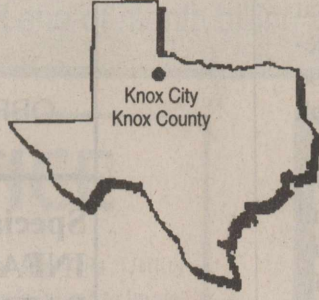


Have a safe and happy July 4th holiday as you celebrate America's birthday !!

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Texas Cowboy Reunion time is here, parade to kickoff July 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Hailed as the world's largest amateur rodeo, the 71st annual Texas Cowboy Reunion will get underway for fun, rodeo and reunion, Wednesday, July 4 and continue through Thursday, July 5; Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 7.

The excitement will kickoff Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. when United States Congressman and longtime friend of the Texas Cowboy Reunion, Charles Stenholm, will lead the grand parade into the downtown streets of Stamford. A Stamford native, Stenholm is excited about returning to his hometown as parade marshal for the most exciting event of the year.

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. Don't miss the classic events of the rodeo, plus a few that are unique to the TCR including the Double Mugging, Oldtimers Events, Wild Cow Milking and the infamous Wild Mare Race.

In keeping with the ranching tradition of this 71 year old event, the TCR will award two ranch cowboys: the late "Scandalous" John Selmon and George Self of Throckmorton with the first an-

nual Working Ranch Cowboy Awards during the first performance.

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".

Combine this atmosphere with some of the top cowboys and cowgirls around along with the enthusiastic sounds of the famous Hardin Simmons Cowboy Band and you've got yourself a rodeo performance you'll never forget and want to come back to year after year.

Couples can dance the night away beginning at 9:30 p.m. each night to the sounds of Jody Nix on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night.

On Saturday night, hear the famous sounds of the legendary Red Steagall and his Boys in the Bunkhouse band. 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.

Art may be viewed early at the Preview Party on June 30 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 Saturday afternoon at 1:30, Dennis Gaines will headline this year's Cowboy Poetry Gathering featuring many of today's top cowboys and cowgirls of verse. A special courtesy appearance by Red Steagall, the Official Cowboy Poet of Texas, is also planned as an added surprise. Other events include the Chuckwagon Cookoff, Barbeque Cookoff, Ranch Horse Show and one of the largest Bit and Spur Shows in West Texas. The Cowboy Oldtimers Association Reunion will be held in conjunction with the events and will include the ever-popular fiddler's contest.

For more information, contact the Stamford Chamber of Commerce at 915-773-2411 or visit the TCR website at tcrrodeo.com. Rodeo tickets may be reserved early by calling 915-773-3661 or may be purchased at the gate.

Juveniles apprehended in damage to golf course

A group of local juveniles has been apprehended by Knox City Chief of Police Harry Steen and charged with the criminal damage to the golf course that was committed last week and featured on the front page of last week's *Knox County News*.

In an ironic twist of fate, the juveniles were apprehended before the weekly edition of the *News* that featured the story was printed. Chief Steen reported that some of

the juveniles were apprehended when they went back to the scene of the crime the following night.

Damage to the course, golf carts and buildings exceeds \$20,000, and Chief Steen indicated that felony charges will be filed against the juveniles.

Following the publication of the incident in last week's paper, community reaction was strong as many voiced their opinions against whoever committed such

a senseless act of criminal vandalism and destruction of property.

Golf course employees and others worked long and hard to try and repair the damage because of the scheduled Lion's Club Benefit Golf Tournament. Thanks to the efforts of many, the tournament was held Saturday as scheduled.

As is the law with cases involving criminal acts committed by juveniles, the names of those involved will not be released.

TXU Gas files request for rate increase

TXU Gas on Thursday, June 28, 2001, filed a request with the city councils of Knox City and also Benjamin and 75 surrounding cities to increase the rates customers pay for natural gas service by an average of 8.76 percent in the West Region Distribution System.

If approved, the increase would raise the average residential customer's bill by about \$3.20 per month to \$47.50.

This request to increase rates follows the company's investment of more than \$29.8 million in the infrastructure to meet the expanding needs of the cities. The \$29.8 million reflects a 66.7 percent increase in investment.

TXU Gas is requesting that the changes be effective August 2, 2001.

Immunization clinic to visit Knox City Thursday, July 5

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an Immunization Clinic at the Community Center/Housing Authority Bldg. in Knox City on Thursday, July 5, from 10:00-11:30 and 1:30-3:00.

Immunizations offered include DTaP, Hib, Polio, Measles, Mumps and Rubella and Hepatitis B for infants as well as all school immunizations.

The Td immunization is available for all adults not having one in 10 years.

The Hepatitis series was required for Kindergarten entry this year and was required for 12 years old on August 1, 2000. Parents are asked to check their child's immunization record for this series.

The varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is available to anyone age 1 thru adulthood that has not had the chickenpox. For those children in need of this immunization, parents are asked to call to reserve a dose as only the proper amount will be reserved.

Participants are asked to bring immunization records and social security numbers. A parent, adult family member or legal guardian must accompany a minor.

All services provided by the Texas Department of Health are provided on a sliding fee scale but no one is denied services due to an ability to pay. For more information on the immunization clinic, call 940-552-8770.

Foursquare Church to host men's breakfast

The men of the Foursquare Church will be hosts for this month's Men's Breakfast, Saturday, July 7, at 7:00 a.m.

All men and boys of the community are invited to attend and join in this special time of fellowship.

The office of The Knox County News and CellularOne will be closed on Wednesday, July 4 and also on Friday, July 6

Wishing you a very happy and safe 4th of July Holiday!

As you celebrate, we urge you to keep safety in mind, especially with children and fireworks.

Knox County Hospital to hold blood drive on Monday

To benefit Meek Blood Center

The Knox County Hospital will host a blood drive on Monday, July 9. The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile from Abilene will be at the hospital from noon until 6:00 p.m. "This is our first time to have a blood drive in Knox City, and we are looking forward to building a long-term relationship with the good-hearted people of Knox City and the surrounding community," Frances Baker, donor recruiter, said. "The summer months always present a difficult challenge, so we are grateful to the hospital for hosting this blood drive. The blood drives are crucial in helping us maintain an adequate supply of safe blood."

Meek Blood Center, which is part of Hendrick Health Systems, as established in the early 1950's by Dr. Jarrett Williams. From the beginning, the mission has been to be the "life blood of the Texas midwest". The Center supplies blood for Hendrick Medical Center as well as fifteen other medical facilities.

Less than five percent of healthy Americans eligible to donate blood actually donate each year, yet seventh-two percent of the populations will require a transfusion of some type of blood product or component before the age of 70. Accident victims, cancer patients, premature babies and patients being treated for severe anemia are some of the recipients of blood donations. Each donation can help up to three different people. Platelets and plasma are separated from the red cells to

meet the differing needs of the public.

To be eligible to donate blood, a person must be between the ages of 17 to 71. They must weigh at least 110 pounds. Most maintenance medications (such as blood pressure, hormones, cholesterol, etc.) can be accepted.

Giving blood is easy. Following registration, the donor will answer simple medical history questions and receive a mini-physical.

Only a brief pinch will be felt and the five to eight minute donation will be over with before one knows it. Afterward, the donor can relax for a few minutes with refreshments.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt, compliments of Meek Blood Center, to show their appreciation for the donation.

Another way Meek shows their appreciation is to offer a free cholesterol screening each time a donation is made.

Those wishing to participate in this should call the Meek Blood center three days after donating to receive the results.

The staff at Meek Blood Center is glad to have the opportunity to meet new friends. Most of all, they are glad to know someone who will have a chance for tomorrow because of their blood donation today.

Aging center lunch menus

July 9th thru July 13th

Monday, July 9 - Chicken and noodle casserole, sweet peas, salad, hot rolls, pudding.

Tuesday, July 10 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, squash casserole, blackeyed peas, cucumber salad, biscuits, cobbler.

Wednesday, July 11 - Grilled chicken salad, corn on the cob, crackers, peaches with topping.

Thursday, July 12 - Beef stew, seven-minute cabbage, stuffed celery, cornbread, cookies.

Friday, July 13 - Hamburger steak with mushroom gravy, cheesy potatoes, green beans, salad, hot rolls, dessert.

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

A Golden Time

Brazos Valley
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Studies in the Am. Journal of the Am. Medical Assn. found that the Alzheimer's Disease drug tacrine does indeed foster cognitive improvements in many patients. However, about 28% of patients taking the drug suffer serious but reversible liver toxicity.

A 1992 study found that seven percent of workers are also caring for an elderly family member at home. Of these, 56% are women and 44% are men.

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2000 Drinking Water Quality Report

(Consumer Confidence Report)

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Special Notice for the ELDERLY, INFANTS, CANCER PATIENTS, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune problems:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored constituents which have been found in your drinking water. U.S. EPA requires water systems to test up to 97 constituents

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concerns. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

NOTE:

Our water is mixed with Miller Creek water and our well water.

To get the information about water from Miller Creek, please call North Central Texas Water Authority at 940-422-4051

OUR DRINKING WATER IS REGULATED

by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) and they have determined that certain water quality issues exist which prevent our water from meeting all of the requirements as stated in the Federal Drinking Water Standards. Each issue is listed in this report as a violation and we are working closely with the TNRCC to achieve solutions.

En Espanol

Este reporte incluye informacion importante sobre el agua para tomar. Si tiene preguntas o discusiones sobre este reporte en espanol, favor de llamar al tel. (940) 658-3428 par hablar con una persona bilingue en espanol.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from Ground and Surface water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: PERMIAN and MILLER CRK RES. TNRCC will be reviewing all of Texas' drinking water sources. The source water assessment process will be completed within three years. It is important to protect your drinking water by protecting your water source.

Public Participation Opportunities

Date: City Council meets every second Thursday of the month.

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: 1002 Grand Central City Hall Building

Phone No: 940-658-3428

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)

The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)

The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety

Treatment Technique (TT) -

A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL)-

The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units

MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)

pCi/l picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/l)

ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter

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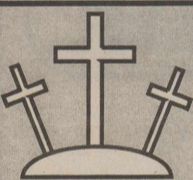
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Knox City Area Church Directory

Local congregations welcome your attendance this Sunday

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Knox City

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* Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Services telecast live on Cable Channel 6 in Knox City & O'Brien

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.

FOURSQUARE CHURCH ~ Knox City

Paul Chambers, 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

Father Leo Schloemer ~ Deacon Julian Estrada

Sunday Bilingual Mass at 11:00 a.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH ~ Rhineland

Father Leo Schloemer ~ Deacon Julian Estrada

Monday Through Friday Mornings, 8:00 a.m. Mass
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

Ross Anderson, Pastor

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST ~ Benjamin

Sunday School at 9:45 A.M. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.

THE BELIEVERS' CHAPEL ~ Highway 222

W.O. Smith, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Mid Week, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL ~ 8 Miles South Of Knox City

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Mid Week Bible Study, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

O'BRIEN BAPTIST CHURCH ~ O'Brien

Kyle Gullede, Pastor

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

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Richard Palma, Mary Ann Palma, Pastors

Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. Mid Week, Thurs. at 7:00 p.m.
Church location: 5 miles west of O'Brien Baptist Church

WEINERT FOURSQUARE CHURCH

Rob Harrison, Pastor

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Vernon College releases GED testing dates

VERNON - Vernon College will offer students the opportunity to take the GED test to earn their high school diploma equivalency. The test will be given on July 17 and 18, September 9 and 10, and October 9 and 10 on the Vernon campus.

To use portions of the test that a person has successfully completed, the person must have the rest of the GED completed by December 31, 2001. Anyone not completing all five sections by that date will be required to take all of the test again because major revisions have been made that will take effect on January 1, 2002.

Pre-registration is required at least five working days in advance of the test. Call 940-552-6291 ext. 2278 or register in person at Vernon College Student Services Office in the Summer Applied Arts Center on the Vernon campus.

Everyone taking the GED must present a Texas driver's license or Department of Public Safety ID card and social security card at registration and each night of testing. If a driver's license is not available, a notarized statement bearing a recent photo and the date of birth and signature of the test-taker can be used. This form can be obtained at the Student Services Office. Bring the notarized form to the test along with proof of residency (a bill with the test takers name giving a Texas address).

The full battery of tests cost \$40, and checks or money orders made payable to Vernon College are acceptable.

Call in your news 658-3142

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Visiting Australia, a Texas rancher strikes up a conversation with a local man who raises cattle. The Texas brags that his spread is far larger than the Australian's, and his cattle are twice the size of the ones raised down under. Then the Texan sees a herd of kangaroos in the distance. "What are those?" he asks.

The Aussie says, "Don't you have grasshoppers in Texas?" Here and There - Billie Walker visited with her aunt, Coral Lee Duncan of Aspermont, over the weekend.

Claudia Bryant was in Hawley Sunday to watch her granddaughter, Cecylee Hicks, along with other children her age perform in their Vacation Bible School graduation.

David Ellis of Childress and his brother-in-law Grady Ellis of

Plainview visited their mother and mother-in-law Beatrice Ellis over the weekend.

Veeta Reid, along with four children, attended camp at Big Country Baptist Assembly at Lueders over the weekend. Those attending were Kate Rowan, Kaley Ainsworth, Makayla Harrington and Leah Tibbets. They all enjoyed the good programs, games and food.

C.H. and Linda Underwood were in Weatherford Saturday to attend a fruit and vegetable market sale going on there.

Vivian Hendrix spent a few days in Wichita Falls visiting with her daughter, LeNear, who recently broke her shoulder in several places. Pretrecia returned her to her home here Saturday.

Donny, Diana and Angela Roberts were blessed over the week-

end to have their little grandson, Tyler Johnson of Haskell, to visit with them while their parents, Trish and Tim Johnson, took a little vacation.

Our church was happy for our pastor Kyle Gullede and wife Leah to return from their wedding and honeymoon and return home. We all are so happy and blessed to have them.

Visiting Ranzy and Adelle Herring Sunday were Marsha and Tamara McGaughey of Knox City and Jr. Urbanczyk of Goree.

O'Brien will be getting some new neighbors move to O'Brien this week. We're all happy to have Billy Ray and Sharon Morrow to move into the late Rufe and Edrie Barnard home. The Morrrows lived in Graham for some time but they decided they wanted to move back home.

TCR's 28th annual art show and sale once again to benefit West Texas Rehab

The Stamford Art Foundation is making final plans for the 28th annual Art Show and Sale.

Thirty-two artists are participating from New Mexico, Wyoming, Oklahoma, Arizona and all across Texas.

Many of the artists have sent titles of their work to be exhibited. The titles of the art are intriguing and make the anticipation of viewing the work exciting.

Abilene artist, Jodie Boren, has sent a title for one of his oil paintings entitled, "A Stranger in Town". Now is that a long, tall Sally or a big red fox?

Paul Tadlock from New Braunfels named a bronze sculpture "Lookin' Good". Would that be a cool, voluptuous blond or a white tail deer?

"Proud As A Mule Can Be," is an oil painting by artist Jan Hurley from Oklahoma. Is a proud mule

also stubborn?

Douglas Weaver from New Mexico is bringing an oil painting entitled, "Grandma's Place". You can smell the fried chicken cookin'.

Stephenville artist, Shirley Hullum, has an oil painting entitled, "Evening Glow". Wonder if that is the stars at night or lights from church windows on a snowy night.

"Spooked" is an oil painting by Austin artist, Daniel Maldonado. Is that a horse or a Halloween ghost?

Tom Paulson from Clifton named an oil painting "Only in Texas". What could only be?

"Contentment" an oil by Paul Camerson Smith from Weatherford sounds like a peaceful and beautiful painting to view.

There will be approximately 200 pieces of art exhibited and

each will have its own intriguing interesting title. The prices of art range in price from \$90.00 to \$4,800.00.

The art can be viewed for the first time at the Preview Party on Tuesday, July 3.

There will be a steak dinner served by Joe Allen, the music of the Billy Bob Bud band, the "QuickDraw" event and the drawing of two \$100.00 gift certificates.

Reservations can be made by calling Ray Kinney at 915-773-2232 or tickets can be purchased at the gate.

For those not attending the Preview party, the Art Show continues in the air conditioned John Selmon Memorial Gallery, July 4 through July 7. Proceeds benefit the West Texas Rehab Center.

Thanks for reading the NEWS!

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

PHOTOGRAPHS

Unsolicited photographs will be considered at a charge that will be determined after the picture is viewed.

ERRORS

This newspaper is not responsible for errors in more than one edition. Claims will not be considered unless made within 72 hours of publication. No allowance will be made when the error does not materially affect the value of the advertisement.

NEWS DEADLINE

All items intended for each week's edition must be received in the NEWS office no later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday evening. Items submitted after the deadline may be held over for the following week. All items submitted are subject to holdover for future editions, depending on size, content, and available space.

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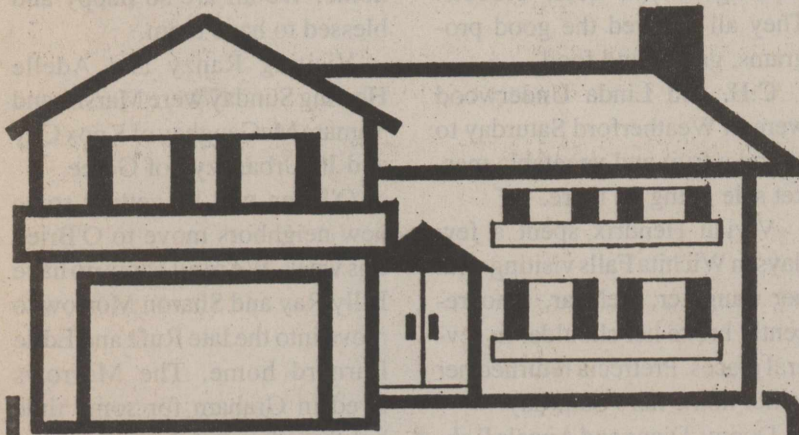
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Classifieds

N. Munday Ave., Munday, Texas, in regard to the Amendments to the Rules and Regulations and to the Districts Management Plan. The Board of Directors encourage all citizens of Baylor, Haskell and Knox Counties to participate and to make their views known at this public hearing. 7-5 1tc 83

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT
Ernest Angelo Jr. is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Notice

DISHES FROM THE Johnny Helms service may be picked up at the First Baptist Church kitchen. 7-5 1tp

Help Wanted

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HELP WANTED - Now taking applications for nurse aide training program. Please apply in person at Brazos Valley Care Home, 605 South Avenue F, Knox City. 7-5 tfc 25

HELP WANTED - Position available in Knox County Tax Assessor / Collector / Appraisal District office. Applications may be picked up at Knox County Courthouse in Benjamin. Knox County and Knox County Appraisal District are EOE. 6-21 tfc 35

Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE - 1008 South Fifth, Friday. Three families. Clothes, towels, sheets, boats, hats, odds and ends. 7-5 1tp

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The rate schedule is expected to furnish an 8.76 percent increase in the Company's revenues from residential, commercial and industrial customers in the West Region Distribution System. A Statement of Intent has been filed with each city. If you desire to comment concerning this change of rates, you may contact the City Secretary of one of the above named cities.

Legal Notice

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.

MIKE SHEEDY
10-29 tfc 52

Legal Notice

NOTIFICATION OF THE City of O'Brien providing for the publication and notice that the City has a Fair Housing Ordinance that provides for equal opportunity in housing.

DECLARATION OF POLICY

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the city to bring about through fair, orderly and lawful procedures, the opportunity of each person to obtain housing without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, marital status, parent-hood or age.

It is further declared that such policy is established upon a recognition of the inalienable rights of each individual to obtain housing without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, marital status, parenthood, age; and further that the denial of such rights through considerations based on race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental handicap, marital status, parenthood, or age is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the city and constitutes an unjust denial or deprivation of such inalienable rights which is within the power and the proper responsibility of government to prevent.

Whereas, the City of O'Brien has a copy of said Fair Housing Ordinance for review as part of its educational and public information programs, said Ordinance is available for review by all interested per-

Legal Notice

sons at City Hall during regular office hours.

/s/ Charlene Brothers
Mayor
7-5 tfc 230

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 19th day of July, 2001 before the Board of Directors of Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District at 135

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By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

The sounds of the 4th of July are in the air as lots of folks have already begun to "shoot off" fireworks. For the last few nights, the sky has been aglow with all kinds of "pretties" that make for fun watching. It's dry and we sure hope that none of those sparks get away and probably by watching carefully, they won't. We keep getting small promises of maybe some showers but so far nothing. Just more heat - day after day.

Regarding our ill - Shari Brown is in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene having some eye problems. Doctors seem to think (at last report) that something may have stung her or bitten her but not for sure just what. Any way, her eyes swelled quite a lot and after Friday night in Knox County Hospital, doctors here thought she should see a specialist so she went to Abilene Saturday. She's reportedly improving but I'm sure she would still appreciate a card or word of cheer. Just mail her correspondence here as she hopes to be home in a day or so. We hope she is.

Joe Nunley is back in Munday Nursing Center after several weeks in Wichita Falls. Doctors there changed his medicine but he says he still doesn't feel as well as he would like to. Please remember Joe in your prayers.

Christine Patterson is having a pretty hard time. Just can't seem to get to feeling better. She is not too responsive now but maybe our next report will be more encouraging.

Our other residents at the Munday Nursing Center, Nora Hertel, Bea Parks, Lucy Mings and Bill and Pearl Ryder are all doing pretty well. Drop in on them when you're in Munday. They always welcome company.

My sister, Maxine Nelson in Fort Worth, who has been quite ill for a long time had a bad week last

week. Spent two days in the hospital but was able to go back to the care facility where she now resides on Tuesday night. I ask your prayers in her behalf.

Sympathy to Bill and Pearl Ryder and family today. Pearl's twin sister's husband Fred Searcy passed away this weekend. They lived at Justin.

Cheerleaders attend camp - The 2001-2002 BHS cheerleaders returned Saturday for a four-day camp at McMurry College in Abilene. The girls got two spirit sticks and an award (I can't think of the name of it) for their enthusiasm, interest, etc.

The cheerleaders making the trip were Ashley Cartwright, Sandra Acevedo, Ashley Bufkin and Jessica Moorhouse and their sponsor, Belle Grill.

The girls all said they had a great time and will be ready to start cheering for the Mustangs when ball season gets here.

Here 'N There - Larry and Gaye Neal visited Gaye's sister and brother-in-law, Margaret and Leroy Walker in Marlowe, Oklahoma, during the weekend. Margaret underwent back surgery Monday but is now home and even tho still in quite a bit of pain is doing better.

Judy Conner was in Lubbock last week to visit her sons, Jeff and family and Jim Bob and Mixie in Slaton. She also saw one of the grandson's play ball while she was there.

Daniel and Rosellen Albus of Lubbock visited her brother, Don Hertel and her mom Nora Hertel in the Munday Nursing Center, this weekend.

Earlene Meinzer had her sons Rick, Patsy and Trapper Meinzer of Rhineland and grandsons, Hunter and Pate Meinzer of Benjamin, Saturday night. They enjoyed supper with her. Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Meinzer and Brooke

of Vernon also stopped by for a brief visit.

Clayton Conner, who is working in Lubbock this summer, was here last Wednesday and Thursday for a visit with his mom, Janet Reed and other relatives and friends.

Imagean and Dutch Young, their grandson Anthony Lamb and nephew Bubba Benson, were in Arlington several days last week. Imagean was attending a JP conference and the boys (and Dutch) were just having a good time away from home for a few days.

Kim Moore and girls Samijo and Shelby of Spur, spent Sunday and Monday here. The girls stayed for a few days visit with Hazel Stockton and Bud Conner.

Sharon Johnson and Maretha Patterson and Randolph Barnett of Alvin returned home Monday night after several days visit with Weldon and Margie Patterson in California. They also did lots of sight seeing and had a very enjoyable time. Randolph is a longtime family friend and he and Weldon have always been "buddies" so this was a perfect change for him to go and visit and sure was a help to the ladies as they didn't have to travel along. Enroute to California, they visited Sharon's daughter, Stephanie Statler and family in Arizona.

Lynn Moorhouse, student at Angelo State, was a weekend visitor with her dad and family, Mike, Debbie, Liz, Jessica and Will.

Jack and Mary Young were in Haltom City last Sunday for a visit with daughter, Debbie Neil and family.

Started out to be a birthday celebration for one of the grandsons but somewhere along the way Jack "picked up" a virus so needless to say it turned out not to be a very festival day for him. After they got home, Mary had it and was sort of out of commis-

sion for a day or so. They are both OK now and back "going around" their house and doing things in the community.

Jack and W.T. Cartwright painted the fence around the cemetery one day and they have been busy up at the Veteran's Memorial, as others have, cleaning and I believe getting some waterlines laid so watering the grounds will be easier.

Christi Clayton honored with bridal shower

A bridal shower honoring Christi Clayton, bride-elect of Mark Snodgrass, was held Saturday, June 30, in the home of Mrs. Samuel Tankersley.

Mrs. Tankersley received guests and presented them to the bride-elect; her mother, Sue McCurly and to the prospective bridegroom's mother, Susan Snodgrass.

The table was covered with an ecru crochet cloth and appointments were silver and crystal. A topiary of roses, stock and mixed flowers of the bride's chosen colors in a crystal stemmed vase served as the centerpiece.

Refreshments were finger sandwiches, fruit, cheese, crackers and nuts. Peggy Guinn served punch.

Mary Ann Boone, Barbara Barnard, Darlene Carter, Margie Clonts, Peggy Guinn, Dorethy Harrison, Birdie Helton, Genie Holcomb, Deanie Johnston, JoAnn Maddox, Sequoyah Reynolds, Anne Underwood and June Tankersley served as hostesses.

VISIT HERE

J.D. and Betty Rowell of Amarillo spent Monday night of last week here with Billie and Frank McAuley.

Frank and J.D. traveled on to Mineral Wells for Bobby Hills funeral.

Obituaries

Mary E. Stone

Mary E. Stone of White Settlement, 83, died Wednesday, June 27, 2001, in Fort Worth. Funeral services were Monday, July 2, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of White Settlement with burial in Greenwood Memorial Park.

Born July 9, 1917, in Knox City, she was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of White Settlement.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Clyde W. Stone; and son-in-law, Willie Joe Brannon.

Survivors include daughters, Terry Bangs and Teddy Brannon, both of Fort Worth; Tracy Sellars of Aledo and Toni Honts of Greenbrier, Tennessee; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, a sister, Lucille Wharton of Mansfield; a brother, Tom Paul Clary of Phoenix, Arizona; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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