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WHITE'S Wagging Tongue

by Cynthia White

There is a story about a monastery in Europe perched high on a cliff several hundred feet in the air. The only way to reach the monastery was to be suspended in a basket which was pulled to the top by several monks who pulled and tugged with all their strength. Obviously the ride up the steep cliff in that basket was terrifying. One tourist got exceedingly nervous about half-way up as he noticed that the rope by which he was suspended was old and frayed. With a trembling voice he asked the monk who was riding with him in the basket how often they changed the rope. The monk thought for a moment and answered brusquely, "Whenever it breaks."

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"No matter how lovesick you become, don't take the first pill that comes along."

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"People who wear glass slippers shouldn't tap-dance."

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A woman was talking to her friends about her husband who had passed away.

When her husband was on his death bed, he told her that he had three envelopes in his desk drawer that would "take care" of all of the arrangements.

Well, he died shortly thereafter, so the wife opened the drawer and there were 3 envelopes just like he said.

One the first envelope it said "for the casket". There was \$5,000 in the envelope, so she bought him a very nice casket.

The second envelope said "for the expenses" and had \$4,000.00 in it so she paid all the bills from the funeral.

The third envelope said "for the stone" and had \$3,000.00 in it. She then held her hand out to her friends and said, "Isn't it beautiful!"

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In Belgrade, Yugoslavia, there has been a campaign to stop shoplifters in that city's largest department store - Beograd. The store offers 40 to 60 percent of the value of stolen goods recovered to any customer who points out a thief.

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When the men and women working for a shoe factory near Viareggio, Italy, demanded more pay and other advantages, they didn't go on strike. They kept in production - but produced only thousands of left-footed shoes until their demands were met.

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A fourth grade student was absent all last week with the flu. When he returned to school he had a note written to his teacher from his mother. It read: Dear Mrs. C, Billy was absent all last week with the flu. As for me, if I can get my nerves under control, and some relief for my nagging backache and splitting head, I will immediately write my state representative requesting higher pay raises in all teachers' salaries."

Moguls Drop Final Game to State Ranked Hornets

Eric Beaty hit a 39 yard field goal at the buzzer to send the Munday Moguls into the locker room with a 10 to 7 lead at the half over the 5th ranked Aspermont Hornets, but the lead wouldn't hold up as Zack Hunter pounded for 243 yards catching one touchdown pass for the Hornets to secure the district championship and send Munday to its first losing season in five years.

Early in the first half Eric Beaty caught a 69 yard touchdown pass from Chance Myers and following the PAT Beaty kick, the Moguls led the Hornets 7 to 0. Munday's opportunistic defense, led by Chance Myers, recovered a Hunter fumble at the Munday 21 yard line and Myers hit Beaty on the long throw streaking down the right side. On the very next series Munday pounded the Hornet ball carrier Zack Hunter and forced the second fumble of the night, this one recovered by Brian Urbanczyk at the 50 yard line.

Aspermont picked off an errant half back pass but turned the ball over again on a bad pitch, recovered by Chad Tuttle on a fourth and 1 play from the Mogul 44 yard line. Munday had plenty of opportunity thanks to the error prone Hornets, but as coach Steve Gunter is quick to point out, "Their tough defense

kept us from establishing any kind of running game, and we weren't able to develop any consistency in our offense in general."

Aspermont out weighed the Moguls by about 60 pounds per man on the line, and when you couple that much size differential with the Hornet's quickness, it's easy to see why Aspermont is sitting atop district 9A. Coach Gunter talks proudly of the effort given by the Moguls this year, especially against a team where the key to victory was the physical mismatch.

"When you watch the film, you can see our kids getting after it. We played as tough a team as we've ever seen real close. We were just inches away from a victory in a couple of spots," explains Gunter.

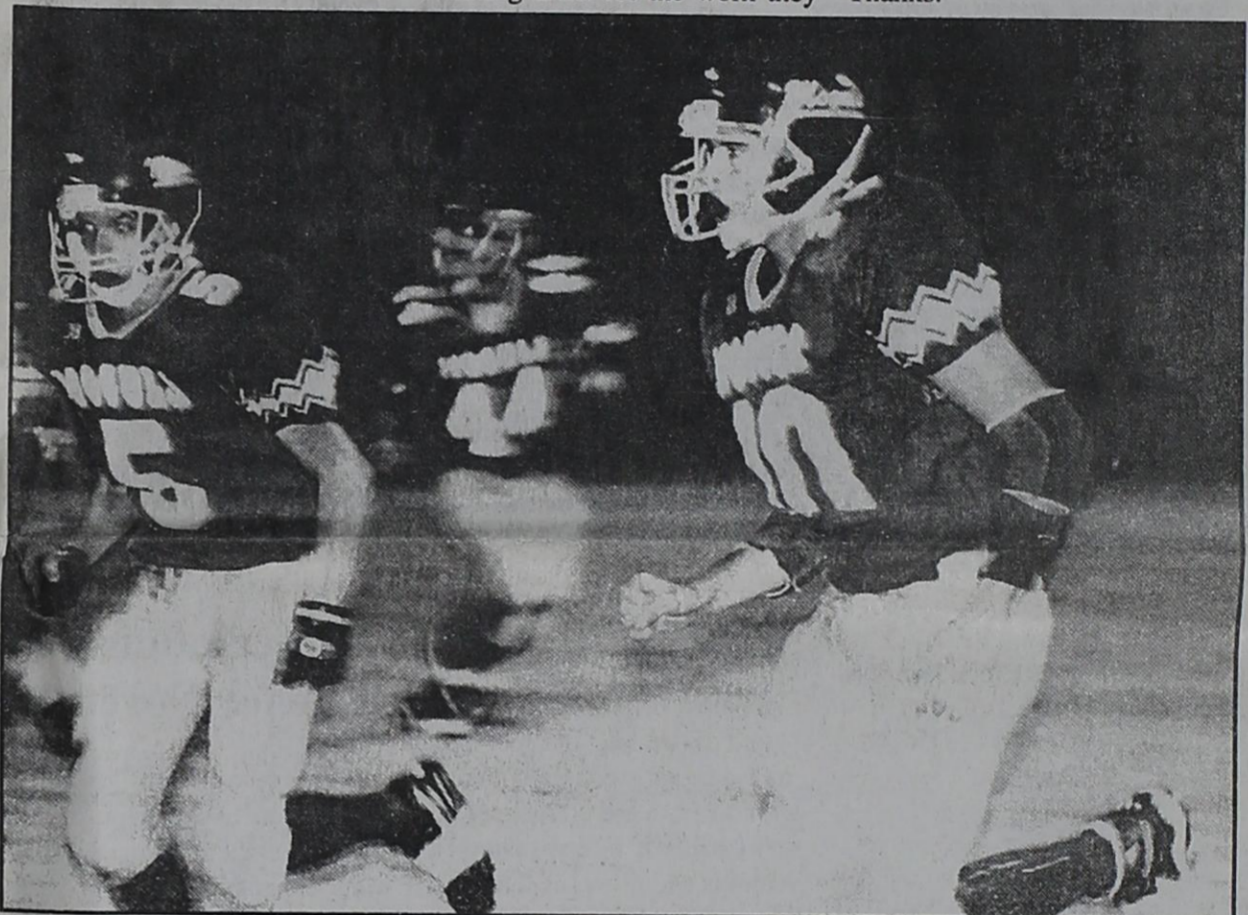
Coach Gunter and the Moguls finish the year at 4 and 6 and look forward to next year with optimism. "We had 163 yards passing against a tough defense, and we're proud of that. Our defense kept us in the game and played real well also." Indeed there is much to be proud of. The Moguls led the Hornets until the fourth quarter and came literally inches away from pulling off one of the biggest upsets in the state last Friday night. Munday's never say die spirit was inspiring as the out matched Mo-

guls fought like the true champions they are in the one of the most entertaining nights of high school football seen in Munday in years.

Coach Gunter and his staff wish to express their thanks to Munday High School and to the fans for their support all year long, and also to the Athletic Boosters for the

many hours they put in. Hard work and hours were indeed put in by many for this 1999 football season, but none worked harder than the coaching staff to prepare our young athletes for success. So, while the coaches are busy thanking us, perhaps we should make a point of thanking them for the work they

do with our kids and for preparing them to do battle on the bigger playing field of life. Although the record of 4 and 6 doesn't reflect a winning year to some, we know that our athletes are winners because they had the opportunity to work with and learn from the best. Thanks.



MOVING MOGULS. #5 Chris Bibb, #44 Brian Urbanczyk, and #10 Eric Beaty each had an outstanding game last Friday night against the Aspermont Hornets. The Moguls led 10 - 7 at the half but fell 21 - 10 at the end of the game.

Veterans Exhibit Patriotism For Citizens To Enjoy

They fought for our freedom in times of tribulation and strife. They returned to their hometown and continue to serve their country and local citizens with honor and valor.

And thanks to a handful of men who respect and love this country's flag and what it stands for, the citizens of Munday enjoy the colorful stars and stripes waving in the Texas breeze on all patriotic holidays.

While most people are enjoying national holidays by lounging in their beds a few minutes longer, a trio of veterans arise and set out on an early morning task that serves to remind all who venture through downtown Munday that our nation's colors still soar with the eagles and that freedom truly does ring across the land.

Ralph Cypert, Bill Smith, and Raymond Carden gather up a bundle of a dozen American flags and with loving care place them on holders so that the downtown streets are lined with stars and stripes unfurled for all to see.

It is a mission that was launched and nurtured by the Munday Lions Club, who purchased the flags, prior to the veterans taking over the kindly deed.

"I do it because I believe that our young people need to learn to respect the flag. I enjoy doing it," says Carden. Carden keeps a calendar marked with all the days that the flag will be flown and then heads up the duties. Carden is a

Navy veteran, having served our country in the U.S. Navy aboard the U.S.S. Apache. He was in active duty during World War II from 1942 - 1954.

"I use to make sure of the dates but I decided I had better hand that over to Raymond, in case I forgot," says Cypert, who has been attending to the flag duties for some seventeen years. "Now I make sure the flag is flown at the cemetery for all the holidays." Cypert is a veteran of the Army where he served just short of four years, also during World War II.

Bill Smith, an Army veteran, is very humble about his flag raising duties. He also has been contributing to the task for approximately seventeen years. "It's just something we want to do - we've been putting out the flags for a long time. I think they really look nice in our town," he says. Smith served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the signal corps - building telephone lines and other communication tools.

On Thursday, November 11, 1999, Veteran's Day, please be sure to thank these men for their efforts as we all enjoy the fruits of their labors. Tell them you appreciate the flags but also tell them and all other veterans you encounter just how much you love the flag, your freedom, and our country - they have given us all much to be thankful for.

Cattle Raisers Aids Recovery of Funds For Area Bank

FORT WORTH, Texas, Nov. 1, 1999—Tedious tracking of a trail of paper by Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Field Inspector Scott Williamson of Haskell, Texas, and the help of the First National Bank in Munday led to the recovery of \$92,478 and a five-year jail sentence for a suspect who diverted funds legally belonging to the First National Bank of Munday, Texas. Williamson and bank employees also accounted for another \$326,853 which had been diverted from the bank, but was not recovered.

The case began in June of 1998 when Inspector Williamson was contacted by FNB President Bob McWhorter. He told Williamson that the bank had foreclosed on Donnie Edward Ryder, 54, of Benjamin, Texas, because he was approximately \$360,000 short of his financial statement collateral. Inspector Williamson met with McWhorter and received copies of the loans and security agreements between Ryder and the bank.

"I found these agreements to be very comprehensive, including any and all proceeds derived from the Beavers Ranch," said Williamson. The First National Bank held all loans for lease of all properties of the Beavers-Mulky Ranch, all operating expenses and the planting

and farming of all crops.

Inspector Williamson began with a brand and name search from Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association's comprehensive database. That search turned up cattle consigned by Donnie Ryder and sold at the Abilene Livestock Auction in Abilene, Texas, Arrowhead Livestock in Wichita Falls, Texas, and the Decatur Livestock Market in Decatur, Texas.

To determine the deposit disposition, Inspector Williamson requested and received copies of the checks and sellers' consignment sheets from each market.

Inspector Williamson also learned that Texzona Feeders had a grazing contract with the suspect and obtained copies of the contract and 10 checks that contained the total of all payments to Ryder. The wheat crop that Ryder leased to Texzona for grazing was also mortgaged by the First National Bank in Munday, Texas.

Williamson also uncovered an account for Ryder at the Citizens State Bank of Knox City, Texas. He subpoenaed those records for evidence of funds diverted from First National Bank and found \$199,117.25 from cattle sales, grazing payments and government checks.

With each discovery by

Williamson, the total of funds diverted from FNB ballooned. The evidence was presented to the Knox County District Attorney and Ryder was indicted by a Knox County Grand Jury on a first-degree felony offense of hindering a secured creditor.

The case was tried on Oct. 19, 1999, in the 50th District Court in Knox County, Texas. Ryder pled guilty and was sentenced to five years' confinement in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Institutional Division and charged \$286.25 in court costs.

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association has 32 field inspectors stationed in Texas and Oklahoma with the authority to search, seize, and arrest. All are certified peace officers commissioned as Special Rangers by the Texas Department of Public Safety and/or the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.

Last year, TSCRA inspectors recovered or accounted for more than \$4.4 million in stolen livestock and equipment. All costs for the inspectors are paid by Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association through its membership dues.

To report a livestock-related theft, contact the TSCRA inspector in your area or call TSCRA headquarters at 1 (800) 242-7820.

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Calendar of Events

- Nov. 4 - Mogul Football JH vs Aspermont There 5:00 pm.
- Nov. 5 - Mogul Football vs Aspermont Here 7:30 pm.
- Nov. 6 - TMEA NZ HS All District Band Auditions (W.F.)
- Nov. 8 - Munday VFD.
- Nov. 9 - Lions Club, Stamford Scrimmage There JVG, VG.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Nov. 4 - Kelli Meers.
- Nov. 5 - Zac Sanchez, Morris & Jackie Underwood.
- Nov. 6 - Makenzie Gass, Baili Howry.
- Nov. 7 - Kelli Cypert, Pat Hutchinson, Joe & Kathy Schuessler.
- Nov. 8 - Gary Wilde.

Knox County Aging Center

Munday & Goree Menu

Nov 8 thru Nov. 12

Mon. Nov. 8th. - Beef stew, cheese stuffed celery, corn on cob, cornbread, cookies.

Wed. Nov. 10th - Hamburger with cheese, potato wedges, lettuce - tomatoes - pickles - onions.

Fri. Nov. 12th - Hamburger steak with brown gravy, buttered potatoes, sweet peas, salad, hot rolls, cobbler.

If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Olga Jim Reid 422-4145 or Frances Cypert 422-4174. At Goree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I went to the State marching contest and was somewhat surprised when I checked into the hotel to find the Munday Band was also staying there. I soon found out these were not loud rowdy kids running all over the hotel. They were quite and seemed to have a purpose or a job to do.

I heard the band play in the State Finals the next evening. Making the State Finals means these kids spent hours and hours of time with the music and marching. These are hours in the hot sun at the end of August. These are hours in the wind and rain getting in one more rehearsal. Hours they could have spent sitting in front of a t.v. or playing nintendo.

Some of you may be disappointed that the Band didn't win. NEVER, NEVER be disappointed in the quality of students you sent to State. They are the finest. Mr. Bennett and the Purple Cloud Band did you PROUD. They truly are one of the Best in the State.

Tom Schrandt, Holiday

Wow!, does it get any more fun than this?. The old adage that "History repeats it's self" is tested and proven once again. First let me express my thanks to the "Class of 59" for the wonderful time they showed me this past Saturday in Munday. I had been invited to visit Munday to renew some old friendships and to visit Homer's and Jackie's Trade Days.

Now about History repeating it's self. I live in Fort Worth and while driving to Munday, just like in the old days there, when we would try to go somewhere, if we could find the money, I got as far as Seymour and my pickup broke down. Emedately I found a Munday mechanic in Seymour who repaired my pickup and sent me on my way. Just a couple hours late, with oil from the oil leak all over me, I made it to one of the best auctions and reunions that I have been to in a long time. My hat is off to you Munday, for the chance, once again, to realize just how much fun Munday, Texas, home of the world famous "MUNDAY MOGULS" can be. Thank you so much.

Z.T. Armstrong



#41 JUSTIN KING runs along with other teammates in pursuit of Aspermont's #25 Zake Hunter during last Friday night's game. The Moguls corraled #25 for much of the battle but lost a heartbreaker 21 - 10.

Wanted: Holiday Spirited Merchants And Citizens For Community Event

That jolly old elf has already started checking his list of happy holiday spirited merchants and citizens and he is ready to reward them with a wonderful community event.

The Munday Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is planning a special event to celebrate the new holiday lights purchased for the city which will be held on the evening of Saturday, November 27.

In connection with the debut lighting several businesses are planning their open houses for that evening. Among them are Bud's For You, Local Crafters at the Ben Franklin Building, Schoolmarm Antiques, Memories of Munday, First National Bank, and Just In Time. Open Houses are scheduled

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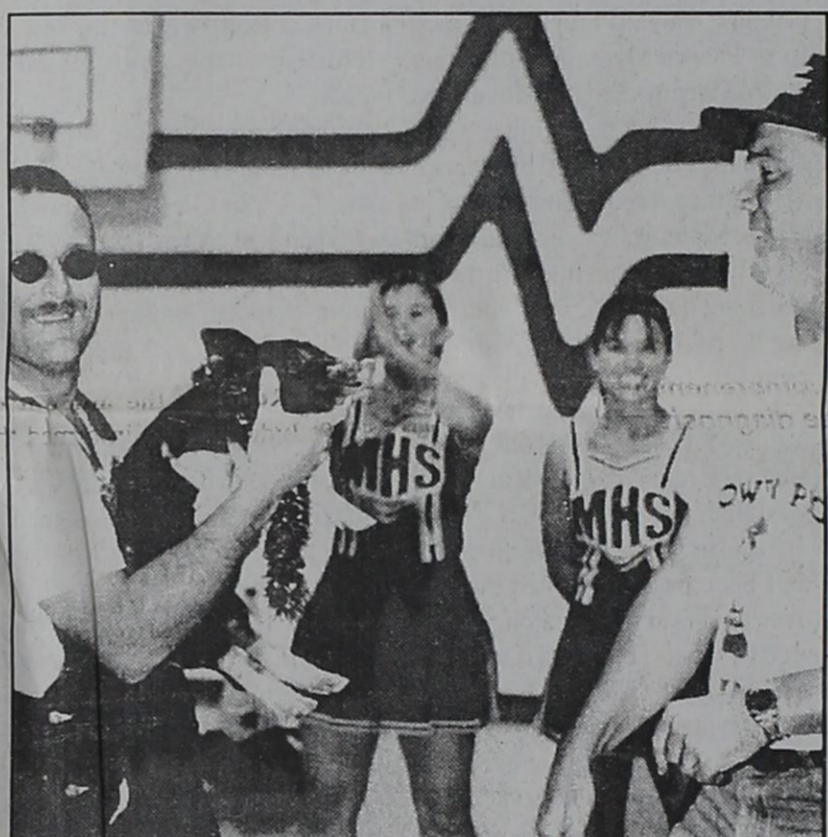
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from 5:00 - 8:00 with refreshments and drawings held at each location.

A lighted Christmas parade will take place downtown at 8:00 to help usher in the holiday season and display the new decorations for the first time. Churches, organizations, businesses and families are encouraged to plan

and enter your lighted parade float.

For more information on the parade or to list your businesses Open House please call (940) 422-4540. The holidays are special - please help us celebrate this unique time in the life of our community.



HOT LIPS. Ag teacher Rick Moeller (right) steadies the red lips of the cutest pig in town while Patrolman Greg Rogers (right) prepares to smooch away. Patrolman Rogers lost a raffle at Munday High School and accepted the challenge to kiss the pig at last Friday's pep rally. Friday was "Down on the Farm with the Moguls Day" at Munday campuses.

Community Choir To Hit High Notes For Holiday Seasons

The Munday Community Choir has begun rehearsals for two holiday performances and invites all other interested persons to attend up-coming rehearsals.

The Community Choir will be bringing the special music for the annual Community Thanksgiving Service and is also preparing for a Community Wide Christmas Musical.

Rehearsals are held each Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in the choir room at First Baptist Church. Child care with home-work assistance is provided each evening for those with young children.

Voices of all ranges and musical abilities are cordially invited to participate and drama team members are also encouraged. For more information please call Sandy King at (940) 422-4200 or (940) 422-4522.

Former Resident Graduates With Honors From TSTC

Edward and Mozelle Smith are proud to announce their grandson, Tyler Smith, was a recent honor graduate of Texas State Technical College in Abilene. He completed his associate degree in Computer Network Technology with a GPA of 3.76.

Tyler is currently employed by G.S.T. Action Telecom in Abilene. Tyler is the son of Larry and Linda Smith also of Abilene.



PURPLE CLOUD PAPA. Band parents at MHS manned the concession stand during football season at all the home JV and Varsity games. Danny Ramirez was on hand last Friday night to dish out good eats and drinks to all the hungry fans in attendance.

Congratulations to Munday's Hawks! Good Luck at State



The Hawks from Munday
Seymour Youth Soccer League Division Champs

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TxDOT Confers With Knox County Commissioners At Regular Meeting



FIVE GENERATIONS OF YOST FAMILY. Recently enjoying spending time together were these five generations of the Yost family. Front and center is Ola Yost. To the right is her daughter, Mildred Graves. Standing is Mildred's son Don Hendrix with his son Greg Hendrix. The fifth generation is Greg's son Grant Hendrix.

Knox County Commissioners met on the 12th day of October 1999 in a regular public meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Knox County, Texas at the Courthouse.

Commissioners' Court was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Courthouse at Benjamin, Texas, by County Judge David N. Perdue. Also present were Commissioners Weldon Skiles, Jerry Parker, Jimmy Urbanczyk, and Johnny Birkenfeld, Treasurer Penny Goodwin, Sheriff Dean Homstad, County Attorney Bobby D. Burnett, and Clerk Ronnie Verhalen.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on October 8, 1999, at 2:00 p.m.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 13, 1999, were unanimously approved.

The first six items of business concerned the Texas Department of Transportation. Judge Perdue informed the Court that according to HB 1681, effectively September 1, all permanent bridge records being held in the district will be made available to the state.

Judge Perdue told the Court that TxDOT has informed Knox County that the county now certifiably contains 391 miles of county road.

TxDOT also informed the county that county officials will be informed in the event that any surplus material is gathered.

TxDOT had earlier informed the Court of a request for more right-of-way cost on FM 266, Lake Creek Road, in the amount of \$500. Judge Perdue informed the Court that the matter had already been taken care of.

TxDOT also requested an additional \$4000 for right-of-way expense for US 82 rehabilitation and other expenses from November 1998 through June 1999. Judge Perdue told the Court that the record shows it to be already paid.

The Court discussed reimbursement to the Rhineland Water Authority for relocation of a water line and other expenses. The Court unanimously agreed to

sign the resolution and agreement to contribute funds and pay \$500 toward the Brazos River Bridge right-of-way on FM 266.

TxDOT asked for an additional \$1100 for water line relocation on FM 267 for Rhineland water. The Court voted unanimously to table the matter because TxDOT and/or the contractor had damaged the water line.

The Court received the annual assessment for the year 2000 Operating Budget for the Knox County Appraisal District.

The Court next considered nominations for directors to the Board of the Knox County Appraisal District, for the county as a voting, taxing entity. The Court voted to leave the present directors in place. The county casts its votes equally among the five directors, who are W.T. Cartwright, Floyd Reed, Sr., W.R. Baker, Robert L. Harrison, III, and Daniel Sloan.

Knox County Tax Assessor-Collector Stanton Brown had requested that a deed without

warranty be signed and notarized for Don Coffman on E 110' of Lots 6 & 7, Block 51, Lee Addition, Munday, Texas. All approved.

The Court considered a quitclaim deed or a deed without warranty for Johnny Birkenfeld on W 53.6' of Lots 7 & 8, Block 44, Original Goree, Texas. The matter was unanimously tabled.

The Court considered a nominee for the Board of the Haskell-Knox Underground Water District to replace Dennis Duke who has resigned. Joe Tidwell of Munday was nominated, contingent upon the need for another board member.

Judge Perdue distributed to the Court a 9-1-1 report.

Treasurer Goodwin presented the financial report for the month. After examining the records the Court accepted the treasurer's report, with two exceptions: 10 a contract with the General Services Commission that allows county officers to fly at reduced rates will be allowed to lapse, and 2) the

County will pay \$250 toward the burial of an indigent within the county, rather than the amount requested by Smith Funeral Home.

The meeting then adjourned. On the 29th of October, 1999, there was conducted a Special Called Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Knox County.

Judge Perdue called Commissioners' Court to order with Commissioners Weldon Skiles, Jerry Parker, Jimmy Urbanczyk, and Johnny Birkenfeld present.

Judge Perdue reviewed a resolution pertaining to Article V, Section 18, of the Texas Constitution adopting reformed political boundaries for the Justice of the Peace and Constable precincts within Knox County and reducing the number (as Knox County now has) from four to two.

All voted in favor to adopt the resolution.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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PAST PRESIDENTS HONORED. Five past presidents of the Texas Association of Counties were honored during a recent Legislative Conference in Austin. Pictured are (L-R) retired District Judge Buck Douglas, Navarro County; former Knox County Judge Sam E. Clonts; Dallas County Treasurer Bill Melton; former Swisher County Judge Jay Johnson; and Knox County Judge David N. Perdue.

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Knox County Judges Honored During Legislative Conference

In celebration of the 30th anniversary of the Texas Association of Counties, Past Presidents of TAC were honored recently during the Legislative Conference in Austin.

Three of the five honored have Knox County connections. They are former Knox County Judge Sam E. Clonts, Knox County Judge David N. Perdue, and former Swisher County Judge Jay Johnson, who is Knox City resident Darlene Bellinghauser's brother.

The conference, sponsored by the Texas Association of Counties provided detailed information about how to implement changes in state statutes passed by the 76th Session of the Texas Legislature. Many of these new laws will become law on or before January 1, 2000.

Many of the 900 county officials at the conference completed state-mandated continuing education requirements. There are some 4600 county officials in the Texas Association of Counties.

Sam D. Seale, TAC Executive Director stated, "To have two presidents from the same county is very unique for any association much less one that has as many members as we have from all 254 counties and we are not that old." Knox County should be proud of that distinction.

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Munday's Hawks Win Division Title

Soccer team sets their sights on a State Championship

Munday's Hawks won their division title this on Saturday, October 30 by defeating the Defenders from Seymour by the score of 2 to 0 in the mud, wind, and wet of a rain soaked playing field. Two goals was all that was necessary as the wet conditions kept the under 10 year old champs from being able to run their well oiled offensive game plan.

The Hawks, coached by Jose and Marie Gonzales will be heading out to Dallas to compete in the North Texas State Soccer League Tournament of Champions on December 4th and 5th.

Steven Urbanczyk hit the first score for the Hawks, who were held scoreless until the second half, and Michelle Gonzales

scored the cushion point as the Hawks cruised to the 2 to 0 shut out in the mud.

The Hawks will be organizing fund raising activities to help them with the costs of their weekend tournament in Dallas. Contributions to the team may be made to: Tracey Cooke, or The First National Bank in Munday where an account is set up for the team.

Those who have already donated to the Hawks include: The First National Bank In Munday, Home Building Center, Automotive Plus, Charles Baker Insurance, Bud's For You, Magnum Hot Oiling, The Munday Courier, Randy Hibdon, Mike And Kerri Urbanczyk, Jim and Paula Cowser, and Ralph's Auto.



MUNDAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP SOCCER TEAM THE HAWKS are bound for the state play offs to be held in Dallas in December. Pictured left to right standing is Cody Weeks, Destini Cooke, Sammy Nunez, Pate Stewart, Francisco Torrez, Jonathan Key, and Whitney Sanders, Kneeling: Krystyn Myers, Jay White, Michelle Gonzalez, Landry Gunter, and Steven Urbanczyk.

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This Thursday Nite Reception for all Veteran's Immediately following the Boy Scout Flag Ceremony in Knox City at the Downtown Flagpole, Thursday the 11th at 6:30. Happy Veteran's Day!



Ricky Serrato will wed Amy Marie Ramos on Saturday, November 20th in a double ring ceremony at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland, Texas. There will be a reception and dance at the Haskell Civic Center following the wedding Ceremony. The couple plans to live in Abilene.

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Stock Show Entries Due For Knox County 4-H'ers

All Knox county 4-H members wishing to enter any livestock shows in January, February and March of 2000 should begin completing the entry forms and paying entry fees. Deadline for entering all major stock shows (including Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston and San Angelo)

will be Monday, November 22. Entry deadline for the 2000 Knox County Junior Livestock Show is Friday, December 17. Please note that these are not the dates that appear in the show catalogs. The dates are moved up in order to allow time to get all the entries together and get one check written

for each stock show. This also allows for time in the event of an error on one of the entry cards. It is vital that these entry deadlines are kept.

Dates, entry information and rules are available at the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin. The 2000 Knox County Junior Livestock Show will be held in Knox City on January 20, 21 and 22. The dates of all the divisions at the major shows is too lengthy to mention.

Those 4-H members with market swine should bring their animals to the Munday High School Ag. Farm on Sunday, November 21 for validation. This event will begin around 8 a.m. This will be an excellent opportunity to complete all the entry forms. It is not known how much it will cost for swine validation. It should be between three and four dollars for those pigs being validated for major shows and free for pigs being validated for Knox County only.

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WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Dan and Becky Offutt along with Jessie and Martha Andrade are happy that their children, April and Marc, were married at 7:30 p.m. on October 30, 1999 in a small private ceremony in Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

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Tuesday - Nov. 16

Chicken nuggets with french fries & gravy, sausage pizza, corn decorated pears, bananas, green salad, topped jello cup, chocolate or unflavored milk.

Wednesday - Nov. 17

Bean, beef, and cheese chalupas, breaded chicken pattie on a bun, Mexican style beans, fresh apples, tossed salad, iced peanut butter bars, chocolate or unflavored milk.

Thursday -Nov. 18

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Friday -Nov. 19

Corn dog, hamburger on a bun and french fries, corn, broccoli and cauliflower, oranges, salad fixin's, chocolate pudding with whipped topping, chocolate or unflavored milk.



Minding Your Own Business

With Don Taylor, co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts

Rising above the Entrepreneurial Plateaus

(Last of two-part series)

Last week I discussed how small-business owners often hit no-growth, flat spots in their businesses. They max out production capacity, find an unexplainable ceiling on sales levels or hit the limit on personal performance.

We call these flat spots entrepreneurial plateaus. Every business owner experiences them, but some are able to move onward and upward.

In part one, we showed you how to climb above the profit plateau. This week, we'll explore climbing to new heights above the people and performance plateaus. Lace up your hiking boots.

The people plateau

Your business will never out-grow the quality of the people who work there. You'll never rise above the level you're on if you don't have good people to execute the details.

Here are some ways to find, hire, grow and keep good people. You can use these to take your business to a higher plateau of service.

First, you must create a place where people want to work. Today's employees are looking for interesting jobs where they can use their skills and education. They want to make decisions, help solve problems and feel valued for their accomplishments. They desire room to grow and advance and fair wages and benefits.

Second, know what kind of person and skills you need. Create a job description that spells out the duties, functions and requirements of the job. Then write down what skills, abilities and education are required to do the job well.

Third, find the right person. It's easier to find a match if you know what you're looking for. Take your time during this stage. Don't let a sense of urgency rush you into accepting less than you need.

Fourth, be thorough. Check references carefully. Go beyond the references given. Interview the most qualified candidates more than once. Let the candidates do most of the talking.

Fifth, grow skills to grow results. Training will help your employees take your business to a higher plateau.

Train to improve basic job functions, product knowledge, communication skills, customer care and selling skills.

The performance plateau

I've read many books on improving personal performance. I know the seven habits, the seeds of greatness, how to swim with sharks, how to sell my way to the top and how to get what I want through negotiation. I know it's easier to succeed to fail, that timing is everything and that there is chicken soup for every problem. I've learned the success system that never fails, the law of increasing returns and what they don't tell you at Harvard.

I've also learned that none of these books will get me out of bed in the morning. Many authors offer good advice and proven systems for improving performance. But, none of these systems will work if I choose not to work the system. I must choose to change.

So how do you get to the next higher performance plateau? Three easy steps. Well, OK, three really hard steps.

Step One - Know where you are. You must see the plateau. You must be sick of sitting on this level. Only when you're entirely fed up with being where you are will you be motivated to move on to a higher level.

Step Two - You must want to reach a new height. Climbing to a new level will require change. It will require extra effort. It will take commitment. You have to want it badly enough to pay the price.

Step Three - You've must have a plan. Put your goals in writing. Make them clear, specific and measurable. Break your long-term goals into short-term steps. Focus on achieving one step forward today.

Happy climbing. I'll see you at the top.

Don Taylor is the co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Wealth Is Right Under Our Boots

(The following article was written by Mr. John Young in early 1989. Mr. Young was editorial page editor of the Waco Tribune-Herald and is still employed by that publication. Even though the article is rather dated, most of the information is still relevant today - and besides, it's very entertaining reading. Enjoy! Reprinted with permission of the Waco Tribune-Herald)

It was high time that we got some good news about cows.

The year 1989 is only two months old, and already it's been a miserable year for cows. Not since Rocky has American beef taken such a pummeling.

First, we started the year off with the story of the European Economic Community's refusal to buy American meat that had been beefed up with steroids. Personally, I thought Europe was overreacting.

There's a possibility that steroid use is rampant among our cattle, but I doubt it. I've yet to see an American steer match Canadian Ben Johnson's time in the 100 meters. Neither have I seen one hoist barbells with the ease of a Romanian weightlifter.

If there's steroid use by our cows, it couldn't possibly be a serious health problem to consumers. Now, if we start exporting prime cuts from the carcasses of deranged Big 8 linemen, the Europeans should be advised to grill their steaks a few extra minutes.

The European demand for steroid-free cattle seems

want is for American farmers to have to sample their herds. You tell a 1,000-pound Hereford to hit that little bitty Dixie cup.

But while the steroids story was a terrible affront to cattle, the real kick in the rump came from a Colorado State University professor who said cows are partially to blame for the greenhouse effect.

You read it here first. The agricultural scientist blamed the cattle population for pumping millions of gallons of methane into the atmosphere. He called it flatulence. He didn't even have the decency to tell us what he meant by that.

So what are we supposed to do about this so-called dilemma? Do we start feeding them Roloids?

All Mr. Colorado State University could offer was to feed the cattle an antibiotic to kill the intestinal microorganisms that supposedly cause Earth's distress. (We have no evidence of the cows' distress.) Antibiotics? Right. Sell that to the Europeans.

As I said, with all this cow-bashing, it was high time for some good news about our four-legged institutions, they who feed our economy so stoically, make our cream, fertilize our pastures and give cowboys something to call themselves. (Would it have been America's Team as the Dallas Horseboys?)

The good news? Oh, yes. The good news.

It turns out that in Imperial, California, a utility company is using that which makes the grass

grow to make that which makes air conditioners hum: electricity.

The Mesquite Lake Resource Recovery Project, 110 miles east of San Diego, provides enough juice to electrify 20,000 homes using the fruits of area feedlots, where 250,000 cows do what comes naturally. And no, Mr. Colorado State, we aren't talking about methane. The folks in Imperial are cashing in their cow chips.

It's the first commercial power plant that burns only cattle dung.

A 36-year old environmentalist attorney named Will Parish left his job in San Francisco to form National Energy Associates Inc. In launching his Imperial plant in 1987, he says he found his fortune as an "entremeneur." (Nobody said eco-comedy was pretty.)

This story should put dollar signs in the eyes of all Texans. The bottom fell out of oil. Real estate is the pits. Microchips have yet to be a salvation. Now cow chips can be. And I mean now, right now, before we are in the grips of a European or Middle East cow-chip cartel.

Manure is one of Texas' more renewable resources. All you need is a cow, a field and a shovel. Texas has plenty of all three. It needs to start shoveling.

This development not only gives us a means to generate new power and wealth, it gives reason for cows to hold their heads and tails up high again. It also gives the Texas Legislature a reason to get busy.

I would suggest that lawmakers assign a select committee to explore the energy applications of fertilizer right now. They won't have to look far. Our statehouse is presumed to be ankle deep in it on any given day.

Munday Elementary Names Honor Roll Students For Second Six Weeks

Students making the Honor Roll at Munday Elementary for the second six weeks grading period were:

Grade One - Andrea Angerer, Diandra Avalos, Calder Cude, Rian Dillard, Will Kuehler, Maca Monasterio, Jonathan Offutt, Chace Thompson, Jacob Castorena, Kylie Kingston, Cody Reece, Kyler Urbanczyk, Sanjuana Diaz, Angel Navarette, Bo Tyra, and Pamela Walker.

Grade Two - Jonathan Birkenfeld, Emiliano Lara, Brittany Waggoner, Tanya Gray, Bandy Moeller, Taylor Stewart.

Grade Three - Rob Dillard, Marcos Gonzalez, Amye Moore, Laura Rangel, Sarah Reeves, Abby Sanders, Karamy Sarabia, Lari Dee Welch, Gary Mizer, Danyelle Tyra,

Kristin Hunter, and Aerial Allred. Grade Four - Whitney Sanders, Pate Stewart, Kayla Upton, Steven Urbanczyk, Ashleigh Myers, Krystynn Myers, and Destini Cooke.

Grade Five - Emily Mizer, Jerrica Escobedo, Ashley Crownover, Jenna Williams.

Grade Six - Jalenn Cadwell, Joseph Gulley, Katie Myers, Jordan Lowe, and Kaitlyn Sosolik.

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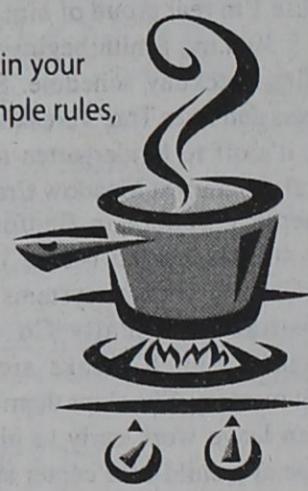
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A Mother's Mission

by Susan Gill Vardon

(The following article appeared in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Sunday, September 26, 1999. It concerns the tragic events that have affected the life of Melonie Smith and her son Trae, as well as the rest of their family members. It is also a tale of total motherly love and devotion and should remind all of us of the fragility of life and the strength of love. Melonie Smith is the granddaughter of Albert and Mina Fetsch of Rhineland.)

Melonie Smith parks her car at the grocery store, positions a sticker on the rearview mirror that permits parking for the disabled and reached to pick up her 6-year-old son, Trae.

A group of teen-agers watches. One shouts something that leaves Smith feeling as if she has been slapped.

"She has to have a retarded kid to park close," he yells.

Later, at the checkout counter, Smith sees the teen and confronts him. "What you said to me," she says, "was really rude."

This is Smith's worst fear realized - her son being made an outsider. It is something she has struggled against since Trae was left with cerebral palsy, impaired vision and learning disabilities after he was severely shaken by a baby sitter when he was 11 weeks old.

After doctors told her that Trae would die or would live in a vegetative state, Smith's goal was simply that her son survive. Now her mission is that he grow up to live independently.

That's why Smith, 36, wages constant battles with insurance companies, with Trae's doctors and teachers, with rude teen-agers, and with her conscience and faith in God.

"One of the hardest issues concerning my son as a survivor is the fact that most agencies only see him as a financial burden, one that is ongoing and a waste of time," she said.

Anger and worry are her constant companions. But Smith makes sure that Trae doesn't witness her inner struggles.

"If you're going to always cry in front of Trae and be angry, that's all he's going to know, because you're all he's got," she said. "If I cry in front of him, I tell him it's because I'm real proud of him."

At 5:30 a.m., Smith begins her grueling weekday schedule. She showers and fixes Trae's breakfast. Then it's off to kindergarten at a special program at Meadow Creek Elementary School in Bedford. Next stop is her full-time job supervising computer systems at Petrosurance Casualty Co. in Arlington. Lunch breaks are a distant memory. She skips them so she can leave work early to pick up Trae at a child-care center and take him to late-afternoon physical therapy sessions.

She also must find time to take Trae to his medical appointments. He has 13 doctors, including a neurologist, an orthopedic specialist and a gastroenterologist. Not to be forgotten are other therapy classes, including swimming lessons at 7:15 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and equestrian therapy on Saturdays.

She doesn't trust many people, so she takes Trae almost everywhere she goes, including grocery stores, restaurants, Rangers baseball games and seminars about shaken babies.

"She exposes him to everything, probably more than normal children will get," said Smith's mother, Brenda Fetsch, 55, of Waco. "She tirelessly hunts for every kind of therapy and every kind of doctor, not to heal him but to bring him to his greatest potential that he can possibly be."

Smith, who has been divorced three years, has no social life. She

has little time for a relationship or for meeting friends for a glass of wine after work.

"I work, and I have Trae," she said.

Her former husband is still part of Trae's life, but he lives in California.

Life might be easier for Smith if she moved to Waco, where she has a large, loving family. But she insists on staying because, she says, the Metroplex offers the best services for Trae.

In the evenings at their apartment, she makes dinner, plays with Trae, bathes him and goes to bed with him about 9 p.m. Trae can't sleep unless his hand or foot is touching his mom.

Smith uses the time before she falls asleep to write letters to insurance companies and attend to unfinished business. "I do my battles between 9 and midnight in bed," she said.

Smith often is consumed with anger that the lanky Trae, who weighs 38 pounds, has to struggle to walk and to talk and often is the subject of stares and jeers.

In his first 11 weeks, Trae was a typical healthy baby. Then, in March 1993, he was shaken so hard that he had to be rushed by helicopter ambulance to Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth.

Doctors told Smith and her husband, Bud, that their baby was in pain and was dying. The shaking had left Trae with bleeding in his brain and retinal hemorrhaging, and he was suffering grand mal seizures. He was breathing with the aid of a ventilator.

Smith and her husband decided to take Trae off the ventilator. A family priest from Waco gave Trae the last rites, and paperwork for organ donations was signed. The ventilator was disconnected.

But then Trae gasped for air. His mother and others took it as a sign that he wanted to live.

Smith seethes when she recalls that for three months in 1993, Trae was taken from her because Child Protective Services believed that she or her husband were responsible for his injuries.

"It is one thing to know that your 11-week-old baby could die from shaken baby syndrome, but it is another to have authorities thinking that you are capable of such a deplorable crime upon your very own child," said Smith, who later co-founded the Fort Worth-based Shaken Baby Alliance.

Eventually, the baby sitter acknowledged during a Child Protective Services hearing that she had shaken Trae. When the sitter was not prosecuted, Smith worked to put a case together, gathering documents and affidavits from physicians. But by the time she had finished, the three-year statute of limitations for an injury to a child case had expired, she said.

Family and friends have counseled Smith to let go of her anger, but she says she wants to hold on to it because it fuels her fight for her son.

She knows that when one battle with insurance companies is won, another looms. Smith looks for after-hours therapy sessions so she can take Trae after work, but insurance companies won't pay for them. They turn down coverage for home therapy because "it is a convenience for mom," she said.

A social worker has suggested that Trae would receive better services if Smith went on welfare and put him on Medicaid, but Smith has rebuffed that idea.

"I would be ahead if I didn't work," she said. "But I was raised to get off my butt. People don't understand why I don't quit."

"I have a good education. It's not for everyone else to take care of me."

Trae has endured two eye surgeries and stomach surgery, had

fluid removed from around his brain and had several electrocardiograms because of seizures.

Recently, Dr. Warren Marks prepared to give Trae injections of Botox, a form of the botulism toxin, to loosen muscles in his arms and legs that have been tightened by cerebral palsy. To try to calm her son, Smith held up a ticket receipt for a Barney show they will attend in a few weeks.

"Barney will be here," she assured him. "You can tell Barney you are a brave, brave soldier."

Trae whimpered and cried. Then he screamed. Smith burst into tears, but she turned her head so Trae couldn't see her.

Smith said she used to be overly defensive when people would stare at her son. She occasionally walked up to them and asked, "Do you have a problem?" Now, she said, she may say something like, "I noticed you watching my son. I'd be happy to answer any questions that you have about him."

She said she has found that not everyone is being rude when they stare. Some are simply concerned.

Insensitive remarks still get to her, though.

"I know how you feel," a person close to her said one day. "My dog almost died after it was run over."

"You need to have another child so that you will know what it is like to be a real mother," another person said.

Smith, conscious of the stares, always makes sure that Trae's hair is styled and that his clothes are pressed, Fetsch said.

"People are going to look at him in public, so if they're looking at him, he's going to be spotless and well-groomed," Fetsch said.

At day care, Trae has been hit, bitten, pushed and called names, Smith said. Last year, she wrote a letter to other parents, describing his history and physical condition.

"I hope this helps each of you to understand Trae better," she wrote. "Trae has already suffered enough physical abuse. Please help me make his life easier by taking time and talking to your children."

The children were nicer to Trae after the letter was sent, Smith said.

Smith says she is still struggling to reclaim the faith she lost after Trae was injured. She says she sometimes feels guilty and asks herself why she should have such a burden.

"Sometimes I feel like Jesus carrying a cross, except my cross is not a wooden cross but my son," she said. "I carry him through the crowd and they stare, push us, curse us and pass us by. But I can't lay this cross down because of the love I have in my heart."

On a recent Sunday, Smith and Trae attended services at Saint Michael Catholic Church in Bedford. Trae began to whimper during the sermon and waved his hand in a signal that his mother recognizes as "I want to go home." He ripped a page in the hymnal as the congregation sang *The Lord is Kind and Merciful*. He touched his mother's face and smiled.

In the middle of the sermon, Smith picked up Trae and headed for the lobby.

"Everyone was distracted around me," she whispered as she and Trae peered into the sanctuary through a window.

The Reverend Timothy Vaverek of Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Waco has been a lifeline for Smith, she says. She jokes that by the time she is finished with her confession, the line outside the booth is long.

Vaverek, who administered the last rites to Trae more than six years ago, said Smith's challenge is to continue to focus on reality.

"This is an evil thing that happened to this child," he said.

"You can't put the genie back in the bottle. You can't go back to that moment and not drop the child off. You have to deal with your own guilt, your own sense of what ifs,

which could destroy you." Family members and those who work with Trae say they are amazed at how far he has come. They say they credit Smith's devotion and perseverance.

"I can't say I wouldn't cave in," said Smith's sister, Julie McIntyre, 31, who has two children and lives in Arlington. "If I had to do it myself, I would have moved back to Waco."

Smith says that during the past few years she has had to stop being so protective of Trae and to relinquish some control to his teachers and therapists.

"When Melonie first came to me and brought him to the classroom, basically what she told me was that I was not to tell Trae no and that he never did anything wrong," said Lori Box, who taught Trae's preschool class for the disabled at Bell Manor Elementary School in Bedford. "He needed to learn that there were ground rules."

Box persuaded Smith to put Trae in child care during the day.

"I think it has helped him to be around peers and have social interaction," Box said. "He has gained a lot of independence."

But Smith has not been shy about questioning teachers and demanding what she believes is best for Trae, even if it means hours of research or showing up unannounced at his classes.

In three years, Trae has progressed from having trouble communicating to being able to say three- and four-word sentences. He also can follow directions with help and now walks up to people and says "Hi," said Nancy Shadownes, a speech teacher at Bell Manor Elementary.

The weakened facial muscles that make it difficult for Trae to speak also cause him to drool. Smith's brother, Adam Fetsch, 18, taught Trae to wipe his face on his shirt. Last year, Fetsch led a project

with his football teammates at La Vega High School in Bellmead to increase awareness about the dangers of shaking babies.

The school was rewarded with \$10,000 as Texas' grand-prize winner of the Lowe's Home Team Award.

Smith's goal that Trae live

independently is not out of the question, said Shadownes, the speech teacher.

"I think miracles happen," she said. "If he keeps going on the track he is and his family supports him and gets the help, I think it's very realistic." ***

Second Six Weeks Honor Roll For Goree Released

Students making the A Honor Roll during the second six weeks grading period are:

- Grade 2 - Christina Garcia.
 - Grade 7 - Reyes Llamas.
 - Grade 8 - Jorge DeHaro
 - Grade 10 - Juana Llamas, Maria Reyes.
 - Grade 11 - Concha Llamas.
- Students on the B Honor Roll are:

- Grade 3 - Amber Garcia, Michelle Nieto.
- Grade 4 - Justin Arismendez, Ruben Castillo.
- Grade 5 - Will Hagle.
- Grade 6 - Maria Garcia, Jose Reyes.
- Grade 9 - Mary McKinney.
- Grade 10 - Sylvia Garcia.
- Grade 12 - Christy Aranda, April Casiano, Latricia Garber, Antonio Garcia, Tonia Landreth.

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Vera News
by Mrs. Thelma Coulston

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Blackwell and children of Hagerman, New Mexico were week end visitors with her father, Jerry and Lynda Beck.

Mrs. Aleitha Beck visited during the week end with her son, Russell and Carolyn Beck in Lubbock.

Visitors in the Carl Coulston home Thursday and Friday was a great-granddaughter, Hannah Marie and her mother, Mrs. Michelle Henry of Irving.

The annual community Thanksgiving dinner will be held this Tuesday evening, November 9, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This will be hosted by members of the First United Methodist Church and will be held at the community center. All are invited to come, bring a covered dish and enjoy the beginning of the Thanksgiving Season.

Phil and Rebekah Boone and little daughter, Paige, of Trent were visitors with Mrs. Alma Jean Boone and Paige went trick-or-treating Saturday evening.

Bill and Christy Miller have returned to their home in Lincoln, Nebraska and Paul and Ann Miller of Odessa have returned home after spending a week with Mrs. Violet Patterson, Gidget and Destiny. While they were here Gidget and Destiny accompanied the Paul Millers to Lake Holly for a reunion of the Miller families. Saturday Violet, Gidget and Destiny were in Munday where they visited in the Sonny Crawford home and Destiny and little friend, Jada Jordan went trick-or-treating Saturday evening.

Billy and Betty Kinnibrough visited Thursday with his brother, Glen and Lou Kinnibrough in Vernon. Sunday Billy and Betty and her father, Bill Townsend were in Graham where they visited in the home of Betty's sister, Paul and Barbara Holt.

Duward Richards is in Dallas a few days this week where he is undergoing a medical check-up by a doctor.

Toby and Eva Ann Crooks and little grandson Teagan Brandon of Abilene visited Thursday and Friday with the Jerrell Trainham family.

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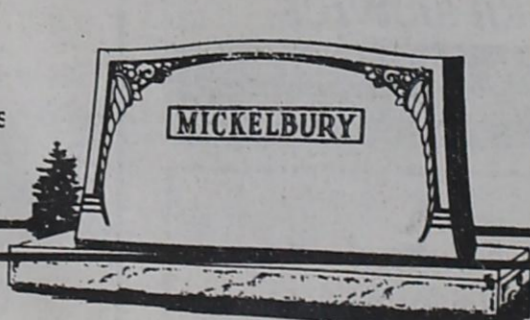
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Nursing Center News

by Lois Chilcoat

We are glad that Alfred Kuehler had good reports from his Haskell doctor last Monday. His brother, Alfonso Kuehler, took him.

Fleta Mayo had her granddaughter, Toni Mayo, to visit this week end. She's living in Wichita Falls. Amber, a great-granddaughter, also visited Fleta Mayo.

Betty Cole and Leona Raby, both from Knox City, visited Hope Poe here at the center.

The John Earl Nelsons had another family gathering this past week-end. Her sister, Elizabeth Crouch from Clovis, California came in so everyone came to visit. There were 32 people in all and from all directions. They reported lots of fun and enjoyed it all.

Matt and Lillian Ray Verhalen visited with Elnora Hertel and Teresa Albus. Cheryl Crawford also visited.

Wanda Brooks of Knox City visited with Hope Poe on Thursday afternoon.

Nancy Anderson from Perryton, Texas and her daughter, Tina Anderson from Lubbock, visited Nancy's mother, Lois Chilcoat.

The following churches will hold services on these dates: Gillispie Church - November 7, Methodist Church - November 14, Believers Chapel - November 21, Goree Baptist Church - November 28, Our Thanksgiving Party - November 24.

Birthdays in the month of November are: Residents - Charlie Flye, November 7; employees - Rachel Ramos the 10th, Missy Dockins the 12th, Tina Taylor the 15th, Betsy Ramos the 15th and Clara Allan the 28th.

Chester Lain went to Knox City for an overnight visit with his son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Judy Lain. Annie Bee Lain who has been in the Abilene Hospital the past week came home Saturday and is doing better. Welcome home Annie Bee!

Nolan Phillips spent a few hours at the Knox County Hospital last Friday but came back home.

Sunday, October 13 Brother Randy Gressett and Jay White had charge of the meeting. The lesson was about the Lord looking deep into the heart of David before

choosing him as a leader.

Monday H.B. Graves had charge of the lesson and Barbara Collins led the singing with Leona Elliott at the piano. He read Proverbs on the attitudes we need for knowing the blood of Jesus.

Bingo was Tuesday with the Church of Christ in charge. Volunteers were Amelia Blair and Doris Rodriguez. Black out was won by Bonnie Corley.

Our DQ party for Wednesday was postponed until the next week. We had a pop-corn and coke party.

Thursday the Vernon Regional Junior College of Nursing spent the day with us. There were 13 students and their supervisor, Rilda Novak, RN. This will be a 12 month class and they'll be with us for 3 more Thursdays. This class started in August and was made up of pupils from the vicinity of Seymour. We enjoyed them very much, the visiting, their white professional looking appearance and their friendly attitudes.

The program for Friday on Bible Stories by Jo Heard was cancelled and Nancy Cypert had a program of "Mind Stretchers." It was a fun program and we enjoyed it very much.

Saturday Jo Ann Maddox came for the "Rhythm Band." Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and her music.

Brother and Mrs. James Patterson from Knox City visited Hope Poe on Friday afternoon.

Herbert Stogill visited the rest home on Friday afternoon seeing old friends.

"If you didn't start out the day with a smile, it's not too late to start practicing for tomorrow."

FFA Students To Present Contest Material Thursday Evening

Munday, Knox City and Benjamin High School FFA students will present their prepared district competition materials this Thursday evening at the Young Farmer's Barn in Munday. The students will begin their practice session at 7:00 p.m. and the public is invited to come and witness the presentations and encourage the students. The district competition will take place on Saturday, November 13, at Jacksboro.

Students will be practicing their presentations in Creed Speaking, Skills Team, Parliamentary Procedures, and Radio Team. No admission will be charged for the Thursday evening practice session.

Munday students involved in the district competition are: Jeremy Hager, Amber Reed, Jennifer Carden, Jessica West, Micah Yates, Laci Myers, Eric Hager, Cody West, Jayla Decker, Toni Tidwell, Brandon Melton, Justin Lowe, Justin Cypert, Chance Myers, Chris Bibb, Vanessa Lerma Jenny Carlson, Pamela Rueffer, and Shannon Escamilla.

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Goree News

By Mrs. Leonard Brothers

The weather is beautiful and we truly appreciate the rain we received. The wheat is edging its way through the soil and growing. The cotton farmers wished the rain had come later. We could use more rain.

Thanksgiving is coming soon. Can you believe the year is nearly over?

The First Baptist Church is having their Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, Nov 21, 1999, with Turkey and all the trimmings.

Billy Don and Mary Hutchens went to Graham, Texas, Friday afternoon to visit their son, Jay and his family to see their new beautiful home. They had a nice visit and but didn't get to stay long enough to visit their daughter n law, Michelle. Michelle teaches school at Bryson.

Zane & Jill Donoho wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Elysa D'Ann Donoho. Elysa weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and 19 3/4 inches. The grandparents are Doug and Nahwana Donoho of Munday. The great-grandparents are Merle and Fannie Bell Lambeth of Munday.

The Goree faculty is playing the ladycats at 6 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1999 in a volleyball game. We wish the best for both sides.

Pearl Yates was visited over the weekend by her granddaughter and family, Dana & Lance Stone of Fort Hood. The three great-grandchildren are Brendan 9, Zackary 3, and Nicholas 1 1/2. They are being transferred to Ewing Army Base in California. They will be leaving for California on Thanksgiving Day.

The Church of Christ had their monthly luncheon today.

Mr. & Mrs. Gene Beavers of Lano, Texas are in the process of moving to Goree. They have purchased the Williams house.

Don & Chris Patterson have moved to Waco, Texas.

The Methodist Church has scheduled their Harvest Festival for Nov. 17th at the Memorial building.

If you have any news please call 422-5265

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Lady Stangs Finish Successful Season

Last Tuesday night the Benjamin Lady Stangs finished volleyball season 17-1, losing to a fine team from Bronte, 15-5, 3-15, 15-8.

The Lady Stangs played really well and are to be congratulated for all the hard work they put into such a fine season. They also finished cross country season on Saturday as District 13-A did very well running at the Regional meet in Arlington. With near 30 teams running in the meet, Guthrie quali-

fied to state, running second to Alvord, Benjamin finished 12th and Crowell finished 13th.

As the Lady Stangs prepare for the upcoming basketball season they are to be commended for the many hours of hard work and their achievements in volleyball and cross country.

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Benjamin News

by Gladene Green

NEWS OF OUR ILL

Eunice Friday and Ruth Ressel continue to get weaker and their families are with them most of the time. And if you have time drop by when you are in Munday or Knox City. They appreciate it. Also, Bill Ryder is in the Knox County Hospital. He was admitted yesterday (Sunday.) No late word on how he is feeling but hopefully his stay there will be short. Dennis Duke had some eye surgery on Friday in Dallas and he's doing well. The surgery was to bring his vision back pretty close to normal and reports are that this was pretty well accomplished. Bud Conner is in Abilene today for some tests. Of course, we pray for the best for these friends and their families.

I extend sympathy to Jacob and Tina Siemens and family today. They received word on Sunday of the death of his brother, who was a resident of Bolivia.

SPORTS REPORTS

Over at Albany last Thursday night, we saw a pretty good match-up between Bronte and the Benjamin Lady Stangs for the bi-district championship. For a full report on the game see the article in this week's Courier. Our season's over but we're proud of these girls and their coach, C.H. Underwood.

Saturday the "Cross Country Bunch" was in Arlington for the regional meet. Did O.K. but failed to qualify for further competition.

So today, basketball season begins! And we're ready for a good year with that.

NOTICE

Dorothy Spikes, city secretary, called to ask me to let everyone know she is putting a suggestion box at City Hall for ideas for the City Park. This has been a project for several years but we aren't getting much done so Dorothy thinks it's time for some action! So if you have any idea about what might be done to the park area, drop that idea in the suggestion box. (Dorothy said the box will be big enough to hold checks too is anyone cares to make a donation, 'cause we're gonna need a lot of "stuff" when this gets off the ground good.) There is a committee who will be doing the planning. Tommy Thomas has agreed to be chairman of the committee and others helping him out are Benny Grill, Dick Dickson, Jack and Dutch Young and Dorothy Spikes. Also Dennis Duke has been asked to serve if he's where he can. So that's the way it stand now - go by City Hall and Dorothy can fill you in - in detail on what she has in mind and don't forget the suggestion box!

Been down in the North part of town the last few days? If not, you haven't seen the big hole and all the dirt piled up beside it. That's the basement for Reba and Charlie Morrill's new home they are "fixin" to put there. The house is being built in Lubbock and hopefully the basement will be ready by the time the house is completed which they think may be around the first of the year. Reba is hoping to have everything done and be in it by homecoming - that's June, 2000. The plans to have her class party (the class of '53) there during the homecoming - of course, there'll be more on that later! Back to her "house deal" - her brother-in-law and sister, Larry and Glenda Bearly are going to do a lot of the basement work and I think her brother, Harry, may have a little input also. (He may just be the advisor, I'm not real sure!) Anyway, it's gonna be nice and I'm proud for Reba and Charlie.

Meanwhile on Highway 6 where Oleta Welch lived, Linda Cox has bought that house and is doing some re-modeling on it. Re-doing some of the rooms and painting, etc. It's gonna be nice when that job is completed also.

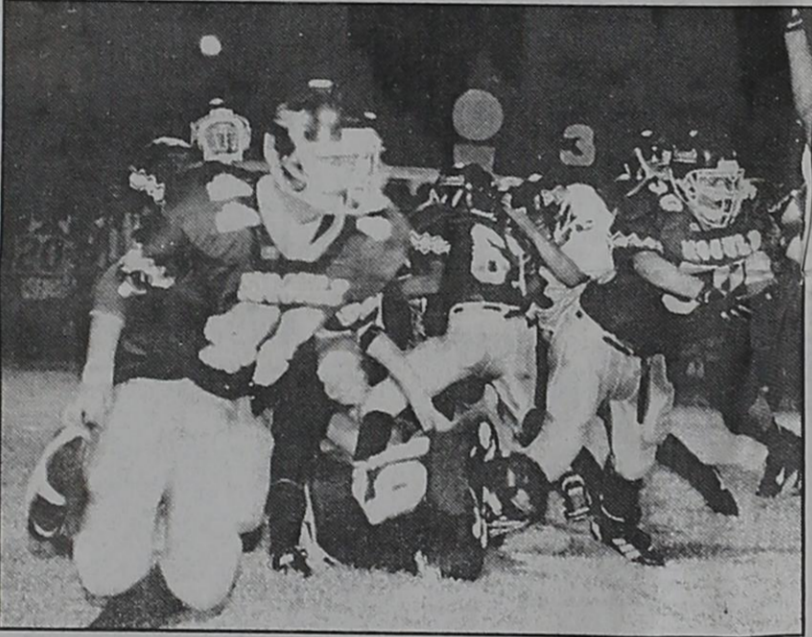
HERE 'N THERE

Thelma and B.J. Byrd of Electra visited their daughter, Susan White and family on Sunday afternoon.

Jane Gideon spent the week end with her daughter, Sue Terry and family in Dallas.

Darron and Nancy Snailum of Fort Stockton visited Don and Louise Hertel last Saturday. They also visited other friends in the area.

Kim Moore and daughters, Samijo and Shelby of Spur, spent the week end with Hazel Stockton and bud Conner. She went with her dad today for his tests in Abilene.



TOUGH YARDAGE. The Munday Moguls played their best last Friday in a game against the Aspermont Hornets. #44 Brian Urbanczyk, #19 Chad Tuttle (at bottom of pile), #67 Joey Valencia, and #50 Jeremy Lowe were instrumental in the battle for yardage.



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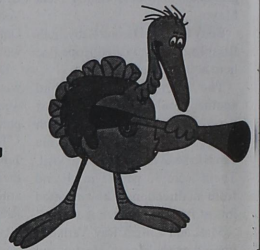
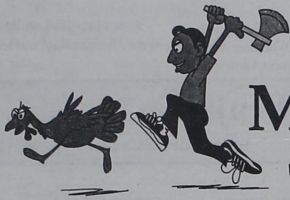
TOM'S ASSORTED HOT FRIES

79¢

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Win a Turkey for Thanksgiving!

27 FREE TURKEYS



will be awarded
**Monday, November 22 or
 Tuesday, November 23**

Each Merchant will give away one turkey
All you have to do is register!

On this most festive occasion, we'd like to express our appreciation to our customers and friends. May your Thanksgiving be happy and bountiful!

Happy Thanksgiving

Each merchant will set rules governing eligibility

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