers at 658-3428.

## Feltses attend organ donor awareness clinic

Carol and Zo Felts were in Breckenridge Wednesday, August 23, for an Organ Donor Awareness Clinic presented to the nurses of Stephens County Hospital by Southwest Transplant Alliance.

The couple spoke to the group, sharing with them Carol's condition before receiving a heart transplant and his gratefulness for a good life afterwards. They learned that many people can donate tissue or organs even though it appears they are too old or not in

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They report that there are 70,000 people waiting for a transplant. 'Imagine Texas Stadium packed full of people,' the Feltses said.

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\* Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. - Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.  
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**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Knox City**  
Steve Pepper, Minister  
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Knox City**  
Wesley Holland, Pastor  
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

**FOUR SQUARE CHURCH - Knox City**  
Paul Chambers, Interim Pastor  
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. - Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

**SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC CHURCH - Knox City**  
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Sunday Bilingual Mass at 11:00 a.m.

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - Rhineland**  
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Saturday Mass at 7:00 p.m. - Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Benjamin**  
John Gillispie, Pastor  
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning at 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Benjamin**  
Wesley Holland Pastor  
Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

**GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH - Gillespie**  
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Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
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**THE BELIEVERS' CHAPEL - Highway 222**  
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**FAITH CHAPEL - 8 Miles South Of Knox City**  
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### O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"My wife always prided herself on her figure, but after giving birth to our second child, she began to worry about her weight. One day she confessed she was concerned I would want someone thinner. Doing my husbandly duty, I began to comfort her.

"Honey," I said, "I love you for who you are. To be honest, I didn't even notice you'd gained weight." She smiled, and I should have quit right then, because what I said next was, "In fact, you are the sexiest woman I ever laid eyes on!"

Here and There - Attending the musical in Old Glory Saturday night were Clara Hanson and a niece Beverly, Vivian Hendrix, Jewel Worley, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Bernice Rowan and I. They really had a big crowd of musicians and people. The music was really good. Billie Walker and some friends of Jud also attended.

Spending the weekend with Beatrice Ellis and attending church at O'Brien Baptist Church on Sunday were her son David Ellis of San Angelo, daughter Sandra Childress of Ozona and

Sandra's daughter Julie and husband Matt of Richardson. Grady and Sammie Murry of Plainview also visited her last week.

Veeta Reid's daughter Angelia, son Sam and a friend Leesa spent the weekend with her. They attended church Sunday at O'Brien. They live around Fort Worth.

Bro. Bill Trice's sister, who was in the care home at Pflugerville, passed away last week and was buried in Fort Worth last Monday. Bro. Bill and Bob and Ruthie Acree all attended.

Several teenagers from O'Brien left for college over the weekend, Reed Underwood and Stefani Stephens to Texas Tech in Lubbock and Amy Hunt to North Texas State in Denton.

Coy Hewitt is still in the hospital in Abilene and Demp Emerson was taken to Haskell hospital Sunday by ambulance. Ranzy Herring is still in the care home at Munday. All of these men need our prayers, their families do too.

Iris Hughes of Lubbock, former resident, is to have some leg amputations on Tuesday of this week. Alton Hester is doing fairly well

and is going back and forth to Abilene and Big Spring for different doctor's appointments.

Mutt Ivie has a brother that is very sick and needs our prayers.

Joe Banner and Billie Walker were in Amarillo for Dale Sanders' birthday party and for Joe's doctor's appointment. Billie was called to Aspermont to visit her aunt Belle Duncan in the hospital. Belle's condition worsened and she was transported to Hendrick in Abilene. Billie also visited with her aunt Coral Lee Duncan in Aspermont.

### Weather

Courtesy of Plant Materials Center  
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Date	Low	High	Rain
08/22	71	100	
08/23	71	100	
08/24	65	99	
08/25	68	103	
08/26	75	103	
08/27	74	103	
08/28	75	103	

2000 Rainfall - 11.36

### Aging center lunch menus

September 4th thru 8th

**Monday, September 4** - Labor Day. Closed.

**Tuesday, September 5** - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, fried squash, salad, biscuits, cobbler.

**Wednesday, September 6** - Green enchilada casserole, whole kernel corn, salad, French fries, crackers, cobbler.

**Thursday, September 7** - Fish with tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, baked beans, light bread, oatmeal cookies.

**Friday, September 8** - Ham and cheese sandwiches, potato chips, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, cookies.

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

### Hospital Auxiliary donations

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## Obituaries

### Joetta Offield

Funeral services for Joetta Offield of Breckenridge were held Tuesday, August 29, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. at the Morehart Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Rex Boggs officiated and burial followed in Breckenridge Cemetery.

Mrs. Offield, 79, died Saturday, August 26, 2000, in a Breckenridge hospital.

Born in Blackwell, she attended school in Whitharrel. She married Eddie Offield in 1939. Mrs. Offield was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Breckenridge Country Club and the Gunsight Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband Eddie Offield of Breckenridge; two sons, Edward Eugene Offield of Knox City and Alan Offield of Breckenridge; a daughter, Jodi Offield of Fort Worth; a sister, Hilda Demham of Booker; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial may be made to Hospice of the Big Country.

### Estelle Holcomb Michels

Funeral services for Estelle Holcomb Michels of Knox City were held Tuesday, August 29, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in O'Brien with the Rev. Bill Trice officiating. Burial was in the Rule Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Michels, 80, died Sunday, August 27, 2000, in a Stamford nursing home following a lengthy illness.

Born March 9, 1920, in Jud, she married W.C. (Bill) Holcomb in June 1936. He preceded her in death in June 1982. She married John Michels January 7, 1988. She was a nurse and worked for the Knox County Hospital for 27 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church of O'Brien. She was preceded in death by a brother and two sisters.

Survivors include her husband, John Michels of the home; two sons, Bill Holcomb of Rule and David Holcomb of Stamford; four stepdaughters, Mildred Dandey of Hiltop Lakes, Gloria Descoteaux of Mansfield, Lois Smith of Placentia, CA; and Johnnye Graf of Athens; a stepson, J.W. Michels of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Helen Connell of Meridian and Edna Davis of Snyder; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorial be made to Hospice of the Big Country, 3113 Oldham Lane, Abilene, TX 79602.

# Valor Telecom to begin offering local phone service September 1

## Company will own and operate 325,000 local access lines

IRVING - September 1, 2000, Valor Telecom, the newest local phone service provider in Texas, will assume operational control of over 325,000 local phone lines in areas of Texas currently served by Verizon, formerly GTE.

"Valor Telecom is proud to serve Texas," Anne K. Bingham, chairman and chief executive officer of Valor Telecom. "With our corporate headquarters located in Irving, and one of our customer service centers located in Texarkana, we look forward to bringing a strong and lasting business presence to all the communities we will serve."

On September 1, all customer records and pending orders will transfer to Valor Telecom. In the first 15 days of the transfer, temporary systems will be used while transferred records and service orders are loaded into new automated systems and re-tested. Current phone service will not be affected by the transition.

To handle new service orders and the backlog of pending order, Valor Telecom has hired additional personnel; installed new

systems and worked closely with government and regulatory officials and community leaders to prepare for the transfer of lines.

During September and October, Valor Telecom may receive a high volume of calls and customers may experience delays in placing new orders. However, any delays will be temporary during this transition period.

With respect to customer billing, phone rates will not change, but the Valor Telecom phone bill has been reformatted. Therefore, some of the charges and fees may appear in a different section.

Furthermore, the transfer of lines to Valor Telecom will not affect customers' current long distance and Internet services.

Customers who have selected Verizon as their long distance and/or Internet service provider will begin receiving a separate bill for those services.

Valor Telecom officials said that the company will soon offer long-distance service so that customers can have the convenience of receiving one bill for local and long distance services.

Valor Telecom is mailing information, including customer service and repair phone numbers, to its business and residential customers in Texas.

Beginning September 1, 2000, if customers have questions about their local phone service, they should call Valor Telecom toll-free at 1-877-520-5220.

Valor Telecom's business presence in the state includes its corporate headquarters located in Irving, Texas, where it employs approximately 175, and two operating divisions.

The company has also established a customer service and repair center in Texarkana, Texas,

with approximately 125 employees.

In addition, Verizon employees in these Texas exchanges will become employees of Valor Telecom.

With the Texas access line acquisition, Valor Telecom will own and operate 540,000 business and residential local access lines, making it one of the largest independent phone service providers in the United States based on access lines.

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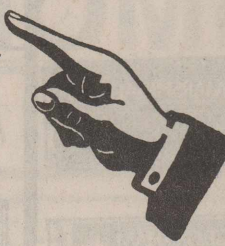
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## Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

It's nearly the end of August and hopefully things will begin to cool down a little. And maybe - just maybe - we will see some rain within the next few weeks. Let's hope so.

In the news of our ill and ailing friends this week, the reports are varied.

Lewis Lyles remains a patient in the hospital in Wichita Falls. Lewis suffered a heart attack early last week and had some pretty bad days but is improving. Reports are that he is still in CCU but family members told me Sunday night that he would probably be put into a private room early this week.

Bobby Trainham will undergo some pretty extensive surgery on his hand tomorrow (Tuesday) for removal of a skin cancer. Doctors say they will have to go pretty deep and take a pretty large portion out to insure getting all the damaged tissue around it. He's probably gonna have several pretty uncomfortable days. He will have the work done in Abilene Tuesday p.m.

Larry Neal will be in Lubbock on Tuesday for some tests.

L.O. Jackson of Munday and brother of Jonnie Williams has

been in and out of the Haskell hospital with various problems. It is thought that he may have had a stroke but doctors can't be sure until after they make some tests today.

My daughter, Debbie Taylor of Childress, has been having some tests run. Her problem appears to be heart related tho her doctors haven't gotten to the exact cause of her trouble yet. She was feeling fair Saturday. Still working but sure would like to get to feeling back to her old self as she feels tired and "run-down" a lot. Also, my sister Maxine Nelson is still having good days and not so good ones. She's very weak and is in bed a lot of the time.

And Matthew Cartwright will have his surgery on Wednesday (30th). It was originally scheduled for today (Monday). He is expected to be hospitalized overnight but they will probably remain in Dallas for a day or so for a checkup after the surgery.

Best wishes to all these friends.

Locals' daughter receives recognition - Gina Bolanoes has been selected to receive honorary award recognition by having her biography published in the 23rd Annual

Edition of the National Dean's List - 1999-2000.

This list is the largest, most prestigious publication in the country recognizing gifted students selected by their deans, comparable faculty members on other educational organizations. Each year 2500 of the nation's finest colleges and universities use the publication as a special award to honor their finest students. Only 1/2 of 1% of our nation's college students receive this award.

Gina was nominated by Ken Ballom, dean of students of the University of North Texas in Denton, where she is a student. She has also been selected to receive the Multicultural Scholastic Award at the Denton school for the 2000-2001 academic year.

Gina is a Benjamin High School graduate with the class of '98 and she is the daughter of Joel Bolanoes and Esperanza Bolanoes.

Off to college - It's back to college for some and others are "spreading their wings". Going away to begin a new phase of their life for the first time. I'm sure I've missed some and if I have, please let me know. It was not intended. Benjamin grads "off to school"

are Gina Bolanoes is going to University of North Texas in Denton; Tyler Carroll of Gilliland, Lynne Moorhouse and Carmen Acevedo have enrolled in San Angelo State; Mica Larned is going to the VRJC School of Nursing, classes being held in Seymour; Brandi Riggins is at South Plains College in Levelland; Elizabeth Hostas, Benjamin graduate, but who lives in Seymour, will be going to VRJC; Hardy Coffman of Goree continues his education at Midwestern; Clint Horne of Gilliland is at TSTI in Sweetwater; Jim Bob Conner will again be going to Texas Tech and will finish in December (I believe); Julie Welch of Gilliland will also be at VRJC; Bobby Condrion is still at Midwestern University; Diandra Grill is back at the UT in Austin; Kathy Rainwater is at VRJC and at last report Rebel Rainwater Huffman was going to medical school in Galveston and Zeke Duke is at the Tech Medical School in Lubbock.

Here 'N There - Audra Neal of Dallas was a visitor of her parents, Gaye and Larry and her sister, Laura early last week. Sara Blackstock and Jonathan of Fort Worth visited her parents recently also.

Joe and Sharazan Riggins were in Levelland during the weekend

getting their daughter, Brandi, settled into South Plains College for her freshmen year. Another daughter, Amanda, has moved here to live with her dad and family and is a freshman at BHS. Amanda comes to us from Georgia and we hope she likes it here. We welcome her into our "midst".

I spent Saturday in Childress with my girls, Deb and Diane and families. My granddaughter, Ashlee and great-grandson, Dillon, are in kindergarten this year, so needless to say, they had lots of new experiences to relate to me!

Jimmy, Michele and Caleb Barrientez, now of Lubbock, but

soon to be "of Benjamin" were here during the weekend making preparations for their move here. They have bought the Mark and Michele Brown home and will finish the final paperwork "on the deal" in a few days. Michele will be employed as an RN at the Haskell hospital and Jimmy is seeking employment. It'll be good to have them back home.

Dutch and Imagean Young took their daughter, Brenda Gallaher of Wichita Falls, to Scott and White in Temple Tuesday for a complete checkup. Doctors found no real problems and Brenda is back at work now. That's good news.

## Monument construction plans are on schedule for memorial

Plans for the Knox County Veterans Memorial are on schedule. Many of the 2250 plus Knox County veterans to be honored in the memorial on November 11, have been and are serving in this cause.

Kenneth Baker of Munday remembers his tour of duty as a young First Lt. in 1954-55, 14 months in Korea after the war. He states, "Known as 'The Land of the Morning Calm', Korea had gone through very little calm for several years." A brief history explains.

At the end of WWII, after Japanese occupation of Korea from 1910 to the end of WWII, the Allies agreed that Soviet forces would accept the surrender of Japanese troops in Korea north of the 38th parallel, while the American troops would accept the Japanese surrender south of that line.

Soviets refused to cooperate with the UN plans to hold general elections in the two Koreas for reunification, and as result, a Communist state was permanently established under the Soviets in the north and a pro-Western state in the south.

On June 5, 1950, the North Koreans, at the prompting of the Soviets unleashed a carefully planned attack southward across the 38th parallel. This brilliant landing far north of the main battle front succeeded in cutting the North Korean forces' lines. By December 31,

North Korea faltered under Allied bombing.

In 1954, Young Lt. Baker remembered the port of Inchon near Seoul and its great tidal variations, 33 ft. difference in tide level. "A ship coming in at high tide would be left sitting in the mud at low tide," MacArthur had made a daring gamble and won.

In '54-'55, young Baker saw Korea still anything but "the Land of the Morning Calm".

"There was almost total destruction, no economy, very little electricity, no phones, just a waste land where 3,000,000 of its people had lost their lives since 1950.

The Korean people who worked for the army were paid in their currency, the whan. Most earned a boot box full of paper money of very little value for two weeks work. It would be interesting to go back and see the changers over the past 50 years."

Many positive changes have moved the Koreans into the 21st Century as United Nations forces have sought globally to limit conflict.

Eligible names can be added, at this stage, by vigilance of those who check the lists in the county banks and post offices, mailing any missing eligible names to the Knox County Historical Commission, Benjamin, TX 79505, ASAP.

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# Great Falls roller-skating family fields games' youngest phenom

## In Montana's Big Sky State Games

Two year old Edward Acree is making quite a name for himself in the Montana roller-skating world.

The son of Tara and Will Acree, Edward was the youngest competitor in the 2000 Big Sky State Games. Edward is the grandson of Betty and Eddy Bailiff and the late Phil Acree; and is the great-grandson of Elizabeth Acree of Rochester and the late Keele Acree; and Mozelle and George Hodges of Knox City.

A Montana newspaper featured young Acree in a recent issue. The News is printing the story in its entirety.

By ASHLEY TAIT  
Tribune Sports Writer

LAUREL, Montana - Every parents knows about the terrible twos. You know, the time many children become their mom and dad's worst nightmare.

But in Edward Acree's case, you could say he's his parents' worst nightmare - on wheels.

Acree, a two-year-old roller-skater from Great Falls, was the youngest competitor in the 2000 Big Sky State Games. He partici-

pated in both the limbo and singles races Saturday at the Starlite Roller Rink here.

Although it may seem odd that young "Eddie" would make the trek from Great Falls to Laurel, it turns out he's been groomed for skating competitions his "whole" life.

"Roller-skating has been in our family for generations," said Eddie's mother, Tara, who also competed in the Big Sky Games this weekend. "When your family owns a rink, you walk and then put on the skates."

Tara's father, Allan Hauer, owns Wheels West at 300 23rd Ave. N.E. in Great Falls, and before it opened in 1981, Allan ran Hauer's Roll-O-Rena in Great Falls. For more than 30 years, the clan has been associated with roller skating in the Electric City, but unlike many State Games participants, this marked the Acrees' first time at the annual event.

If it were possible for the family to make the games a tradition, they probably would. But come August, that will be nearly impossible.

William Acree, Eddie's father, is a member of the U.S. Army, and is stated in Hanau, Germany. Tara and Eddie soon will be joining him.

"I already checked, and there's (A rink) right by where we'll live," said Tara. "I wouldn't go someplace where I couldn't skate."

At such a young age, Eddie's already "rolling" right along. The youngster finished third in the singles races, and fourth in the limbo - not bad for someone who's only been skating for six months.

"He started in January," said Tara. "He's been skating nearly every day since February."

That might be why he is so used to crowds like the one at the Starlite Saturday morning. The kind with every eye trained on him.

And he loves being in front of a camera, since Tara frequently takes Polaroids of Eddie to send to William.

"He sees a camera and says cheese," added Tara.

If it hadn't been for his mother and a rink full of fans, Eddie would've chosen to take a nap. Then again, not many two-year-olds would be expected to do much of anything on two hours of sleep. Several times, in fact, the colorful youngster found a spot on the floor and played dead.

"He's in his terrible twos right now," Tara said, "but he loves being in front of people. He always has a smile on his face."

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DATED August 11, 2000, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 7609, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Mirro L. Dever, as Executor of Estate of Roy L. Dever, Roy L. Dever and Pauline A. Dever, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on August 11, 2000, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in September, 2000, the same being the 5th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit: Lots 10 & 11, Block 2, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 166, Page 538 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further right to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.  
DATED August 11, 2000, at Benjamin, Texas.  
By /s/ Dean Homstad /s/ Jan Carver  
SHERIFF, Knox County, TEXAS DEPUTY

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2001 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on **September 12, 2000, at 8:00 P.M. at the Administration Office of the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority, 135 North Munday Avenue, Munday, Texas.**

A summary of the Appraisal District Budget follows:  
The total amount of the proposed budget is **\$154,279.**

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is **\$ 9,818.**

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be **2 - 2/3 (full-time equivalent).**

The number of employees compensated under the current budget is **2 - 2/3 (full-time equivalent).**

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Knox County Appraisal District.

If approved by the Knox County Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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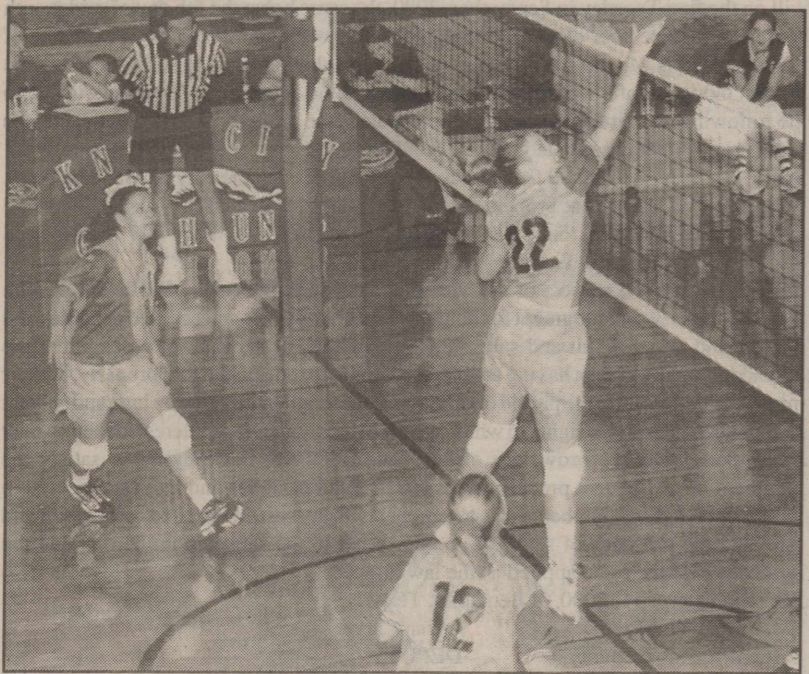
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