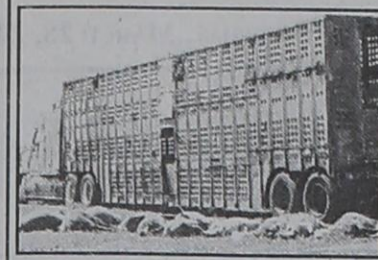




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## WHITE'S Wagging Tongue

by Cynthia  
White

A lady is looking to purchase a pet for companionship, and so she goes to the local pet shop to purchase a cat. However, when she arrives, she is intrigued by the beautiful young parrot on a perch by the counter.

"Will this parrot talk?" she asks the owner.

"Oh yes, this parrot comes from a long line of excellent talkers. In two weeks, he will be mimicking your speech like he's having a conversation with you."

The lady excitedly purchases the bird in a large cage and takes it home.

Two weeks later, she comes into the store.

"This bird you sold me hasn't said a word!"

The owner looks puzzled.

"I can't understand it, that is our best talker. He should talk when he swings."

"What? You didn't sell me a swing!"

The owner happily sells her a swing for the bird's cage.

Two weeks later, she returns with the same complaint.

"I really can't understand it, he should talk after exercising on the ladder," the owner says.

Frustrated that he didn't tell her this before, she buys the ladder.

Two weeks later, she returns with the same complaint.

The owner says, "Something is wrong, because when he climbs on the stairs, and gets on his swing, and looks into the mirror, he definitely should be talking!"

She buys the mirror, and in 2 more weeks, in she walks with the cage, containing the swing, ladder, mirror and one dead parrot with its legs up in the air.

"Here's your mute bird and all the junk you sold me - all I want is my money back!"

The owner was dumbfounded.

"Lady, this is the first parrot that has ever come back - didn't the parrot say any words at all?"

"Well, now that you mention it, he did say one thing just before he died. He said, 'Doesn't that shop sell bird food!'"

wag

A three-year-old put his shoes on by himself.

His mother noticed that the left shoe was on the right foot.

She said, "Son, your shoes are on the wrong feet."

He looked up at her with a raised brow and said, "Don't kid me, Mom. They're the only feet I got!"

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**Spring Forward  
Saturday night!**

# It's time for Severe Weather

It's Spring. And in Texas and other areas of "Tornado Alley" it's time for severe weather.

While in the most recent of years past the Munday area has been spared from devastating tornadoes the area has been plagued by large hail, damaging winds, lightning strikes, and flash floods. But most residents of "Tornado Alley" know that the threat of a serious storm lingers in the warm, humid air of Spring.

A tornado is a violently rotating column of air, pendant from a cumulonimbus cloud. It is not, however, unusual for there to be no visible funnel. Sometimes an approaching cloud of debris can mark the location of a tornado even if a funnel is not visible. It should also be noted that while high winds are prevalent in tornadoes there may be a period of very still air or calm wind prior to an actual tornado. And while skies are gray and heavy with rain, a tornado generally occurs near the trailing edge of a thunderstorm and it is not uncommon to see clear, sunlit skies behind a tornado.

With the advent of Doppler Ra-

dar and other sophisticated means of tracking storms residents can stay better informed about approaching weather. The Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Storm Prediction Center, and other agencies have web sights on the internet which can help keep a person informed on the chances of severe weather in their locale. Television stations are one of the most important means of weather related information. When a Tornado Watch or Tornado Warning is issued by the National Weather Service it is listed on area TV screens.

A "Tornado Watch" means that tornadoes are possible in the area. It is important for families to discuss safety procedures and safe places within the home at this time. You should stay informed through the television, radio, or radar web sites until the watch expires. A "Tornado Warning" is issued when a tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. All precautions should be applied at this time.

While communications have become more advanced the human element of storm tracking is



Digital Photos

MUNDAY VOLUNTEER FIRE MEN (above) are ready to act as storm watchers whenever the need arises. Pictured are (from left) Charles Pankhurst, Freddie Caram, Buford Berryhill, and Bill Williams. (Below) Storm shelters may seem dark and ominous but should the area be threatened by a tornado they can save lives. Now is the time to prepare all shelters for the Severe Weather season.

still essential due to the unpredictability of weather movements.

In Munday members of the Volunteer Fire Department also act as storm trackers. According to Fire Chief Bill Longan, "When the

National Weather Service in Norman, Oklahoma spots the possibility of severe weather in our area they contact the 9-1-1 office in Knox City. The 9-1-1 office then contacts the Fire Department and our storm watchers swing into

action." One or two men stay at the radio center at the Fire Department while others travel in their own vehicles several miles outside

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## "Confederate Letters" delivers - advances to Area competition

The cast and crew of the MHS One-Act-Play delivered an impressive performance at the District level of competition on Saturday, March 24 and will now compete at the Area level on April 3.

"Confederate Letters" had earned the right to compete on the District level on March 19 when they advanced out of the Zone competition. That performance was held in Graham and was judged by Mark Holtorff of Tarleton State University. Advancing with Munday High School was Perrin-Whitt whose play was "Sara Crewe." Crowell High School was named alternate with their play, "The Small World of Millie McIvor."

Receiving Honorable Mention All Star cast awards from Munday High School at the Zone level were Megan Myers and Jeremy Lowe. Brian Urbanczyk, Jeffery Toliver, and Jennifer Carden were named to the All Star Cast and Will Longan was honored with the Best Actor award.

Saturday, March 24, at the District 12 competition in Graham

Munday High School and Saint Jo advanced to the Area level. The competition was judged by Perry Crofton of West Texas A & M University. Saint Jo's chosen one-act-play is "Black Elk Speaks". Perrin-Whitt was named alternate.

Honorable Mention All Star Cast Awards went to Megan Myers and James Taylor. All Star Cast Awards were given to Brian Urbanczyk and Jennifer Carden while Will Longan brought home

another Best Actor Award.

"Confederate Letters" will now be performed by the Munday High School Theatre Arts Department at the Area level on April 3rd at Graham.

The public is invited to a special production of "Confederate Letters" on Friday evening, March 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the MHS Auditorium. No admission will be charged.

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Kerri Urbanczyk Photo

YOUNG ACTORS. The Munday Theatre Arts Department has advanced with their play "Confederate Letters" to the area level. Shown in action are (from left) Alan Albus, Brian Urbanczyk, and Will Longan. A public performance will be held Friday night at 7:00 p.m.

## Candidates file for seats on Goree and Munday I.S.D. school boards

Incumbents file for city council, 1 files for hospital board

The filing deadline of March 21 saw another candidate apply for a seat on the Munday I.S.D. School Board.

Filing their intent to run for the two three year terms were incumbents Judy Lowe and Bobby Sosolik. Also filing were Kyle Josselet, Kregg Sanders, and Danny Carden.

In the Goree I.S.D. race two incumbents have filed for re-election to their seats. Vickie Huffman and Joyce Greenwood are the two incumbents and Antonio Garcia has

also filed his intent to run for one of the two year terms.

The City Council of Munday would have three places to fill during the up-coming election and all three incumbents have re-filed. Those incumbents are Jessie Andrade, Robert Bowen, and Stan Decker.

The Knox County Hospital Board would have one place to fill during the May 5th election. Knox City businessman Clint Jones filed his application for that seat on the board.

## Project Status of Hwy 277 to be discussed at TxDOT meeting

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will host an informational meeting on April 5, 2001, at the Perry Patton Community Center located at 131 W. Cisco in Munday, Texas. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Right-of-way (land) acquisition procedures and design details. The public and all interested parties are encouraged to at-

tend this meeting to get acquainted with Trevor Castillo, P.E., with the firm of Kennedy Consultants, Inc. of McKinney, Texas who has been retained to perform detailed plan preparation and detailed design for the project and Cheryl Bennett of the firm of Universal Field Services, Inc., who will be perform

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# OPINION

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### Calendar of Events



Apr. 2 - Munday VFD, Band Boosters Meeting.  
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### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mar. 28 - Jason Zeissel, Paytlyn Melton, Dorothy Cooks.  
Mar. 29 - Brandon Urbanczyk, Gloria Herring, Andrea Brown.  
Mar. 30 - Kathy Nix Schuessler.  
Mar. 31 - Matthew Gregory Vitolas.  
Apr. 1 - Mati Quintero T., Meredith Hacker, Albert Schumacher.  
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Apr. 3 - Reba Nix

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### Knox County Aging Center

#### Munday & Goree Menu April 2 thru April 6

Mon. Apr. 2nd - Tuna casserole, peas & carrots, salad, pineapple crunch.

Wed. Apr. 4th - Bar-b-que chicken, pinto beans, 7-minute cabbage, potato salad, cornbread, cookies.

Fri. Apr. 6th - Beef stew, apple & celery salad, cheese sticks, cornbread, cake.

If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Fruewirth 422-4191. At Foree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.



## Minding Your Own Business

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

### Move Your Own Cheese. How to stay ahead of change

I seldom read all the books on the "best-seller" lists. I'm more of a late adapter. However, when several people mention a book and recommend it highly, I read it.

Such was the case recently when I read the book that generated the basic thoughts for this column. The book I'm referring to is the #1 bestseller titled: "Who Moved My Cheese?" It was written by Spencer Johnson, M.D. It is a clever little book about change.

If the name Spencer Johnson rings your bell, it may be because you've seen his name before. He co-authored the New York Times #1 bestseller "The One Minute Manager."

In this easy-to-read book, there are four main characters. There are two mice named "Sniff" and "Scurry." There are also two "little people" who are described as "beings that were as small as mice but who looked and acted a lot like people today." The two little people are named "Hem" and "Haw."

The premise of the book is that these little characters move through the maze each day in search of cheese. You and I can relate as we run through our own mazes each day in search of those necessities that sustain us.

Once the four characters find the cheese, they settle into a daily routine. They travel through the maze to the cheese station the same way every day. They get comfortable, life is good and they feel that they deserve the good life because after all, they found the cheese.

Then one day disaster strikes. "Someone" moves the cheese. Now that the cheese is gone, "Sniff" and "Scurry" start running through the maze to find a new pile. "Hem" and "Haw" keep going back to the old place to see if there is any new cheese.

There is a very strong parallel to our careers and our businesses. Things seem to be going pretty well, then someone moves the cheese.

Now in real life "someone moving the cheese" is

knowing that "change will occur." If we're smart, we know that things can't go on forever as they are, and we look for and anticipate change.

Once we see the change coming we can adapt quickly and get ready to "enjoy the new cheese." Once we understand that the cheese is going to be moved again, we can always be on the look out for new cheese.

#### Move your own cheese

My only disagreement with this book is that it's reactive. The cheese is moved, and the characters go look for it. Someone else is moving the cheese.

After reading the book, I realized that if someone was going to be in charge of moving the cheese, I wanted to be that someone. I choose not to be a cheese finder, whose existence depends on finding the cheese. I want to decide where the cheese should go.

In life there are three decisions to make: 1) ignore change, 2) anticipate change and react quickly or 3) be the one who makes change happen.

I choose to be proactive and make change happen. I'll not only move the cheese, but I'll also redesign the maze. Then, with a little promotion, I'll attract a crowd to my maze. I'll help everyone find some cheese. As I help them become successful, they will make me successful.

Where do you stand? Are you going to keep your eye on the cheese and wait for someone to move it? Or, will you be the one who sets the standards, raises the bar or creates a brand new and delicious pile of cheese?

Read the book. Digest the concept. Then go move some cheese.

*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*

## Capitol Highlights

### Waters not always placid when it comes to liquidity

By Mike Cox  
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN - Much of what's going on in the Capital City these days has to do with liquidity in one form or the other. In terms of financial liquidity, the House Appropriations Committee—chaired by San Angelo Rep. Rob Junnell—has put a proposed pay raise for Texas' 228,000 state employees on hold. That was something of a set back for state workers counting on a pay hike, since the week before the Senate Finance Committee had given the nod to a \$563 million state worker pay raise proposal.

The Senate measure, sponsored by Austin Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, would provide Texas' state workers with either a 5 percent raise or a \$100 a month salary increase, whichever was greater. But state workers still have a chance of getting a raise. As Junnell explained, he wants to wait until there are better numbers on how much health insurance for teachers will cost. Another variable is what the bottom line will be on the state's Medicaid costs. The final pay raise decision will come some time in April or May.

#### Open container law progresses

All the talk about iffy pay raises, high tech layoffs and evaporating stock market values is enough to drive a person to drink. Just don't drink and drive. If you do occasionally pop the top on a cool one, a measure making progress this session could dry up alcohol in motor vehicles. A strengthened open container law, which would make it illegal for anyone to have an open alcoholic beverage in a vehicle, has made it out of committee.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving has advocated a tougher law for years. Current law only prohibits a

driver from having an open container. Since it's pretty easy for a driver who sees a police officer to hand his or her can or bottle to a passenger (assuming the officer has not seen the driver taking a swig), the current law is the legal equivalent of 3.2 beer.

One point still at issue is a part of the bill which says it still would be okay to keep booze in the trunk. But in a pickup, or a sport utility vehicle the requirement is to keep the alcohol behind the last upright seat. In a pickup, obviously, that could still be within reaching distance. Some folks see that as a watering down of the law.

#### Good ole H2O

In the grand scheme of things, water is a lot more important than beer. El Paso historian and writer Leon Metz opined in a recent article that El Paso is a city in trouble. The biggest problem, he said, is water. Or lack of it. A decade from now, he said, the city could have serious water supply difficulties. Water is a major issue almost anywhere in Texas.

Under consideration in the Legislature is Senate Bill 2, Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown's 61-page omnibus water bill. The measure would create a Texas Water Policy Council, provide the blueprint for a groundwater management area and establish fees, fines and taxing authorities to pay for the state's 1997 Master Water Plan.

Almost everyone agrees that it's important to have a plan and start taking steps to make sure Texas has adequate water for the future. The difficulty comes when you start talking about who gets how much water and from where. It'll be a fight.

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## Ask The AG: Catching Child Support Evaders

by John Cornyn, Attorney General of Texas

**Q: I read a story about your "Most Wanted Child Support Evaders List." Have you caught any of these evaders?**

**A:** Yes we have. Nineteen of the 40 people named as Evaders in the last two years have been arrested or have started making payments. Sixteen of those Evaders have been arrested in places as far away as Las Vegas, Nevada and Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The three other Evaders came forward voluntarily after the announcement of the list and made lump-sum payments toward their unpaid child support and are now making regular payments.

The 48-percent apprehension rate is high considering the measures that these Evaders have taken to avoid their children. Some steps they have taken include working for cash, not having utilities or phones in their own names, and not using credit cards.

The arrests have occurred because of tips generated by the publicity surrounding the Evaders list or because the Evader was apprehended due to another violation of the law.

One example is the most recently arrested Evader, Ollie Lynn Little. He was arrested four days after I visited his ex-wife in Midland to announce that he was at the top of the list for owing \$131,484. A concerned citizen saw the news report and provided information that led to Little's arrest in DeLeon, Texas (Comanche County).

Evader Alton Dennis Winston was arrested for violating another law and was subsequently held for failing to pay \$10,638 in support for his daughter in Austin. In October 1999, Missouri City police responded to a domestic disturbance call. When they arrived, they asked Winston for identification, which he did not have. Instead he provided police with a false name. The police ran a check on that name and discovered outstanding criminal warrants for the person Winston was claiming to be. As a result, Winston was arrested. When the police discovered Winston's true identity, they kept him in custody on a child support warrant.

Other Evaders came forward to pay child support rather than face arrest. Evader Jack Grayson felt pressure and remorse as a result of the announcement that he was on the Most Wanted list. Mr. Grayson contacted the Office of the Attorney General from Seattle, Washington and immediately began to make payments.

The Evaders program has two goals. First, it strives to generate publicity about some of the worst cases and asks citizens to help locate these fugitives. Second, it draws attention to the issue of child support and the importance of non-custodial parents paying support.

The mission of the Attorney General's Child Support Division is to collect financial support for children. Supporting a child is not a choice, it is a solemn responsibility. Sadly, too many parents do not accept this responsibility.

My office handles 1.1 million cases that involve almost two million children. Thirty-six percent of the families who do not receive their court-ordered child support live in poverty. This is unacceptable.

Parents who refuse to take care of their children even though they can afford to do so are "dead beats." The Child Support Division uses a variety of legal remedies such as wage withholding and license suspension to collect child support. If we cannot collect the child support through these means, we will track down, arrest, and jail those who defy the law.

Information about the Evader program, including what it takes for a parent to be included, is available on our Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). If you have information about one of the Evaders, contact the Office of the Attorney General at (800) 797-5437, or [child.support@oag.state.tx.us](mailto:child.support@oag.state.tx.us). You can also write our office at: Texas Child Support Evaders, Office of the Attorney General, Child Support Division, P.O. Box 12017, Austin, TX 78711-2017.

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### Texas Department of Transportation awards employees for safety at annual banquet

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently held their annual Safety Awards Banquet at the Fair Park Auditorium in Childress. This banquet is held annually to recognize employees outstanding efforts in the operation of TxDOT vehicles and equipment and for having no work related injuries. The Knox County Maintenance and Munday Area Office employees were recognized for the combined totals of

128 years as safe operators and 122 years of no injury.

Members of the Knox County Maintenance Section and Munday Area Office who received these awards are: Shane Adams, Curt Coop, Terry Hendrix, Leno Hernandez, Ray Hudson, Pete Rocha, Jerry Branam, Gene Ward, Lee Bruce, Sherry Pendergraph, Greg Urbanczyk, Ricky Gonzales, Kirk Trosper, and Mike Hosea.

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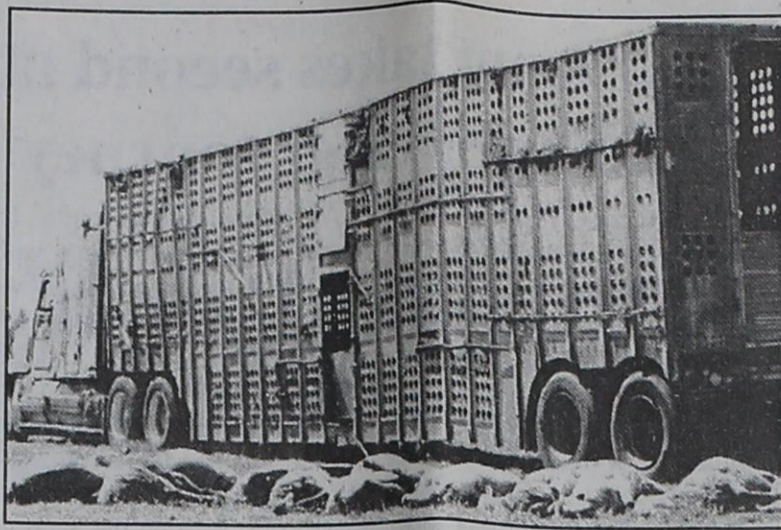
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**MUNDAY AREA OFFICE** Employees receiving TxDOT awards were (From left) Sherry Pendergraph, Mike Hosea, Ricky Gonzales, and Greg Urbanczyk; (not pictured) Kirk Trosper.



TxDOT Photo

**COUNTY MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEES** are (standing) Lee Bruce; (from left) Shane Adams, Ray Hudson, Gene Ward, and Leno Hernandez; (not pictured) Curt Coop, Terry Hendrix, Pete Rocha, and Jerry Branam.



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**OVER 100 DEAD SHEEP** litter the field beside Hwy 277 in Goree last Friday after city employees and highway workers removed the animals from the road. The tractor-trailer rolled when trying to negotiate a curve in the road.

### Truck roll over in Goree kills over 100 sheep

Friday morning, March 23, 2001, a truck and trailer loaded with sheep rolled over on Highway 277 on the East side of Goree. The accident happened at approximately 8:01 a.m.

According to Texas State Trooper Brian Williams, "The vehicle was traveling West and was going a little too fast around the curve." The driver overcompensated which caused the livestock in the trailer to shift and sent the trailer and cab to its side.

Driver, Michael Steeples of Memphis, Missouri, was treated for minor wounds at the scene but refused transport to the hospital.

The trailer was loaded with 280 sheep. Approximately 125 of the animals were dead at the scene.

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### District Literary UIL Meet held at Midwestern University

Midwestern University in Wichita Falls hosted the District Literary UIL Meet on March 22, 2001. Students placing first, second, and third will advance to the Regional Meet. It will be held April 20-21 at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Munday High School was represented in several different categories.

**Informative Speaking** - Jennifer Carden - 3rd.

**Literary Criticism** - Brian Urbanczyk - 1st.

**News Writing** - Justin Josselet - 1st; Kylie Myers - 3rd; Jennifer Carden - 4th.

**Number Sense** - Eric Sosolik - 4th.

**Poetry** - Jennifer Carden - 1st.

**Prose** - Krisi Harlan - 6th.

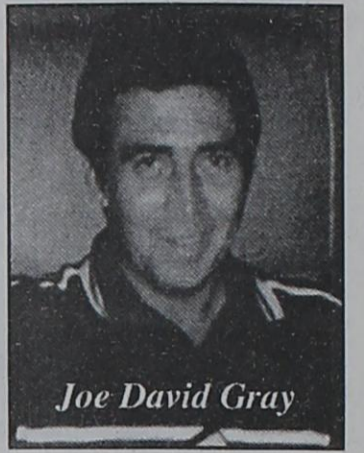
**Ready Writing** - Jennifer Carden - 3rd.

**Science** - Alan Albus - 1st - Physics.

## Local Obituaries

### Gray, Joe David

Joe David Gray, 57, died Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at an Abilene Hospital. Services were held Saturday at Gillespie Baptist Church with Benny Vasquez officiating. Pall bearers were Jack Alexander of Wichita Falls, James Williams of Munday, Bob Gray of Haskell, John Lewallen of Holiday, Ronnie Hardin of Breckenridge, and Leon Looney of Cedar Hill. Burial followed at Johnson Memorial Cemetery in Munday, directed by McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.



Joe David Gray

Mr. Gray was born January 29, 1944 in Knox City and was a carpenter. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Marguerite Hazel Gray of Vernon, TX; three sons, Joe Bob Gray of Vernon, John Gray and wife Karla of Norfolk, VA and Terry Gray and wife, Karen, of Goree; two daughters, Stacia Gray and Angela Routon, both of Vernon; two sisters, Jeannie Sharp of Grayford and Julie Hughes of Andrews; a brother, Jerry Gray of Munday; his mother, Johnnie Gray of Munday; grandchildren Cami, Christa, Candice and Paige of Vernon, Kayla, Kole, and Tanya of Goree, Johnathan Justin of Norfolk, Va, Katie Pierce and Johnny-Joe of Vernon. brothers-in-law Terry Sharp and Jay Hughes, sister-in-law Rachel Gray of Munday; nieces and nephews, Gina Bishop, Teresa Neil, and Heath Ward, Laura, Jay Don and Steven Hughes, and Erica, Jara and Sean Gray.

Mr. Gray was preceded in death by his father, Joe Clifford Gray, and his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Gray and Mr. and Mrs. John Brown.

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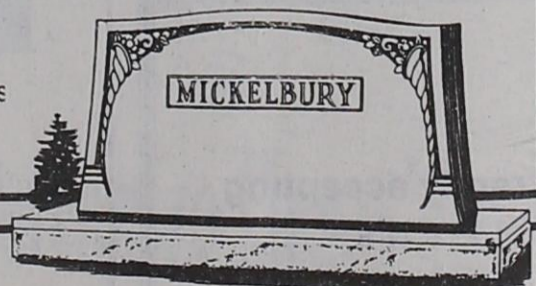
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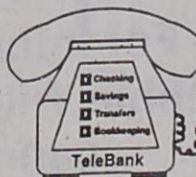
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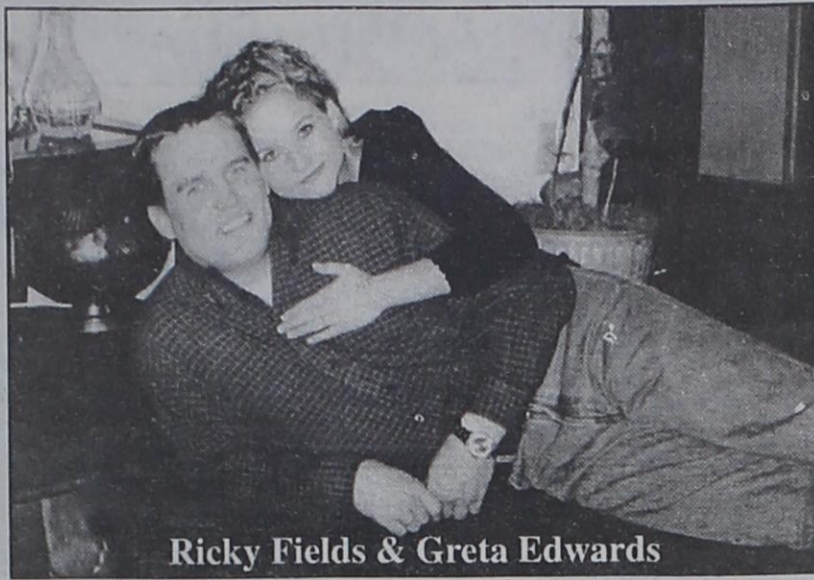


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Ricky Fields & Greta Edwards

### Edwards, Fields take vows by candlelight

Greta Ranà Edwards and Ricky Lynn "Dink" were united in marriage on the evening of January 26 in a candlelight ceremony at The Canyon House in Lubbock.

Chad King of the Newcastle Baptist Church in Newcastle officiated during the double-ring vows.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Edwards of Lamesa. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Fields of Lubbock. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Smith of Munday and the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Spike Bryan of Munday.

Musical selections for the occasion included Wind *Beneath My Wings*, played during the seating of the parents, and *The Rose*, played as the bridal party entered. The brides' father escorted her down the aisle to the song *Look at You Girl*, and the couple illuminated their unity candle to the song *Forever is as Far As I'll Go*. The recessional song was the *Wedding March*.

Tulle and white lights lined the pathway leading to a floor cloth of ivory sheeting and tulle, where the couple exchanged vows. Candles, greenery, and small white lights adorned the mantle top. The unity candle tables were draped with ivory lace.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents. She chose an ivory sleeveless gown and shoulder-length bridal veiling. The dress bodice featured spaghetti straps and was encrusted with crystal beads. The Italian matte satin skirt was enhanced by a chapel-length train adorned with a band of crystal beads.

The bride carried a handmade bouquet created by the groom's mother. White, taupe, and ivory roses were accented with baby's breath and greenery, and trimmed with satin lace ribbon and a locket belonging to the bride's great grandmother.

Sheree Longoria of Lubbock, the bride's aunt, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Wendy Martinez and Amy Fields, both of Lubbock, Heather Smith of Lamesa, and the groom's sister, Kyla Reid of Abernathy.

The bride's attendants wore black floor-length gowns with spaghetti straps. Each woman carried a white long-stemmed rose adorned with baby's breath and satin ribbon.

The groom was attired in a black tuxedo with a black vest and ivory shirt. His boutonniere was a miniature white rose accented with baby's breath.

The grooms' brother, Brent Fields of Lubbock, stood as best man. Groomsmen were Randal Reid of Abernathy, the groom's brother-in-law; Matt Johnson of Colorado; Kirk Salmon of Lubbock; and Kyle Christian of Canyon.

The attendants were dressed black tuxedos to match the groom's attire.

Guests were registered by the groom's niece, Beth Fields of Lubbock.

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### Munday residents give the gift of life by donating blood

The community of Munday hosted an American Red Cross blood drive on Monday, March 19 at the Patton Community Center. Twenty-nine people presented to give blood, and 23 were productive units. Those precious units will give the gift of life to many area patients. Each unit of blood is separated into the three blood components - plasma, platelets, and red cells. Each component goes on to serve different patient needs, be it an accident victim, a cancer patient or a newborn. A single donor can be the key to the future of three different people. For any other questions about donating, please call the Red Cross at (940) 322-8686, ext. 13. A special thank you goes to Brenda Smith for coordinating the drive. The American Red Cross expresses their sincere appreciation to the residents of Munday for their continued commitment to saving lives.

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### It's A Girl!



Chris and Kelly Scott are proud to announce the arrival of their baby girl Emily Paige. She was born at URHCS 8th Street Campus in Wichita Falls on March 13, 2001 at 7:59 a.m. Emily weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. and was 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Bobby and June Hrnirik of Seymour, Jo Marie Scott of Munday, and Robin and Janice Scott of Stephenville. Great-grandparents are Jannette Pechacek of Gainesville, Ed Pechacek of Megargel, Jo Nell and Jerry Cobb of Munday, Tom and Vivian Browder of Oldsmar, FL and Robert Scott of Gering, NE.

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### Golf team takes second at Roaring Springs tourney

The Munday High School Golf team took second place out of 13 teams entered at the Roaring Springs Tourney in Motley County on Monday, March 26, 2001.

The Tahoka team took first place with 316. Munday shot 329 for second place leaving Childress in third with 330. Idalou shot 350 to take fourth place with Motley County in fifth with 360.

Wes Crawford was fourth place in the individual standings with a 79. Will Longan tied for 5th with 80 and Nathan Neal shot 84. Matt Arismendez shot 86 and Erik Sosolik shot 93.

The Munday team will compete in the District Golf Tourney at Weeks Park in Wichita Falls on April 6th. Also on the team will be Alan Albus, Brian Urbanczyk, and Justin King.

### Munday powerlifters compete at state meet

Brandon Urbanczyk finished 8th out of the 12 state Qualifiers in the 132 lb. division with a 995 total. Brandon squated 375 (PR), bench pressed 195, and Dead Lifted 425 (PR).

Joe Rivera finished 9th out of the 12 state qualifiers in the 148 lb. division with a 1075 total. Joe squated 420 (PR), bench pressed 240 (PR), and Dead Lifted 415.

The State meet was held at the

Daniel Meyers Coliseum on the TCU campus. The Munday boys competed in the division 2 competition which consists of Class A, AA, and AAA level athletes. There was a total of 232 division 2 lifters and out of that total there were only 10 Class A lifters from the state.

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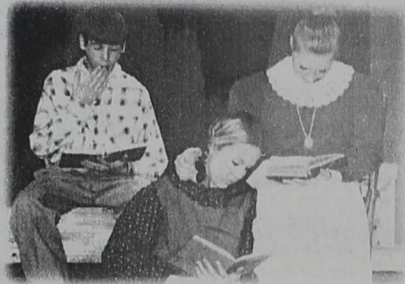
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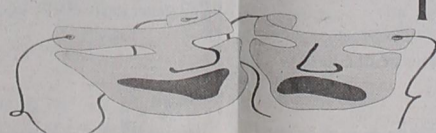


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With the current factors affecting the cattle industry, it is imperative that cow-calf operators know how their operation is performing from both a production and financial standpoint. To assist ranchers in completing this analysis, the Texas Agriculture Extension Service is offering a Cow-calf Standardized Performance Analysis (SPA) provides ranchers an opportunity to analyze their ranch operation from both a production and financial side. SPA facilitates the comparison of an operator's performance between years, producers, production regions, and production systems. SPA is intended to be used as an annual tool by the cow-calf producer.

This is an intensive workshop with the intent being ranchers

completing the analysis for the 2000 calf crop. Registered operators will be sent forms to organize data before the conference. Confidentiality of the producers data will be maintained. Individual conferences will be held with producers. Each ranch will be provided an assistant and a computer. It is important to register early so you can be advised on how to organize your data for the SPA analysis.

The registration fee is \$150 per ranch and includes the software, educational materials, meals and refreshments. Interested persons can obtain additional information or register by contacting Stan Bevers, Extension Economist, at the Texas A&M University Center in Vernon at (940) 552-9941.



**COMETS.**  
(back, left) Coach Robyne Stewart, Tiffany Rivera; Ana Castillo, Britany Waggoner, Coach Esther Waggoner, (front, left) Marcie Cherry, Larami Stewart, Sarah Reeves.

## Cotton Marketing Workshop Slated in Tulia, April 2

Cotton producers can learn how pricing strategies affect profitability and get help in developing pricing strategies tailored to fit their own operation at an April 2 cotton marketing workshop slated in Tulia, said a Texas A&M agricultural economist.

"Farmers can't control prices, but they can control how the crop is priced and when to take a price," said Dr. Jackie Smith, Texas Agriculture Extension Service Ag economist-marketing specialist based in Lubbock. "Producers who know how to evaluate pricing alternatives can formulate pricing strategies that will help them maximize profit."

"This workshop will focus on evaluating price alternatives and developing pricing strategies. All pricing alternatives are directly or indirectly linked to the futures market. So, we will be closely studying the basics of futures and options."

The workshop will be held at the Swisher County Extension meeting room in Tulia, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration costs \$30 per person, payable at the door. The fee includes a noon meal and an extensive set of materials.

"If possible, spouses should also attend. Couples can register for \$30, too, if they share a set of course materials," Smith added.

Producers can register and reserve a seat, or get more information on this workshop by calling Smith at 806-746-6101; Michael Clawson, Swisher County Extension agent, at 806-995-3726; or Dirk Aaron, Hale County Extension agent, at 806-291-5267.

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## Deer management meeting slated in Stonewall County

Rolling Plains landowners can learn more about whitetail deer and how to adapt their land management strategies to promote this important species of native wildlife at an April 12 deer appreciation day here.

"We will cover a lot of information at this meeting. It will be a valuable resource for landowners who want to know how to manage for and promote whitetail deer on their property," said Rebel Royall, Stonewall County Extension agent-agriculture. "Those who attend can also earn three continuing education units (CEU's)"

The meeting begins with registration at 8:30 a.m. in the Stonewall County Community Center in Aspermont, and will conclude around 4 p.m. Extension offices in Stonewall, Kent, King, and Dickens counties are sponsored this event.

"We will kick off the morning with a presentation on appreciating deer, followed by an overview of deer management for the Rolling Plains," Royall said. "Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist base at San Angelo, will present this information."

"A panel of three landowners

will share their experience and perspective on leasing and managing land for deer and deer hunting. Other morning speakers will cover whitetail anatomy and acquaint landowners with the deer management triangle - a concept encompassing age, nutrition and genetics."

A presentation on the Buckskin Brigade, and Extension Service wildlife program for youth will follow the noon lunch.

At 1 p.m., participants will travel to the IOU Ranch for field demonstrations on assessing deer habitat; brush control and deer; how to age deer; and an ongoing fecal study.

Pre-registration before April 6 costs \$10 per person. Registration thereafter costs \$20 per person. The fee includes refreshments, lunch and some materials, Royall noted.

To register, send your name, address, telephone number, and registration check to: Stonewall County Extension office, PO Box 369, Aspermont, TX 79502.

Landowners can get more information on this event by calling Royall at 940-989-3510; or the Kent, King, or Dickens County Extension offices.

## Assistance with school supplies and clothing offered to low-income families

The Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. is a Community Action Agency that assists low-income families with various programs. The ASBDC service area includes Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties.

Each year the ASBDC conducts a Community Needs Assessment and this year the School Supplies/School Clothing Program was chosen. Families must meet certain qualifications in order to receive assistance for each child's

school supplies and clothing. This includes all grades - Early Childhood thru High School students.

The program is beginning now and will continue throughout the remainder of 2001. Clients will be screened according to income during initial call. There will be an application process that will require the client to go to the Aspermont office.

For more information on who qualifies, contact: Aspermont Small Business at 940-989-3538 or toll-free at 1-800-722-0137.

## Gold's Light Emission Properties Lead to Many Applications

The discovery of unexpected light emission properties of gold by a Texas A&M University chemist is leading to a wide range of applications in medicine, genetics, and chemistry.

John P. Fackler Jr., Distinguished Professor of Chemistry and Toxicology at Texas A&M, discovered six years ago that some gold compounds were emitting fluorescent light in a much longer time than expected.

When a chemical compound is hit by light, it gets excited, and further emits fluorescent light. Fackler discovered that the fluorescent light emitted by some gold compounds could last one million times more than usually observed.

## Texas counties approved for livestock assistance program

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs reminds livestock producers that 240 Texas counties have been approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency for the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP).

LAP, administered by FSA, provides direct payments to eligible livestock producers in approved counties who suffered grazing losses due to natural disasters during 2000. Nationwide, \$430 million have been allocated for livestock producers for weather-related losses as part of the farm assistance package passes last October.

For drought-related losses, LAP benefits are available in approved counties where precipitation wa

"The light must get trapped inside the compound," says Fackler. "Then the light bursts into a glow in longer times than expected."

Fackler noticed that this fluorescence occurs when gold atoms are arranged in chains and the distance between them is 3.5 angstroms (one angstrom is one millionth of a centimeter).

"The gold compound emits fluorescence because gold atoms form linear chains and interact with each other," Fackler says. "The distance between the atoms is very important. If it is over 3.5 angstroms, you don't get fluorescence; if you are below that value, the light changes its color."

The fluorescent light also changes

its color depending on the atoms surrounding gold. So different atoms can reveal their presence by the different colors of the fluorescent light emitted by the gold compound.

"These gold compounds have some beautiful capabilities for becoming sensors to detect the presence of small concentrations of components, because light changes its color when gold interacts with different components," Fackler says.

The light emission properties of gold can also be used to detect diseases when gold attaches to nucleic acids in cells.

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40 percent or more below normal for at least four months and where there was at least a 40 percent loss of available grazing during a 90-day period due to drought during the 2000-crop year.

Eligible producers must have suffered a 40 percent or greater loss of grazing for three or more consecutive months during 2000 due to a natural disaster. Eligible livestock include beef and dairy cattle, buffalo or beafalo when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle, sheep, goats, swine

and equine animals used commercially for human food or kept for the production of food or fiber on the owner's farm or ranch.

Local counties that are approved for this program are: Baylor, Haskell, Jones, King, Knox, and Throckmorton

For more information on Livestock Assistance Program, visit the USDA-Farm Service Agency website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/lap01.htm](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/lap01.htm) or contact the local USDA Service Center.

## Mini-Mogul Relays

### March 29, 2001

#### Schedule of Events

2:00 - 2:45	Scratch Meeting			
3:00 - 3:45	7th Girls	7th Boys	8th Girls	8th Boys
	TJ	TJ	LJ	LJ
	HF	Shot	Discus	Discus
	Shot			
3:45 - 4:30	LJ	LJ	TJ	TJ
	Discus	HF	Shot	Shot
		Discus		
		PV	HF	PV
4:30 - 5:15				HJ
5:15 - 6:00	2400 meter Run - 7G,7B,8G,8B			
5:00	400 Relay - 7G,7B,8G,8B.			
6:00	Rolling Time Schedule Will Follow			

## Mogul Relays

### March 31, 2001

#### Schedule of Events

8:00 - 8:30	Scratch Meeting	
8:45	10:00	11:15
VB High Jump	VG High Jump	JVB High Jump
JVB Long Jump	VB Long Jump	VG Long Jump
VG Discus	JVB Discus	VB Discus
VB Shot Put	VG Shot Put	JVB Shot Put
VB Pole Vault	JVB Pole Vault	JVB Triple Jump
VG Triple Jump	VB Triple Jump	
11:00		3:30
Running Prelims		Running Finals (or one after completion of the prelims.)
400 m relay - JVB, VG, VB		400 m relay - JVB, VG, VB
100 meter hurdles - VG		800 m dash - JVB, VG, VB
110 meter hurdles - JVB, VB		100 m hurdles - VG
100 meter dash - JVB, VG, VB		110 m hurdles - JVB, VB
800 meter relay - VG		100 m dash - JVB, VG, VB
400 meter dash - JVB, VB, VG		800 m relay - VG
300 m hurdles - VG, JVB, VB		400 m dash - JVB, VB, VG
200 meter dash - JVB, VG, VB		300 m hurdles - VG, JVB, VB
		200 m dash - JVB, VG, VB
		1600 m run - JVB, VG, VB
		1600 m relay - JVB, VG, VB

Form No. 98-DOM-01

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## Public notice bills threaten tradition

Texas has for decades worked to fully inform its citizens by requiring that public notices be printed in local newspapers.

Several bills now before the Legislature threaten that tradition of publishing important notices while allowing exclusive publication on the Internet, at the option of state and local governments.

There is nothing wrong with using the Internet to expand public notice. That's already happening without much prompting by the state. However, for the foreseeable future, newspapers remain vital to the process of public notice.

The bills are S.B. 872 by Jon Lindsay (R-Houston) and S.B. 853 by Sen. Chris Harris (R-Arlington). Lindsay's bill would allow for Internet posting of public bid notices. Harris' bill is more sweeping and would allow publication on the Internet of all public notices required by state law.

In both bills, electronic publication could be instead of, not in addition to, publication in newspapers.

Let's say up front that newspaper publishers likely would lose revenue because of the change. However, for most daily newspapers, legal advertising represents a small percentage of revenue, usually much less than 5 percent. The percentage for weekly newspapers is higher.

The real losers if this legislation passes would be the public.

In this debate, it is essential for all to understand the underlying purpose of such advertising; it is not just functional, aimed only at public officials and contractors who do business with the government. It is for everyone.

All citizens have a right to information about public bidding, meetings, tax foreclosure sales, and



**DOLPH TILLOTSON**  
Guest Columnist

adoption of new tax rates and budgets.

The fact is, not enough Texans have Internet access or use what they do have — at least not yet. A 1998 U.S. Department of Commerce study set Texas's statewide rate of access at only about 24.5 percent. Admittedly, that likely is somewhat higher today.

However, there remains an undeniable digital divide between those who have access to the Internet and those who don't. It appears obvious that those without Internet access are the most economically disadvantaged among us. Access also is much lower in rural than in urban areas.

The best data available seems to be a June 2000 report titled "Government Services and Computer and Internet Use in Texas," compiled by the University of Texas. It concludes that about half of all Texans have at least limited Internet access, but fully half the polling sample agreed "the Internet is insufficiently available across the state to rely on it for providing government services."

Simply put, allowing Internet-only posting would put such information off-limits to all who do not possess the money, the skills and training, the hardware or software to surf the net. That's a bad idea.

It's an even worse idea when one considers how newspapers still may serve in this area.

Habit is an important part of what newspapers offer. The state of Texas has invested millions over the years in training citizens to look for public notices in their local newspaper. We should not toss this aside without a great amount of planning and thought.

Further, a majority of Texas newspapers already have their own Internet presence. The Texas Press Association reports that more than half of the state's 550 newspapers have Internet editions. Of those, 111 Texas newspapers currently are posting legal notices to the Internet.

In many cases (including The Galveston County Daily News), legal posting on the Internet is a free service offered to enhance the value and reach of legal advertising published in the paper.

Surely there is a way to harness the power of a print-Internet partnership to serve the people of Texas better.

Some in the Texas Legislature may relish the notion of taking a small amount of revenue away from their local newspaper.

Others may sincerely believe the state should make more and better use of Internet technology. It is hard to argue with that notion. It's also logical, however, that expansion onto the Internet should be phased and appropriate to the growth in genuine Internet access and use.

The bills on the table today could essentially end access to huge quantities of public information for all but our most technologically advanced — and wealthiest — citizens.

It is an idea whose time has not come.

*Dolph Tillotson is president and publisher of The Galveston County Daily News. He writes frequently on public information issues on behalf of the newspapers of Texas.*

## March landscape conferences slated at Amarillo, Lubbock

West Texans can learn how to keep their landscape plantings healthy and long-lived at a landscape plant health conference slated in March at two locations, said a Texas Agricultural Extension Service plant pathologist.

"Our first landscape conference is March 29 at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. The Amarillo center is at 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West," said Dr. Harold Kaufman, Extension Center in Lubbock.

"The Lubbock center is 3 miles north of Lubbock International Airport and 1/2 mile east of Interstate 27 on FM 1294 -- take Exit 11 on I - 27."

Both conferences will begin with registration over coffee and doughnuts from 8 to 8:25 a.m., and will adjourn at 4:30 p.m. Registration costs \$20 per person.

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That's the name of the game when it comes to the business of buying, selling and processing any agricultural product. Problem is, there is major money to be made on the processing end that Texans often miss out on. As the second-largest agriculture producing state in the nation, Texas ships some 90 percent of its raw products out of state for this high-dollar processing. If we upped in-state processing by just 1 percent we would add \$2 billion to the Texas economy.

Programs like the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority's Participation Purchase Program can help grassroots companies become successful value-added enterprises. It helps out by buying an undivided interest in the loans made by banks for eligible agricultural projects. This is a promising source of support for value-added ventures.

Take, for example, one Texas company that produces several lines of jerky products. The jerky company worked with its bank to get TAFEA on board to participate in the loan. The loan allowed it to expand its manufacturing capacity, which of course increased the company's bottom line.

Such programs can open doors for processing in Texas, and that's great news for agriculture. We must realize the potential of value-added processing to strengthen our state's economy.

## March landscape conferences slated at Amarillo, Lubbock

West Texans can learn how to keep their landscape plantings healthy and long-lived at a landscape plant health conference slated in March at two locations, said a Texas Agricultural Extension Service plant pathologist.

"Our first landscape conference is March 29 at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. The Amarillo center is at 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West," said Dr. Harold Kaufman, Extension Center in Lubbock.

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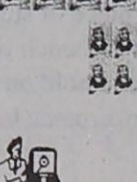
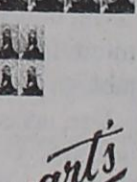
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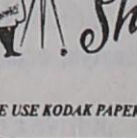
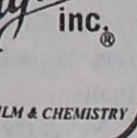
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## “Severe Storms”

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of town. Members are equipped with radios to communicate with each other and with the home base at the fire department. “They watch for large hail and increase in the winds,” says Longan. “It is very difficult to spot funnels at night so you have to watch for lightning strikes for illumination,” he continues.

It is important for Munday residents to note that the warning siren is activated when storm watchers observe a severe weather event approaching the city. This may or may not indicate that there is a tornado near-by. When the siren is started it could mean that large hail or damaging winds are approaching the area. It could also mean that a tornado is approaching and that residents need to take shelter. The siren is activated as a means of informing the public about severe weather - precautions should take place as each individual feels necessary.

John Weeks, Munday City Manager, would also like to request that citizens call into City Hall and inform them of storm cellar locations. “We would like to know where our residents take shelter,” says Weeks. “In the event of a damaging storm it would be helpful to know where storm shelters are located. We would need to know where to look for those who might need assistance after a severe storm,” says Weeks. The phone number at Munday City Hall is 422-4331.

### TORNADO TRIVIA

A multivortex tornado contains two or more small intense subvortices, orbiting the center of the larger tornado circulation.

Tornadoes can happen in all sorts of shapes - “wedges” may be huge while “ropes” are thin or narrow. The size and shape of a tornado has nothing to do with its intensity.

A “Significant” tornado is classified as an F-2 on the Fujita Pearson Tornado Scale and has wind speeds of 113 - 157 mph.

The largest measurement of a tornado is an F-5 which has wind speeds of 261-318 mph. It is capable of lifting homes off their foundation and carrying them a considerable distance. Autos can be thrown as far as 100 meters in an F-5 tornado.

The most deadly tornadoes occur from supercells. Supercells are a rotating thunderstorm with a well-defined radar circulation called a mesocyclone. Supercells can also produce damaging hail, non-tornadic winds, frequent lightning and flash floods.

Tornadoes can sound like a continuous rumble or a close by train. Sometimes a loud whooshing sound like a waterfall or open car window can warn residents of an approaching tornado.

May is usually the most active month of the year for tornadoes. June is close behind followed by April as third most active month for tornadoes.

### SEVERE WEATHER PRECAUTIONS.

In the event of severe weather or approaching tornadoes, go at once to a windowless, interior room of your home, a storm cellar, basement, or lowest level of the building you are in.

If there is no basement in the building go to an inner hallway or smaller inner room with no windows such as a bathroom or closet.

Get away from windows. Stay away from corners - they attract debris.

Get under a piece of sturdy furniture like a workbench or heavy table or desk and hold on to it.

Use arms to protect head and neck.

Avoid places with wide span roofs such as auditoriums, cafeterias, large hallways, or shopping malls.

Never try to outride a tornado.

They change directions quickly and can lift up a car or truck and toss it into the air.

### INFORM THE FAMILY

Advance planning are keys to surviving a tornado.

Conduct tornado drills. Designate an area in your home as a shelter and practice having everyone in the family go there in response to a tornado threat.

Discuss with family members the difference between a “tornado watch” and a “tornado warning.”

Disaster supplies to have on hand include a flashlight and extra batteries, a battery operated radio and extra batteries for it, a first aide kit, emergency food and water, a non-electric can opener, cash and credit cards, and sturdy shoes.

If you have a storm cellar now is the time to check it for uninvited visitors like snakes and spiders. A “bug bomb” works well to reduce the spider and insect population. Plastic boxes with snap tight lids can hold extra blankets, flashlights, batteries, and bottled water for emergencies. Folding chairs can be placed inside for more comfort. Be sure to check the storm shelter for cracks, proper ventilation, and doors that can be secured against very strong winds.

Some meteorologists have predicted an active severe weather season for the Munday area. Be sure to be prepared. For the latest in radar forecasts go the themundaycourier@westex.net and click on the link to the KTXS weather information and forecasts by George Flickinger.

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## New Job Corps Career Counselor announced at the Workforce Center

Bringing with him a strong background in working with disadvantaged youth, Clarence Toomer is committed to his new responsibilities as Job Corps Career Counselor. After a fourteen-year career with the United States Air Force, Mr. Toomer moved with his family to Richmond, Virginia where he worked with disadvantaged youth for the State Department of Juvenile Justice. When his family moved to Abilene, he worked with youth as a Security Officer for the Taylor County Department of Juvenile Justice and most recently, has served as a Drill Instructor for the Sweetwater Juvenile Detention Center. He and his wife, Lisa, have two children, Clarrisa, age 10, and Tyler, age 1. “Some adults are ready to give up on our so-called Generation X group,” states Mr. Toomer, “but I see a great potential in this group to provide this country with some of the best, most courageous, and brightest leaders for our future.” He continues, “I see Job Corps as a tool to help them establish a strong work ethic and the self-motivation necessary to become productive members in today’s society.”

Job Corps is a federally funded program that has been assisting youth for over thirty years. Young men and women are given the opportunity to master various vocational skills to prepare them for success in over 100 different career paths. In addition, they learn employability skills and academic skills they will need to be truly successful throughout their lives. For more information on Job Corps, contact Clarence Toomer at the Workforce Center at (915) 795-4353.

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Those citizens with land interests along or near the new alignment of US 277 are urged to attend. A schematic (or preliminary design) map is available for viewing at the office of Gary Mizer, TxDOT Munday Area Engineer, SH 222W, during normal business hours.

The multi-phase project to convert US 277 into a 4-lane Texas Trunk System route is scheduled for completion across Knox County by 2007.

The first phase to go to construction will be from the south city limits of Munday to the Haskell county line. The project manager for this first phase of design is Mike Hosea of Munday. This

phase is scheduled for bidding in July. “We anticipate meeting that schedule and starting construction in the fall,” added Hosea.

TxDOT reports the section from Munday to near Goree is scheduled to begin in 2003 and the Munday re-alignment section is 2004. The last section from Goree to the Baylor County line is tentatively scheduled for a late 2004 commencement date.

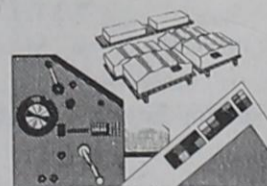
Anyone with questions or concerns is urged to contact Gary Mizer in Munday, 940-422-4350 or Marty Smith in Childress, 940-937-7250.

For more information about this project or any other TxDOT project please call Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer (940) 937-7145.

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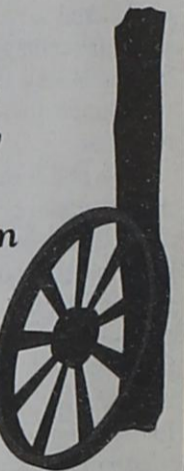
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# SPORTS

## Lake Creek Golf Course hosted golf tournament Tuesday

The Lake Creek Golf Courses hosted a golf tournament for area schools. Four teams competed with a total of 23 students.

The Munday team took 1st place with 331 total points. Throckmorton came in second with 369 points, Aspermont was third with 435 points, and Roby places fourth with 583 total points.

Wes Crawford of Munday won first place with a score of 39-35-74. Munday student, Will Longan came in second with a score of 39-40-79. C. Powell of Hamlin was the third place medalists. His score was 43-37-80.

The Munday golf team and their scores at the Lake Creek Golf Tournament are as follows: Wes Crawford - 74; Will Longan - 79; Nathan Neal - 83; Matt Arismendez - 95; Eric Sosolik - 115.

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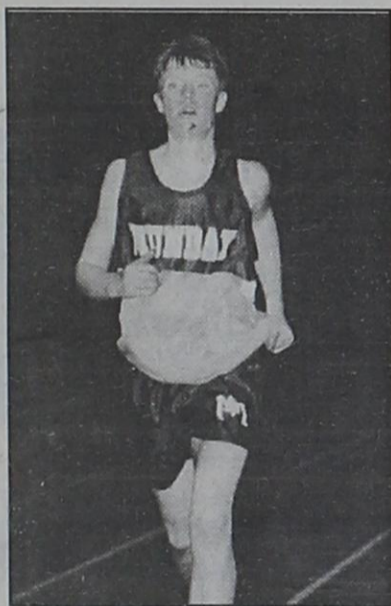


**DAISIES.** (back, left) Coach Robin Redder, Brittany Angerer, Emily Mizer, Elizabeth Gulley, Jessica Herring, (front, left) Jenna Williams, Amanda Bejar, Kelli Sepeda, Michelle Gonzales, and Ashley Crownover.

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## Junior high girls tie for third at Knox City meet

The Munday Junior high school girls track team competed at the Knox City meet last Thursday, March 22. The junior high team tied with Rotan for third place with a team score of 103. Taking second place with 104 points was Paducah and O'Brien placed first with 132 points.

Tamara Dockins placed second in the 2400 meter run with a time of 10:31.78 while Rileigh Wilson was 4th with 12:02.66.

The 400 m relay team was second with 55:54.

In the 800 m run Johnica Fetsch placed second with 3:05.11 while Kaitlyn Sosolik was 5th with 3:10.68 and Lindsey Wilde was 6th with 3:12.58.

In the 100 hurdles Jalenn Earle was 4th with 20:35.

The 800 m relay team was second 2:00.07.

Kaitlyn Sosolik was 4th in the 400m run with 1:17.61 and Lindsey Wilde was 6th with 1:21.08.

In the 300 m hurdles Jalenn Earle placed 5th with 1:03.00.

Taking first place in the 200 m dash was Munday's Eden Collier with a time of 28.31.

In the triple jump Jocelyn Decker was 3rd with 27'11" and Lindsey Wilde was 6th with 26'7 1/2".

Tamara Dockins was second in the 1600 m run with 6:32.79.

The 1600 m relay team was 3rd with 4:52.20.



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## Mogul Relays to take place Thursday, Saturday

Thursday, March 29 and Saturday, March 31, are the dates for the annual Mini-Mogul Relays and Mogul Relays. Several area junior high and high school track teams will compete at Munday High School.

The Mini-Mogul Relays will feature junior high events for boys and girls. The field events will begin at 3:00.

The Mogul Relays will take place on Saturday starting at 8:45 with field events. Field events include the high jump, long jump, discus, shot put, pole vault, and triple jump for junior varsity boys and girls as well as varsity boys and girls.

Running Prelims begin at 11:00 p.m. and will include the 400 meter relay, 100 meter hurdles, 110 meter hurdles, 100 meter dash, 800 meter relay, 400 meter dash, 300 meter hurdles, and 200 meter dash.

The running finals will begin at 3:30 or one hour after completion of the prelims.

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