

# Knox City GTE Customers Open Phone Bills, Irate Over Previously Unbilled AT&T Calls

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### By Dave Thompson

Last week was not a pleasant time for many Knox City residents after they opened their monthly GTE phone bills and found large amounts due AT & T for previously unbilled long distance phone calls.

Dating as far back as last October 26 and including calls through the first week of May, 1996, long distance calls through AT&T had not been previously billed because of GTE equipment problems and were all included in the end of August statements to customers in the Knox City area.

Following nearly a full day of frustrating phone calls to over a dozen GTE and AT&T offices, information was finally received at the *KNOX COUNTY NEWS* when Clovis McCallister, external communications manager of GTE in Irving called back and gave the following account of what had happened with the phone bills:

In October of 1995, when GTE installed the new digital system

erized equipment that was supposed to route AT&T long distance calls for AT&T billing, failed to operate properly. The problem was not discovered until the first week of May, 1996, when GTE placed the same type of new digital system into operation in the city of Munday. When it was discovered that Munday's AT&T call billings were not being properly routed, GTE officials discovered the defective equipment problem in the main switching center in Seymour. Since both Knox City and Munday are routed through the same facilities in Seymour, GTE officials ran a check of the Knox City system and discovered that AT&T calls from Knox City had been logged on computer, but not routed to AT & T for billing.

"It was GTE's fault, it was our equipment that failed to operate," said McCallister, "as soon as the problem was discovered, we reported it directly to AT&T." At that point, AT&T was sent the information for review, then returned the billing to GTE with

instructions to bill the customers. A few GTE customers who called to inquire about the bills reported that GTE customer service told them the bills had to be paid with the current phone bills or service would be disconnected. McCallister indicated that was not correct, and stated "we sincerely regret and apologize for the inconvenience the delayed billing has caused, and we will work with our customers to set up payment arrangements if needed." That is good news to some in Knox City who reported AT&T charges on their bills of up to \$500.00 or more

While checking with both AT&T and GTE for information on this story, one representative from AT&T stated that GTE had been collecting for the long distance calls, but had not been paying AT&T, thus forcing AT&T to take recourse from the customers. Again, GTE's Clovis McCallister stated that was "not correct, it was just an equipment problem that was corrected as soon as it was

## September 9 Is Date For Fall Crops Program

The Knox County Extension office plans two crops tours each year - one in the spring and the other just before fall sets in. This year, the Fall Crops Tour will be held on September 9 at the TAMU Vegetable Research Station in Munday. Registration will begin at 8:15 a.m. with the program beginning at 8:30.

The agenda is tentatively set for Emory Boring, Extension Entomologist to begin at 8:30 with a talk on "Insect Identification and Pest Control". This will be followed by Todd Baughman, Extension Agronomist - "Weed Pest Control". Kelly Griffen, TDA Inspector, will close the program with a presentation on an update of laws and regulations.

This program is worth 3.0 CEU's toward a private, commercial or non-commercial applicator license with the Texas Department of Agriculture. If the weather cooperates, some of the demonstration plots in Knox County will be visited. Anyone with questions or suggestions should notify the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at 817-454-2651.

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Knox

# Rep. David Counts Announces \$85,500 Grant For Knox City

Through Grant Submitted By TP&W

AUSTIN - State Representative David Counts was proud to announce that Knox City is included on a list of twenty-one communities throughout the state that will be receiving up to \$500,000 in state funds to help underwrite the cost of providing basic public recreation facilities, thanks to action taken August 29 by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

Representative Counts, a resident of Knox City, was happy to see that Knox City's City Park was selected as a grant recipient from the many communities that had applied from throughout the state. The amo



State Representative David Counts

throughout the state. The amount of the state funded grant is matching funds in the amount of \$85,500.00

The City of Knox City requested support to renovate and further develop the 2.4 acre City Park located in the central area of the city. Proposed development includes swimming pool renovation, shade shelter, conversion of tennis court to roller hockey court, playground renovation, pavilion, 12 picnic tables with 3 grills, area lighting, landscaping and signs. The local match consists of city funds, labor, equipment and materials; private donations of cash, labor, equipment and materials; plus county and school district labor, equipment and materials.

At its final public hearing of the Fiscal Year '96 held Thursday, the commission approved the distribution of \$5.9 million in Texas

## **Notes Of Interest**

**Community News** 

# We goofed, wrong date! 'See You At The Pole' is September 18, not Sept. 11 !

The annual 'See You At The Pole' prayer service will be held in Knox City and O'Brien on Wednesday, September 18, not Sept. 11 as reported here in the *NEWS* the last two weeks.

Scheduled to begin at 7:00 a.m., the community prayer services will be held at both the Knox City and O'Brien school campuses and at the downtown Knox City flagpole in Merchants Park.

Those planning to attend are invited to come early for coffee, donuts and juice. Prayer concerns will focus on our children, our education system and our country.

Steve Pepper, Pastor of Knox City's First Christian Church, invites everyone to attend, regardless of church affiliation.

# Community Men's Breakfast scheduled for this Saturday at First Baptist Church

The First Baptist Church of Knox City will serve as host for the Community Men's Breakfast this Saturday morning, September 7.. The breakfast starts at 7:00 a.m., and all men of the community and surrounding area invited to attend for a time of prayer, fellowship and breakfast.

## First Christian Church to host new

### Sunday evening 'Praise and Worship'

Steve Pepper, Pastor of the First Christian Church of Knox City has informed the *NEWS* that his church will be hosting a new Praise and Worship Service that is open to everyone in Knox City and the surrounding area.

The service will begin at 7:30 p.m., this Sunday, September 8, with praise songs led by Philip Martin of Haskell. Those who have heard Martin sing will want to be on hand to hear him again, and those who have never heard him sing should make plans to attend this special time of community fellowship and powerful praise by song and worship.

Again, the service will be open to all, no matter what your church affiliation.

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### 'Community Choir' musical coming soon

The Community Choir of Knox City has announced plans to present a musical entitled "Secret Of My Success", performed by local members of the community choir 'Sparkle Of His Eye.'

Under the direction of Carolyn and Marq Brockett, the musical will be presented in the W.R. Baker Auditorium on the Knox City school campus.

There will be no admission charge for the musical. The exact time and date will be announced later.

discovered."

In trying to gather the facts needed to report on this problem, those who man the customer service phones at AT&T were of no help whatsoever, even to the point of being almost rude. Several lower level customer service offices at GTE kept referring me to other offices, resulting in almost a dozen long distance calls from the NEWS office. After getting nowhere for most of Friday morning, State Representative David Counts of Knox City was contacted to see if he could help with the problem. Following a phone call from Representative Counts to a highly placed GTE Official, McCallister called the NEWS office and provided the correct information for this story. He was very helpful and assured the KNOX COUNTY NEWS that GTE's Knox City customers would be treated fairly when trying to pay these AT&T long distance charges.

To discuss payment arrangements or discuss and services or charges on the GTE portion of the billing statement, GTE customers may call 1-800-483-3400 for residential inquiries, and 1-800-483-5400 for business inquiries.

### Hounds' Season Opens Friday At Motley County

The Knox City Greyhoundswill travel to Motley County Friday night for the season opener at 8:00.

Returning starters for this year's team are Clint Lewis, a senior, on offense; and Adrian Serrano, also a senior, on defense.

Assisting Coach Lynn Lierly, who is in his first year with the Hounds, are Jimmy Chappell and Troyce Renfro. County Extension office to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

### Locals Respond To Red Cross Bloodmobile

Sixteen persons presented themselves at the American Red Cross Bloodmobile. For the first time in several visits, all of those presenting themselves were able to donate.

Donors were Shannon Oliver of Sagerton, Peggy McGaughey, Bobby Barnett, Jim Dillon, Charles Schur, Jane Rowan, Eileen Rolo, Barry Rolo, Julie Schur, Bruce Campbell, Tammy Gonzales, J.O. Brothers, Jon Godsey, Rita Rosencranz, Dalton Harrington and John Lippard.

Bloodmobile chairman Charlene Brothers was grateful to M System for their donation of cokes, First Baptist of Knox City for the orange juice and First Baptist of O'Brien for the cookies and napkins.

Ladies registering and serving were Audie Johnston and Stella Carver. Since these ladies cannot donate blood, they help in this way, which is greatly appreciated, Mrs. Brothers said. She also was grateful to Eileen Rolo and Susan Emerson for assistance with posters, telephoning and mailing out cards.

Mrs. Brothers continued by saying "if anyone helped in any way and I forgot to mention them, please forgive me. I am the one responsible for getting the names and all this turned in and I do make mistakes." Recreation and Parks Account program revenue generated from a portion of the state sales tax on sporting goods. An additional \$302,386 in administrative costs related to the winning grants also won approval.

The projects approved for funding were among a total of 39 proposals submitted to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department by local governmental entities in Texas requesting \$12.1 million in matching funds.

The TRPA was authorized by Texas lawmakers in 1993 to assist cities, towns, counties and other local governments in purchasing park land and developing outdoor recreation facilities.

In addition to the local park funding project, other projects listed by city/county, park, and grant amount are: Allen, Allen Station

See Grand Funds Received, Contd. On Page 3

# Houndettes Win Over Aspermont Saturday

The Knox City Houndettes kicked off their first home volleyball game this past Saturday by defeating Aspermont.

Knox City won the first game 16-14, lost the second 10-15 and won the third 15-11.

"Everyone pulled together and played as a team and everything just seemed to click out on the court," Coach Dala Young said. "Stefani Stephens had an outstanding game. Aspermont had a hard time responding to her hits, as well as breaking her serves," she added.

The Houndettes will travel to Aspermont Saturday to face the Lady Hornets once again. The ninth grade team will begin play at 1:00 p.m. followed by the JV and varsity games.

# **O'Brien Homecoming Set October 12-13**

The O'Brien Homecoming will be October 12 and 13 in the O'Brien School. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Lunch will served at the school beginning at 12:00 noon.

At 2:00 p.m., there will be a special program including flag presentation, memorial service and music. Following the program, there will be class reunions and visitation at the school.

Sandwiches will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by more mu-

sic and visitation at the school.

There will be a dance at the Benjamin Memorial Building beginning at 9:00 p.m.

Sunday morning worship service will be held at the First Baptist Church in O'Brien. Lunch will follow church at the school.

For those having the address of anyone who did not receive an invitation or those who know of an O'Brien ex-student or teacher who has died since the last re-See Homecoming, Page Three

## Goree Baptist Revival Set For September 8 - 12

Revival Services will be held at the First Baptist Church of Goree, September 8 through 12.

Evangelist will be Bob Elliott with Tom, Patty and Justin Estes being the music evangelists.

Rev. Elliott has preached in some 700 evangelist crusades and Bible conferences across Texas and in a number of other states. He and his wife, La Verne, live in Baytown where he is staff evangelist of the First Baptist Church in Baytown.

He is in his 22nd year as a fulltime vocational evangelist. He pastored Baptist churches for 23 years. A graduate of the University of Corpus Christi where he received his bachelor of arts, he received his master of divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and his doctorate from Luther Rice Seminary.

Tom and Patty Estes and their son Justin have traveled extensively across Texas and the United States sharing a ministry of music in full-time evangelism since 1979. They have sung in revival meetings, Bible conferences, concerts, encampments, banquets, nursing homes, hospitals and other places where the ministry of the local church is found. They pull a forty-foot fifth-wheel travel trailer, which serves as office, classroom, rehearsal studio, storage room and motel wherever they might be serving.

Home base for the Estes family is Bishop, Texas, in Nueces County. They are active members of Yorktown Baptist Church in Corpus Christi, where Dr. Sam Douglass pastors.

Tom and Patty are both graduates of Texas A&I University in Kingsville with degrees in music education. Patty taught public school for five years and Tim has experience as a police officer, insurance agent, and 18-wheeler driver.

Tom has been leading music in revival meetings since the mid-1960's when he was music director for his home church, First Baptist, Bishop. In the summer of 1969, he served in youth-led revivals scheduled through the Student Division of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. At A&I University, he was choir president and active in the concert and marching bands. Patty began playing piano for her church in Kingsville, College View Baptist (now University Baptist), when she was in junior high school. She is an accomplished soprano soloist, pianist and organist, and performed in Europe with the A&I Singers as part of a USO tour of military installations in 1970.

Justin, age 16, has been singing publicly in churches since he was four years old. He is homeschooled by his parents and will be a junior in high school.

Tom, Patty and Justin love to sing about what Jesus Christ has done in their lives. Thousands of people have been ministered to by the Lord through their music.

Special activities for the week include a program at the Goree School Monday morning, ahot dog supper Tuesday evening for grades 1-6, a pizza party for grades 7-12 Wednesday evening, a prayertime around the clock (12 hours of continuous prayer) Saturday night before the Revival, along with other special activities.

Darrell Dossey, pastor of Goree First Baptist Church, cordially invites everyone to attend these services. Experienced nursery care will be provided for children under five years of age.

# **Emergency Loans Are Being Accepted By FSA**

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by extreme fire hazards which occurred on February 23, 1996 and continuing, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Knox City, FSA-Ag Credit Manager Bobby G. Cude said today.

Knox County is 1 of 135 in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the extreme fire hazards.

Cude said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Cude said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program willhave to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until February 14, 1997, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Cude said.

FSA is a credit agency of theU.S. Department of Agriculture. IT is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations ro cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office in Knox City is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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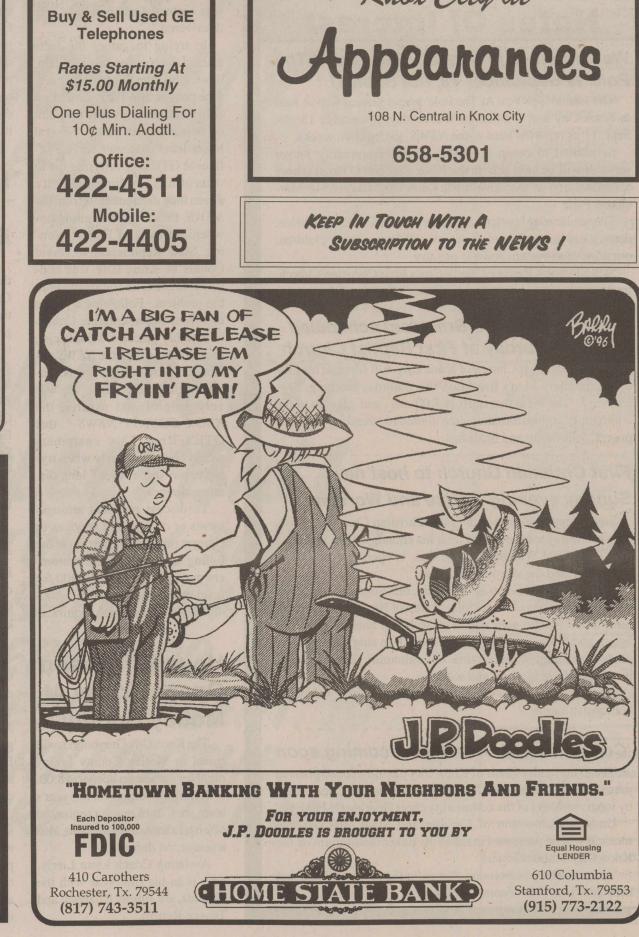
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Julie Speck, Lance Haragan Wed August 17 In Knox City

Julie Gwyn Speck and Christopher Lance Haragan were married in a double ring ceremony on Saturday, August 17, 1996 at 2:00 pm at the First Baptist Church in Knox City. Rev. Paul Chambers of the Knox City Foursquare Church officiated.

The bride's parents are Sherry and Danny Speck of Knox City. She is the granddaughter of Bertha Driver and Edith and Howard Sloan of Knox City, Karen and Ray Speck of DeLeon and the late Fychelene Sloan Norman of Rochester. She is the great-granddaughter of Jewel Bailey and the late Floyd Bailey of Knox City and the late Edna Adkins of Rochester

The bridegroom is the son of Linda Haragan of Plains. He is the grandson of the late Helen and Paul Griffin of Abilene.

Guests were greeted and registered by Andrea Holliman, cousin of the bridegroom, of Midland and Debbie Wilde of Knox City. The register table was covered with a white lace cloth and displayed a Precious Moments figurine, "Dreams Really Do Come True" given to the bride by Wanda Phipps.

Shawn Speck of Knox City, brother of the bride, Josh Burt of Abilene and Wilbur Odom of San Angelo seated guests.

Traditional wedding selections were provided by Dottie Lowery of Knox City, organist.

The sanctuary was decorated with a heart shaped archway and candelabras of entwined hearts. They were accented with greenery and yellow silk flowers and bows. Pew bows were navy, yellow and green satin ribbon.

The ceremony began with the lighting of the candles by Shawn Speck and Andrea Holliman as Stacy Angle Thompson sang "Holy Ground." The mothers of the couple then lit the individual unity candles as Stacy sang "Parent's Prayer".



Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Lance Haragan ...the former Julie Gwyn Speck

the gown was accented with a white bow and detachable train. She chose a white headband detailed with pearls and lace and a single layer of tulle as her veil. She carried a silk bouquet of yellow and navy roses. She also carried a handkerchief belonging to her great-grandmother, Edna Adkins. The handkerchief held wedding rings belonging to her grandmother, Fychelene Norman, and great-grandmothers, Jewel Bailey and Edna Adkins. The handkerchief and rings were "something old". For "something borrowed", the bride wore pearl earrings belonging to her mother. "Something blue" was the traditional garter and her wedding gown served as "something new". The bride also had pennies from the years of birth of the bride and bridegroom placed in her shoes.

After the vows were exchanged. Stacy sang "Only God

Elisha Speck and Angela Allard passed out bottles of bubbles and birdseed bags to the guest to be blown and thrown at the couple as they departed for their honeymoon in Abilene.

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### **Grant Funds Received For Park Renovation**

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Park, \$500,000; Angelina Co., Hudson Park, \$500,000; Arlington, Southwest Sports Center, \$500,000; Brady, Brady City Park, \$74,100; Cameron Co., Cameron County Recreation Project, \$90,000; Dalhart, Dalhart Kella Hill Park, \$111,342; Eden, Eden TNT Park, \$366,788; Edom, Edom Community Park, \$76,530; Friona, Friona Swimming Pool Park, \$159,250; Hondo, Hondo City Park, \$61,812; Jim Wells Co., Jim Wells Co. Palito Blanco Park, \$131,935; Montgomery, Montgomery Cedar Break Park, \$252,750; North Richland Hills, Girls' Fast Pitch Softball Complex, \$500,000; Paris, Paris Wade Park II, \$99,920; Plano, Plano Marsh Lane Park, \$500,000; Pleasanton, Pleasanton Sports Complex, \$500,000; Port Aransas, Port Aransas Community Park, \$497,500; Sachse, Sachse Community Park \$350,000; Seguin, Seguin Starcke Park III, \$50,000; and Temple, West Temple Community Park, \$500,000.

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Best man was Byron Waldrip of Arlington. Groomsmen were Josh Burt and Wilbur Odom. They wore black tuxedos with green vests and ties as did the father and brother of the bride. The bridegroom wore a black tuxedo with tails, a white vest and tie. His lapel was adorned with a white rose.

The bride's attendants entered the sanctuary as April Tankersley of Abilene, sang and played at the piano "In This Life".

Matron of honor was Joy York, sister of the bride, of Fort Worth. Bridesmaids were Elisha Speck, cousin of the bride, of Knox City and Angela Allard of San Angelo. They were dressed identically in floor length gowns in the bride's chosen color of green. They carried bouquets in varied shades of navy and yellow silk flowers.

Flower girl was Tiffany Wilde of Knox City. Her dress of green satin was tea length and accented with white lace and white buttons. She carried a basket of yellow petals.

Ring bearers were Zakery and Brandon York, nephews of the bride, of Fort Worth. They were dressed in navy slacks, with white shirts, navy suspenders and navy bow ties. They carried white satin pillows.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was escorted to the alter as Mrs. Lowery played the traditional "Bridal Chorus" on the organ.

The bride wore a gown of white satin by Mori Lee. The sleeveless gown elegantly flowed from an empire waist encrusted with pearls to an A line fit. Outlining the neck, arms and low back were white pearls. The bodice, overlaid with white lace and appliques, was adorned with white pearls and sequins. The back of

Could Love You More" and following the exchange of rings, April sang, "I Will Be Here".

As the couple lit the unity candle and Rev. Chambers administered communion to Julie and Lance, Stacy sang "Make Us One".

Following the wedding, a reception was hosted by the bride's parents at the Knox City Foursquare Church. The bride's table was covered with white lace with billowy gathers and was enhanced in the background with white lattice and greenery. The three tiered wedding cake was decorated with scalloped basket weaving, yellow roses, baby's breath and fern. The cake topper was a Precious Moments figurine "Wishing You Roads of Happiness". Yellow punch and cake were served from silver and crystal appointments by Debbie Wilde and Betty Bailiff of Knox City and Tamara LaLonde of San Angelo. Crystal toasting glasses were engraved with the bridal couple's names and wedding date.

The bridegroom's table was covered with a navy cloth and topped with navy, green and yellow plaid, holding a chocolate cake shaped and decorated as a basketball. The table was decorated with pictures of the bride and groom and a basketball precious moments figurine "Enter His Courts With Thanksgiving". Yellow punch, chocolate covered strawberries, nuts, and mints were also served. Serving at the bridegroom's table were Jacque Holliman of Midland, cousin of the bridegroom, Martha Lowe and Mary Rauch of Knox City. Assisting in the houseparty were Sue Marion and Sherrie Limitone of Knox City and Betty Ruth Hargrave of Rochester.

### HOMECOMING (From Page One)

union, they should contact one of the two co-chairmen, Margaret Hill, P.O. Box 358, Munday, TX 76371, 817-422-5356; or Joyce Hester, P.O. Box 282, Rule, TX 79547, 817-997-2756.

O'Brien exes planning to eat at the reunion are asked to contact these ladies by September 26.



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### **O'Brien News**

### By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"The hospital patient was worried. "Are you sure it's pneumonia, doctor?" he asked. "I've heard of cases where a doctor treated a patient for pneumonia, and he ended up dying of something else." "Don't worry," said the doctor. "When I treat a patient for pneumonia, he dies of pneumonia.'

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Visiting Ranzy and Adelle Herring were their son, Aderle and wife Doris Herring of Junction.

Lowell and Sue Rowan of Denton and Jerry, Margaret, Julie and Angelia Rowan of Henrietta and Trey and Debbie Burson of Haskell visited their mother Bernice over the weekend. They all attended the musical and helped entertain a host of friends in Knox City at E.H. and Martell Tankersley's home Saturday night.

Attending church in O'Brien Sunday were C.H. and Linda Underwood of Rotan and daughter Becky and husband of San Antonio. They also spent some time in their home in O'Brien Sunday afternoon.

Flint and Christy Richardson were in Las Vegas over the weekend to attend the wedding of their daughter, Kristi.

Scott Stephens and Billy Wayne Vincent, students at Vernon Regional

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Junior College, Jay Gholson of Texas Tech in Lubbock, Sue and Stefani Stephens and Bennett Shortes enjoyed lunch Sunday with Janoma Stephens.

Spending the weekend with the Paul Sanchez was a brother of Paul's, Edwardo of Fort Worth. He helped do some remodeling on the Sanchez's house while here.

Irby and Johnnie Carlisle spent the weekend with a son Joe Carlisle, Carolyn and a daughter Linda and husband Bryan Reed and family. They are all Anton residents.

Visiting during the weekend with Marvin Manning, the James Manning family and the J.O. Brothers family and helping Marvin celebrate an early 87th birthday were Marvelene Lancaster, Tim, Tessie and Marlene Ivy, Ben, Shawna, Tyler, Brittany and Taylor Allen, Larry and Jean Gibson and Garrett Gibson, Denise, Kristen and Corey Alton, Johnny, Carla, Jeremy and Kandace Cannon, all from Springtown, Wendell and Jake Lancaster of Fort Worth, Craig and Chase Brothers of Abilene, Christie Manning and Joe Thigpen of Cisco Junior College in Cisco, Cody and Brandi Manning of Lubbock, Tammy Brothers of

Grantham of Miami (near Pampa), and Don Brothers of O'Brien. Visiting and bird hunting by the men were enjoyed.

WATSON ANNUAL DOVE HUNT

Nettie Mae Watson enjoyed Labor Day weekend with family and friends. Smaller than the normal crowd due to the timing of opening season for dove hunting. Never the less, fun was had by all. Attending were Johnny and Phyllis Gaston of Boyd, Tom Watson and family of Midland, Tim Watson and Cathy Watson of O'Brien, Arly Watson and family of Springtown, Alfred and Teresa Rios of Fort Worth, Charles and Martha Casillas and family of McMinnville, Tennessee, Terry and Becky Watson and family of Springtown, Ricky Watson and family of Ira, George and Misty Rocha and family of Abilene, Robert and Tracy Espinosa of Knox City, Al Rios of Wichita Falls, Jack and Brenda Meeks of Springtown, Kyle and Shelly Reeves of San Antonio, Joy and Joshua Meeks of Springtown, Coy and Cheryl Tackett and grandchildren of Bridgeport, Darla Cole and family of Bridgeport, Coy Glenn and Donna Tackett and family of Decatur and Ruby Lee and Mike Collins of Knox City.

### **Immunization Clinic** To Be Here Sept. 16

The Texas Department of Health will hold an immunization clinic on September 16 at the Community Center in Knox City from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Health recommends that all children born after November 1991 and all eleven year olds receive the Hepatitis B vaccine. This vaccine is not required by law at this time but will be required by September 1988.



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FOR SALE - 1106 South Fourth. Three bedroom, one bath, single car garage, large living room and kitchen combo. FOR SALE - 309 East Main. Mary Lowrey home. Pink brick veneer, air conditioner, two bedroom, one bath.

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\* \* \* PRICE REDUCED, NEED TO SELL \* \* \* Great location, 2 bedroom, bath, living room, den with fireplace, 2 car garage. Large corner lot, fenced. GREAT BUY, 1000 South 5th.

FOR SALE - Two bedroom frame, one bath. 806 South Second.

FOR SALE - Three bedroom, one and one-half bath, framed. 812 South Central.

NEW LISTING - 3 bedroom brick, 1 1/2 bath, carport, fence, central heat & air, washer & dryer hookup. Equity buy for

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HAVE THREE GOOD - two bedroom homes for sale, reasonable price. Can be bought with low down payment.

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LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN AC-CORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF **TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS** SENATE BILL III LEGISLA-TURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EX-CEPT WHERE WRITTEN PER-MISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.

> GENE W. WILLINGHAM A.B. WHARTON 52

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Knox County will receive bids for all property / casualty, professional liability, unemployment and workers compensation lines of insurance for the fiscal year October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997. All bids should be a package program to be considered. Specifications can be reviewed at the County Judge's office, Knox County Courthouse, Benjamin, Texas. Bids must be submitted on or before September 10, 1996 to the County Judge.

> David N. Perdue Knox County Judge 8-29 2tc 75

# **Public Notice**

LONE STAR GAS COMPANY, in accordance with the Gas Utility Regulatory Act, hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to modify the cost of service adjustment clause, modify the mainline extension rate, and to propose a weather normalization adjustment clause applicable to rates charged to the residential and commercial customers in the City of O'Brien, Texas effectiveOctober 4, 1996

During the period when the proposed rates are in effect, the proposed modificaions will result in increases anddecreases in the Company's revenues from residential and commercial customers in the City of O'Brien. A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of O'Brien. If you desire to comment concerning this modification of rates, you may contact the City Secretary.

# **Help Wanted**

An AFFIRMATIVE ACTION / EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EM-PLOYER. 9-5 1tc 130

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION has openings in the Childress District Office for the following positions: **DESIGN ENGINEER III -**CHILDRESS, TX (6-25-E173-539) **RDWY MAINTENANCE SUPV II -**MATADOR, TX (6-25-K550-540) MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN II -QUANAH, TX (6-25-K510-541) **ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN I -**MUNDAY, TX (6-25-E192-584) **ASSISTANT SECTION** SUPERVISOR I - MUNDAY, TX (6-25-K532-542) ROADWAY MAINTENANCE SUPR I - WELLINGTON, TX (6-25-K545-537) **DE/DD SECRETARY -**CHILDRESS, TX (6-25-A055-544) MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN I -CHILDRESS, TX (6-25-K505-545) MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN II -CHILDRESS, TX (6-25-K510-546) Positions close on September 9th, 1996 at 5:00 p.m. For job requirements, duties, pay

rates, minimum qualifications and applications contact your local Texas Employment Commission or TxDOT office.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

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### 8-29 5tp

HOUSE FOR RENT - Call 658-3868. 8-29 tfc 5

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9-5 4tc 124

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SUPV I - MEMPHIS, TX (6-25-K545-543) SECRETARY III - SHAMROCK, TX

(6-25-A026-538) Positions close on September 9th,

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In this space last week I talked about the condition of our town, and the way that it might be viewed by those who visit, or are just passing through. This week I would like to make a few points about that article:

First of all, let me say thanks to those of you who responded so favorably to the column. It was gratifying to know that so many feel the same way.

Second, it is only fair to say that early Wednesday morning, while the paper was at press, city employees were seen in the downtown area emptying trash cans, picking up trash and digging up weeds. One downtown business owner was having his employees

clean up their business location, and a different business owner went to another unsightly lot and started cleaning it up himself.

Actions like this speak highly for the caliber of business men and women we have in our community. Willingness to tackle the problem is a big step, but certainly not the only step needed to correct the problems that seem to plague our community.

What we need here is more action by our elected officials. A strong determination to clean up the community needs to be loudly stated by those in our city government. The ordinances and laws for forcing cleanup action are in place and Knox City's police of-



ficers are more than willing to act on them. In order to accomplish more than just a cosmetic cleanup, offenders must look to the good of the entire community and work with city officials. At the same time, the police officers responsible for enforcing the ordinances need to be fully and totally supported by the city council - no matter who the offenders are!!

We are not the only community newspaper looking at these issues. In last week's STAMFORD AMERICAN newspaper from Stamford, the lead story on the front page concerned the very same issue. In that story, representatives from the Chamber of Commerce had formally requested the city govern-

"...it is my hope that the ment to clean up City Council will put an emphasis on hiring an administrator who can and will focus on cleaning up the community."

> Locally, there has been praise for interim City Administrator Steven White as he put city employees to work on the downtown cleanup that took place last Wednesday and Thursday. But, now White has resigned to accept a job in Lubbock. In their search for a replacement, it is my hope that the City Council will put an emphasis on hiring an administrator who can and will focus on cleaning up the community.

> Also in the last column of STRAIGHTTALK, I talked about the 'revenge theory of shopping'

that seems to be evident locally. In reflecting back on that, I know that some will be upset with me or with the newspaper for bringing this issue to print. Some do not like to be reminded of their obligation to the community they live and work in. Others will be offended because they'll think I am trying to tell them what to do, or trying to meddle in their business. Not so. What I am trying to accomplish is carrying out the basic responsibility of a community newspaper: that of supporting the community. While not always popular, sometimes we have to focus on what is wrong with things in order to effect a change for the better. The possibility of writing a column like this and offending citizens, business owners, or elected officials is not unique to the KNOX COUNTY NEWS, or even to Knox City. In a reprinted article recently published in the TPA MESSENGER. the official publication of the Texas Press Association, a newspaper editor named James Irving Crabbe wrote a code of rules for newspaperfolk that included this statement: "Don't slop over, don't make mountains out of molehills. Be independent, courteous, manly

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and good men will help you. Live merchants will advertise in your columns, but oh my, how the sneaks, humbugs and criminals will hate you, backbite and malign you and patronize the other fellow - not because they like him, but because they think they're hurting you!"

While reading the above quote, I found myself wondering if James Irving Crabbe had ever lived in Knox City or worked in the newspaper business here. As I continued to read the story, I discovered that he was a newspaper publisher in Florida, and the original article was first published in June of 1893.

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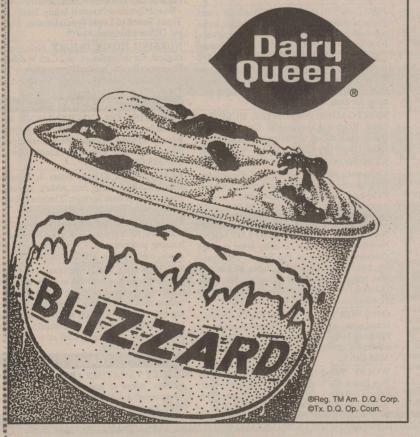
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SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC CHURCH ~ Knox City **Father Kevin Fagan** Sunday Morning Bilingual Mass at 11:00 a.m.

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin Jim Teeter, 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.

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**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Knox City** David White, Pastor

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## **Benjamin News**

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Well, the Labor Day weekend was a nice one. Lots of "comings and goings" took place. Not just a whole lot around here but was lots of traffic on the highway. Weather cooperated after several days of rain. Right here in Benjamin we had about four inches of moisture last week. Very nice and sure has "greened up" everything. Better late than never, isn't it? LOCALS' KIN

#### **KILLED IN ACCIDENT**

Joette Nunley Houts, 32, was killed in an automobile accident Friday night. The one car rollover occurred in Young County near the town of Loving. Joette was the niece of Benjamin residents Jane Gideon and Imagean Young. Her father is also a former Benjamin resident, Joe Nunley, who now resides in Seymour.

A memorial service will be Wednesday in Benjamin at the First Baptist Church. Sincere sympathy is extended to Joe and the rest of the family during this time. **NEW ARRIVALS** 

Taylor Elizabeth Pernicia Bohannon is the newest resident of Benjamin. Taylor arrived Thursday, August 29, 1996, at 2:03 p.m. at the Seymour Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, fourteen ounces and has already won the hearts of a bunch of people. Her mom is Bonnie Bohannon and grandparents are Roger and Betty Bohannon. She has an aunt Jamie that is mighty proud of -her. Great grands are James and \*Lucille Mosteller of Dumas.

Mother, daughter (and grandparents, too) are all doing well. **VOLLEYBALL NEWS** 

Harrold and Goree were in town "last Tuesday night for a dual matchup. The Lady Stangs took on the Lady Hornets to begin the night. The Lady Hornets played steady volleyball but

### **Silver Haired Legislature Rep Attends Orientation At** University of Texas, Austin

Franciene Johnson of Haskell, the Texas Silver Haired Legislature Representative for District 3, attended an orientation session at the University of Texas in Austin, July 29 through August 2.

She was sworn in by the Assistant Secretary of State and was the Lady Stangs were not as lucky. We made several errors during the match, and many were unforced. We have to pickup our level of intensity and begin to attack the ball to be able to play with teams that pass and attack the ball. The Lady Hornets took the first two games and the match.

In the second match, Benjamin took on the Lady Wildcats. Goree jumped out early and took the first game pretty decisively. We were able to battle back and win the second game. In the third and final game, Goree jumped out to an early lead but the Lady Stangs scrapped and fought to overcome a deficit to come back and win the match. We still need to work on the little things if we plan to make a district run by the middle of September.

#### HERE 'N THERE

Barry and Debbie Neil and sons Dusty and Trevor of Watauga and Jackie Jr. and Cindy Young of Arlington spent the Labor Day weekend with their parents, Jack and Mary Young.

Debbie and Gordon Taylor of Childress visited me last Tuesday night.

Jason Patterson and a friend Kelly Billy, both students at Murray State College in Tishomingo, Oklahoma, spent the weekend with Jason's parents, Kynn and Trenna.

Brandi, Cliff, Kayla and Courtney Hacker of Floydada visited relatives here on Sunday.

Zeke Duke of Texas Tech and Phil and Rebekah Boone of Trent visited their parents, Dennis and Pam Duke, during the weekend.

Johnny, Reesa and Anson Brannan of Abilene visited his mom, Gertrude Brannan, Sunday. Also visiting in the Brannan home were Bobby and Stephanie Brannan of Lubbock who

### **TAAS / TEAMS Exit Test Set For October**

The fall TAAS / TEAMS Exit Test will be given October 22 writing, October 23 - math, and October 24 - reading. During each regular exit level test administration, individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary sections. Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS / TEAMS test, may pick up a registration packet at the high school principal's office at Knox City High School, Benjamin School, Goree School or Munday High School. Questions concerning the fall exit level test should be directed to the Texas Education Agency, Student Assessment Division, (512) 463-9536.

also visited her grandad, Bud Conner and other relatives and friends. Other weekend guests of Bud was his son Keith and family of Big Spring. Casey brought a friend Jared Phillips for a visit.

Don Ervin was in Abilene last Friday for some heart tests. He will know the results in a few days.

Louise Hertel says her mom, Leola Isbell, in the care home in Knox City is doing OK. Says she doesn't talk much but physically she seems to be doing pretty well.

Bill and Pearl Ryder attended both Gilliland and Truscott homecomings during the weekend. Saw lots of old friends and made some new ones. Said it was very enjoyable and weather was perfect.

Omitene Barnett is doing better with her broken foot. Able to do a little bit more than she was at first but still has to have help on most of her housework

Lucille Moorhouse and her daughter-in-law, Becky Moorhouse were in Lubbock Tuesday for Lucille to see the eye doctor. Said he told her that her eyes were doing OK. Not too much of a change since her last visit.

Ruth Ressel and JoEtta Cartwright visited Jo's aunt, (Ruth's sister-inlaw), in Littlefield last Tuesday.

Maretha Patterson and Sharon Johnson spent the Labor Day weekend with Maretha's brother and nephew Leon Bivens and Carson Bivens in Tatum, New Mexico. They returned home Monday night. When she got home she learned that her brother-in-law Johnny Hertel had been in the hospital in Oklahoma for about a week. He's home now, but still not feeling just right. We wish Johnny well. Johnny is a brother of



### **Rites Are Held Sunday For** Pete Rocha, 96

Mass/funeral services for Pete Rocha of Knox City were held Sunday afternoon, September 1, at two o'clock at the Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Knox City with Father Kevin Fagan officiating. Burial was in the Knox City Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Rocha, 96, died Friday, August 30, in the Brazos Valley Care Home following a lengthy illness.

Rosary was read Saturday night, August 31, at Smith Funeral Home.

Born January 4, 1900, in Shafter, Texas, he had lived most of his life in Knox County. He married Reyes Leija and she preceded him in death.

Mr. Rocha had worked for the City of Knox City and was a member of the Catholic Church.

He was also preceded in death by two daughters, Martina Avina and Juanita Ledesma.

Survivors include two sons, Simon Rocha and Antonio Rocha, both of Knox City; 21 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Lupe Rios Jr., Tony Rios, Manuel Rocha, Simon Rocha, Pete Rocha and Manuel Ledesma.

#### **COUNTS VISITORS**

Visiting recently with Mr. and Mrs. David Counts were Mary's aunt, Mamie Watson and her sister and her husband, Fran and Leo Stiewert of Duncan, Oklahoma.

Also visiting with Mrs. Watson and other Knox City friends were Ossie Mae Harring and Margie Obiedo of Boerne.

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Mrs. Johnson was elected Chairman of the Utilities and Natural Resources Committee. Each committee will take resolutions to the Legislative Session of the tenth aniversary of the TSHL which meets September 9 through 13. The resolutions will be discussed, with some being selected to be presented at the 1996 Texas Legislative Session.

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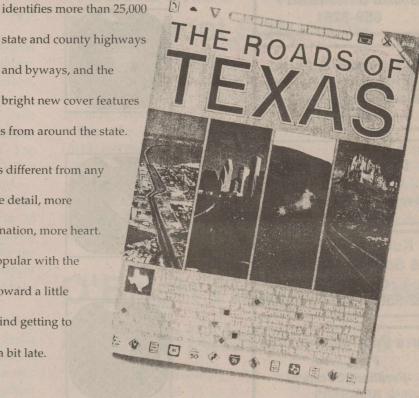


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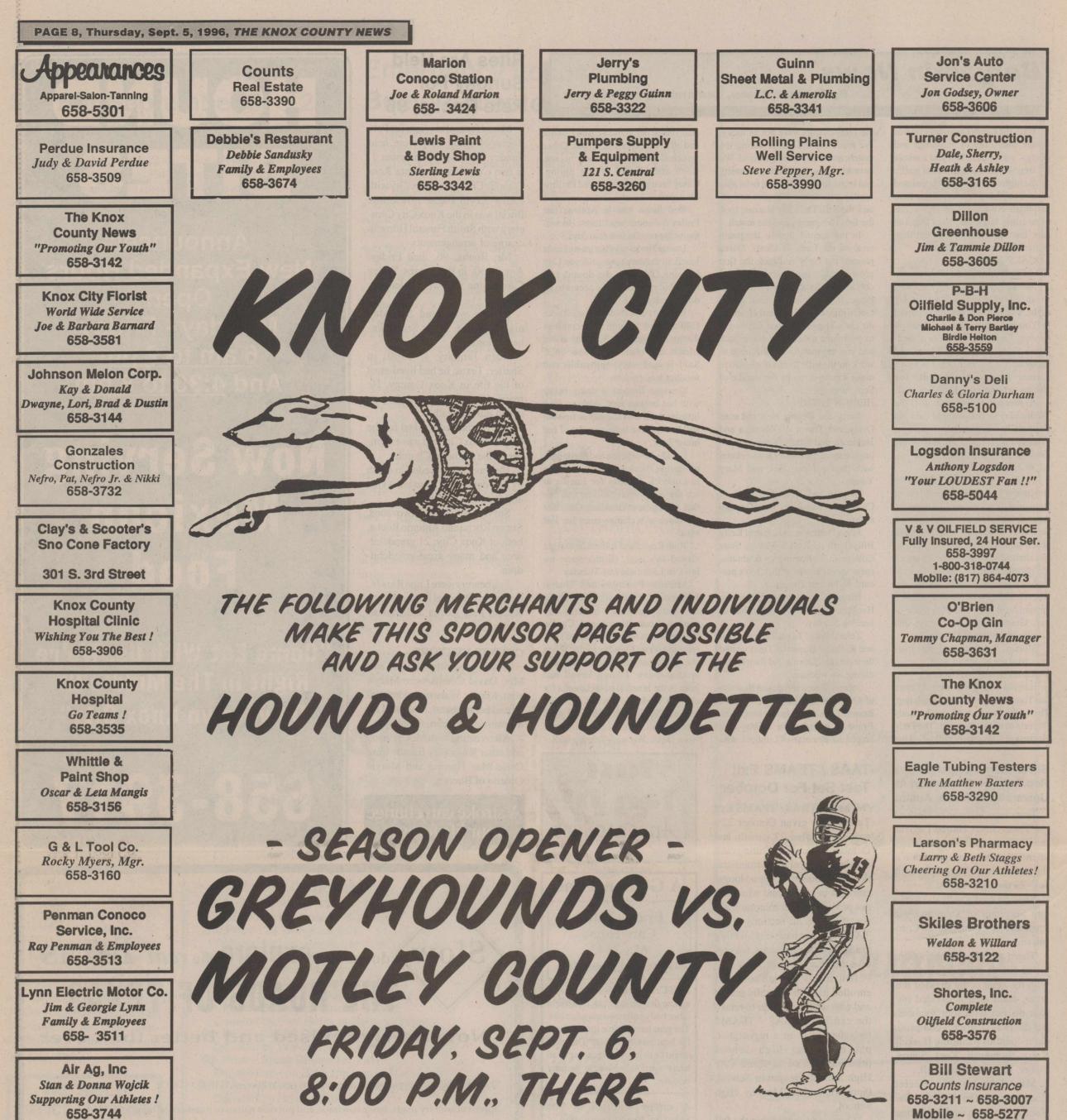
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