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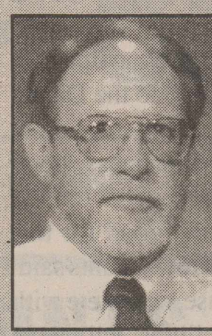
The O'Brien 7th grade boys are winning, having lost only one district game this season

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KC elementary news

Knox City Elementary Principal Maribeth Williams talks about upcoming baked potato supper

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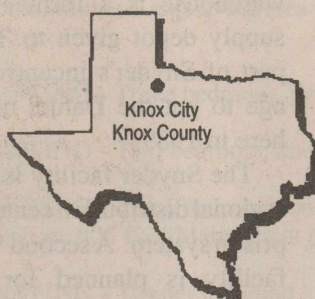


KC high school news

Principal Mack Lowe talks about a wide variety of subjects, including upcoming TAAS tests

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Fire Chief expresses concern over manpower

The Knox City Volunteer Fire Department is experiencing a manpower shortage and is appealing to both men and women in the community for help.

During a conversation in the office of *The Knox County News* on Monday morning, Fire Department Chief George Gross expressed his grave concern with regards to the shortage of volunteer firefighters in Knox City's all volunteer department. "I guess you could say we are nearly at a crisis situation," stated Gross, who went on to say that "we need more firefighters right now and we are

interested in talking with anyone, both men and women, in the community interested in becoming a firefighter."

Job transfers, retirements and a somewhat lack of interest in the department by many in the community seem to have all added up to the current shortage. According to Chief Gross, the biggest problem facing the department is a lack of manpower to respond to fires during business daylight hours. "We have twelve firemen on the department right now, and about half of them work out of town during work hours, so we

are left short handed in the event of a major structure fire."

Gross stated that in the past there has not been a big interest in women wanting to be firefighters, but with so many women in town during the day, the department is welcoming anyone who has an interest in serving their community in this capacity.

The requirements for the job are that a person be at least eighteen years of age or older, and that they be willing to devote the time necessary at department meetings for training. The State of Texas mandates the training required for firefighters, and the department has to follow the state guidelines.

The department meets three times a month, with one meeting set aside for maintenance on equipment and the other two meetings devoted to training.

The ideal firefighter on an all volunteer department should also be one whose employer agrees to let that person off work when paged out for a fire. In the past, there have been firefighters who were trained to fight fires, but who could not respond during working hours because of employer restrictions.

Even though Knox City has been fortunate in not having had a major structure fire in quite a

while, the entire community as a whole may soon start to suffer if the department does not add more firefighters. Since local insurance rates are based on a key rate system that includes the caliber of fire department in our community, insurance rates could possibly rise if the fire department is not up to statewide standards.

"One big problem with a fire department," stated Chief Gross, "is that most people never think about the fire department unless they are the ones calling 911 for a fire emergency, or unless they see fire equipment rolling on a call. What we need in Knox City is to have people aware all the time of the need for a trained and fully staffed organization"

To put this situation into a proper perspective, look at this way: Think of the terrible tragedy that would take place if an unmanned department was called out on a major fire. Not only would fighting the fire be very dangerous for the few firefighters who were able to respond, but the call could turn deadly if enough personnel were not on hand to help with those in desperate need of assistance. That need not ever happen in our community, and that is why Fire Chief George Gross is issuing this appeal for

help now, to avoid those situations from possibly happening in the future

Persons with an interest in becoming a volunteer firefighter and

serving their community in that capacity should contact Fire Chief George Gross or any member of the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department.

Saturday set for grand opening of Penman's

Roland Marion, manager of the new Penman's Convenience Store at 609 East Main in Knox City, has announced the Grand Opening festivities that will take place at the store this Saturday.

Inviting everyone in Knox City and the surrounding area to come and enjoy the day, Marion will be offering specials at the store and prizes to be given away.

The new store has been a hit since it opened, with everyone enjoying the wide variety of food items prepared by the on site cooks. The convenience of new



THIS MINIATURE 'SUE-SIZED' motorized car will belong to a customer after it is given away during the Grand Opening at Penman's Convenience Store.

computerized gas pumps is also enjoyed by customers. A full page advertisement detailing the grand opening activities appears inside this edition of *The Knox County News*. See you there!!

King County stock show is this weekend

The annual King County Livestock and Project Show will be held January 30 and 31 at the King County Community Center Complex. Eighty-nine animals are entered in the livestock division and are expecting some 250 project entries in the project show.

Friday's schedule of events are 3:00-5:00 p.m. - Check-in project show items in Community Center; By 5:00 p.m. - All animals must be in barn and officially weighed in.

Saturday, January 31st, schedule is 7:30-8:30 a.m. - Check in project show items, 9:00 a.m. - Project show judging, 8:30 a.m. - Judging of goats, sheep followed by swine; Noon - Judging rabbits, 1:00 p.m. - Judging steers, 5:30 p.m. - Donor - Buyer barbecue supper, 7:00 p.m. - Premium sale.

The judge for the 1998 livestock show will be Todd Vineyard, Jones County Extension Agent from Anson. The Project show judge is Stefanie Gannon.

Museum dinner is Feb. 8

Plans are moving along for the Sunday, February 8, Knox County Museum fundraiser dinner at Benjamin, according to Mary Jane Young, chairman of the Knox County Historical Commission.

Volunteers have been lined up to barbecue the pork and brisket and good cooks from all over Knox County have volunteered to bake turkeys and make pies and cakes.

The Sunday dinner will start at 12:30. Tickets will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for those 12 and under. Ticket sales are already underway according to Kenneth Roberts, KCHC treasurer.

Tickets can be bought now from Roberts and Jackie Young in Benjamin, Charles Baker in Munday, Bill Baker, Doris Crownover and Jerry Williams in Knox City, Dixie Elliott in Goree, Valeria Hertel in

Rhineland, Alletha Beck in Vera, Frances Cook in Gilliland, and Clara Brown in Truscott.

Salesmen have been contacted all over the county, so this list may be incomplete.

Door prizes will be awarded, so everyone needs to sign tickets before leaving them at the door February 8.

Copies of the Knox County History will be available for sale at the Benjamin Memorial Center that day. The first printing sold out years ago, so these books will be sold from the remainder of the indexed second printing. Less than 75 copies are still available.

Anyone wishing to buy or sell tickets, bake a pie or cake, or help in anyway is asked to contact any of the above listed persons.



What if this were your house on fire and there wasn't a firefighter available to drive the truck?

Services are held Tuesday for Dewey Darr

Dewey Darr, 83, died Friday afternoon, January 23, in an Abilene hospital following a brief illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 27, at 2:00 p.m. at the Church of Christ in Knox City. Bob Wille and Travis Boyd officiated. Interment followed in the Knox City Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Born March 13, 1914, on his grandparents' farm west of Knox City, he married Marie Lusk on November 6, 1937, in Rochester. They also farmed the Darr family farm and went into the oil business in the 1950's.

The Darrs celebrated their 60th anniversary on November 6, 1997, and received recognition from President and Mrs. Bill Clinton. State Representative David Counts presented them with a state proclamation in honor of their 60th anniversary.

Dewey was very active in the Church of Christ in Knox City.

Family history included that in 1907, Andy Walker brought his family including his married children and grandchildren from Hill County to Knox County to settle. One of those children, Martha Catherine Walker was married to James Thomas Darr. Mr. Walker provided enough farm land for each family to make a living. On one of these farms west of Knox City, James Dewey Darr was born to Jim and Mattie Darr. Dewey joined two sisters, Kate and Jewell, and an older brother Robert. He was later joined by a baby sister, Annie Mae.

The Darr family has attended the Church of Christ in Knox City since the times of traveling

in a buckboard with a team of horses, when families would spend Sundays attending services, having lunch on the ground and enjoying fellowship together while their babies slept.

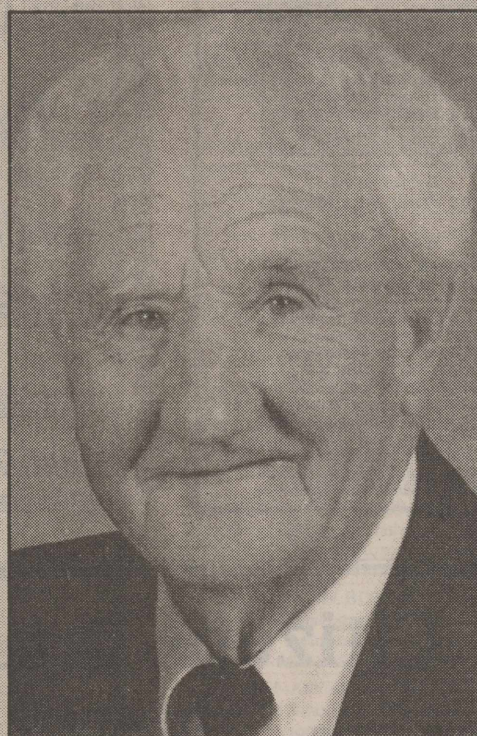
Dewey attended Brock School, grades one through seven, and then attended Knox City schools through high school.

The family made it through the depression doing whatever they could to make a living. They didn't have any money but were rich in love.

In September 1937, Dewey met the one person he wanted to spend the rest of his life with and thus married Marie Lusk on November 6, 1937. They lived on his grandfather's farm until 1939, when they moved to Gorman. They returned to Knox City in 1953 to take care of the family farm and care for his mother, Mattie Darr, after she was injured in the March 13 tornado that killed his father, Jim Darr.

Dewey and Marie had numerous businesses through the years. Always working together, they ran a gas station, wrecking yard and body shop, juke box route, skating rink, farm, contract pumping, hauling salt water, hay bailing and pulling unit businesses.

Dewey is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marie of the home; two children, Kent Darr of Dallas and Pam and Rocky Mongrain of Knox City; five grandchildren, Greg Donaldson of Wichita Falls, Angela and Michael Camley of Round Rock, Alan and Kristi Donaldson of Las Vegas, Nevada, Mandy and Michael Terry of Poteau, Oklahoma, and Erin Mongrain of Knox City; nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jewell Matura of Knox City and Annie Mae McAda of Lubbock; and a host of nieces,



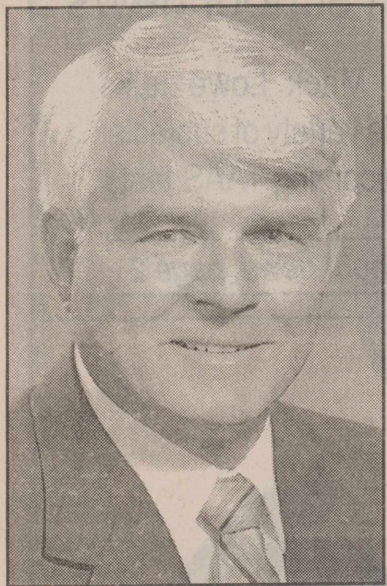
DEWEY DARR
1914 - 1998

nephews, cousins and friends, including a special friend, David Floyd of Dallas.

Pallbearers were Leon Burkham, Dwayne Johnson, W.C. Orr, Tim Moss, Jay Menasco and John L. Grindstaff Jr. Honorary pallbearers were Joe Marion, Vic Thomas, A.P. Denton, Jerry Curd, Monty Penman, Oscar Mangis and Troy Hanson.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Knox City Church of Christ Building Fund or to The League House, Hendrick Medical Foundation, 1242 N. 19th Street, Abilene, TX 79601.

Rep. Counts talks about prison



Representative David Counts

SNYDER - Rep. David Counts announced this week that the Texas Department of Criminal Justice expects to break ground this summer on a 60,000 square foot warehouse at the Price Daniel Prison Unit at Snyder, a project that will save the state almost \$1 million a year in getting supplies to prison units throughout West Texas and the Panhandle.

Counts of Knox City said that TDCJ expects to have the facility finished in an operation before the end of the year.

The new warehouse will bring

12 new jobs with an annual payroll of almost \$300,000 to the Daniel campus.

"This is good business, good for the taxpayers, good for the prison system and good for this area of West Texas," Counts said.

The warehouse, complete with cold storage facilities, will serve 22 prison units in an area stretching from Wichita Falls through the Panhandle to El Paso. Goods are now trucked to those prisons from as far away as Huntsville.

TDC officials have told Counts they expect the regional distribution system to save the agency \$950,000 a year in transportation costs.

"We look forward to the efficiency this facility will bring to the prison system," Wayne Scott, TDCJ executive director, said. "As always, it has been a constructive and pleasant experience to work with area officials and Representative Counts on making this a reality."

The facility will have 40,000 square feet of dry storage area and 20,000 square feet of freezer and cold storage space.

The cold storage space will enable the agency to house bulk inventories of frozen foods, meats

and perishable items.

The warehouse will store prison agriculture supplies, maintenance repair parts, general prison security equipment and inventories for prison commissaries.

The new facility will be adjacent to the unit's existing 70,000 square foot warehouse which stores non-perishable foods and clothing supplies. The existing warehouse is a former oilfield supply depot given to TDJC as part of Snyder's incentive package to get the Daniel unit built here in 1989.

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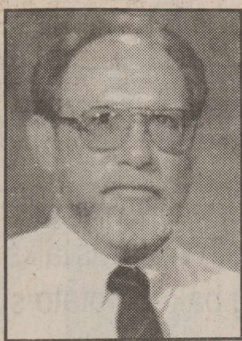
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Note: Since we are a small business with a full time staff of two, these times may vary as we cover news & sports stories, take pictures, conduct business or handle family matters.



News from Knox City high School

Basketball, stock show, UIL, one act play, TAAS & sex education

By Mack Lowe
Principal, KCHS

The month of January is just about over and we've been so busy in the High School that it's hard to imagine where the month has gone! The basketball season begins the second round of games this Tuesday night and four of the last six games are at home. These kids play hard and need our continued support.

The stock show season is also getting started and several of our students are involved with showing animals. Parents, if your kids are going to miss school for stock shows, or any of the extra-curricular activities, encourage your children to make arrangements

with their teachers in advance for their work. They can get a lot of their assignments taken care of ahead of time and that makes things a lot easier on the teachers and themselves.

Preparations for the UIL Literary events are under way and the District Meet for literary contests will be held at Munday H. S. on March 31st and April 3rd. The One Act Play Zone Contest will be held at Aspermont H.S. on March 24th and District will be held at Munday on March 27th.

Sandwiched in the midst of all the extra-curricular activities that are in the near future is the TAAS Test for our Sophomores! We have begun TAAS tutorials in Math and the English classes are working on TAAS related skills in preparation for the March 3rd, 4th, & 5th test dates. We've talked

quite a bit about the importance of the TAAS and we cannot over-emphasize the fact that this is the measuring stick that the Texas Education Agency uses as they determine the effectiveness of our instructional programs.

On Feb. 12th, the District will have a meeting to inform parents of the information that will be contained in the Sex Education Program that will be taking place in March. The date, time and place for this meeting will be published at a later date. We will be communicating with every parent about the nature and scope of this program.

As always, let me encourage each and every parent to come by or call if you have any questions about your child's education.



News from Knox City Elementary

PTO Baked Potato supper set for next Tuesday from 5:00 - 7:00



By Maribeth Williams,
Principal

Moms and dads of KC Elementary Students! The Baked Potato Supper sponsored by the Elementary Parent / Teacher Organization (PTO) will be on February 3 from 5:00 until 7:00. This supper requires the help on many people for it to run smoothly. Please, say you will help by donating an hour of your time on the evening of February 3 to come to the KC cafeteria and help serve, pack, chop or whatever.

Also, remember to send your scrubbed foil wrapped (but **not**

baked) potatoes or a dessert. If you are a parent with more than one child, you do not have to send potatoes or dessert for each child, unless you want to send more.

Students will be selling tickets for the Potato Supper. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Takeouts are available, but there will be NO DELIVERIES. If you are not approached by an Elementary student to buy a ticket, please, call the school office at 658-3147 and we will see that you get tickets.

For several years the PTO has decided to use their funds on playground equipment and our playgrounds are beautiful and fun. This year the decision was made to use

the money for classroom instructional materials such as Accelerated Reader (a computer / library book program to enhance reading skills), computer software, science equipment, and other necessary items.

We educators at Knox City Elementary do appreciate the parents, grandparents and friends who work with the PTO. Many are not available to come to meetings, but always are willing and ready to help work and donate time and effort to our projects. This is all done to strengthen our school program in order to benefit the children of the community which results in the betterment of the community.

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Jack Whitten announces for commissioner seat

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His formal statement will appear in a later issue of the *News*.

SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Guido
Metter, Georgia

Joyfully and excitedly a politician said, "I've been elected!" "Honestly?" asked his wife. "Why bring that up?" he asked. So many are dishonest. But honesty is like an icicle. Once it melts, that's the end of it.

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A Golden Time

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A study in the Archives of Internal Medicine maintains that living wills can save about \$60,000 per patient in medical costs. Researchers studied 474 patients who died in a hospital during 1990-92. Bills for those without living wills were three times as high.

Currently only one medical school in the entire country, out of 126, has a full-fledged department of geriatrics: Mt. Sinai School of Medicine in New York.

Stephens rites held Jan. 15 in Amarillo

William Arvel Stephens, 76, of Amarillo died Monday, January 12, 1998.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, January 15, in Paramount Baptist Church in Amarillo with Dr. Gil Lain, pastor and Kenneth Meek, retired minister, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Born in Haskell County, Mr. Stephens had lived in Amarillo since 1970. He farmed in Knox and Haskell counties until 1950

when he moved to Petersburg. He farmed in Petersburg, Plainview and Stratford until 1970.

He then moved to Amarillo where he was partner in an implement business until retiring in 1984.

Mr. Stephens was ordained as a deacon in the Baptist church in Plainview in 1963. He was a member of Paramount Baptist Church. He was a Veteran of the Air Force, serving in the 8th Air Force stationed in London.

He married Lula O. (Dee) Graham in 1945 in San Angelo.

Survivors include his wife; a son, William L. (Bill) Stephens of Amarillo; a daughter, Pamela D. Urbanczyk of White Deer; a brother, Morgan Melvin Stephens of Deport; and three grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be to Hospice of Veterans Hospital or the Paramount Baptist Church scholarship fund.

Clint Hacker named to ASU dean's list

Clint W. Hacker, a 1996 graduate of Knox City High School, has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Angelo State University.

Clint, a junior kinesiology, sports medicine major, posted a 3.672 GPA.

Clint is the son of Sherry and Clifford Hacker of Knox City.

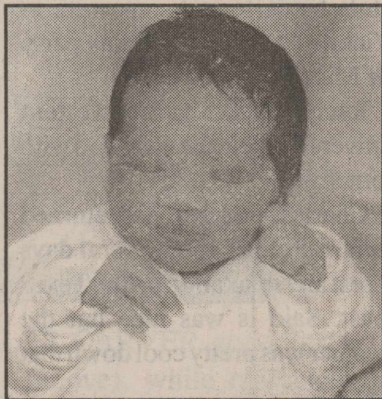
Collier rites are held Tuesday

Tanea Ashakei Collier, two months old, died unexpectedly Friday morning, January 23, in the Knox County Hospital.

Services were held Tuesday, January 27, at 11:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church. Elder Leon Ward and Rev. Johnny Johnson officiated.

Burial was in the Knox City Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include her father, Ricky Thomas; her mother, Felicia Collier; her brother, Tavion Collier; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Collier Jr., Andy Masias and Betty Jo Thomas.



TANEA ASHAKEI COLLIER

Memorials may be sent to the Collier family.

Pallbearers were Armando Wayne Rubio and Jimmy Macias.

Walsworth rites held in O'Brien

D. Ross Walsworth of Albany, 89, former O'Brien resident, died Friday, January 23, at his residence.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 26, in the O'Brien Baptist Church with the Rev. Bill Trice officiating. Burial was in the O'Brien Cemetery.

Mr. Walsworth was born in Jonesboro, Louisiana, and married Mattie Ellen Short in 1934 in O'Brien.

He served with the United States Army during World War II and was the O'Brien postmaster for 35 years until retiring in 1976. He moved to Albany 20 years ago and was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Danny Walsworth of Shreveport, Louisiana; a daughter, Jill Bennett of Albany; three sisters, Audie Johnston of O'Brien, Mildred



ROSS WALSWORTH
Former O'Brien Postmaster

LaDuke of Olton and Avis Johnston of Waco; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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by Bud and Sequoyah Reynolds, by Billye Angle, by Dave, Stacy and Scooter Thompson;

Dewey Darr

by Billye Angle, by Dave, Stacy and Scooter Thompson;

Tanea Ashakei Collier

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First Baptist and United Methodist churches in Knox City brought Kleenex, O'Brien Baptist, picture of the Ten Commandments, the Knox County Retired Teachers brought Bingo prizes as did Peggy Guinn, the O'Brien Student Council brought cookies and sang, Benjamin's third, fourth, fifth and sixth graders sang, as did Bud Conner of Benjamin who also brought socks for our residents, the KC Church of Christ children sang and Jonita Felty helped decorate for Christmas.

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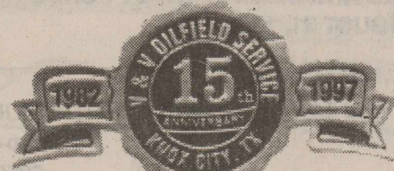
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Historical commission to meet Mon.

All members of the Knox County Historical Commission are urged to attend a meeting, Monday, February 2, at the Benjamin Memorial Building at 3:00 p.m. to finalize plans for the museum benefit Sunday dinner at Benjamin February 8.

Other KCHC business will be discussed including the sale of Knox County History books, the possibility of part-time help in the KCHC office at the courthouse and plans for spring meetings.

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Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Well after a busy weekend with the Super Bowl game sort of put a finishing touch to it, we start another week of routine "goings on". Myself , and the crowd I was with, all were happy with the outcome of the game. One exception was Anthony Lamb, grandson of Dutch and Imagean Young. (He's a die-hard Packer fan!)

News is pretty good regarding the ailing of the community. Stephen Kuehler spent Thursday night in the Knox County Hospital with possible heart problems. He's home now but will be watched pretty closely for a while. He has a good nurse in wife, Sheila, who will take good care of him.

Those colds, allergies, flu, etc. are still pretty prevalent around here but we still are hoping it won't be long until that season is over ! !

Sympathy is extended today to the family of Joe Reeder. Joe was a man whom I was proud to call my friend. His funeral was Thursday.

Also to the family of Dewey Darr, I send my condolences - I was not that well acquainted with Mr. Darr but did have occasion to do business with him in the clerk's office and he was always very congenial and cooperative and when his business was done he would be "on his way". I understand he had been in failing health for some time.

We also received word this past week of the death of Rodney Pyatt, the son of Bob and Bonita Pyatt. He had been sick for quite a while. Memorial service as held Saturday in Allen. Sympathy goes to Rodney's family also.

Shower Honors Mother-To-Be - Shana Heard was honored with a pink and blue shower Saturday in the home of Susan Cartwright. Before the honoree opened her gifts, the guests played a couple of games which tested our thinking ability. None of us did real well but had fun anyway. We were trying to unscramble "baby words" and also to make proper names out of the words "maternity clothes".

Cookies, cold punch and special punch were served by Ashley Cartwright and Kimberly Beck.

Lotsd of nice, pretty and very useful gifts were received by the honoree.

Hostesses were Susan Cartwright, Jo Cartwright, Linda Wagner, Debbie Clower, Betty Gleaves, Lois Welch, Mary Welch, Sybil Simmons, Lula Baty and Valerie Kinnibrugh.

Paige Alyssa Boone Honored - Sunday afternoon, Paige Alyssa Boone, the daughter of Rebekah and Phil Boone, was the center of attention at a party given in her honor in the fellowship hall at the First United Methodist Church in Benjamin.

Rebekah had lots of fun opening the many gifts received for Paige. She will have a new outfit for every day for a long time !

Refreshments were cookies and punch served to a large number of guests.

Hostesses were Judy Conner, Jonnie Williams, Julia Trepanier, Janet Reed, Janice Tolson, Belle Grill, Susan Cartwright, Mary Bohannon, Brandi Hacker, Lori Bufkin, Mary Young, Barbara Pratt, Linda Parker and Vicki Clower.

Here N There - Jeff Pierce of Snyder visited his mom and dad, Barbara and Sammy, Sunday while his wife and sons were in Wichita Falls for a birthday party for Misty's nephew.

Rachel Duke of Midwestern University spent the weekend with homefolks.

Charles and Joy Jones returned home Saturday after several days of rest and relaxation on the Texas coast. Said is was nice but the weather was pretty cool down that way.

L.O. Jackson of Munday visited his sister Jonnie Williams Sunday. L.O. is doing well since his recent surgery.

Kim Moore, Samijo and Shelby of Spur spent the weekend with their family here.

Audra Neal of HSU spent the weekend with her parents and sister, Larry, Gaye and Laura.

Aging services are no secret

The Knox County Aging Services are not the best kept secret in Knox County anymore. The county service sites have a large attendance. The centers and activities are listed as follows:

Munday Center will have a game night on Tuesday, February 3, in the Perry Patton Community Center along with food and games. Frances Cypert invites everyone to bring a favorite food and be at the Center at 6:00 p.m. the first Tuesday night of each month.

Knox City Center has a game night each Thursday night with games beginning at 5:00 p.m. Then the group has a pot luck supper and continues to play games until 8:30 or 9:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this fun night of fellowship.

Currently, the Knox County Center in Knox City has a beautiful quilt in antique quilting frames. Several area ladies have been quilting the "Jacks Trail" quilt donated to the Center by Emma Fetsch and Teresa Bruggeman. Anyone is invited to come and quilt all day or just put a few stitches in the quilt.

Daily meals for the centers are prepared each day by Jane Gideon and Jan Kilgore, who are reported to be excellent cooks. Anyone wishing to do so may join the group at 11:30 a.m. In addition to meals at the sites of Knox City, Munday, Goree, Benjamin and Truscott, the center for Senior Citizens in Knox County has home delivery to persons that qualify for this service. Call 940-658-3618 for assistance.

Site directors for Knox County are Benjamin - Joetta Cartwright, Goree - Juanita Davis, Munday - Louise Fruehwirth and Truscott - Joan Daniels.

Many heartfelt thanks for the prayers, love, food and flowers given us after the death of our husband, father and grandfather, Joe Reeder Jr.

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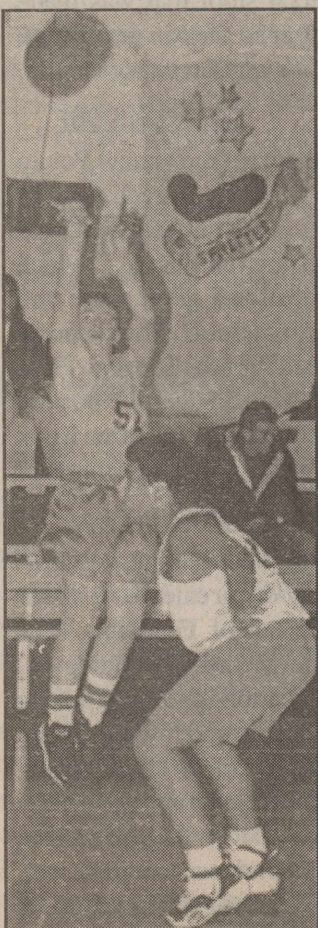
BENJAMIN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1997				
Data Control Codes		GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (MEMO ONLY)
		100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	98 AUGUST 31, 1997
5700	REVENUES:			
5800	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$343,993	\$9,099	\$353,092
5900	State Program Revenues	665,790	3,453	669,243
	Federal Program Revenues	0	30,190	30,190
5020	Total Revenues	\$1,009,783	\$42,742	\$1,052,525
10	EXPENDITURES:			
20	Instruction and Instruction-Related Services	\$557,299	\$14,152	\$571,451
30	Instruction and School Leadership	34,850	0	34,850
40	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	74,831	50,905	125,736
50	Administrative Support Services	88,899	0	88,899
60	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	116,011	0	116,011
70	Ancillary Services	496	0	496
80	Debt Service	0	0	0
90	Capital Outlay for School District Facilities	45,012	0	45,012
	Intergovernmental Charges	37,399	0	37,399
6030	Total Expenditures	\$954,797	\$65,057	\$1,019,854
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$54,986	(\$22,315)	\$32,671
7020	Other Resources	75	22,315	22,390
8030	Other (Uses)	(22,315)	0	(22,315)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$32,746	\$0	\$32,746
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	884,388	0	884,388
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	0	0	0
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$917,134	\$0	\$917,134

O'Brien 7th grade basketball is on a roll

News file photos



CALEB CARVER goes for a shot (above), while classmate LANDON WEIERSHAUSEN (at right) scores two points.



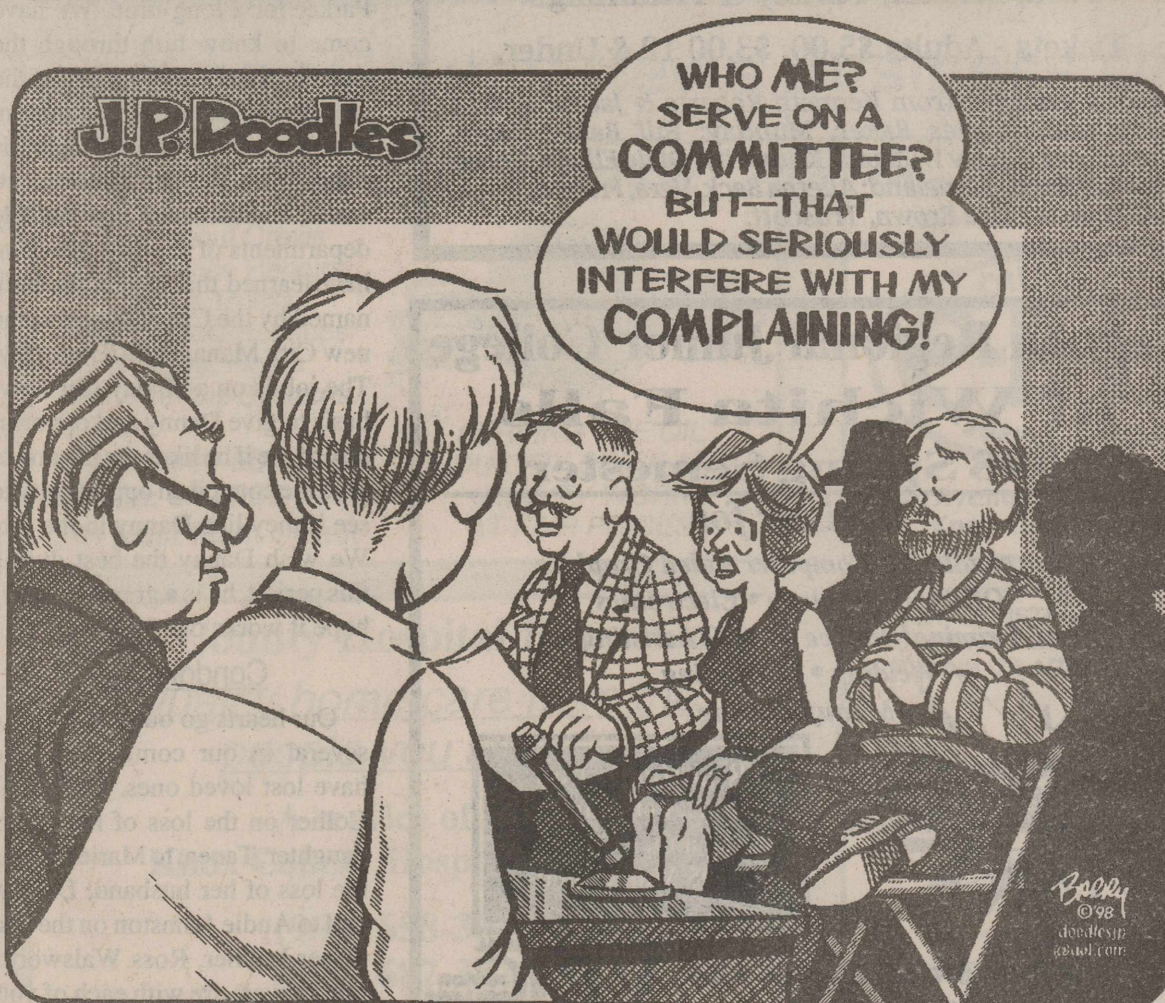
SCOOTER THOMPSON takes a long shot (at left), while BRAD JOHNSON is shown (at right) going high for two points. The photos on this page were all taken recently when O'Brien traveled to Spur.

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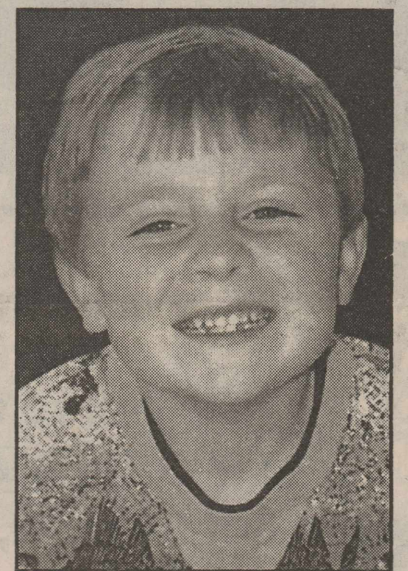


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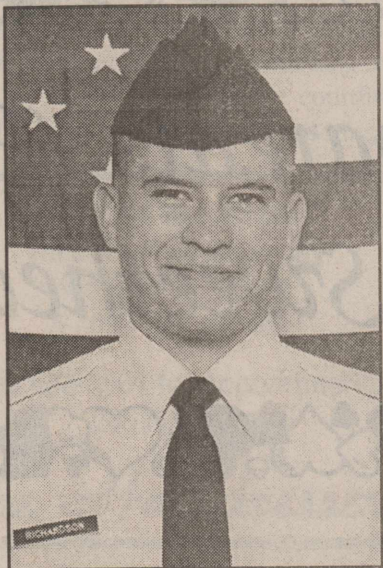
Eric Richardson graduates from Air Force basic training

Air Force Airman Eric M. Richardson has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Richardson is the son of Flint and stepson of Christy Richardson of Burkburnett.



Airman Eric Richardson

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

Saturday night, Delbert and Norma Hayes and Bernice Rowan went to Old Glory and attended a "big crowd" musical. The house was full and they enjoyed lots of good music.

Vivian Hendrix has been in Wichita Falls visiting her daughter, LeNear, for a few days. She also had a doctor's appointment.

Last weekend, Kenneth and Sammie Roberts of Plainview and their son, Rodney Roberts and wife Sherri, daughter Jenna and son Jerod of Lubbock and Randy Roberts of College Station all visited me and on Sunday, I returned home with Sammie and then visited my sister Mildred LaDuke in Olton. Then it was on to Slaton where I visited Don and Marilyn Johnston and their daughter Kari Lewis, husband Brad and granddaughters Kristin and Kelcee and on to Lubbock to visit Jim and Tenia Johnston and then to

Shallowater to visit Shirley and Freddie James and their grandchildren, Tiffany and Bubba James and Dustin Lambright of Plainview and Thomas Mowery of Lubbock. I enjoyed my visit very much and Don and Marilyn returned me home Saturday.

The relatives and friends of Belle Duncan, aunt of Billie Walker, gathered at the Aspermont Community Center January 25 to honor her with a celebration for her 97th birthday. Nephews and nieces came from Arizona, New Mexico, Louisiana and Texas - fifty strong. The meal of ham, turkey and all the trimmings was enjoyed and a large sheet cake was decorated with pastel silk flowers and streamers. The theme of "She keeps going and going" was carried out with pastel balloons and flowers with pastel lettering on brown paper 6' x 20' signs on the walls. Pastel

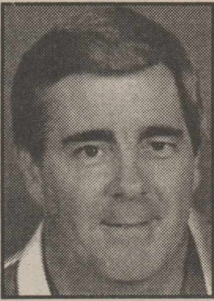
streamers completed the decorations.

Visiting in the Walker home in O'Brien were Julie and Dale Sanders of Amarillo, Mary Beth Seney of Louisiana, Art Cameron of Tyler, Jack Duncan of Los Lunas, New Mexico, and Jimmy, Bill and Mike Duncan of Arizona. Nephews Sam, Jim, Jack Duncan furnished music for Aunt Belle's party. Jack Duncan was inducted into the New Mexico Old Fiddlers Hall of Fame in 1996. Sam Duncan is a Baptist minister guitar player from Floyd, New Mexico. Jim Duncan, guitarist and published hymn writer, operates a trailer park and sells calf bottle holders he invented. He and his wife, Dot, reside in Los Lunas, New Mexico.

Charlene Brothers was in Goldthwaite recently attending the funeral services for her aunt, Irene Huckabee.

The condensed version.....

By Dave Thompson



There seems to be alot happening around town , I'll talk about a lot of it here in a short, condensed version.

Grand opening

Everyone needs to mark their calendars for the grand opening of Ray Penman's Convenience Store this Saturday. The festivities will include a ribbon cutting by the Chamber of Commerce at 10:00 in the morning and a lot of great give-a-way stuff all day long. If you haven't tried the food yet, you are missing out on a sure thing! Oh, by the way..... when you go in, ask Sue if you can see the special stool that was made just for her so she can get up high enough to wait on customers!

potato supper

Don't forget the annual Potato Supper that is held each year by the Parent Teacher Organization as a fundraiser..... which means it's for a good cause and you get to eat too!! The supper is scheduled for next Tuesday, February 3, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria on the Knox City campus. Don't miss this one!

Museum dinner

Talking about eating, don't forget to mark your calendar for Sunday, the 8th of February. The Benjamin Memorial Building will be the location for a fund raising dinner sponsored by the Knox County Historical Commission. The group is attempting to raise funds for their museum project, so your attendance would be welcome. The meal tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for those 12 and under.

Basketball

If you haven't had the opportunity to see the O'Brien Basketball teams in action this season, you are missing a lot of excitement! The 7th and 8th grade boys and girls teams are playing pretty good ball, and the 7th grade boys, under Coach Jimmy Chappell, have only lost one district game all season!

New city manager

Most of us have known Danny Parker for a long time. We have come to know him through the devotion he shows to youth of the area during Little League season, and we know him through his duties with the fire department, water, maintenance and outside departments of the city. Now we have learned that Danny has been named by the City Council as the new City Manager of Knox City. The job is on a 90 day (for now) basis to give Danny and opportunity to see if he likes the job and to give the council an opportunity to see if they like Danny in the job. We wish Danny the best during this period, he is a great guy and I hope it works out for him!

Condolences

Our hearts go out this week to several in our community who have lost loved ones. To Felicia Collier on the loss of her infant daughter, Tanea; to Marie Darr on the loss of her husband, Dewey; and to Audie Johnston on the loss of her brother, Ross Walsworth. Our prayers are with each of you.

Aging center lunch menus

February 2 thru 6

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Tuesday, February 3 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, green salad, baked potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pineapple delight.

Wednesday, February 4 - Baked turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, green pea salad, glazed carrots, hot rolls, cake.

Thursday, February 5 - Stewed chicken with dumplings and gravy, raw vegetable salad, mixed vegetables, light bread, fruit cobbler.

Friday, February 6 - Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions, potato wedges, cinnamon rolls.

(All menus subject to change without notification due to conditions beyond the control of the staff at the Knox County Center. It is very important to notify the site manager in advance so that the visit will be on record and meals will arrive from the central kitchen.)

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LOST - Wayland Baptist College class ring. Somewhere in the downtown area January 8 or 9. If found, please call 658-3487. Reward.

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Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS SENATE BILL III LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.
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Help Wanted

HELP WANTED - The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is accepting applications for a Technician I position. The position requires a B.S. degree in agriculture with associated background and skills. Work location will be the Munday Research Station. A complete position description and application can be obtained from the Munday office during regular office hours. Contact David Bordovsky at 940-852-5125 for further information. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT - The 50th Judicial District Community Supervision and Corrections Department is currently accepting applicants for the position of Department Secretary. A typed resume with references should be submitted to Dale Rush, Department Director at 119 E. McLain, Seymour, Texas. 1-29 1tc 40

HELP WANTED - Benjamin ISD is taking applications for the position of School Custodian. If interested, you can apply between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. at the superintendent's office, 454-2231.

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Political Calendar

The following have authorized *The Knox County News* to announce their candidacy for public office.

State Representative, District 70
SCOTT MCLAUGHLIN (R)
DAVID COUNTS (D) - Re-Election

Knox County Treasurer
PENNY (PARKS) GOODWIN (D)

Knox County Clerk
RONNIE VERHALEN (D)
DANNY SPECK (D) - Re-Election

Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 & 2
IMAGEAN YOUNG (D)-Re-Election
CLODELL DUKE (D)
ROBERT (ROB) HARRISON (D)
MITZI HAM (D)

Knox County Sheriff
DEAN W. HOMSTAD (D)
JOHNNY M. ANDRADE (D)

Knox County Judge
DAVID N. PERDUE (D)-Re-Election
LINDA WAGNER (D)

Knox County Commissioner, Precinct Two
JERRY PARKER (D) - Re-Election
JACK WHITTEN

Judge, 11th Court of Appeals
ROBERT PELTON (R)

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NEW LISTING - Three bedroom, one bath, large living room, kitchen, carport, fenced backyard. Good location. 805 East Main. Great price!

NEW LISTING - Corner lot, good location, good seller. Three - four bedroom, one bath.

NEW LISTING - Three bedroom, one bath, dining room, carpet.. 1002 South Fourth.

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