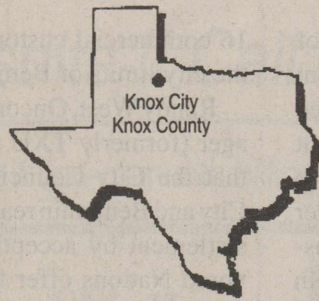


The Hound and Houndette basketball teams will host Monday, Friday night at KCHS gym

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## College Financial Aid Workshop set for Feb. 14 at KCHS Library

Meeting is vital for parents of senior students



Mack Lowe  
KCHS  
Principal

A Financial Aid Workshop has been announced for Thursday evening, February 14, in the library at Knox City High School.

KCHS Principal Mack Lowe scheduled the meeting to provide valuable information to the parents of the senior students in the graduating Class of 2002.

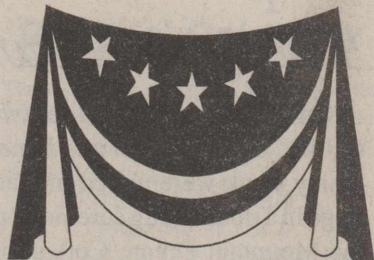
For the parents of students who are planning on continuing their education in college, the workshop is very important as information will be provided on financial help that is available from various sources.

A major topic of discussion at the meeting is the proper completion of the paperwork required for students who are seeking financial aid for college.

During the workshop, two \$100.00 scholarships will be awarded to seniors whose parents are present at the meeting.

A second meeting to actually fill out the required paperwork for financial aid will be conducted in April. More information on that meeting will be announced at a later date.

Mr. Lowe also welcomes parents of this year's junior students to attend the workshop, as this will be an excellent opportunity to learn about the process those families will have to go through next year in order to obtain financial aid for the class of 2003.



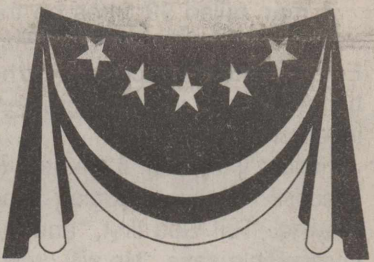
## Knox Co. Museum fundraising dinner Sunday in Benjamin

The annual fundraising dinner for the Knox County Museum is this Sunday, February 3, at the Benjamin Memorial Building.

Serving is from 11:30 until 1:30 p.m. and the menu consists of brisket, turkey and sausage, homemade bread, coleslaw, potato salad and desserts.

Ticket prices are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. Takeouts will be available.

Some lucky person will be the recipient of the "Stars Over Knox County" quilt.



The Community Men's Breakfast will be this Saturday, 7:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church.

## More than five decades after service in World War II, John Gillispie receives coveted high school diploma

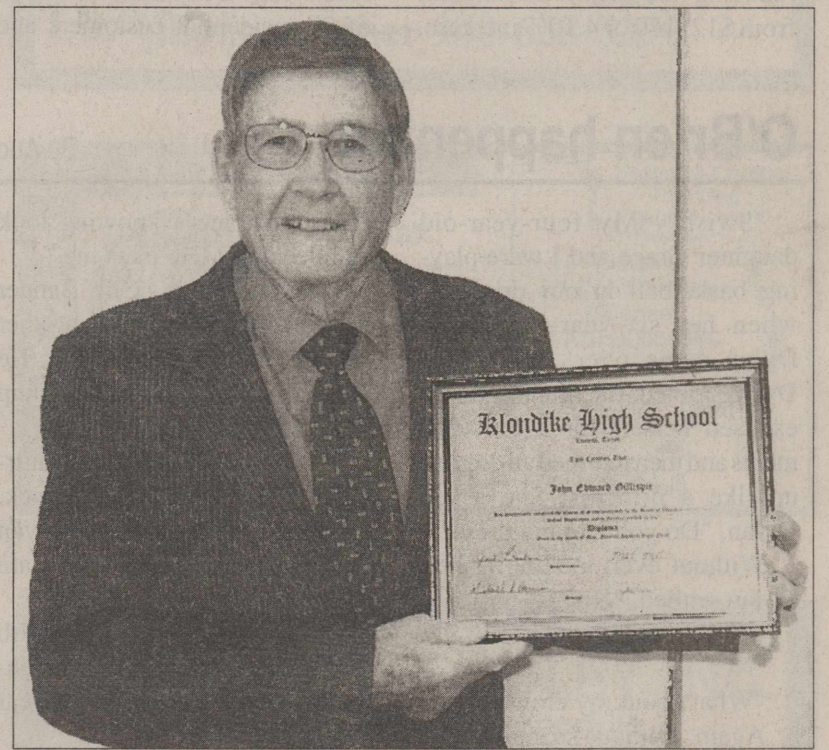
All smiles these days, Knox City resident John Gillispie is the proud recipient of a high school diploma, issued more than five decades after he left high school to join the United States Navy for service in World War II.

Even though John became a licensed minister after the war and has very impressive credentials in that field, he always regretted not having a high school diploma.

Thanks to a new law passed during the last session of the Texas Legislature, John's high school diploma is now a reality that he is able to hang on the wall and look at. During the 77th session of the Texas Legislature, Senate Bill 387 authorized the granting of high school diplomas to certain veterans who left school for military service. Those veterans who were scheduled to graduate after 1940 and before 1951 are eligible to receive diplomas from the school they attended prior to leaving for the military.

The diploma from Klondike High School was accompanied by the following letter from Jack Gaskins, Superintendent for the Klondike Independent School District:

Dear Mr. Gillispie:  
By the authority of the 77th Texas Legislature, Senate Bill 387, the Klondike Independent School District Board of Trustees does



PROUDLY DISPLAYING his brand new high school diploma, John Gillispie of Knox City is all smiles and very proud of the certificate from Klondike High School, awarded more than five decades after John left school for military service in World War II.

hereby award you with your high school diploma. The Board recognizes and sincerely appreciates your selfless act of war-time service on behalf of our great nation. America is great and free today, in part because of the many brave and patriotic men and women like yourself who put their own lives on hold in order to defend and protect the liberties and rights of others.

Since your military service kept you from being physically present in the Spring of 1943 for graduation ceremonies at the Union School, we are proud to be able to offer you this diploma at this time. Regrettably the signatures are not those board members and administrators of your alma mater, but we do hope that you will know the

pride we feel in being able to sign such an important document for such a worthy American citizen.

With sincere gratitude,  
Jack Gaskins,  
Superintendent  
Klondike Independent  
School District

Not only has John Gillispie received his high school diploma through this new means, he is also in a position to help other veterans of World War II obtain theirs as well. Serving as the Veterans Service Officer for Knox County, John has the forms available for other WWII veterans who qualify under the guidelines. The forms are also available locally through Louis Baty, Superintendent of the Knox City - O'Brien CISD. Congratulations John !!

## Heart drive to begin in KC, O'Brien

The annual American Heart Association drive is getting ready to kickoff, according to June Tankersley, business drive chairman.

The month of February is designated as heart month by the AHA. Businesses and individuals of Knox City, O'Brien and the surrounding area will be asked to give to this organization during

this time.

A kickoff coffee for workers will be Monday, February 4, at the Wild Flour Cafe at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers collecting these donations will be Dorothy Dykes, Peggy Grindstaff, Kim Clonts, Susan Emerson, Charlene Brothers, Jo Cornett, Frankie Baker, Betsy Allen, Jan Lankford, Joyce Lloyd and June Tankersley.

## Saluting Our Heroes . . . the Knox City volunteer firefighters



Profile of a firefighter: Bud Reynolds

Bud Reynolds has the distinction of serving on the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department longer than any other active member. Joining the department in 1958. Currently serving as the Fire Department Chaplain, Bud has also served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Sergeant-At-Arms.

A certified firefighter, Bud is retired from West Texas Utilities, serving the community for many years from the Knox City WTU office. A high school graduate, Bud has also served the community as both a City Councilman and as the Mayor. As Mayor, Bud was instrumental in bringing the Duckwall's Variety Store to Knox City.

Bud and his wife Sequoyah attend the Knox City Foursquare Church. They have three children, Harvey Wayne, Billy Bob and Rita, along with six grandchildren.

Bud's main reason to join the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department back in 1958 and to remain ever since has been his desire to "serve my town."



Profile of a firefighter: Connie Provost

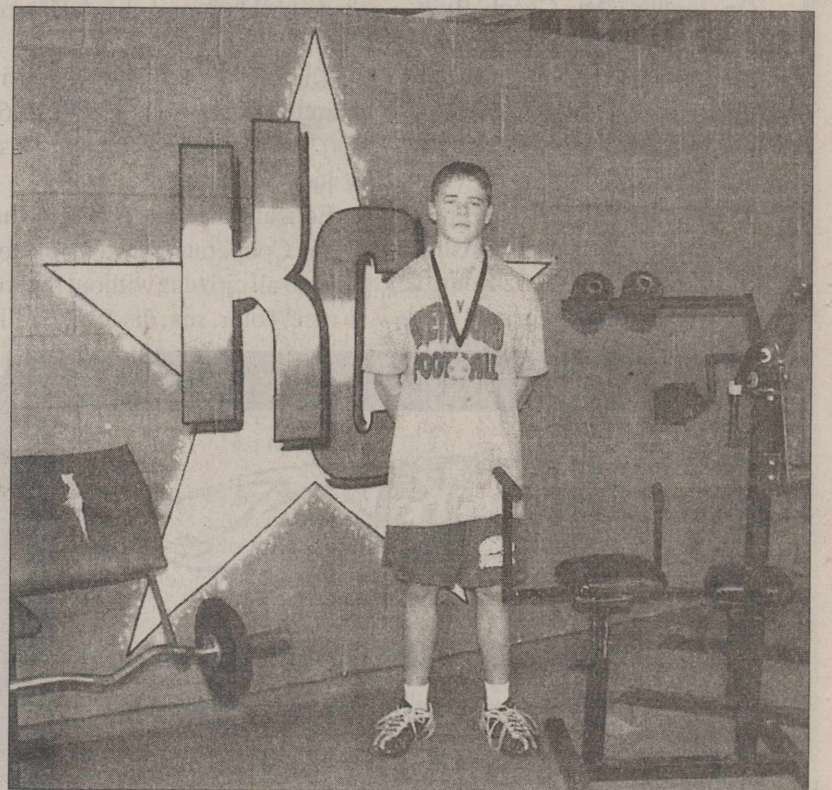
Connie S. Provost joined the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department in November of 2000, but already she serves as both a firefighter and as the department's Public Information Officer and Secretary. She also has the distinction of being the first female firefighter for the KCFD.

Her full time job is with the Knox County Emergency Medical Service as an EMT with an Intermediate certification. A 1996 graduate of Texas State Technical College, Connie previously served with the Stamford EMS where she was awarded the Medal of Valor for rescuing a downed firefighter in Stamford.

Connie is married to Knox City Police Officer Lance Provost, and the couple have two children, 5 month old twins James and Molly. The family attends Knox City's Foursquare Church.

With a grandmother who was an EMT and a grandfather who was a firefighter, Connie chose emergency service work because "I enjoy the feeling I get when I help someone."

## History makin' Hound !



MAKING HISTORY SATURDAY for Knox City High School was junior Wes Parker, who placed fifth in his weight class of 132 at the Abilene High Powerlifting Meet. This is the first year for the Hounds to compete in powerlifting. Wes's totals were squat - 330, bench - 145, dead lift - 325 for a total of 800. Joining him were team mates who competed in the 181 weight class. Riley Spells had squat - 375, bench - 160, dead lift - 350 for a total of 885; C.J. Bruce, squat - 350, bench - 230, dead lift - 345, for a total of 925; and Sedrick Roberson, squat - 345, bench - 175, dead lift - 365, for a total of 885.



# Cities of Knox City and Benjamin accept Favored Nations Settlement Offer by Oncor

*Of Pending Rate Case Filed on June 28, 2001*

Effective January 14, 2002, Oncor (TXU Gas) and the 77 surrounding cities in the Western Regional Distribution System Rate Case have settled the pending rate case that was filed on June 28, 2001. The Cities of Knox City and Benjamin accepted the Favored Nations Settlement Offer in July 2001. The offer stated that Oncor (TXU Gas) would give the Cities of Knox City and Benjamin the most favorable rate treatment that is negotiated with any other city in the Western Regional Distribution System without incurring any rate case expended from hired consultants.

The final settlement affected the City of Knox City rates by reducing the requested amount from \$12,140 or 4.10% increase,

to a \$7.00 decrease for the City of Knox City. The final settlement affected the City of Benjamin rates by reducing the requested amount from (\$1,598), or -3.03%, to (\$3,409), or a -6.47 decrease. Per the settlement, a residential customer using 5 MCF per month will realize a decrease of approximately \$0.54 per month in Knox City and \$5.94 per month decrease for Benjamin. Per the settlement, a commercial customer using 30 MCF will realize an increase of approximately \$20.94 per month in Knox City and \$13.95 increase per month in Benjamin. Knox City has a total of 465 residential customers and 86 commercial customers inside the City limits of Knox City. Benjamin has a total of 77 residential customers and

16 commercial customers inside the city limits of Benjamin.

Randy West, Oncor Area Manager (formerly TXU Gas) stated that the City Councils of Knox City and Benjamin reached a good settlement by accepting the Favored Nations offer from Oncor (TXU Gas). The citizens of Knox City and Benjamin benefited from the rate case settlement from not having to pay any rate case expense associated with the negotiation of the settlement. The customers in the seven cities that suspended action on the rate case will be expensed the consultants fees through a surcharge. The customers in the seven cities that suspended action on the rate case will be expensed the consultants fees through a surcharge.

## O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Swish - My four-year-old daughter Grace and I were playing basketball in our driveway when her six-year-old friend Dylan came over. Soon after Dylan joined the game, Grace excused herself for a few moments and then returned all dressed up like a princess. She asked Dylan, "Do you like my dress?"

Without even looking at her, Dylan replied, "No."

"Don't you like the color?"

"No."

"What about my crown?"

Again, without so much as a glance, "No."

Just then the ball bounced off Dylan's foot and he ran to get it.

Grace shot me a knowing look and declared, "He likes me."

Here and There - Cliff Banner was in O'Brien to visit his brother Joe and mom Billie Walker. He worked on his mother's old pickup to get it running again.

Visiting Loretta Hewitt Saturday was Gayle Nunn of Lubbock. Gayle also visited her father, Ivan Rowan, in the Brazos Valley Care Home.

Spending the weekend with Vivian Hendrix were her daughters, LaDocia Morris and LeNear Phillips of Wichita Falls.

John and Kathleen Hayes of Muleshoe were here over the weekend and visited John's

brother, Delbert and Ranzy and Adelle Herring and with me. We all enjoyed visiting and bringing up the 'good ole days'.

Eddie and Claudia Bryant were in Lubbock over the weekend to visit their son, Jon and wife.

Visiting Clara Hanson over the weekend were Jerry and Lou Hodges of Graham, Ronnie Hodges of Brownfield, Anne Underwood of Knox City, and her neighbors, Billy Ray and Sharon Morrow.

They enjoyed a good meal together and Clara and Ronnie went to the musical at Old Glory Saturday night and enjoyed some good music.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES STALEY KECK  
... the former Lila Jo Rector

## Couple married December 7 in Red River, New Mexico, ceremony

On December 7, 2001, at two o'clock, Lila Jo Rector and James Staley Keck were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Mountain Dream Cottage in Red River, New Mexico.

Lila wore a long golden brown embroidery suede suite and carried long stemmed peach roses.

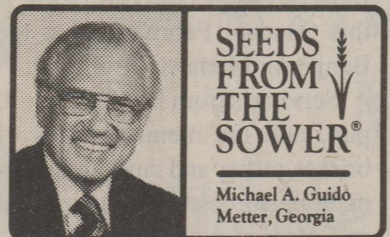
Parents of the couple attended the wedding.

On December 15, 2001, they

enjoyed a wedding dance with family and friends in Nocona. The Cheyenne Band provided music.

Lila and Staley are both employed by Nocona ISD. Lila is the daughter of John and Barbara Rector of Knox City and Staley is the son of Jim L. and Darla Keck of Nocona.

After a ski honeymoon in Red River, the couple is making their home in Nocona.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER  
Michael A. Guido  
Metter, Georgia

A jockey lost his first race and his next 250, but he kept trying. And Eddie Arco became the most famous jockey of his day.

A ball player struck out 1,330 times. But he didn't quit. And Babe Ruth became the greatest home run hitter of his time.

A man failed 99 times on the same experiment, but Thomas Edison made it a success. And he became the world's greatest inventor.

Failure isn't fatal. It's a step to success. Keep plugging and praying. "Put God first," and the Living Bible says, "He will crown your efforts with success."

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

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**We will be closed Fridays.**

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

## Basketball scores

**Friday, January 25**  
JV Girls  
KC - 8, Crowell - 28  
Mindy Hudson - 2, Shane Reed - 4, Shea Oudems - 2.

**Varsity Girls**  
KC - 44, Crowell - 32  
Sophie Gutierrez - 17, Angela Roberts - 1, Diana Miranda - 4, Nikki Gonzales - 17, Samantha Gutierrez - 5.

**Varsity Boys**  
KC - 41, Crowell - 36  
Brad Johnson - 6, Carlos Ruiz - 4, Caleb Carver - 8, T.J. Roberson - 4, Will Grimsley - 8, Kendrick Green - 11.

**Friday, January 22**  
JV Girls  
KC - 10, Munday - 35  
April Magana - 2, Shea Oudems - 6, Lindsey Villa - 2.

**JV Boys**  
KC - 18, Munday - 30  
Ben Simmons - 5, Dustin Johnson - 4, Josh Hunt - 2, Sean Duncan - 5, Wesley Espinosa - 2.

**Varsity Girls**  
KC - 27, Munday - 48  
Sophie Gutierrez - 6, Kaylie Billington - 5, Angela Roberts - 4, Diana Miranda - 3, Nikki Gonzales - 6, Samantha Gutierrez - 3.

**Varsity Boys**  
KC - 57, Munday - 45  
Brad Johnson - 8, Caleb Carver - 8, T.J. Roberson - 15, Will Grimsley - 7, Shawn Speck - 2, Kendrick Green - 17.

**KNOX CO. CEA NEWS**  
By TRISH JONES  
County Extension Agent/Ag

### Knox County 4-H Teams Are Busy With Contests

Members of the Knox County 4-H Junior Range Science Team have been very busy. Members Zakery Butler, Jaime Logsdon, Samantha Esquivel and Vanessa Solis participated in two contests earlier this month. On January 12, 2002, Coach Rudy Esquivel hauled the team to the Coryell County 4-H Invitational Plant Identification Contest in Gatesville, Texas. The team placed third overall. Samantha Esquivel received first place high point individual and Vanessa Solis received third place high individual. The team returned home and prepared for the next contest.

On January 19, Coach Rudy Esquivel and team made a trip to Fort Worth for the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show Range and Pasture Plant Identification Contest.

The Knox County 4-H Junior Range Science Team finished third with a score of 524 out of 1200. Vanessa Solis received third

high point individual and Samantha Esquivel received sixth high point individual.

On behalf of Texas Cooperative Extension and the Knox County 4-H Program, we would like to congratulate these youth on a job well done. We would also like to thank Coach Rudy Esquivel for his hard work, time and effort in working with these students and giving them the opportunity to compete at these events. The parents that attended both of the contests, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Butler and Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy West, must also be recognized and thanked for their support of all of these children and the 4-H program.

The District 4-H Plant Identification Contest is set for April 6, 2002, in Montague County. Best of luck to the team!

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, reli-

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

Date	Low	High	Rain
01/22	22	77	
01/23	39	70	
01/24	20	56	.01
01/25	23	60	
01/26	25	68	
01/27	32	70	
01/28	37	79	

**Total 2002 Rainfall - .25**

## Aging center lunch menus

February 4th thru 8th

**Monday, February 4** - Sliced ham, macaroni and cheese, green beans, apple and celery salad, hot rolls, cake.

**Tuesday, February 5** - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, hot rolls, cobbler.

**Wednesday, February 6** - Mexican casserole, whole kernel corn, Spanish rice, lettuce and tomato salad, pudding.

**Thursday, February 7** - German sausage, pinto beans, cole slaw, cheesy potatoes, cornbread, cookies.

**Friday, February 8** - Beef stew, broccoli with cheese sauce, cornbread, cookies and fruit.

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

**2002 Greyhound Annuals**  
will be on sale Feb. 4 thru 8  
**\$25.00 each**

Elementary - pay homeroom teachers  
Mid-School - pay Mrs. Bradley  
High School - pay Mrs. Dillon

For more info, call 658-5171

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Call 658-3142.

**Knox City Area Church Directory**  
*Local congregations welcome your attendance this Sunday*

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Knox City**  
Miller Robinson - Interim Pastor  
\* Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ \* Sunday Morning Worship at 10:55 a.m.  
\* Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 6:00 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.

**FOUR SQUARE 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 Gulledege, Pastor -  
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. Mid Week, Wed. at 6:00 p.m.

**"ABUNDANT LIFE" ZION FULL GOSPEL**  
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 -  
Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.  
Mid Week Bible Study, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.  
The church is located at 200 West Guthrie in Weinert

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### Immunization clinic to visit in Munday on February 7

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an Immunization Clinic at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday, Thursday, February 7, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Immunizations offered include DTaP, Hib, Polio, Measles, Mumps and Rubella and Hepati-

tis B for infants as well as all school immunizations.

The Hepatitis B immunization was required for Kindergarten entry this year and was required for 12 years old on August 1, 2000.

Parental notification of the chickenpox disease or proof of the varicella immunization will

also be required as of August 1, 2000 for all 12 year olds, kindergartners, or any child over the age of 12 months in preschool, daycare or registered homes. Parents are asked to check their child's records and take appropriate action. 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.

### Brian Rosencranz, Tobi Carthel are married Saturday, January 5, in Burleson ceremony

Tobi Ann Carthel and Brian Dale Rosencranz, both of Arlington, were united in marriage Saturday, January 5, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. in Burleson.

The ceremony was held in St. Matthew Cumberland Presbyterian Church with Mark Mangrem of Lake Arlington Baptist Church officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dart and Joann Carthel of Lockney. She is the granddaughter of Bobby and Mervean Carthel and Bobby and Ann McCormick, all of Lockney. Great-grandparents are Paul and Val Cooper of Lockney.

Parents of the bridegroom are Roger and Rita Rosencranz of Knox City. He is the grandson of Vera Rosencranz of Broadus, Montana; and Helen Anderson of Midwest, Wyoming. Both grandmothers attended the ceremony.

The church was decorated with two spiral and one fan shaped candelabra with votive candles and two floral arrangements accented with white roses, carnations and greenery.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a wedding gown with a ballerina neckline and spaghetti straps trimmed with rocals and seed pearls. The tulle bodice was embroidered and beaded with rhinestones, seed pearls, and rocals. The waistline met a shirred six layered tulle skirt, embellished with embroidery and beading extending into an embroidered, cathedral length detachable train. The waist length tulle veil was attached to a headband embellished with rhinestones and seed pearls matching the dress.

She carried a bouquet of red roses with white stephanotis. Pearls accented each stephanotis.

The bridegroom wore a black tuxedo, white shirt, white bow tie and a white vest with a white rose boutonniere.

Maid of honor was Jackie Carthel, of Lawton, Oklahoma, aunt of the bride. She wore a mock two-piece floor length a-line shiny cabernet satin dress styled with a square neck and a string corset up the back. She carried three long stemmed white roses.

Bridesmaids were Tami Thomas of Burleson; Carli Rosencranz of Grand Prairie, sister-in-law of the bridegroom; Allison Drake and Laura Harrison, sorority sisters, both of Arlington and Liz Fisher of Midland, cousin of the bride. They wore dresses identical to the maid of honor's and carried one long stemmed white rose.

Best man was Jeremy Rosencranz of Grand Prairie, brother of the bridegroom. Groomsmen were Brian Lackey, fraternity brother, of Hurst; Clint Lewis and Will Vacek, both of Knox City; and Dave Moren and Ryan Nankivell, fraternity brothers, both of Arlington. Male attendants wore



MRS. BRIAN DALE ROSENCRANZ  
... the former Tobi Ann Carthel

black tuxedos, white shirts, black bow ties and black vests with red rose boutonnières.

The bride's cousin, Brook Castleberry of Canyon, was flower girl.

Ushering guests were Eric Thomas of Burleson, and Chad Tolentino and Chris Dauer, both of Arlington.

Registering guests was Vanessa Schultz, sorority sister, of Arlington.

Traditional music was played by the organist and during the lighting of the unity candle, "Your Everything" by Keith Urban was played.

A reception hosted by the couple's parents followed in the church fellowship hall. The bride's table was covered with a white lace cloth, swagged with white tulleing, completed with silver accents. The bride's cake was topped with bouquets of red roses and the double and triple layer cake sections of three flavors, white, chocolate and red velvet.

Serving at the bride's table was DeLisa Isom of Plainview; and Oralia Schultz of Arlington, who baked and designed the wedding cake.

The bridegroom's table was decorated with a white lace tablecloth and

silver accents. Cheesecake with a choice of fruit topping was served. A silver coffee service complemented the table. Attending the bridegroom's table were Kim Lackey of Hurst and Tonya Lewis of Knox City.

Each guest table had a centerpiece of silver tulleing around a crystal vase with a red candle. Cameras on the tables were provided for guests to take pictures during the reception.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's parents on January 4 at Mirandas in Burleson.

A bridal shower for the couple was held in Knox City on December 9, 2001, in the home of Tonya Lewis.

A bridal shower was held in Lockney on November 10, 2001, in the home of Vera Jo Bybee. A lingerie shower was given by the maid of honor, Jackie Carthel, in Arlington on December 15, 2001.

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## Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Today (Monday) has been a gorgeous day. Warm, sunny and very little wind but weather guys say a change is on the way. Maybe it won't last long. The moisture we need but they are talking maybe ice and that we can do without!

Sympathy to the Leon Bivins family this week. Leon died Tuesday morning at his home near Tatum, New Mexico. Graveside rites were Friday here at the Benjamin Cemetery.

About our ill - We have a number of friends on the not feeling too well list this week. Mark Kuehler underwent surgery last Monday in a Wichita Falls hospital. He's home now and his wife Teresa told me tonight that he's well on the mend.

The Kenneth Roberts have had a pretty busy week as she had some surgery on Thursday. This also was in Wichita Falls. (She said it was minor but it was surgery and I feel all surgeries are major! Some to a greater degree than others.) She came home the same day tho and is also feeling OK. Mr. Roberts had a flare-up Saturday night. Went to ER at Knox City and doctors there thought he needed to go on to Wichita Falls to be checked out which he did. They found no real problem and he was not admitted to a hospital but spent the rest of the night at his son Ken's home and returned to Benjamin Sunday. And he's doing OK. Also on Thursday, their granddaughter Rebekah Boone, had eye surgery in Dallas to correct severe near-sightedness. She too is doing well. Good news about all of them.

Joe Tennyson underwent back surgery in Abilene Friday. According to his wife, Sheri, he is coming along nicely and we're glad to get that report.

Doris Bivins continues to feel better from day to day. She has experienced a tremendous weight loss but hopes to gain some of it back now that she's on the right kind of medication.

Little Nicholas Brumley, son of Brandon and Jamie Bohannon Brumley, was in an Abilene hospital last week with several problems. He had a respiratory condition which caused him quite a lot

of discomfort but he's out of the hospital now and at home with his family in Vernon.

Debbie Clower was involved in an automobile accident Sunday night. She hit what she believes was a hog tho she never saw it. Nevertheless, it did extensive damage to her car and she suffered a broken arm as a result. Said tonight she's OK and she feels blessed that she was not hurt any worse and also that she was alone. Her children were at home. She just has a few weeks of recovery time ahead of her.

Betty Lyles mom, Jo Coats, has been hospitalized again in Frederick, Oklahoma. Jo's health continues to fail and at the age of 90 years, she doesn't bounce back

as fast as she once did. Please remember this family and all our ill friends in your prayers.

Clodell Duke also had some surgery Friday in Wichita Falls. I haven't talked to her but understand that she is at home and doing OK.

Ball news - Rochester hit Benjamin Friday night and when they left we knew they had been here. The visitors defeated the home team by 6 or 8 points but had had a more comfortable lead a time or two during the game. Earlier in the week on Tuesday, we went to Rule and they too handed our girls a loss. We stand 1-2 in district with district play half over. In both the boys game, we were victorious. So, our boys are 3-0 in

district. This week, it's Paint Creek and Rule here.

Dumpster 'Dilemma' - Are you confused like most everyone about the note taped to our dumpsters Thursday a.m.? Dorothy Spikes, city secretary, asked me to let those know who haven't already heard that the note was misleading. Tho it said we must push our dumpsters to the highway it means, the edge of your yard near the road. In other words, they won't come into your yard or garage and get the receptacle. So just push it out as near the road as you can get it and they will get it for you.

Here 'N There - Judy Conner, Corrine Parrish and Bobby and Philomae Roberson were in Lubbock last Sunday to visit Judy's son, Jeff and Jim Bob and their families.

Lynn Moorhouse and a friend, Michael of San Angelo, spent the weekend with her family, the Mike Moorhouses.

Pearl Ryder, who has been residing in the Munday Nursing Center for about two years, left last Sunday for an extended stay with her sister, Merle Searcey in Justin. Judie says her mom is doing well and doesn't know how long she'll be there.

Among the out of town relatives and friends here Friday for the funeral of Leon Bivins were Kathryne and Johnny Hertel, Sonja Hamilton and Simone and Bill Boyd of Fillmore, Oklahoma, Kirby and Retha Hertel of Tishomingo, Oklahoma, Lorene Powers of Midland, Jimmy and Helen Green of Guthrie, Don and Pat Bivens of Valley View and Reba Nix of Munday. Also, Mr.

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Wynelle Holloway of Fred-

ericksburg is here for a visit with her sister, Omitene Barnett. They were in Whitharral Tuesday for the funeral of their mother's last sister. Randolph Barnett of Alvin took them to the services.

## Obituaries

### Leon Franklin Bivins

Leon Franklin Bivins, 87, died Wednesday, January 23, 2002, in New Mexico. Graveside services were held Friday, January 25, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. at the Benjamin Cemetery in Benjamin, Texas, with the Rev. John Gillispie officiating.

Leon was born September 15, 1914, in Kaufman County, Texas. His parents were the late Alvor F. and Eula Clower Bivins. He was a graduate of Benjamin High School and was retired from the Texas State Highway Department. He had been a member of the First Baptist Church in Benjamin since September 1933 except for a few years during World War II when he worked for the military service in Las Cruces and Alamogordo, New Mexico.

He and Olga Shirley Goodrich were married October 6, 1935, in Vera, Knox County, Texas. They made their home in Benjamin.

Leon was preceded in death by his wife, Olga, in November 1992 and his grandson, Bart in December 1993.

Survivors include one son, Karson of Tatum, New Mexico; one granddaughter, Leslea Gooden and husband Larry of Emmons, Minnesota; one great-granddaughter, Laurel Gooden of Emmons, Minnesota; two sisters, Maretha Patterson of Benjamin, Texas; and Kathryne Hertel of Fillmore, Oklahoma; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Pallbearers were Don Bivins, Bill Boyd, Kirby Hertel, Wyman Meinzer and LaMoyn Patterson.

Memorials can be made to the Benjamin Cemetery Association, the Benjamin Memorial Building or the donor's favorite charity.

Thank you to everyone for the phone calls, visits, cards, flowers, memorials and all expressions of sympathy extended to our family during the loss of our loved one, Leon Bivins.

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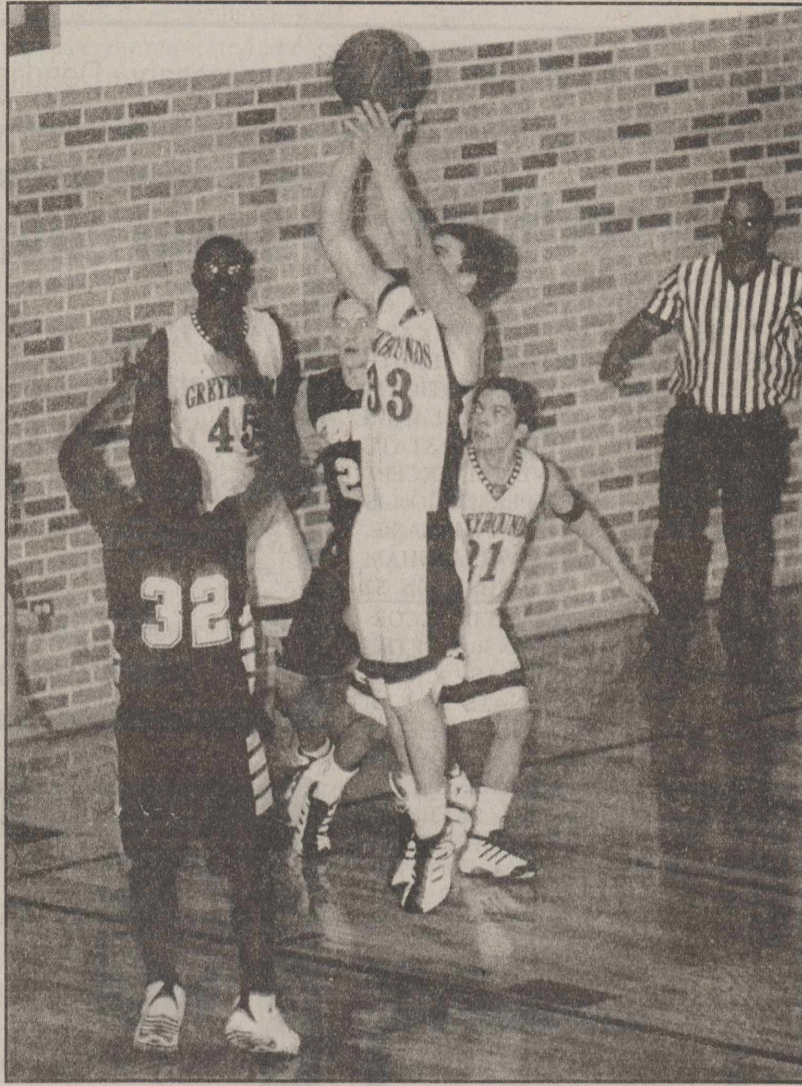
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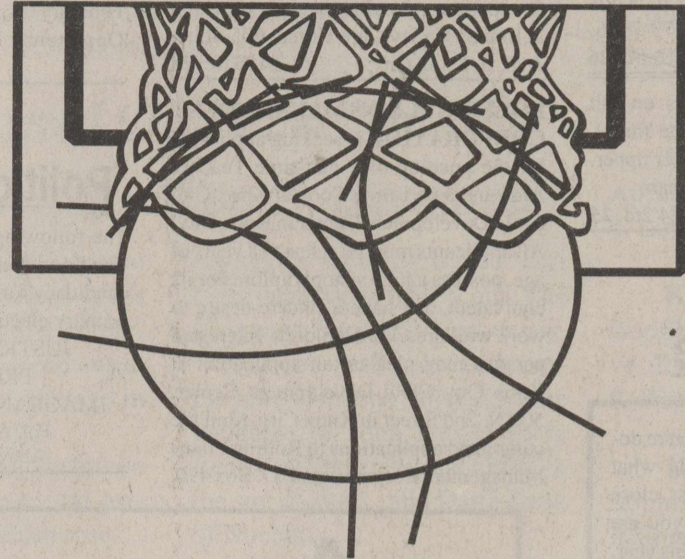
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