

**Band Spring Concert**  
**Tuesday, May 13th**  
**HS Auditorium**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Food Pantry**  
**Open Thursday, May 15th**  
**9:00 - 11:00 p.m.**

**Elementary Awards Program**  
**MHS Auditorium**  
**Wednesday, May 14th**  
**2:00 p.m.**

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by Cynthia White

A Sunday school class was studying the Ten Commandments. They were ready to discuss the last one. The teacher asked if anyone could tell her what it was. Susie raised her hand, stood tall, and quoted, "Thou shall not take the covers off the neighbor's wife."

After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied,

"That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you guys."

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A few years ago I had been trying to teach our son, Lee, who was just three at the time, the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, he would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, he decided to go solo. I listened with pride as he carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," he prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail. Amen."

wag

...and one other time he prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

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For a while, Lee and Jay were always getting into trouble. Finally we consulted our pastor at our church. Lee was sent into talk to him first.

The pastor looked straight at him from across the desk and sternly asked "Lee, where is God?" Terrified Lee ran out into the hallway, grabbed his brother and said "Bubba we gotta hide, God's missing and they think we did it!"

wag

I had invited some people to dinner. At the table, I turned to my six-year-old grand daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," Baileigh replied.

"Just say what you hear your mommy say," I answered. Baileigh bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

wag

We were at the beach with our children when our then four-year-old son, Lee, ran up to me, grabbed my hand, and led me to the shore, where a seagull lay dead in the sand.

"Mommy, what happened to him?" Lee asked.

"He died and went to Heaven," I replied. Lee thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

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Todd Thompson



Mike Stewart



Gary Mizer

## Election day brings light voter turn out - incumbents relected to School Board

Only a small portion of registered voters turned out last Saturday to vote in the Munday Independent School Board election. Four individuals were running for

three positions on the Board of Trustees. Each seat requires a three year commitment.

Voting results were as follows: Gary Mizer - 92, Todd Thomp-

son - 82, Mike Stewart - 86, and Buford Berryhill - 58.

Mizer, Thompson, and Stewart are all incumbents re-elected to the Board of Trustees.

## Student athletes honored at All-Sports Banquet 2003

Honoring the student athletes that took part in extra-curricular activities during the 2002-2003 school year was a "Tropical Treat" Monday night. The All-Sports Banquet was held in the high school gym among colorful tropical decorations and trees. The well attended event also featured a great meal of chicken fried steak and all the extras including homemade ice cream.

The Varsity Cheerleaders were the first group honored by their sponsor Mrs. Marilyn Bennett. The spirited girls handed out many "Mogul Spirit" awards to a variety of citizens who had pitched in a hand towards the pep rallies and other events. A special award, Mr. Mogul, was presented to Eddie Lloyd for all his spirit building activities and support.

Coach Kent Josselet presented the girls who were involved in all athletic programs at MHS and Coach Kelly Spiller presented the male athletes.

The entire Girls Cross Country team was awarded the plaque in their sport for honors and distinctions received during their season. Shawn Scarborough took home the Boys Cross Country Award.

New athletic director Kelly Spiller presented the Offense Line Award to Ricky Escamilla with Brandon Urbanczyk honored as Defensive Lineman. The Mogul MVP award was presented to senior Jeffery Toliver.

Coach Terry Taylor proudly presented senior Brandon Urbanczyk with the Powerlifting Award.

In Girls Basketball Kylie Myers was the Offensive MVP and Tiffanie Myers was the Defensive MVP. Cassie Gulley and Jara Gray were presented the prestigious Sammie Rayburn Bowman Award and Kayla Moore was honored with the Heart of a Champion Award. Girls Coach Kent Josselet presented the honors to the girls in basketball.

Junior Sanchez was presented the Defensive MVP award in Boys Basketball and Jeffrey Urbanczyk was Offensive MVP for the Moguls basketball team. Boys basketball awards were presented by Coach Larry Beam.

Dee Toliver was presented the Girls Track Award and Trey Taylor was presented the Boys Track Award. Toliver finished 3rd in Shot Put at Regionals and Taylor advanced to the State Meet in Pole Vault which will be held Friday.

Presenting Tiffanie Myers with the Most Athletic Girl award was Kent Josselet. Kelly Spiller presented Jeffrey Urbanczyk with the Most Athletic Boy award. Justin Josselet was honored with the Fighting Heart award.

The 2003 Athletic Directors Award went to Jeffrey Toliver. Toliver participated in three sports during his senior year at MHS.

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## Progressive Farmer Day Camp to teach area children basics of Farm Safety

For many children, the farm is a workplace, home and playground. Teaching them how to take some of the responsibility for their own safety on the farm is the subject of an upcoming area event. Texas Cooperative Extension - Knox & Haskell Counties in conjunction with the Progressive Farmer magazine will present a Farm Safety Day Camp on Saturday, May 31 at the Munday High School from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

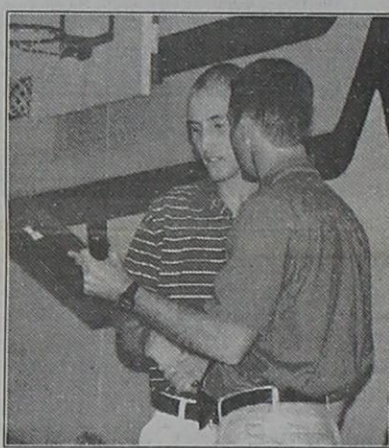
Through hands-on activities, camp participants will learn how to prevent farm incidents and how to reduce the extent of injuries if incidents do occur. Scheduled speakers and interactive demonstrations will reinforce the importance of children taking responsibility for their own safety, respecting parents' safety rules and sharing safety tips with their family and friends.

Many Knox and Haskell County community members are contributing their knowledge to this learning experience. The Munday Volunteer Fire Department will be teaching Fire Safety techniques through hands on activities. Employees of Tri-County Electric Cooperative will discuss Electrical Safety as they demonstrate electrical arching and Gary Rozzell with the Texas Department of Public Safety is scheduled to present a fun session on Seatbelt Safety. Other learning sessions will round out the day with information on Firearm Safety, Weather Safety, Tractor and

Equipment Safety, Basic First Aid/911, Chemical Protection/Storage, Animal Safety, and Shop Equipment Safety.

Parents and Grandparents can register their children to participate in the camp by calling and requesting an application from the Knox County Extension Office at (940) 459-2651 or the Haskell County Extension Office at (940) 864-2546 or 2658. Completed registrations must be received by May 16. A \$10.00 registration fee for the event covers lunch, snacks, a take-home packet and a farm safety day camp T-shirt. A family discount of \$25.00 is available. On site registration will be \$15.00 per child. Only 100 campers will be accepted so submit applications as soon as possible.

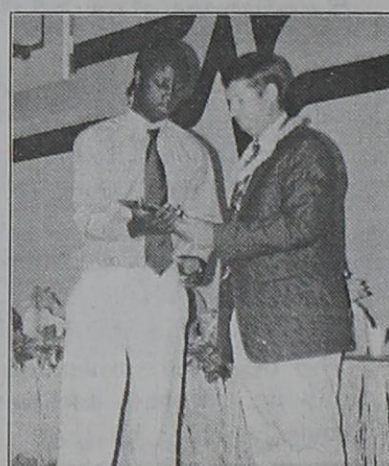
Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or nation origin.



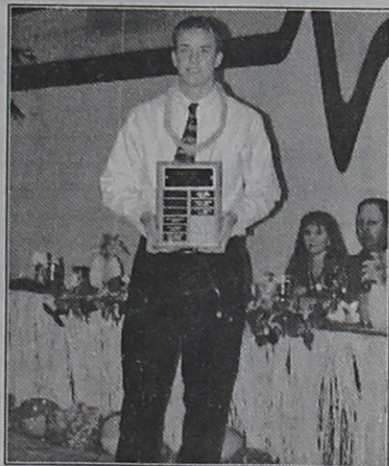
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Boys Cross Country



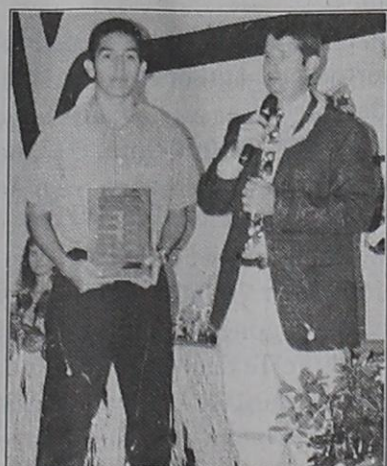
Tiffanie Myers  
Most Athletic Girl  
Defensive MVP



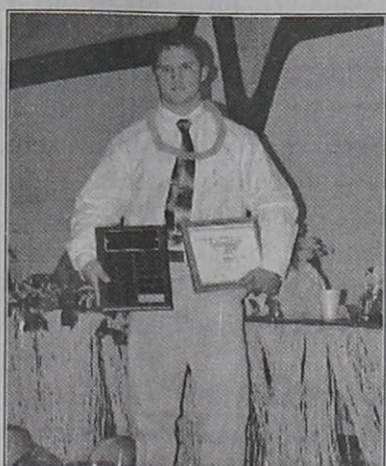
Jeffery Toliver  
Mogul MVP  
Athletic Directors Award



Jeffrey Urbanczyk  
Most Athletic Boy/Off. MVP



Ricky Escamilla  
Offensive Lineman



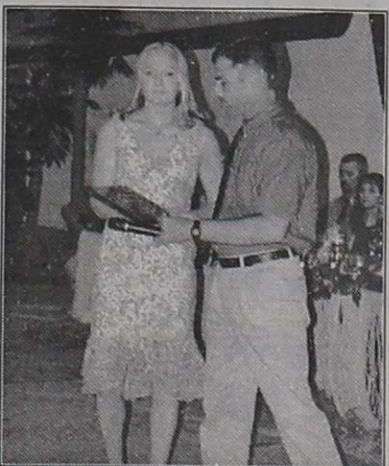
Brandon Urbanczyk  
Defensive Lineman/Powerlifting



Cassie Gulley & Jara Gray  
Sammie Rayburn Bowman Award



Dee Toliver  
Girls Track Award



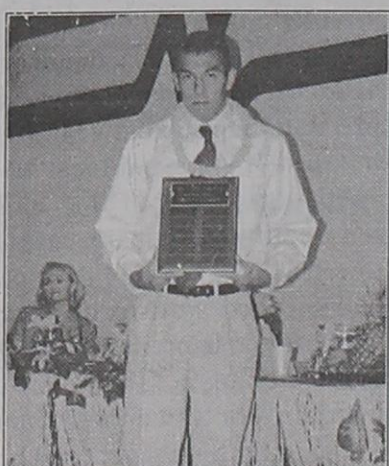
Kayla Moore  
Heart of a Champion



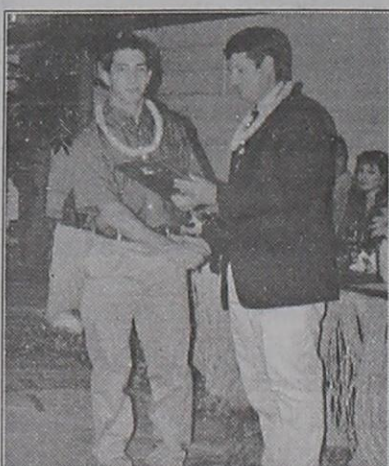
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Offensive MVP



Justin Josselet  
Fighting Heart



Junior Sanchez  
Defensive MVP



Trey Taylor  
Boys Track Award



# OPINION

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### Calendar of Events

May 12 - Munday VFD.  
May 13 - Lions Club, Band Spring Concert.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 8 - Cathy Stodghill, Eula Mae Parks.  
May 9 - Taylor Wilson.  
May 10 - Bryant Moore.  
May 11 - Brian Bolton.  
May 12 - Shane Decker, Micah Maulding, Gwen Hailey.  
May 13 - Brenda Smith.  
May 14 - Bryan Kuehler, Jenni Redwine, Michael Josselet, Johnnie Fetsch.

### Knox County Aging Center

**Munday & Goree Menu**  
Mon., Wed., & Fri.  
**Benjamin Menu**  
Tues. & Thurs.  
**May 12 thru May 16**

Mon. May 12th - Stewed chicken & noodles, sweet potatoes, cranberry salad, hot rolls, cake.  
Tues. May 13th - Tostados w/ cheese, ranch style beans, lettuce and tomato salad, crackers, dessert.  
Wed. May 14th - Roast beef with gravy, buttered potatoes, green beans, salad, hot rolls, Jell-O with fruit.  
Thur. May 15th - Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, biscuits, cobbler.  
Fri. May 16th - Sliced ham, butter beans, turnip greens, cornbread, cookies.  
If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Fruewirth 422-4191. At Goree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.



## A Breath of Fresh Air

By Ken Niethoefer

### America's Pastime is my Worktime

**BASEBALL:** a hard, rawhide-covered ball

Ha! What do YOU know? You think I'm merely a rawhide-covered ball? You think I don't have FEELINGS? You think I'm merely your play-toy? You think I'm a dead object waiting for YOU to use me as you want? You poor dear. So clueless.

The fact is: I'm not dead at all. The fact is, I'm quite alive, and when your bat meets up with me in exactly the right way, I can go for the ride of my life.

"So," you ask, "What's so interesting about being a baseball?" Well, put down your bat, snuggle me up in your glove, spit out your chew and listen up. I've got some surprising news for you.

For starters, it's every baseball's dream to become a homerun baseball. The feeling of sailing over that wall is absolutely exhilarating. Unfortunately, only a few of us have ever achieved that ultimate feeling of satisfaction.

Oh yeah, many of my baseball friends have become base hits, grounders, and high-flying foul balls. Others of us have been popped up, bunted, or sliced into the backstop. But it would totally surprise you if you only knew how many of us are missed completely, only to slam ourselves into the catcher's mitt. (Have you ever smelled a catcher's mitt? It ain't pretty.)

While it's true that some pitchers handle us better than others by making our movements appear deceptive, I have concluded that it's really mostly up to the batter as to our ultimate disposition. During my brief existence as a mature, intelligent baseball, I have concluded that there are basically three types of batters. (Although they ALL think that they are going to knock the stuffing out of us, rarely are we rendered nude.)

Anyway, back to my story--three types of batters. The first type batter is the PROCRASTINATOR. I love to take advantage

of this guy! From the second I leave the pitcher's hand, I can begin to read the indecision in this batter's eyes.

He's not sure whether to hit me or simply let me fly by. By the time he's decided, I'm snuggled up in the stinky catcher's mitt. What's really funny is when he finally decides to hit, I've already whizzed by.

Just like the procrastinators in everyday life, this batter either tries to become absolutely perfect before he takes action, or he simply lets inertia overcome him and prevent any movement at all.

The second type of batter is the one I call the MAD SWINGER. He's a sucker for anything that's thrown at him. He strikes out at the world, either because he has no self-confidence or because he really isn't prepared for the game of life. He fails to study, practice, listen or learn. I can spot him right away, and it's fun to watch him desperately fan the air.

The third type of batter is the one that brings excitement to the game of baseball--and to the game of life. On my way from the pitcher's mound to the plate, I can immediately see the steady, determined look in his eyes.

He has set his goals, practiced hard, and focused on the results. He employs "self-visualization" and can already see himself as a success. I love this kind of person. He's fun to play with, work with, and learn from. I call him the FOCUSED batter.

Here comes his bat now. Ooooooh! It feels so good! I've just become my life's dream--a homerun baseball.

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## REMEMBER MOM

MOTHER'S DAY  
SUNDAY MAY 11TH

## Capitol Highlight

### School finance plan heads to special session

By Mike Cox  
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — The final bell for the 78th Legislature will ring when it concludes business on June 2, but Texas lawmakers won't have to wait two years before they get a chance to vote on another bill.

It may not be until late this year, or early in 2004, but lawmakers will be back in Austin for a special session to ponder school financing.

"Following the completion of this session," Gov. Rick Perry said in a statement last week, "Lt. Gov. (David) Dewhurst, Speaker (Tom) Craddick, and I will turn our undivided attention to the issue of school-finance reform."

Perry said that as soon as "leadership has built consensus on a plan of action, I will call a special session...to immediately enact that plan."

The first step in that direction came with the speaker naming a 21-member House committee to come up with a financing plan for consideration in the special session. Four ex-officio members of the committee were to be selected by Perry.

Better known as the Robin Hood plan, Texas' school financing system is more complicated than second year algebra, a complex mixture of state and local taxes.

Apportionment of that money is based on the wealth (or, in many cases, lack of wealth) of a particular school district.

The more well-to-do districts, many of which have been forced to cut their budgets while kicking in funding for the less well-off districts, don't like the current system.

The only thing that could head off a special session would be action this session. That's possible, but at this point not very likely.

The last special session was more than a decade ago in December 1992. The topic?

School finance.

### Red-light runners get green light...

The House last week killed a bill that would have given cities the authority to photograph red-light runners and fine the registered owners of the vehicles.

House Bill 901, co-authored by Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, co-author of House Bill 901, said the defeated measure would have had an impact on the 23,000 injuries and deaths red-light runners cause each year in Texas.

The bill would have allowed cities to impose a \$75 fine for each violator. The money collected would have gone to fund hospital trauma centers and the Texas Mobility Fund.

Arguments against the bill ranged from its fostering invasion of privacy to violating due process to raising revenue in the name of safety.

What did the bill in was an amendment by Rep. Gary Elkins, R-Houston, that would have made the bill apply only to communities with fewer than 50 residents.

### You've probably noticed, but...

Gasoline prices are down. After hitting an average national high of \$1.72 a gallon for regular, the national average is now down to \$1.57 per gallon.

In Texas, the average is \$1.45 though some places are selling gasoline for more than a dime a gallon less than that.

The averages are from the Energy Information Administration, an arm of the U.S. Department of Energy.

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## THE VIEW FROM THE PULPIT

By Adrin Fletcher

We received word Sunday afternoon that one of our dear friends and heroines from Scotland had passed away. Christina (Ina) Gardiner was the wife of Andrew Gardiner, the Scottish evangelist with whom I worked in Scotland. Andrew was short of stature, but a giant among the churches of Christ in Great Britain. Ina was his faithful, quietly serving wife and supporter. They had long before I met them decided to dedicate themselves to serving the Lord in their own country.

Andrew was a native of Glasgow and Ina grew up in Fife (The Kingdom of Fife). Whenever he thought that she was a little sharp with him or issuing too many orders he would quote the old Scots' adage: "It tak's a lang spoon tae sup wi' a Fifer". Ina would always laugh and agree to the truth of that statement. Theirs was a model marriage, marred only by his untimely death a few years ago, and now hers.

I've introduced these people to you for a reason. We should recognize those around us who contribute to society in quiet ways. Ina was never, by nature, out front in any situation. Yet she was always a vital element in every endeavor. I'm sure you know some people in your family or in this community who operate in the same way. I have not been here long, but can already identify some unobtrusive heroes. These heroes and heroines may be male or female, young or old, short or tall. Many of these very special people would hate to have their names mentioned in public. They may be members of your family, your neighbors, or your friends.

I'm thinking about the people who accept and carry out the thankless jobs in our society. Perhaps they serve on the board of a charity or the city council. They may be the folks who clean the schools, or sweep the streets. Some will be coaching children's sports while others tutor those who need a little help. There will be Red Cross Volunteers, parents of disabled children. Spouses and children of those who are disabled by injury or disease are on this list. Aunts and uncles who have heroically taken on the responsibility of nieces and nephews are also heroes. Adoptive parents and foster parents are serving our society in an irreplaceable way. Maybe this person is one who just helps you keep in touch with your family by sending cards and letters.

For example, do you know of someone who mows a neighbor's yard regularly or even occasionally? Have you ever heard of someone supplying a meal or part of a meal for a family with a new baby or who are dealing with the loss of a loved one? Have you ever seen someone go out of his or her way to assist some other person struggling with a problem?

Let's be aware of the quiet helpers all around. Stop to say Thank You when you can. Maybe you can be a helper too.

### MUNDAY ISD LUNCH MENUS MAY 12 - MAY 16

**Monday**  
Chicken nuggets w/ peppered gravy, or ham & cheese sandwich mashed potatoes, roll, lettuce & tomato, nacho cheese doritos, Jell-O, apple or orange, chocolate or white milk

**Tuesday**  
Hamburger on bun or chicken sticks, mixed french fries, lettuce & tomato, chocolate cake, fruit, apple or orange, chocolate or white milk

**Wednesday**  
Homestyle chicken patty on Texas toast or bologna and cheese Lays potato chips, lettuce & tomato, celery & carrot dippers, ranch dressing, apple or oranges, chocolate or white milk

**Thursday**  
Western burger or corn dog french fries, pinto beans, lettuce & tomato, chocolate pudding, apple or orange, chocolate or white milk

**Friday**  
Beef and bean chalupa w/ cheese or cheese pizza lettuce & tomato, corn, bread sticks w/ sauce, Jell-O, apple or orange chocolate or white milk

### Local Munday Military members and those with ties to Knox County

Robbie Baker/Brackston Barnard  
Raymond Cadjew/Lance Dever  
Louis Diaz/Deann Flores  
Jason Freeby/Joey Greenwood  
Joel Greenwood/Bobby Greenwood  
Manuel Lopez/John Mark Lopez  
Joey Posey/Jeremy Rosencranz  
Adrian Seranno/Gary Strickland  
Jimmy Taylor/Heath Turner  
Brandon Williams/Donny Wyatt  
Missie Brisco/Kevin Kuehler  
Kevin Hoekendorf/Eric Richardson  
Duane Ware/Derek Stovall  
Chris King/1st Lt. Jayson Morgan  
Casey Proffitt/Carlos Miranda  
Heath Turner/Will Acree  
George Bernal, Jr./Cory Olson  
Carlos Munoz/Ronnie & Beth Reece  
Richard Rincon/Mark Delgado  
Jacob Reeves/Isacc Sanchez  
Chris Anderson/Andy Anderson  
Anthony Sayers/Mike Shipman  
Major Keith Sanders/Ricky Serrato  
Ray Hernandez/Davis Maulding  
Jeff Ramirez/Spec. Tony Morgan  
Eric Santisteven/ Staff Sgt Cody Choate  
Cpt. Kimberly Everson/David Counts III  
Spec. Todd Parchman

"They have chosen to protect us."



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**ACROSS**

- TXism: "over yonder"
- Pearsall is seat of this County
- Alpine FM station
- Mary's Univ. in San Antonio
- TX once had the "Lincoln Law School"
- Speak sharply (2 wds.)
- Dallas/Fort Worth: "Metro"
- math computation
- TXism: "drawing it"
- large India fig
- TX Helmond's "Soap" character
- sewing junction
- scaly skin malady
- hit the golf ball with club heel (2 wds.)
- Diego de \_\_\_\_\_ is said to have led 1540 TX expedition
- "Hook" \_\_\_\_\_ Horns!
- this Charles created Dr. Pepper in Waco
- lion's cry
- TX Fess of "Old Yeller" (init.)
- TX folk singer \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson
- Guthrie
- Gov. John who became U.S. Treasury Sec.
- TXism: "worth didley squat"
- TXism: "bones" (skinny)

**DOWN**

- TXism: "woke up \_\_\_\_\_" (trouble)
- TX singer Orbison (init.)
- TXism: "soiled \_\_\_\_\_" (prostitutes)
- TXism: "fast as small \_\_\_\_\_ gossip"
- UT beat LSU on New \_\_\_\_\_ in 2003
- TXism: "that gets my dander up"
- TX Strait's "\_\_\_\_\_ Come to Expect It From You"
- born as real name of TX "Spanky" Phillips (init.)
- assassinated in Dallas on Nov. 23, 1963 (init.)
- fictional sister of TX Irma Hogg
- in Hardin Co. off hwy. 96
- best Lone Star rodeo man (3 wds.)
- in Wood Co. on 69
- Hays Co. tributary
- wife of 39-across (init.)
- TXism: "chompin' the bit"
- TXism: "high as \_\_\_\_\_ picture show"
- Tombstone state (abbr.)
- video, audio, or red
- TXism: "the rafters" (crowded)
- beer suds
- Cowboy Bill Parcells Sun. strategy (2 wds.)
- actor Jack in "Big Bad John" with TX Jimmy
- 18-down Jimmy
- Goodnight's pan-handle ranch
- star RB who left Cowboys in '03 (init.)
- TX blues pianist Robert
- hair or beauty
- TX's 1st rodeo was held at what is now the Cowtown Coliseum
- in Johnson Co. on FM 917
- TXism: "raise the \_\_\_\_\_" (celebrate)
- TX Dale Evans husband Roy (init.)
- TXism: "horny \_\_\_\_\_"
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ off the handle"
- "It's \_\_\_\_\_!"
- 365 days (abbr.)
- Greenville in Dallas (abbr.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ up" (preparing)
- TXism: "if you with dogs, you'll wake up with fleas"
- fleur-de-lis flew over TX

**Benjamin News**  
By Gladene Green

The reports of our ailing friends are still encouraging this week. Sonny Bufkin is out and about after his recent surgery, and seems to be doing great. Think maybe the hardest part of his recuperation is not being able to do all the things he wants to but that will come in time and for now, he has to take it easy a while longer.

Saw Bobby Hudson on Sat. and he says he's feeling much better, and that's good to hear. He has spent some pretty unpleasant days recently but things now seem to be looking up for him.

Pat Benson was in Church Sun. and feeling lots better. She had a pretty hard week a couple of weeks ago, but after several days in the hospital (and lots of medicine) she seems to be doing much better.

We have several of our friends today who are experiencing heart-ache due to the death of beloved ones. We extend sympathy to Carslyn Middlebrook of Knox City, who lost her husband, J.F. on Thurs. Also to Claudia Snaulley Munley whose daughter, Marian, passed away last week, and to the family of Bob Meinzer who died on Sat. Our prayers are with all these families in their time of sorrow.

**One Act Play News**

It all began in early spring with tryouts for the one act play cast. After the cast was selected, the practice sessions began and after a couple of weeks of getting ready the competition began. "Over the River & Through the Woods" pre-

**Financial Focus**  
By Gary Decker

**This Mother's Day, Give a Gift That Lasts**

It's almost Mother's Day. This year, instead of giving Mom flowers or candy - or at least in addition to the flowers or candy - why not give a gift that can last? Specifically, why not help your mother - or your grandmother - improve her financial picture?

Of course, you could always just give a gift of cash, but there are many other ways to help out. You could, for example, give stocks. It isn't much more difficult than giving cash, but you do have to keep a few things in mind. Make sure you know what you originally paid for the stock (its "tax basis"), how long you've held it and its fair market value at the date of the gift. You'll also need to determine if you have to pay gift taxes. (You can give up to \$11,000 per year, free of gift taxes, to as many people as you want.) Your mother will need this information to determine gains or losses when she decides to sell the stock you've given her.

Both you and your mother can gain valuable tax advantages from your gift of stock. When you gave your mother the stock, you also gave her your "holding period" - the amount of time you've held the stock. So, even if she only owns the stock for a day or so before selling it, she'll just have to pay the long-term capital gains tax rate, which may be considerably lower than her current income tax rate. And by giving your mother the shares of stock, you will also benefit - because you'll avoid the capital gains taxes you'd have to pay if you sold the stock yourself. However, before taking any action, consult with your tax adviser to discuss these issues.

As an alternative to giving your mother shares of stock outright, you might also consider contributing to her IRA. She can put in up to \$3,000 per year to a Traditional or Roth IRA - and, if she's 50 or over, she can add an extra \$500 in "catch-up" contributions.

If your mother is elderly and has health issues, she may be dealing with the high cost of prescription drugs. If so, consider taking over some of her pharmacy bills. You can make it easy for her by setting up a credit account, in your name, at her local pharmacy.

Here's another health-care-related issue you might want to think about: long-term care. Your mother may never need to enter a nursing home, but it's still a possibility for which you'll want to be prepared - especially when you consider that the average cost of a year's stay at a nursing home is now around \$50,000. And in some cities, it can cost almost twice that amount.

To help protect your mother's financial independence, you may want to encourage her to transfer the risk of paying for exorbitant long-term care costs to an insurance company. By purchasing a long-term care policy for your mother, you can cover nursing home stays, home health care and other costly services. If you're pondering this move, though, don't wait too long, because premiums increase with age.

By pursuing any of these ideas, you can provide your mother with a Mother's Day gift that can last long after the flowers have wilted and the candy is eaten. And if you don't want your father to get jealous, you could use all these suggestions to give combined Mother's and Father's Day presents.

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**IT'S A BOY!**

There is a new cowboy at the Carver's home front. The little roper made his brand on April 16, 2003 at 6:12 p.m. His name is Kelton Cyle Carver. He weighed 6 pounds and 12 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Kelton's proud parents are Adam and Jennifer Carver. His grandparents are Macky and Janet Yates, Rick and Linda Hudson and the late Cyle Carver. Great-grandparents are Pearl Yates and Zelma Strunk. He is also blessed with a great-great grandmother, Mary Zeissel of Rhineland. Kelton gets plenty of attention from his uncles, Micah and Justin and his aunt Amy.

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**Elementary Edition**  
THE HAPPENINGS AT MUNDAY ELEMENTARY

**Elementary Awards Program**

The Elementary Awards program will be held on Wednesday, May 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. At this time, students will be honored for achievements for the school year. Perfect Attendance, Most Improved, Best Citizen, and Test Achievement are just a few of the awards that will be presented to the deserving students of Munday Elementary. The public is encouraged to attend this ceremony that recognizes and honors a school year's worth of work. Come support our youth!

**Campus Happenings**

Test! Test! Test! Students in grades Kindergarten through sixth spent the majority of the week testing. Grades K-2 took the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS), while grades 3-6 took the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) Overall teachers were pleased with how diligently each student worked.

Nurse's Appreciation Day was May 6th, and we would like to honor our school nurse, Mrs. LuRose Schumacher. Mrs. Schumacher has been the school nurse for 19 years. When asked what she liked about being a school nurse she quickly replied, "The children!" Then she added, "They are always so honest." She said it didn't matter if they were sick or if they were having a vision screening, the students were always so good. She ended with, "I've never had a bad kid. They are all good kids! At the end of this school year, Mrs. Schumacher will be retiring, and although she will be missed, we all wish her a Happy Retirement!



LUROSE SCHUMACHER

**Field Trips Happenings**

Plans for end of the year field trips are under way. Be looking for notes with details from your child's teachers. Below is a tentative schedule of filed trips: Pre-K and Kindergarten -- Zoo Trip on May 9th, May 16th -- Fifth grade to Buffalo Gap, First Grade -- May 19th to May Farms, Fourth grade -- May 15th to Family Life Center and theater, Sixth grade -- May 15 Abilene Planetarium

**Park Day Happenings**

Students will also be enjoying a park day to close out the 2002-03 school year. Second graders will visit the park on Friday, May 16th. Kindergarten will go on Monday, May 19th followed by 1st grade on May 20th. Then third and fourth will go on Wednesday, May 21st and fifth and sixth will go on Thursday, May 22nd. What fun!!

**Class Happenings**

Kindergarten spent a week on space while testing. They also had a chance to make a new constellation of stars using cubes. Mrs. Pankhurst's asks, "Which describes your child?" The Cross, The Lion, The Player, The Football, The Dolphin, The Swing, The Boy, The Watermelon, The Rainbow, The Snake, or The Bike??

First graders helped senior helper Brittany Alexander turn 18 on Friday, May 2. Get out there and vote, Brittany!! Math whizzes were Molly Denman, Darian LeiJa, and Mayte Torres.

Third graders enjoyed TFK magazine's article on two pandas who have made their debuts at Tennessee's Memphis Zoo. Ask a third grader to explain to you why this pandas are there and what else they learned!! English classes combined sentences and reading focused on the plot. Reading Plot Star was Kristen Kuehler, and Adrian Hernandez and Lee White were tops in Social Studies.

**Upcoming Happenings:**

Field Trips and Park Days, May 14 at 2:00 PM Elementary Awards Program, May 19 AR Dunking Booth, May 22 -- Recess Time -- School's Out!!

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**Field Day Focuses On Wheat, Forage Production**

Farmers and stockmen can update their knowledge of wheat production, weed control, and other forage crops at a May 8 wheat field day sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension and hosted by AgriPro.

Texas Cooperative Extension is a statewide education agency and a member of the Texas A&M University System's diverse Agriculture Program. Extension is linked in a unique partnership with the United States Department of Agriculture's Cooperative Extension System, working in close cooperation with the County Commissioner's Courts.

The AgriPro farm near Lockett, Texas, will host this event. The farm is west of Vernon on U.S. Highway 70. The field day begins with registration at 9:30 a.m. Field tours begin at 10 a.m.

Jackie Rudd, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station wheat breeder stationed in Amarillo, will discuss the current Texas wheat breeding program - including current, new, and up-and-coming varieties. The latest commercially-available hard white wheat varieties will be available for first-hand field plot inspection by producers.

Todd Baughman, Extension agronomist at Vernon, will discuss Clearfield wheat technology as well as proven strategies for chemical weed control. "Clearfield" wheats are varieties bred for herbicide tolerance,

much like Roundup Ready cotton. These varieties may give producers more, and possibly more effective, weed control options in their wheat crop.

Gaylon Morgan, Extension small grains specialist based at College Station, will discuss how planting dates can affect optimum forage production.

Art Klatt, Oklahoma State University plant breeder, will discuss the uses and utility of triticale as a forage crop. Klatt and other researchers are screening winter triticales for their forage production potential - for uses as graze-out and hay crops that may produce hard red winter wheats. The current farm bill includes triticale as a program crop, with production incentives similar to those for crops such as wheat and oats.

There is no charge to attend, and a lunch will be served. Donnell Brown, RA Brown Ranches, Throckmorton, will address "Quality Agriculture Programs" as the luncheon speaker.

Field day participants can qualify to earn three continuing education units (CEU's), noted Galen Chandler, Texas Cooperative Extension district agriculture director. For more information on the May 8 Wheat Field Day, call your local county Extension office or the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center here at (940) 552-9941.

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**Two Local residents inducted into Phi Theta Kappa**

The Vernon College Omega Kappa Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa held its annual induction ceremony on May 2 at 1:00 p.m. in the Osborne Administration Building auditorium on the Vernon campus. Inductees of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year in-

stitution, must hold a 3.5 GPA and have taken 12 hours or more at Vernon College, be of good moral character, and shall possess recognized qualities of citizenship. Two inductees from Munday added to the list were Sherri Carlson and Judy Lowe.

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**Munday Elementary to hold Scholastic Book Fair May 12th thru 16th**

Scholastic Book Fair will be at the Munday Elementary School May 12th thru 16th. This is a special book fair - buy one book and get the second book of same or less value free. Also at the book fair we will offer paid preorder for the 5th Harry Potter book. Preorder "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" and receive a free collectible hat and a certificate of purchase. Prepaid Harry Potter books will be mailed directly to students on June 21st or they may pick them up at designated book stores.

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**Prairie Pantry**



During the Homecoming 2002 festivities many well-known "home folks" were on hand to share in the good times. Among them was this week's featured cook Elizabeth Bowden who so graciously agreed to be a cook for the Prairie Pantry. Mrs. Bowden submitted one of her favorite recipes which also happens to be a staple treat with many families. For new mom's and experienced grandmother's who might not happen to have this tried and true recipe Mrs. Bowden suggests you try it. "After eating one of these I have had many people ask for the recipe," she says.

**Rice Crispy Balls**

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup White Karo
- 1 cup Crunchy Peanut Butter
- 5 cups Rice Crispies



Elizabeth Bowden

Cook karo and sugar to a soft ball stage. Cool slightly - then add peanut butter. Mix well. Pour over and mix well with the Rice Crispies. Butter fingers slightly and make into balls. Will make 5 or 6 dozen - depending on the size of the ball.

Many thanks are extended to Mrs. Bowden for sharing this taste bud tempting treat.

If you would like to share a recipe with readers of The Munday Courier please mail your favorites to PO Box 130, Munday, Texas 76371 or email them to [mcourier@westex.net](mailto:mcourier@westex.net). Photos may also be emailed, sent regular mail, or stop by our office and we will take a quick snapshot! It's painless!

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ANSWER: Trimec is in Ferti-Lome's Weed-Out. It will be stated on the label or a rectangular Trimec logo will be some where on the containers.

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Thanks! - B. H.

ANSWER: It is hard to say. You may want to give them a "hair cur" and wait a few weeks to see if they regrow. They are not known to be 100% winter hardy in the Central Texas area.

If, they are not out by the end of April I'd plant more.

QUESTION: I can't find Carl Pools BR-61. I'm about ready to decapitate a plumeria and make some cuttings from it. I, as always, appreciate your help. - DWN

ANSWER: Carl Pool BR-61 should be available at independent retailers. You may wish to check the web at www.carlpool.com for a retailer in your area. Scott Hammer at Carl Pool should be able to answer your availability question. You may wish to send an e-mail to his attention.

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## Commissioners' Court

Be it remembered on the 31st day of March 2003, there was conducted a Special Called Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Knox County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Benjamin, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that lawfully may be brought before the same.

Knox County Judge Greg Clonts brought the Special Called meeting of the Commissioners' Court to order at the Courthouse in Benjamin, Texas. Also present were commissioners Weldon Skiles, Jerry Parker, Jimmy Urbanczyk, and Johnny Birkenfeld, Sheriff Dean Homstad, Treasurer Penny Goodwin, Tax Assessor-Collector Stanton Brown, Constable Buddy Curd, Aging Center Director Susan Cockerell, and Clerk Ronnie Verhalan. Also present was Mary Rosas, representing the auditing firm of Stovall, Grandey & Whatley.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the office of the County Clerk on March 27, 2003 at 3:30 P.M.

Representing Stovall, Grandey & Whatley, Mary Rosas presented to the Court the audit report for fiscal year 2002. She said, from the outset, that everything was stated correctly in our records. The main problem the auditing firm found was that there were excessive expenditures over revenues and therefore a general decrease in the County's fund balance of \$92,606. Revenue increased over the previous fiscal year, but so did expenses. The largest variance was in employee insurance. During the hour-and-a-half presentation, there was much give and take, questions and answers. Under "advisory comments", Mrs. Rosas brought up three issues involving the Clerks' office and one involving the Sheriff's office. No action was taken at this time.

Members of the Court consid-

ered an inter-local cooperative contract between Knox County and the Texas Department of Public Safety whereby the County would put certain information into a data-base, and if a person owed fines, the offender would not be allowed to review his or her drivers license until the outstanding fines were paid. Commissioner Birkenfeld so moved, Commissioner Parker seconded, and all approved.

The Court considered approving an internet auction arrangement to sell slurped County equipment. Judge Clonts emphasized that that would be only one option, that the County would not be giving the virtual auctioneers exclusive rights to sell the equipment; a bid could be rejected, and the County could still sell locally. Commissioner Urbanczyk moved to pursue the option, Commissioner Skiles provided a second, and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Director of Aging Services Susan Cockerell gave a report on her agency, including a report of an executive meeting on March 20, 2003. (C.C. Minutes, 3-31-2003, #1) She reported that the STEP Program, because of these perilous economic times and the consequent attempts to retrench economically, is in imminent danger of losing its state funding, thus being eliminated or greatly reduced and endangering the jobs of many older people and of the programs they serve. (C.C. Minutes, 3-31-2003, #2) Ms. Cockerell answered many questions from the commissioners and told of her thoughts on how to save money within the program. Judge Clonts asked her to meet regularly with the Court (on Regular Court days) to keep the Court apprised of the situation; she affirmed that she would. Information only.

Judge Clonts gave the Court an update of his investigations into obtaining for the Courthouse DSL high-speed internet access that

would allow the elimination of seven dedicated phone lines. Other possibilities include a wireless system with an antenna on each computer to connect with a satellite; some security concerns are inherent in this system. Information only.

The judge also gave an update on the Texas Domestic Preparedness Assessment that should, in his estimation, be finished by the April 11 deadline. Representatives from Benjamin, Goree, Knox City, Munday, and Knox County have met several times lately after 5:00 P.M. to discuss the matter. The group has engaged Rob Harrison to coordinate the data input, and his fees will be split equally among the participants. Information only.

Among the items briefly discussed were: (1) Sheriff Homstad said that the County may be retained again to patrol the Truscott Brine Lake. (2) Regular meetings of the Commissioners' Court will normally meet from now on at 1:30 P.M. instead of at 9:30 A.M., as has lately been the practice. (3) The Court may consider the possibility of consolidating 9-1-1 services for Knox and several surrounding counties. These items were for information only.

There being no further business to come before the Court at this time, upon motion by Commissioner Parker, seconded by Commissioner Skiles, and carried unanimously, the meeting of the Court was adjourned.

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### Lions Club announces officers for 2003-2004

Munday Lions Club elected officers for 2003-2004. These new officers will be installed in July. Officers are David Kuehler, president, Jeff Robertson, vice president, Glen Kyser, interim tail twister, and Adrin Fletcher, secretary/treasurer.

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Munday Lions Club. Bob Bowen is the only active charter member. Winston Blacklock, another charter member, has just re-joined the club as an associate member.

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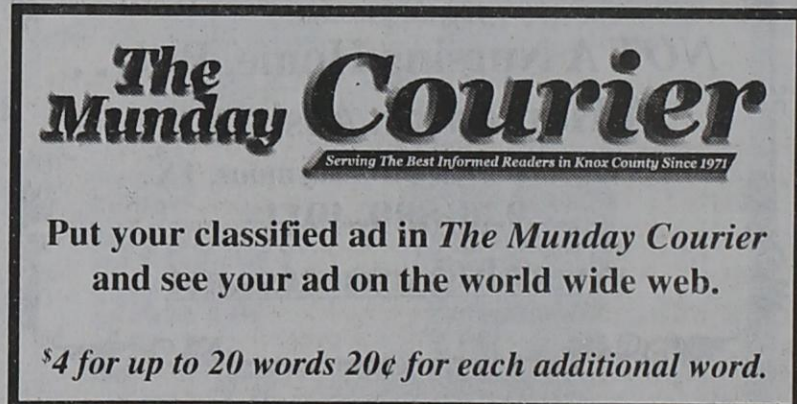
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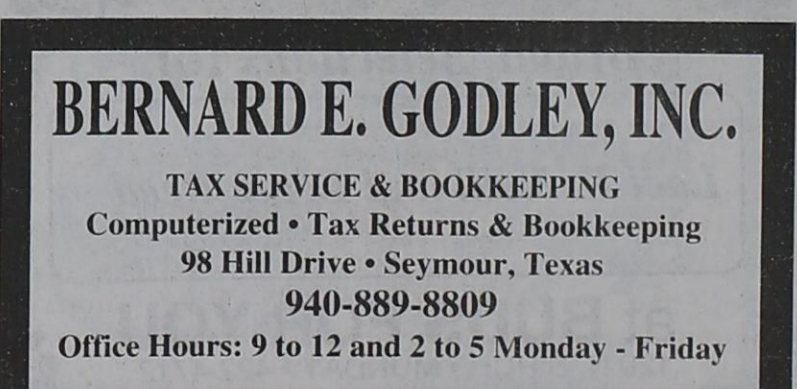
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### Munday Elementary to Offer ESL Summer School

Munday Elementary will offer a Summer School for all children who will be eligible for admission to kindergarten or first grade at the beginning of the next school year and who also meet English as a Language (ESL) qualifications. Limited English proficient students will have an opportunity to receive special instruction designed to prepare them to be successful in kindergarten and first grade. Limited English proficiency will be determined by screening students using informal oral language inventories or oral proficiency instruments approved by the commissioner of education. Instruction will focus on language development and essential knowledge and skills appropriate to the level of the student. The program, which will take place for 3 hours per day for a period of 8 weeks, will be put into operation only if a minimum of ten (10) qualified students enroll. Enrollment for the ESL Summer School will be May 8 through May 12. Once the enrollment period has ended, parents of all enrolled students will be informed whether or not there is a minimum number of students to justify operation of the program. Enrollment in the program is optional with the parents of the student.

### Munday Elementaria Ofrecera Escuela de Verano (ESL) Engles Segundo Language

Munday Elementaria va a ofrecer Escuela de Verano para todos los ninos que son elegibles para admission a kinder O Primer Grado al emesar el siguiente ano escolar y que llene las calificaciones que require Engles Segundo Language (ESL). Estudiantes limitados Engles pericia tendran la oportunidad de recibir insruccion designada para prepara los a ser prosperos in Kinder y Primer Grado. Estudiantes limitados en Engles se determinan examinado los estudiantes usando informal Language verbal o instrumentos pericia a provados por el comisario de educacion. La instruccion se enfocara en el desarrollo de language y concimiento esencial y habilidad al nivel del estudiante. El programa, cual sera por 3 horas a dia por un periodo de 8 semanas, se pondran en operacion solo si un minimo so diez (10) estudiantes califican y se registran. Registro para ESL Escuela de Verano de Mayo 8 hasta Mayo 12. Cuando el periodo deregistro halla terminado, padres que hallan registrado a sus estudiantes se les informara si o no hay el numero minimo de estudiantes para justificar la operacion de este programa. Registro en este programa es una opcion con los del estudiante.

### Memories of Munday Graduating Seniors Throw Selections

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### Registration dates for Vervon College summer semester

May 12-14 is early registration by Campus Connect for all locations except Sheppard Learning Center. May 15-18 is Campus Connect registration for all three Wichita Falls locations. Campus Connect enables students to register for credit courses from any computer with Internet access. Students must contact their counselor for a Personal Identification Number before attempting to register through Campus Connect. Registration for new and re-enrolling students is May 22 at Century City Center, located at 4105 Maplewood Avenue, across from the mall in Wichita Falls. Students with the initials A-C may register from 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m., D-I from 3:00 p.m.-4:15 p.m., J-R from 4:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m., and S-Z from 10:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Open registration is available from 5:15 p.m.-5:45 p.m. Classes begin for the summer and summer I semesters on May 28.

First-time students should fill out an Application for Admission, have high school or college transcripts sent to the registrar's office, have TASP scores on file, and make an appointment with a Vernon College advisor to have their trial schedule signed.

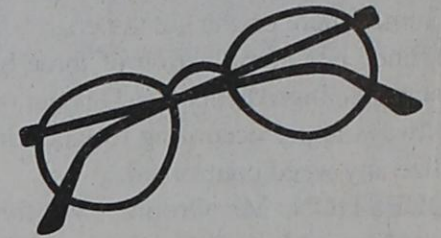
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A new copy of *Will's War* has been donated to the library by Mrs. Amanda Bibb. *Will's War* is by Janice Woods Windle, the best-selling author of *Hill Country and True Women*. *Will's War* tells the story of Windle's grandfatehr, Will Bergfeld, who was accused by the federal government of plotting to assassinate President Woodrow Wilson. Windle discovered almost 3,000 pages of original transcripts from the treason trial of her grandfather and from that, has written a fictionalized account of the trial. The book tells of the anti-German sentiment that occupied much of the country during World War I and tells of Will's fight for freedom with the help of the three strong women who loved him. Of special interest to Knox County residents, is that many scenes of the book take place in Weinert, Texas, where Will immigrated to and became a rural mail carrier. Call or drop by the library to be placed on the reserve list for this popular book.

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Inez Leija, seated, with Maria Leija Valencia, ary Ann Valencia Yruegas, Kristy Jo Yruegas Gray

"This photo is important to me because it shows four generations. It was taken about 15 years ago and is one of the few photos we have of all four of us.



Alice Yates, seated, with her children Joe Yates, Linda Wade, & Mary Murphy. Taken on Mother's Day of 2002 in Weinert, Tx.



Norene Murphy, center, with her sons, Ed and Tom Murphy taken on Norene's 92nd birthday in April, 2003.



Crystal Sanders, center, wishes her mother, Jan Eaton, and mother-in-law Joyce Sanders a Happy Mother's Day 2003



Lucille Dement & Susan Black, mother and sister of Cynthia White (who was on the other side of the camera). Taken on a trip to Fredericksburg to celebrate Susan being cancer free



Juanita White, mother of Jay White. "Mother has always been there for her family - I love you, Mom!"

## Munday Youth Baseball to get underway for 2003 season

Munday Youth Baseball will spring into action just in time for the boys and girls of summer to take to the diamond!

Players between the ages of 9 and 12 will hold try-outs this Thursday, May 8th, at 5:30 at the ball field. Coaches will draft teams immediately following at the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church. Immediately following coaches of the Pee Wee teams will draft their players. T-Ball teams will be divided by the coaches on Friday, May 9th.

A clean-up day at the ball park will be held on Saturday, May 17th at 9:00 p.m. Parents are asked to be in attendance and bring lawn tools and other items associated with clean-up.

The first baseball games will be held on May 22nd with a kick-off night featuring grilled burgers and great baseball. Exhibition games of the T-ballers, Pee-Wees, and Juniors will be held that night beginning at 5:00 p.m.

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## Local Obituaries

### Kuehler, Mary

Mary Kuehler, 80, a lifetime resident of Rhineland, Texas, died Wednesday, April 30, 2003, at Seymour Hospital in Seymour, Texas.

Rosary was said at 7:30 p.m. at McCauley-Smith Funeral Home. Services Saturday, May 3, 2003, at 10 a.m., at Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland, Texas. Burial was in Saint Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Rhineland, under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Kuehler was born Dec. 17, 1922, in Knox County, Texas. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Saint Ann's Mother Society and Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland. She married Alphonse Kuehler on Aug. 6, 1944, in Scottfield, Ill.

Survivors include her husband, Alphonse Kuehler of Rhineland, Texas; one son, Marion and Gayle Kuehler of Wichita Falls, Texas; five daughters, Suzan Thompson of Walnut Creek, California; Mary Landrum; Deborah and Jerry Anderson; Beth and Ricky Arnold, all of Wichita Falls, Texas; Lou Ann Brookshire of The Colony, Texas; one brother, Eric Loran of Subiaco, Ark.; four sisters, Monica Myers of Harlingen, Texas; Rose Pokorny of Wichita Falls, Texas; Sister Andera Loran OSB of New Blaine, Ark., and Jeanette Zeissel of Rhineland, Texas. Fourteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers include Andy Kuehler, Chris Kuehler, Brandon Arnold, Tyson Arnold, Michael Lane, and Johnny Birkenfeld

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### Phillips, John L.

John L. Phillips, 83, passed away Thursday May 1, 2003 at the Munday Nursing Center.

The funeral services will be under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home in Munday, and will be held at a later date.

John was a lifetime resident of Munday born November 23, 1919. He was an Auto Salesperson. He married Darlyne Wayne duke on December 24, 1939 in Seymour, Texas. Mrs. Phillips passed away on July 11, 1999.

Survivors include one daughter, Donna Scott of Seymour, Texas; one son, Johnny Phillips of San Antonio, Texas; two brothers, Nolan Phillips of Munday, Texas and Marion Phillips of Oklahoma City, Okla.; one sister, Docia Phillips of Mineral Wells, Texas; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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### Noles, Esther Louise

Esther Louise (Blankenship) Noles, 67, of Newcastle, Texas, died Saturday, April 26, 2003.

Graveside services were at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 26, 2003, in Throckmorton, Texas, Cemetery.

Ms. Noles was a secretary, production worker, motel manager and homemaker.

Survivors include two daughters, Cammie Williamson Barnes and Charlice, both of Newcastle; two sons; Chuck and Johnny, both of Graham; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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### Roush, Lorene Mozelle

Lorene Mozelle Roush, 81, of Denton, Texas in Vintage Nursing Home died Friday, May 2, 2002. Services will be 2:00 p.m. Monday, May 5, 2003 at Crestview Memorial Park in Wichita Falls, Texas with Reverend Buddy Owens with burial in Crestview Memorial Park, directed by McCauley-Smith Funeral Home in Munday, Texas.

Lorene was born December 14, 1921 in Paducah, Texas. She was a secretary, a member of the Southmont Baptist Church in Denton and a Beta Sigma Phi.

Survivors include on daughter, Karen and Larry Crossman of Denton, TX; one sister, Helen and Kenneth Summerford of Florence, S.C.; one brother, Richie W. and Mary Smith of Munday, TX; three granddaughters, Dianne Delashaw, Michelle Crossman and Karel Crossman; two great-grandsons, Colby and Chance Delashaw.

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### Williams, Jack W. Col.

*"For tho' from out our bourne  
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When I have crossed the bar."*  
— Alfred, Lord Tennyson  
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Born in the small rural Texas town of Munday, on 1/19/1917, Jack was two months premature. He weighed only slightly over two pounds and was not expected to live. His parents, Posey and Roxy Williams made a shoe box his crib. From this inauspicious beginning he persevered. He became an all-state guard on his Munday High School football team and a Golden Glove boxer at Texas A&M where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1941.

Jack received his wings in the Army Air Corps in 1942. While stationed at Wright-Patterson Field in Dayton, Ohio in 1942, he test piloted 118 different aircraft (including the XC-69, XA-32, XA-38, XC-74, XC-96, the German Focke-Wulf 190, the Japanese Zero, and the British Lancaster). He received the Air Medal for his work as a test pilot. Temporarily leaving military service in 1946, Jack test piloted for Howard Hughes Aircraft Co. (the XF-11) and Republic Aviation Corp. (the XF-12). He rejoined the United States Air Force at Bolling AFB in Washington D.C. in 1947 with the rank of Major. He then served with the 19<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group in Guam. From 1950 to 1954, he was Operational Staff Officer with Material Command at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. While attending Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia, he was promoted to Full Colonel in 1955. From there he was assigned to Ladd AFB in Fairbanks, Alaska, where he commanded the 5001<sup>st</sup> Maintenance and Supply Group and the 5060<sup>th</sup> Aircraft and Warning Group. In 1958 he assumed command of the 408<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group at Kingsley AFB in Klamath Falls, Oregon. In 1960 he became Director of Operations for the Portland Air Defense Sector at Adair AFB in Corvallis, Oregon. In 1962, he became Base Commander of the 57<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group at Paine AFB in Everett, Washington. From 1964 to 1968, Colonel Williams was Director of AFCENT for NATO in Fontainebleau, France and Brunssum, Holland. In 1968 he became Commander of the 3750<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group at Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, Texas. Colonel Williams retired in 1970 after 30 years of military service for which he received the Meritorious Service Medal.

Jack was a member of the Ventura County Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America, the Shriners, and the Wright Stuff Association.

Colonel Williams is survived by his wife of 60 years, Elizabeth J. Williams of Ojai, CA.; his daughter and son-in-law, Jackie and Horst Ringhof of Casitas Springs; his daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Rob Wedin of Laguna Niguel, CA and granddaughter, Roberta Wedin and grandson, Nicholas Wedin; his son, Jack Williams, Jr. of Ojai, CA; and his son and daughter-in-law Roy and Laurel Williams of Ventura, CA and granddaughters Heather Williams and Kristin Williams.

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### Noah Project invites citizens to May 9th meeting

The Noah Project - North will meet at noon on Friday, May 9, at KP's Restaurant in Haskell. All members are asked to attend. If you live in Jones, Haskell, Knox, Stonewall, or Throckmorton county and would like to become a member, please attend this meeting. If you have any questions, please call 940-864-2551. If it is after 5:00 p.m., please call 1-800-582-0023.

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STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

TO: **Josemarid Perez, and if deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Josemarid Perez Marcelino Perez, and if deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Marcelino Perez**

You are each hereby notified that a hearing will be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say Monday, the 2 day of June, 2003, and at TxDOT Office - 1 mile west of Munday on Hwy 222, to assess the damages of the owner of the property being condemned.

The State of Texas filed a *Petition for Condemnation* with the Judge of the 50th Judicial District of Knox County, Texas, on the 27 day of September, 2002, in Cause No. 8710 which is styled *The State of Texas v. Josemarid Perez, et al.* The Plaintiff is the State of Texas. The Defendants are: **Josemarid Perez and Marcelino Perez, if deceased, their respective heirs and legal representatives, if any; and the Knox County Appraisal District.**

The name and address of the attorney for Plaintiff is **Christopher C. Gunter**, Assistant Attorney General, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, Texas 78711-2548.

This suit is an eminent domain proceeding in which the State of Texas is condemning a tract of land located in **Knox County, Texas, containing land**, such property being fully described in Exhibit "A" of Plaintiff's *Petition for Condemnation* filed under the above-referenced cause number.

The interests of these Defendants are that they either own or claim an interest in said property, subject to unpaid accrued taxes.

You are further notified that you may appear at the hearing before that Special Commissioners and present evidence you desire on the issue of damages to be assessed against the State. If you do not appear at the hearing, the Special Commissioners may proceed to assess the damages of the owner of the property being condemned.

If this Notice is not served within ninety (90) days after its issuance, it shall be returned forthwith.

ISSUED this 18 day of April, 2003.

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**Here 'n There**

Mary Melton of Cincinnati, Ohio and her son, Charlie Scott have been here several days visiting Jonnie Williams and Mary Bohannon and "setting about" to begin remodeling Mary's house here. She has purchased the P.C. Sams (Red Kilgore, Theodore Ressa) house west of the school and hope to have it pretty well re-done before too long. It will be a project but I think she's looking forward to the challenge.

Sue Terry and family of Dallas spent the weekend with her parents, Jane Gideon and Weldon Gideon. Also visiting was Lana Mendoza and family of Seymour.

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

TO: **Willie McClellan, and if he be deceased, The Unknown Heirs of Willie McClellan.**

You are each hereby notified that a hearing will be held at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say Monday, the 2 day of June, 2003, and at TxDOT Office 1 mile west of Munday on Hwy 222, to assess the damages of the owner of the property being condemned.

The State of Texas filed a *Petition for Condemnation* with the Judge of the 50th Judicial District Court of Knox County, Texas, on the 27 day of September, 2002, in Cause No. 8711 which is styled *The State of Texas v. Willie McClellan, et al.* The Plaintiff is the State of Texas. The Defendants are: **Willie McClellan, and, if he be deceased, his respective heirs and legal representatives, if any; Knox County Texas; City of Munday; Munday Independent School District; and Knox County Appraisal District.**

The name and address of the attorney for Plaintiff is **Christopher C. Gunter**, Assistant Attorney General, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, Texas 78711-2548.

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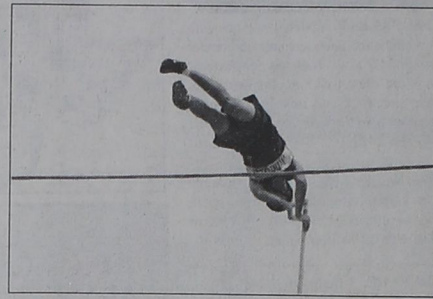
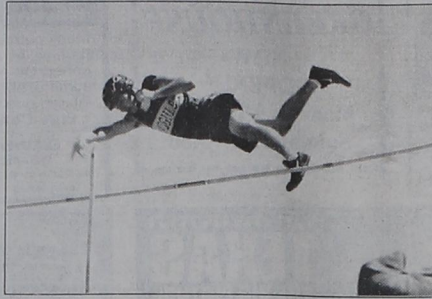
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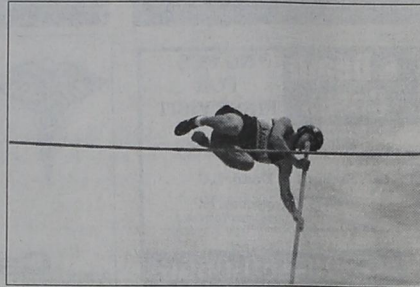
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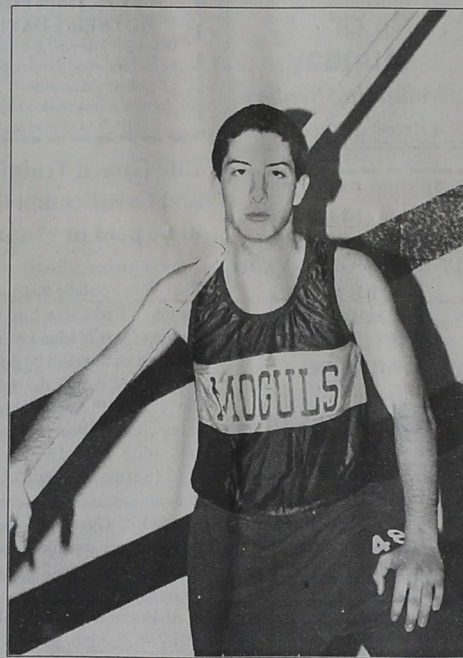
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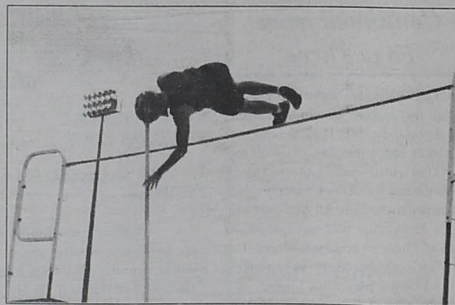
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