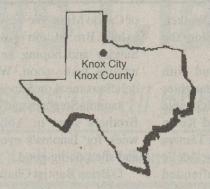
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Historical commission museum fundraiser to be Sunday in Benjamin from 11:30 to 1:30

Knox County citizens, former residents, and friends will be gathering Sunday, February 2, at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building to support a Knox County museum building fund and enjoy a great Knox County barbecue.

Serving will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Brisket, baked turkey, sausage, red beans, cole slaw, potato salad, deviled eggs, bread and desserts will come from the hands of Knox County cooks, even the bread is home baked. The delicious menu brought in 450 supporters last year and at least that many are expected this year. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for those 12 and under. Take out plates will be available.

Historical displays will be available for viewing including the County Schools quilt, uniforms from the museum collection, photos and a portion of an individual's collection of Indian

The obituary notebooks will be available for searching for an ancestor's story. All clippings in the notebooks are about persons buried in Knox County.

Other Knox County related clippings are located in the KCHC office family files. Anyone who has clippings suitable for either file is invited to bring them Febru-

Drawings of the proposed museum building and other museum information will be available. There will be a drawing for door prizes following the meal, and surplus food will be available for



TEXAS-OKLAHOMA WATERMELON QUEEN selected on Saturday, January 18, in McAllen was Knox County's Jennifer Carden, representing Johnson Melon Corporation of Knox City. Shownwith local sponsors Kay and Donald Johnson, Jennifer will compete for the national title in Las Vegas in March (Courtesy Photo)

Carden wins Watermelon Queen title

Johnson Melon Corporation's representative Jennifer Carden was named Texas-Oklahoma Watermelon Oueen 2003 at the association's annual convention in McAllen on Saturday, January

Jennifer, a 2001 Munday High School graduate, will compete for the national title in Las Vegas in March 2004 and with her new title received a \$3,000.00 scholarship from the association and a \$1,000.00 scholarship from Tri-

A Texas Tech University student, majoring in agricultural communications, Jennifer is the daughter of Jeannie and David Turek of Fort Worth and Jimmy Carden of

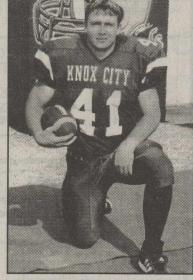
Knox City's Thompson commits to ACU

Scooter Thompson, a dominating force on Knox City High School's defensive unit, has verbally committed to Abilene Christian University in Abilene following a recruiting visit to the campus on Saturday.

Thompson, middle linebacker and defensive team captain for the Greyhounds, totaled 131 tackles, 20 behind the line, 10 sacks, 5 caused fumbles and recovered 3 during his senior year.

Thompson's performance and leadership on the field earned him several post season honors. He was named the Defensive MVP for District 9-A, the small school Defensive Player of the Year for the 'Red River 22' by the Wichita Falls Times Record News, the All Big Country Class A Defensive Player of the Year, and a linebacker on the All Big Country 'Super Team' by the Abilene Reporter News. The Texas Sports Writer's Association named Thompson as a third team All-State linebacker, He was also on the Top-O-Texas magazine's preseason Defensive Super Team.

Ranked in the top 3 of his gradu-



Scooter Thompson

ating class with a 3.75 grade point average, Thompson was also named as an Academic All State, second team.

Thompson also served as the Greyhounds fullback, rushing for over 500 yards with an average per carry of 5.2 yards. Coming through when his team needed him the most, Thompson scored the winning touchdown in the Area Championship game against Windthorst with just 13 seconds

left on the clock.

Knox City's Greyhounds finished the 2002 season as Regional Champions, winning a pair of playoff games before falling in the Quarter-Final Championship game to eventual state champion

Wayne Hutchinson took over as Knox City's Head Coach following the 2000 season. Knox City went 11-2 last season. Coach Mitch McLemore was Scooter's defensive coach, and Scooter credits much of his success as a linebacker to Coach McLemore. Thompson also praised his teammates, stating: "We had a very successful team this year, every player and coach helped to make each other better."

Thompson is a cousin to former Abilene Christian University All American linebacker Chip Bennett of Denver City, who played for the Wildcats in 1968 and 1969, and was a teammate of Jerry Wilson, ACU's current linebacker coach. Bennett is a member of ACU's Sports Hall of Fame and played for the Cincinnati Bengals from 1970 to 1971.

Jack Stubbs honored by Marine Corps



DISTINGUISHED HONOREE - Jack Stubbs was honored at the 227th United States Marine Corp Birthday Ball in Graham at the Graham Country Club recently. Jack was presented with several awards for his years of service to the North Texas Detachment MCL and was the oldest Marine present. The Stubbs' son-in-law, Scott Edmonds of Scott Edmonds Auction Co., assisted by Bennett Shortes and Scott Stephens helped raise money for the 'Toys for Tots' auction held in connection with the ball. Helping Jack celebrate were his family including daughters, from left, Shea Stubbs-Edmonds, and Rolanda Bowman of Pampa, his wife Romain, and another daughter, Sandy Smethers of Owasso, Oklahoma. Other family members present were Rolanda's family, husband Barry and daughters Angela and Christine; Sandy's daughter, Shanna Smethers; and Shea's family including husband Scott and children, Stratton, Spencer, Stuart and Saylor; and Sue and Bennett Shortes, Scott Stephens, Danni Moenning, and Dessie Egenbacher.

(Courtesy Photo)



JANUARY WAS OBSERVED throughout Texas as 'School Board Recognition Month' and members of the Knox City High School Student Council presented each board member with a token of gratitude on Monday morning. Making the presentation to board member Bill Stewart was his son B.J. Stewart and Ty Chisum of the Student Council. Others present were student council sponsor Shea Stubbs-Edmonds, high school principal Mack Lowe and school superintendent Louis Baty.

(NEWS digital photo)



'SENIOR DAY' IN TEXAS has been declared for Tuesday, February 4, 2003, and Knox County Judge Greg Clonts proclaimed the day on a county level this week at the Knox County Aging Center and Library. On hand for the signing were Susan Cockerell, site manager; and Judge Clonts, front row. Standing from left are Norm Anderson of Munday, Bernice Rowan of O'Brien, Joy Riggins, Benjamin (NEWS digital photo) site manager; Nola and Royce Denton of Goree and Bea Ellis of O'Brien.

"During the latter stages of my pregnancy, I brought a cushion to work to make my chair more comfortable. One afternoon I returned from lunch to find my chair had been pushed to the far side of my work area.

"Looks like someone's sitting in my chair," I commented to one of my co-workers.

Glancing down at my stomach, she said, "Look's like someone's also been sleeping in your bed."

Here and There - Julie Sanders and Billie Anne Cole of Amarillo visited with Billie Walker. She joined them on a trip to Denton to celebrate Julie's son's birthday. John Sanders and wife Joey enjoyed visiting with John's sister, mother and grandmother.

Jim Duncan of Los Lunas, New

Pearl C. Ryder

the Baptist Church.

great-grandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Celia Quintanilla Espinosa

Leroy West and Buddy Tolson.

Mexico, cousin of Billie Walker, dropped by for a visit before the group left for Denton.

Spending the weekend with Adelle Herring were daughter Pansy Hines, Julie and Stephanie Keeling of Lubbock and Kevin Urbanczyk of Goree and Tamara McGaughey of Knox City. Adelle and daughter Pansy attended church services Sunday. They also celebrated Pansy and Kevin's birthday with lots of good cakes and other food.

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

Spending Saturday night with C.H., Linda and Reed Underwood were Bro. Milton McManus and wife Rhonda and daughter Lacy

of Caddo Mills. We were blessed to have Bro. Milton preach for us Sunday and hoping he will be moving here soon. We had a delicious meal on Sunday.

Janoma Stephens and Charlene Brothers were in Abilene last week for Janoma's eye surgery and she's doing good.

O'Brien Baptist Church held a funeral for a former member, Lucille Abbott, last Wednesday, January 22. Bro. Bill Trice did the memorial sermon and Zo Felts played the piano and Delbert Lloyd led singing. Our church hosted a great meal for all families and friends of Mrs. Abbott and relatives and friends.

We still have several people that need our prayers. You know prayer really changes things.

Benjamin news

After a pretty cold week last week, today (Monday) has been better. Not exactly "air-conditioning" weather but temps have been more pleasant. We do need some rain but maybe that will come

Sympathy to the family of Pearl Ryder who passed away yesterday around 4:30 a.m. Pearl had suffered a stroke on Thursday and never regained consciousness. She had been living in Justin with her twin sister for a year or so but Benjamin was always home to her. We have missed her since she's been away and will miss her even more now. I loved her and always appreciated her friendship.

Also sympathy to the family of Norma Sutton who passed away last week. She, too, was a friend.

Seems like our friends i the community who have been having health problems are improving. Jane Gideon seems to be feeling better since her recent hospital stay.

Bobby Hudson is doing pretty well, also. Is out and about and that's an encouraging sign.

Jamie Bohannon Brumley spent a couple of days in Knox County Hospital. If her problem didn't get better she was to go to Wichita Falls today. I haven't heard anything today.

There's still some folks with the flu-like symptoms and respiratory problems. So far, I've missed all that but still know cold, wet days lie ahead and no telling what we may come up with!!

In basketball last week, both

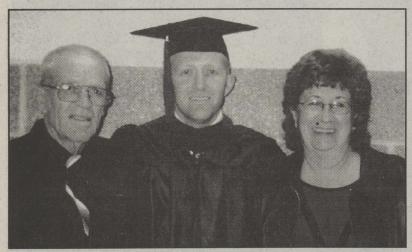
teams defeated Northside by a pretty good margin. We need more final scores like those.

Here 'N There - Dougie Shipman of Wister, Oklahoma, is here for a few days visit with his

cousin, Kay Sheedy and family. Kim Moore and a friend, Steve Oliverez of Spur, visited briefly in Benjamin on Saturday.

I talked to Doris Bufkin Wednesday and she said Sonny was doing fine since his melanoma skin cancer surgery. He will have to be checked regularly to see if there's any reoccurrence of the problem but so far - so good. He was to go back to work today.

Did the Super Bowl go like you wanted it to? It suited me fine turned out to be a little closer game than it first appeared to be.



HIGHEST ACADEMIC AWARD - Clint Wes Hacker, shown with his parents Clifford and Sherry Hacker, received the Academic Excellence Award for the highest cumulative grade point average throughout the Masters of Physical Therapy Program. The award was presented at an awards banquet for the Physical Therapy Department on Thursday, December 12. Clint was a member of Alpha Phi Honor Society. He graduated from Knox City High School in 1996 and received his B.S. in Kinesiology with a minor in Biology and Psychology from ASU in 1999 and his Master's of Physical Therapy on December 13, 2002, from ASU. This was the inaugural graduating class of Angelo State University's Physical Therapy Program. Clint has accepted a position in the Physical Therapy Department at Covenant Health Systems in Lubbock. He is the grandson of Leroy and Loretta Burns of Floydada.

Funeral services for Pearl C. Ryder of Benjamin were held Wednesday

Mrs. Ryder, 84, died Sunday, January 26, 2003, in a Denton hospital. Born

Survivors include a son, Donnie Ryder of Munday; two daughters and their

Honorary pallbearers were Jerry Benson, LaMoyne Patterson, Lacy Headrick,

Funeral services for Celia Quintanilla Espinosa of Knox City were held

Sunday, January 26, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with

Deacon Julian Estrada officiating. Rosary was read Saturday, January 25, at

7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland. Burial was in the Knox

March 18, 1907, she came to Knox County in 1948. She married Manuel

Espinosa and he preceded her in death in 1987. She loved and cared for her

many children and grandchildren. She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Mrs. Espinosa, 95, died January 23, 2003, in an Abilene hospital. Born

Survivors include her children, Manuel Espinosa, Rosendo Espinosa, Juan

Espinosa, Erminia Sosa, Emma Casillas, Raul Espinosa Sr., Elva Aleman, Eva

Losoya and Robert Espinosa; 41 grandchildren, 90 great-grandchildren; 28

great-great-grandchildren, a sister, Hortencia Quintanilla of Weslaco; and a

City Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Blanca Espinosa.

March 3, 1918, to Anna and Thomas Hunt in Foster, Oklahoma, she married

Bill Ryder in 1940 and he preceded her in death in 2001. She was a member of

husbands, Sue and Dave Oxford of Palestine and Judie and Jack Whitten of

Benjamin; a twin sister, Mearl Searcy of Justin; eight grandchildren and 12

morning, January 29, 2003, at 10:30 a.m. in the Benjamin Memorial Building.

Burial followed in the Benjamin Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge

(Courtesy Photo)

Rhondi Rodriquez is awarded child care credential

Rhondi Rodriquez of Knox City has been awarded a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children. The credential was awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition in Washington, D.C., which represents the early childhood profession.

CDA is the only major national effort to improve child care by evaluation and recognizing the skills of individuals providing care. The first credential was awarded 25 years ago, and now 46 states plus the District of Columbia include CDA in their child care licensing regulations.

Parents who use child care are especially concerned today about their children's welfare. With this in mind, as part of the CDA assessment process, every candidate for the CDA credential is observed working with young children or families by an early childhood professional. In addition, the Candidate must demonstrate the ability to work with families to develop children's physical and intellectual capabilities in a safe and healthy learning environment.

The CDA credential is having a positive effect on the quality of child care. Its impact is evident in center-based care and home visitor programs as well as family child care, the most common form of care for children under five years old.

Child care staff and parents wanting information on CDA should write to the Council for Professional Recognition at 2460 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009-3575, or call (202) 265-9090 or 1 (800) 424-4310.

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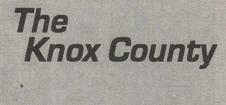
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Tamara McGaughey on ACU dean's list

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Tamara McGaughey, a Knox City High School graduate, has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the 2002 fall semester at Abilene Christian University in Abilene. Dean's Honor Roll students most post at least a 3.45 grade point average on a minimum of 12 semester hours. Tamara is a senior social work major and will graduate from ACU

REMINDER TO TAXPAYERS

JANUARY 31, 2003 IS THE LAST DAY TO PAY YOUR 2002 TAXES AND AVOID THE ADDITIONAL PENALTY AND INTEREST CHARGES

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

Homeowners are not required to file a homestead exemption annually. If you are already receiving the state mandated \$15,000 homestead exemption or additional over sixty-five \$10,000 exemption, you need not reapply for the taxing year of 2003. However, if you became 65 in 2002, or will become 65 in 2003, you need to apply for the additional over 65-\$10,000 exemption. If you have changed your place of residency you need to apply for a new exemption. All homestead applications must be filed with Chief Appraiser Stanton Brown, between the dates of January 1, 2003 and May 1, 2003. These exemption forms are available at the Knox County Appraisal District Office, which is located in the Knox County Courthouse, Benjamin. Individuals who qualify for the over sixty-five additional homestead exemption, described above, have the option of paying their homestead taxes in four equal installments, without any penalty or interest. These installments are due before February 1. April 1. June 1 and August 1. If you qualify, and are interested, please contact the Knox County Appraisal District.

AG-USE EXEMPTIONS

Annual applications for qualifying land for agriculture use is not required. If you have been receiving the AG-USE exemption on your land in prior years, you need not reapply for the exemption. If you recently purchased a farm, you need to report this to the Chief Appraiser. AG-USE exemption forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 2003 and May 1, 2003.

DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION

These exemptions need not be applied for annually. If you received your exemption on the 2002 tax roll, you will automatically receive it for the tax year of 2003. However, if your disability percentage has changed, you need to report the change to the Chief Appraiser. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 2003 and May 1, 2003.

RENDITIONS

Taxpayers are reminded that it is still their responsibility to render their property to the Chief Appraiser. These rendition forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for tax renditions is between January 1, 2003 and April 15, 2003.

If you have any questions about your exemptions, or any other ad valorem tax related question, Chief Appraiser, Stanton Brown, invites you to write to the Knox County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 47, Benjamin, Texas 79505 or call 459-3891. If Appraisal District employees can be of any assistance, please let us help.

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Computer course continuing at Knox Co. Aging Services

A community education program funded by the Knox County Community Network Grant and administered by the Knox City-O'Brien CISD is offering courses through February.

February schedule follows:

February 3-6: Intro To Computers and Windows, Monday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.; The Internet and E-Mail, Tuesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.; Microsoft Word Basic Applications, Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

February 11-13: Microsoft Word Intermediate Applications, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:30-10:30 a.m. and 1:00-3:00 p.m. each day;

February 18-20: Scanners and Digital Cameras, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:30-10:30 a.m., 1:00-3:00 p.m.;

February 25-27: Microsoft Word Intermediate Applications, Tuesday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.; Scanners and Digital Cameras, Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

The courses that were given in January will be repeated in March including Intro To Computers and Windows, The Internet and E-Mail and Microsoft Word Basic Applications.



Mr. and Mrs. Danny Joe and Jackie Moenning of Electra together with Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and Sue Shortes of Knox City and the late Elmo (Butch) Stephens Jr. announce the engagement of the children Dani Nicole Moenning

> John Scott Stephens They plan to be married Saturday, April 12, 2003, First Baptist Church Electra, Texas

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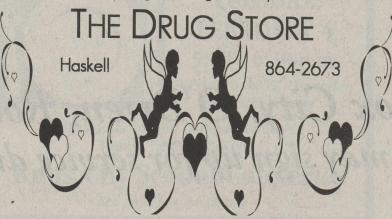
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Hounds powerlifting team begins 2003 season at Floydada

The Knox City Greyhound powerlifting team began their 2003 season traveling to Floydada on Saturday for their meet.

Senior Wes Parker placed first in the 132 lb. class. Wes' totals for the competition were as follows: bench - 180, squat - 300, dead lift - 385, total of 865. Fourteen competed in this class.

Sophomore C.J. Bruce placed third in the 165 lb class out of 28 lifters. C.J.'s totals were bench -270, squat - 400, dead lift - 400, total of 1074.

Sophomore Riley Spells placed third in the 181 lb. class. Riley's totals were bench - 205, squat -405, dead lift - 440, total of 1070.

Senior Sedrick Roberson was sixth in the 181 lb. class. Totals for Sedrick were bench - 205, squat - 385, dead lift - 445, total of 1000.

Freshman Cameron Hutchinson competed in the 181 lb. class. Cameron's totals were bench - 250, squat - 325, dead lift - 275, toal of

Twenty-seven lifters competed in the 181 lb. class, coach Wayne Hutchinson said.

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Aging center lunch menus

February 3rd thru 7th

Monday, February 3 -Beef stew, broccoli with cheese sauce, carrot and raisin salad, Texas toast, brownies.

Tuesday, February 4 - Meat loaf, pinto beans, buttered spinach, potato salad, cornbread, dessert.

Wednesday, February 5 -Steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, biscuits, cobbler.

Thursday, February 6 - Sliced ham, macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, apple and celery salad, hot rolls, dessert.

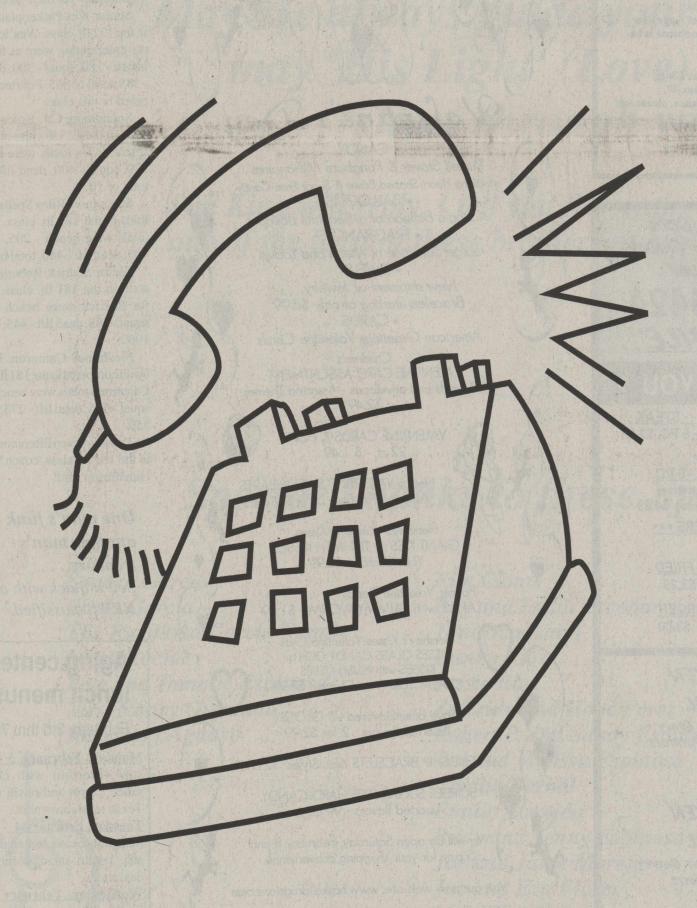
Friday, February 7 - Bar-b-q on a bun, pea salad, French fries, peanut butter cookies. (All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)



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Landon Weiershausen Heavy Weight Spot Breed Champion Medium Weight Duroc Breed Champion Senior Showmanship



Jamie Logsdon Reserve Champion Broilers

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Ashley Jobe Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Market Goat



Jordan McCown **Grand Champion Broilers** Showmanship

Elementary honor roll

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Cassidy Carter, Lucinda Diaz, Kyle

Harrington, Jarek Wilde. Fourth Grade: Whitney Collins, Alanah Lee, Landon Lynn.

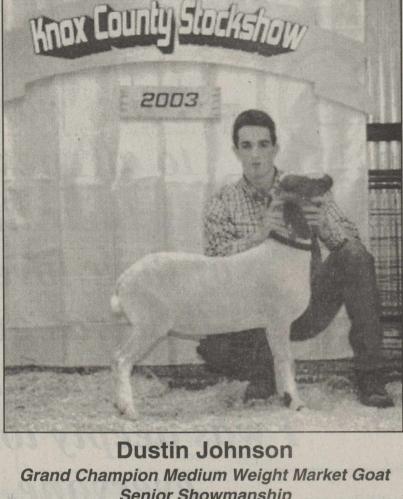
'A-B' HONOR ROLL

First Grade: Courtney Taylor, Trey Tidwell, Gus West.

Second Grade: Quinten Burt, Emily Espinosa, Jonathan Rodriquez, Blayne Styles.

Third Grade: Reagan Clark, Tiffany Esquivel, Trent Harris, Anthony Toliver, Brandon York.

Fourth Grade: Kaley Ainsworth, Brandon Bradley, Adrian Flye, Makayla Harrington, Lacey Pierce, Zach Shaver, Zakery York.



Senior Showmanship



Makayla Harrington Reserve Champion Pen of Three Fryers

KC's Hounds keep perfect district record, Houndettes win, lose by close margins

• • January 21, 2003 • • JV Girls

KC JV - 23, Munday JV - 36 Sondra Silva - 8, Shanna Reed - 1, Erica Nevarez - 2, Dimple Patel - 9, Jamilla Ward - 2, Daisy Martinez - 1.

Varsity Girls KC - 45, Munday - 50 Sophie Gutierrez - 16, Kaylie Billington - 5, Jodi Chambers - 2, Nikki Moss - 10, Jessica Albus - 4, Samantha Gutierrez - 6, Brittany Hawkins - 2.

JV Boys KC JV - 44, Munday JV - 48 Ty Chisum - 6, Josh Hunt - 14, Derrick Magana - 16, Grant Lewis - 2, Jeremy Saxton - 2, Germaine Louis - 4. Varsity Boys

KC - 40, Munday - 37 Caleb Carver - 3, Carlos Ruiz - 8, Kendrick Green - 17, Landon Weiershausen - 2, Dustin Johnson -3, Brad Johnson - 7.

> • • January 24, 2003 • • JV Girls

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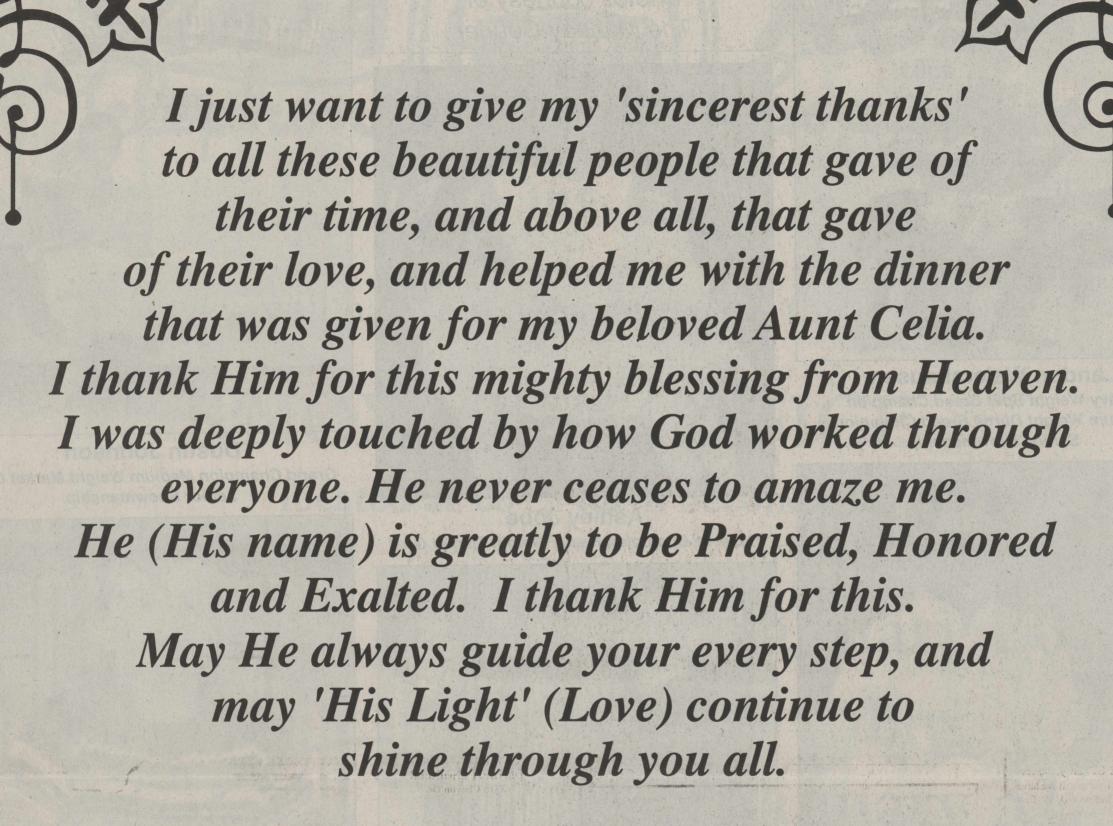
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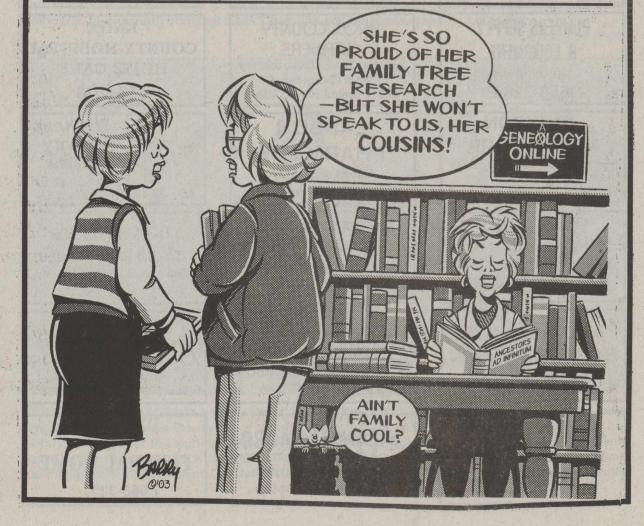
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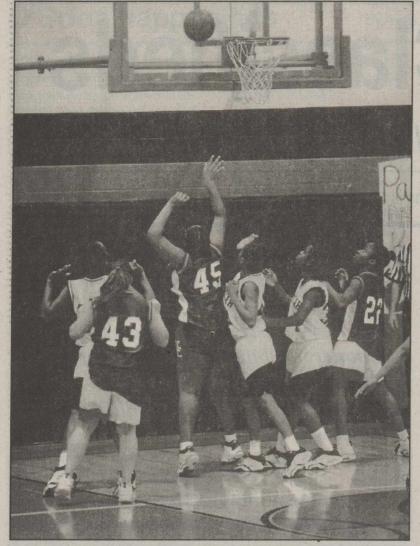
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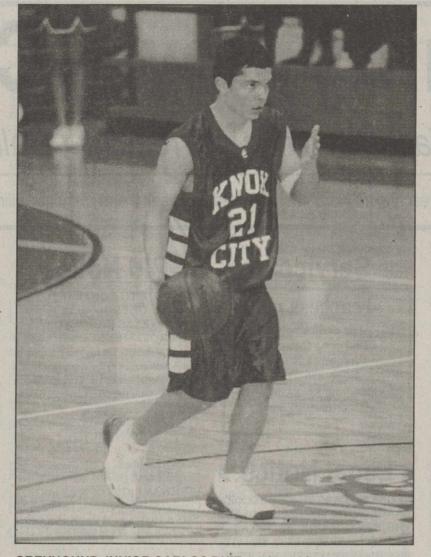
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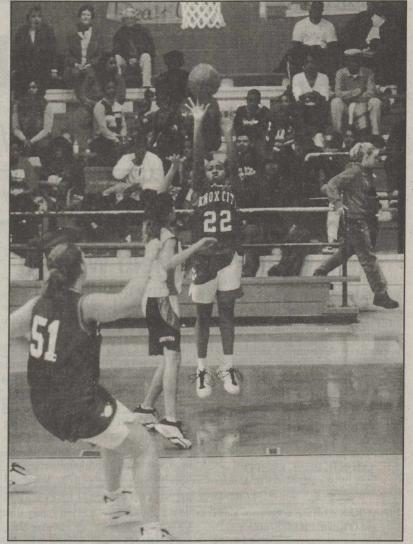
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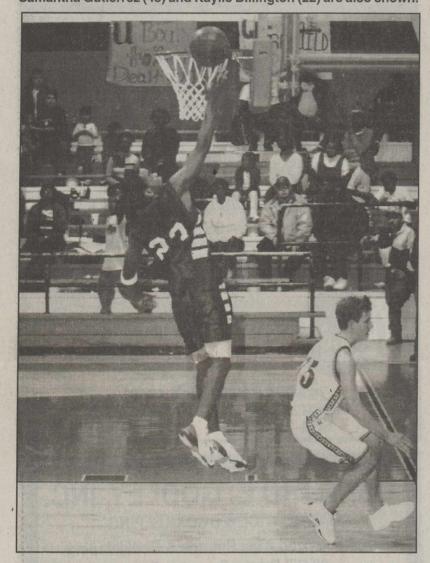
HOUNDETTE BRITTANY (45) HAWKINS shoots under the basket. Samantha Gutierrez (43) and Kaylie Billington (22) are also shown.



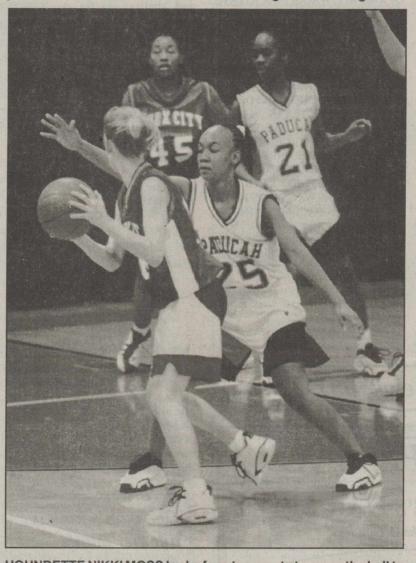
GREYHOUND JUNIOR CARLOS RUIZ motions his teammates into position as he moves the ball down court against the Dragons.



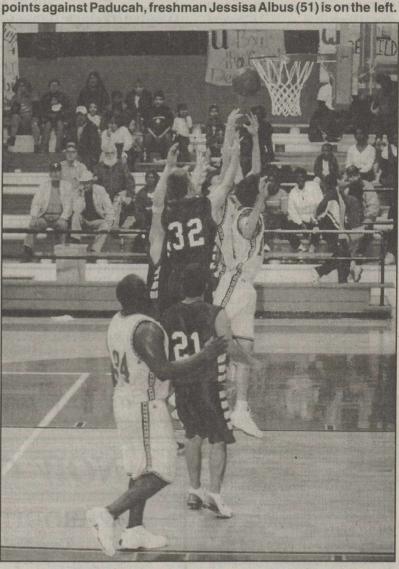
HOUNDETTE SOPHOMORE KAYLIE BILLINGTON goes up for 2



GREYHOUND KENDRICK GREEN goes up for another 2 points against the Paducah Dragons. Kendrick is a senior at KCHS.



HOUNDETTE NIKKI MOSS looks for a teammate to move the ball to in a recent game against Paducah. Brittany Hawkins is # 45.



SENIOR LANDON WEIERSHAUSEN goes up for a rebound against Paducah, KCHS junior Carlos Ruiz (21) is shown behind Landon.

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