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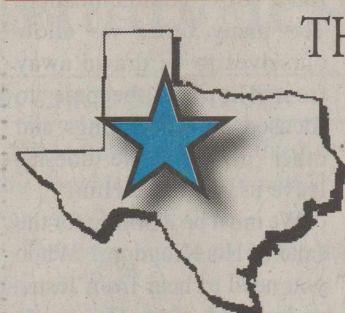
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Medical Supply Building Opens in Benjamin Celebrating Daddies: Gods Chosen Men

By Tamara Smart

On June 6th, after a year from the beginning stages of the building process, the doors to the Medical Supply Store in Benjamin Texas have officially opened. This is the newest addition to the Knox County Hospital District's growing wealth of Medical facilities throughout the County, having opened a new Medical Clinic in Munday only 3 months ago (in March).

The Medical Supply Store is abundant in up-to-date at home medical technologies for everyone, from "pregnant belly bras" to geriatric care items. They have a section of medical supplies entitled the "Essential Health Spot", featuring everything from Bed pads to help prevent bed sores to Lumbar support wedges. There are all sorts of braces for athletic or arthritic knees, ankles, backs- as well as handy-dandy tools to aid in dressing, bathing and medicine taking.

There is even a section to help making a medically sound need more fashionable, with supportive socks, hose and underwear to canes twisted



With temperatures in the triple digits, the grand opening ribbon was cut indoors at the new Medical Supply Center in Benjamin, Texas last Sunday afternoon. Pictured Here: Knox County Hospital District President, Clint Jones, and Vice President, Tracy Cartwright, hold the Grand Opening ribbon as Knox County hospital CEO, Steven Kuehler makes the official "Grand Opening" cut.

with a myriad of popular colors and themes.

There are thermopacks, and nebulizers for sale at the new Medical Supply place, as well as massaging chairs for those who make need a little extra at-home therapy.

As Knox County Hospital District CEO, Steven Kuehler, cut the "grand Opening Ribbon", he imparted sentiments of excitement to help the "people of Knox and Baylor Counties the ability to get medical supplies".

The K.C.H.D. Ladies Auxiliary, also known as the "Pink Ladies", clad in



Clint Jones and Tracy Cartwright hold the Grand Opening Ribbon as Steven Kuehler cut it.

Photo by Jason Smart

Photo by Jason Smart

their signature pink coats, hosted the event- serving cookies and punch to those who came to greet the new enterprise into life.

The Medical Supply

center will be open 6 days a week, M-F from 9 am until 5pm; Saturdays from 9 am- noon. Wendy Henderson will be the General Manager.

An editorial by Tamara Smart

All through my childhood, I remember that my dad had a framed cross-stitched cloth over his desk which proclaimed: "Any man can be a father, it takes someone special to be a Daddy." Now, 28 years later, as my 8 and a half old son had learned that my husband is "Da", DaD" or "Dad-Dy", or (if he is especially impatient at the moment) "DA!", and I am still "AAHHH", (as he has not quite yet gotten down the "m" sound), I have a new appreciation for daddies, and have come to understand that cloth in a different way.

Until I was married, I always turned to my dad; from scraped knees to car wrecks, from teenage break-ups to strep throats, from playing Barbie's (because my dad had the pleasure of having 3 daughter, yes, he played his share of Barbie's) to teaching me how to change a tire, daddy was always the man I turned to to "fiss it". Even when my car stalled out in the middle of 5 o'clock traffic in Los Angeles during my college years, I called my dad (who was in New

Mexico) to "Fiss it"...

Now, I watch my husband be the fixer. I am elated that my son's first word is "DA", and that Jason is the amazing ball throwing, refereeing, diaper changing, right-from-wrong knowing, spit curing, prayer-teaching man with whom I have the pleasure of raising my children.

Yet, this Father's Day, something else has occurred to me. You see; I was a mother before I bore a child, as was my husband a daddy before ever becoming a father. Our family is not necessarily linked through DNA, but we are definitely linked through love. God deals people into the auspice in which he intends for them, although sometimes not through the typical means.

On Sunday, at the Foursquare Church, an old familiar face was seen in the pews, sitting along side a slightly familiar face and a brand new to Knox City face. Kim Chambers- Goodwin came to visit with her husband, Jesse Goodwin, and their now 8-month-old son, Luke. The way that Luke came into the Goodwin's

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2010 Knox City Pride Band Continues to Excel

By Tamara Smart

Even though school is out for the summer, graduation excitement is now a memory for the class of 2010 and school is the furthest thing from most teen's minds during these hot summer afternoons; there are still many things going on behind the scenes in their educational careers which continues to thrust them into the spotlight. Namely, the 2010 Knox City Pride, which was decorated throughout the 2009-2010 school year with honors such as "superior" ratings at UIL competitions, the famed "sweepstakes award", and an appearance at the State Marching competition in San Antonio. Now, even though the band is not presently together in these hot summer months, it continues to reap awards. On June 9th, after listening to a CD that was recorded during the UIL Concert competition last spring, the Knox City Honor Band was selected to advance

to Area competition in the "Honor Band" category.

Knox City was selected for the Area competition, as well as Archer City and Haskell. Two attendees from Area advance to Regionals, and then to State competition. The State winner of the Honor Band UIL Competition will have the opportunity to play for the TMEA (Texas music Educators Association) Conference next February. The highest honor for and Texas high school band.

Mr. Mark Tucker, the KCHS Band Director, will get notice as to whether they will continue advancing on June 22. Mr. Tucker is extremely proud of his band, as he starts working with the youth to develop their musical talent when they are in the 5th grade. According to Tucker: "Even when school's out, the band continues..."

Last year, the Honor Band advanced all the way to state competition

KCHS Senior Selected to Attend 2010 JSA Princeton Summer Program

By Tamara Smart

Most people in Knox City know Michael Wilborn. He's that tall, quiet, redhead who chooses to speak rarely, but when he does, he speaks volumes in only a few words. During the school year, Michael is found hard at work in the Debate team, or studying for an exam, or at his after-school job at the Rockin Grill. This summer, one can still find Michael at the schools, working with the maintenance staff, polishing floors, repainting bleachers, and doing general "help out" tasks; that, of course, when he is not at his second job, still, preppin' the food to be served at the Grill. Michael is one of those people that opens the door for you as you enter the store, that never passes another thought as he helps out in any way he can, who carries an aura of calm and peace with him, is the type of guy one would hope their teenage daughter would bring home to meet momma, and is just an all-around good guy.

This summer, through hard work, diligence and sheer intelligence, Michael has been one of a select few hand-picked by Junior Statesmen Foundation, located in Washington DC, to attend the 2010 Junior Statesmen Summer School at Princeton University. He is already



Micheal Wilborn
Courtesy Photo

registered for a college level course in Constitutional Law; a subject that might quite intimidate the average Joe, Michael looks forward to with undeniable excitement.

Yet, the cost of tuition/ books/lodging/travel for the program is to be considered by Michael as he prepares himself for this trip/learning experience. Altogether, the cost of the program is \$4000, a price tag that Michaels has vowed to acquire through the support of the community surrounding him. The Junior Statesmen Foundation have generously given Michael a scholarship of \$2000 toward his tuition, but that still leaves

\$2000 in funds to be collected. Already, though, Knox County, being the amazing family-oriented community that it is, has come forth with much of the needed moneys to help this young man with immeasurable potential begin his post-high school education (although he won't begin his senior year at KCHS until his return from Princeton). So far, Michael and his family have raised \$1,025 (so far). Nevertheless, Michael and his family have still not reached the \$4000 goal.

During his stay at Princeton, Michael will be inundated with the "University lifestyle", having to attend daily classes, take midterms, complete a research paper, pass a final exam, and, eventually graduate. Each day will consist of 5 hours of class time, and conclude with a two hour nightly Congressional Workshop Debate. They will have a strict curfew at 11:00 pm nightly, as the day begins at 8:30 with an am session "Core Government Course".

Anyone wishing to help Michael (no matter the amount; every little bit get him closer to Princeton) can either call the Knox County News Office at 940-657-3142 or call the Wilborn's directly at their home (940) 657-4451.

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The Knox City First Baptist will host an all summer long program for the youth of Knox. From 10 am until noon,

children from 1st to 6th grade are invited to the basement of the church to engage in arts, crafts, story time and life lessons to learn more about God's Love. The basement will reopen on Thursday for the older kids, Jr. High through High School. For more information, call Jerry or Monette Vincent at 657-3141.

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The bride-elect is a 2007 graduate of Knox City High School. She completed 2 years of college prior to transferring to Texas College of Cosmetology in Abilene where she will graduate in November. She is the granddaughter of Zella Moeller and the late Ernest Moeller of Haskell and Tommy and Mollie Wyck of Coahoma.
The bride-groom is a 2004 graduate of May Pearl High School and graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in May 2008. He graduated from The Texas Department of Public Safety Training Academy in March 2009. He is currently employed as a Texas State Trooper for Haskell County. He is the grandson of Rev. Dan and Judy Adams of San Antonio and Juanita Meyer and the late W.B. Meyer of Waco.
The couple plans a July 17 wedding at the First Baptist Church in Mauney.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor-

This past weekend, June 11-13 was the Ex-Students Homecoming at Benjamin, everyone had a great time; however, I would just like the chance to make a comment on the condition of the Ex-Students building after the Saturday night dance. To you that are responsible, just think about how you would feel if you had a party at your home, and guests poured beer on your living room floor then threw the empty cans and bottle caps on the floor and in your front yard. This building may not be someone’s home, but it

was built by the hard work of people who came before us. It costs a lot of money to maintain the building, we are proud of it and we would like to keep it in good usable order. It was pretty hard getting all the stuff cleaned up so community church service could be held Sunday morning.

The next time you go to a dance anyplace just think about how you would feel if someone did that to your home. Have fun, but respect other peoples property.

Have a great Day,
Lorene Powers
Benjamin, Texas

Letter to the Editor-

Summer is here and we would like to enjoy a day at the City Pool with our grandkids and kids in general- would like to go to the pool and cool off & have fun.

My sister and I went to the pool last Sunday afternoon. We saw that teenage kids were running the pool and the person in charge had little concern for the younger kids. There is a time place for kissing and caressing and the city pool is NOT the place. Those couples that were kissing and caressing were never told anything. The teens are not listening to the

lifeguards, one in particular told her to shut up. At one point, I guess when would be known as the manager of the pool was told about what was going on and did not attend to the matter until she got ready to do so. When the whistle was blown for break, everyone was told to get out of the pool, including the little kids. The teenagers sat on the side of the big pool & continued to jump in the pool!

So, what we would like to know is WHO IS RUNNING THE CITY POOL?!!

-Conception Garcia, Lou Rios, and Elda Martinez
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God’s Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor
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In your hardest times and toughest days, why does it seem so hard to hold onto God? Do you feel He is so distant? Sometimes we feel we can’t reach God, regardless how hard we try? But God’s Word tells us that He is always there, right beside us. *Mat 28:18-20 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”*

When we are doing the work of Christ, He is always with us. When we aren’t doing the work of Christ He is always calling us to do His work. Christ always desires an active relationship, one full of communication. Too many times we allow ourselves to be drawn away from Him and become to focused on other things and other people. He doesn’t leave us; we leave Him.

We must be working for the sake of His Kingdom! When you need to hear from Jesus, understand that He needs to hear from you. All you need to do is call His name and then listen. He will tell you what you need to do to hear Him. I pray that you experience the love of God in every way every day.

Truscott News

Wheat Harvest is slowing down, and Kenneth Carroll, who is managing the Gavalon elevator at Gilliland, says only a few more fields will be cut. That means if the scattered showers predicted for this week hold off that wheat harvest maybe over by Wednesday or Thursday, June 16 or 17th.

Working at the Gilliland elevator in the 2010 wheat season have also been Jason Daniel, Mike Bechpel of Crowell, and some Gailon interns, from time to time (the Truscott elevator did not open this year). Lyndle Reeves brought the first wheat in. The crop is averaging around 30 bushels, but the price is low.

Unlike the Truscott elevator, your writer is back at work this week, after being down and out of the word business for several months “thank you goes out to all the readers who said they missed this column; either to me, or to the Editor. (Especially, the Editor, since she’s the one who sends me a free paper, even when I don’t send her any news!)

Sunday afternoon was the first time seeking news calls, but most people were not home, but several did have news-

Sarah Tomanek, granddaughter of Geraldine and Edmund Tomanek will be getting married July 9, 2010 at Spirit Ranch in Lubbock to Dane Norman. She is the daughter of Joe and Kay Tomanek of Boyd More details later.

Geraldine Tomanek attended a bridal shower for Sarah at Denton on May 29.

Lorrie and Jimmy Hord visited their grandchildren in Dallas recently.

Dinah and Rick Traweele want to announce the May 4, 2010 birth of their one and only grandchild, Jackson Graham Titlow of Jackson Beach, Florida. He said Dinah is one proud grandma

and he is the first Grandpa Traweele to live on Antelope Flat since Devotee Boggs Traweele. Dinah is making the new grandson a quilt from the pieces of canvas for the grandpa’s studio. Knowing Dinah, Rick was probably right, that the quilt was beautiful, and knowing Rick, you can’t help but wonder if the grandsons quilt was also a good excuse to get Rick out of those old jeans.

R.C. Daniel said he helped Benjamin celebrate it’s reunion Saturday by giving rides on his stagecoach.

The Benjamin Ex-Students parade honored Philomae Roberson as Grand Marshal.

The 7H ranch won the Benjamin Ranch Rodeo from Munday. The Benjamin Rodeo Club awarded Chloe Strickland \$1000.00 scholarship. There were lots of rodeo events for youngsters, which made the weekend reunion and rodeo even more fun.

R.C. Daniels won a parade award for “Best Wagon or Buggy” with his stagecoach. His brother-in-law, Buddy Tolson, made a train that he filled with grandkids (and others) and pulled in the parade. It won the Dale Evens- Judges Choice Award.

Another weekend event at Benjamin, which gave visitors a chance to get together, was “Breakfast on the Porch” at the Wichita-Brazos Museum. As usual, a good time was had and sle of home baked products brought in around \$800.

That covers the news that has been missed lately, except for the news missed because nobody was home. If anyone has news they’d like to share please call 940-474-3288. Remember, this newspaper is not the New York Times (yet), and while this column tries to only include the news that is fit to print, it also tries to send your good news that other’s haven’t heard yet.

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Named for the historic FW&D Engine 501, The 501 is always exactly 501 words and dashes long, whatever the topic. Welch, a freelance writer for Blackburn Media Group, divides her time mostly between Abilene and the family farm north of Vernon.

Last night I fell asleep to the sound of a hoot owl. Sleep indoors with windows closed and you miss a lot. I was on the roof.

One thing I learned from a college boyfriend was how to hoot like an owl. He'd learned how from a guy in his social club (what my college sanctioned instead of fraternities and sororities). Strangers on campus must have wondered about those Frater Sodalis fellows hooting at each other on the quad in broad daylight. It was that club's version of a secret handshake. Some pseudo-Fraters hooted too – whoo-whooh-whooh – just to keep things confused. Those other guys were jealous, of course, that they didn't have a secret birdcall.

Last night I hooted at the distant owl. After long dramatic pauses, he would hoot back. Quicker responses would have been better. If you're good at hooting, the owls fly to you. I'll let you know when one lands on my shoulder.

My ears picked up other noises too -- the distant screech of an oil pumping unit kicking on, an owl sound from a different direction from a different kind of owl, vague highway traffic noise, the buzz of locusts in honey locust trees. Except locusts don't quite buzz. It's more like static.

Speaking of static, it was late-night television sights and sounds (static and snow would have been better) that drove me outdoors to sleep with the owls and locusts. I'd crashed early indoors. A phone call from my city-bound husband awakened me. Subsequently I fell

asleep to palatable TV only to awaken later to middle-of-the-night programming bad enough to send anyone to the roof.

I already should have been up there. Except for early-morning crop dusters, it's the time of year for roof sleeping. The stars are spectacular. Dry weather has sent gnats and mosquitoes packing. So, if you've got a section of roof that's anywhere near flat, I recommend you sleep on it. If you live in town, you won't even get buzzed by crop dusters. Lucky you.

Do you suppose roof sleepers have a website?

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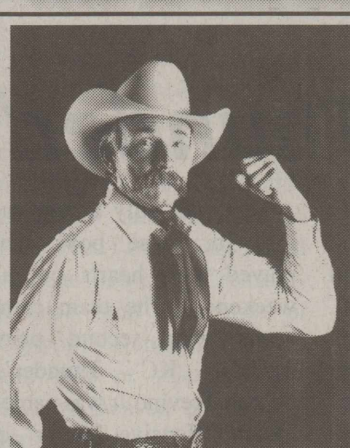
"Roof Sleeping Now Popular in New York" popped up. No kidding. But it's a New York Times Sunday story from July 5, 1908. Battling a heat wave, tenement dwellers were bedding down on fire escape platforms, and apartment dwellers of greater means were taking to the roofs of their buildings. Good for them.

If today's roof sleepers have a website or organization, I couldn't find it. Instead I found instructions on how to sleep on a pitched roof. No kidding. A cloth sleeping bag sticks to asphalt shingles like Velcro, the guy says. You sleep with your feet downward in case it doesn't.

Right.

Don't you see some poor soul sliding off a roof in a sleeping bag? In this weather, who'd want to sleep in one anyway? Give me a sheet. It's more like a parachute.

Bottom line, I'll admit he's one-upped me. I'd be interested in knowing if he calls owls too.



ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

by Baxter Black,
DVM

SWING BAG BETTY

Nicole was a tomboy...no, more accurately she was a COWboy! She favored cow work to Barbie Dolls. She was Dad's right hand man. By age 15 she could pull her weight from building fence to pulling calves.

Last spring to celebrate the coming of sunshine, the community of Hanna in southeastern Alberta was having "supper and a do." Nicole had strict instructions from her mother that her attendance was mandatory and she would be required to dress like a lady and behave appropriately.

On the big day she spent two hours at the hairdresser (aka the next door neighbor in her basement) trying to control her unruly white-man's fro. Hair-sprayed and coiffed like a maiden in King Louie's court, she returned home where she was commanded to remain until it was time to leave.

Meanwhile, out in the barn lot, Swing Bag Betty, an aging curly-haired whiteface grandma, was shut up in the pen on calving watch. An hour before departure time Dad mentioned he was going to run her in the chute and check her before he showered to go to town.

Nicole had been trapped in the house since noon doing housework and fidgeting. Every step she took she could feel her hairdo ping and bounce like a beehive full of aluminum ping-pong balls! Finally on the edge of a nervous breakdown she dropped her dust rag and slipped out of the basement window.

Dad wasn't surprised when she showed up to help. He laughed as they started pushing Betty toward the barn. It was tough slogging in the mud. They'd had the cow on the cull list for three years due to the obvious namesake reason, plus she had hind hooves like sleds, and a horn that had to be sawed every year to keep it from growing into her head.

Betty balked at the barn door and no amount of hoo-rahin', hollerin', or tail twisting would move her forward. Then, with the quickness of a star hockey player for the Brandon Wheat Kings, she reversed direction! Nicole gave chase down the alley through the ankle deep mud, manure and assorted calving goobies! Overtaking the plunging cow, she whirled to make a stand! Holding out her hand like a traffic cop she realized simultaneously, that the cow had the advantage of momentum and ski-traction feet over Nicole's recently shined, leather-soled, mud coated boots.

At that very moment, Mom arrived in search of her cow-lovin' daughter. She watched in horror as Swing Bag Betty ran over Nicole like a footlog! The entire cotton candy hairdo disappeared in the quagmire, along with the rest of her body, leaving only her nose and toes protruding from the mud, like tiny islands. In departure, as Swing Bag Betty mowed her down, her pendulous moniker smacked across Nicole's face as a final salute, or obscene gesture, if you will.

I'm sure there is a moral to this story, or a lesson to be learned...but for the life of me, I can't think of one.

KNOX COUNTY AGING SERVICES MENUS FOR JUNE 21ST TO JUNE 25TH

Monday June 21st Meatballs/Macaroni Ranch Style Beans Salad Sliced Bread Cookies	Corn On The Cob Biscuit Cobbler
Tuesday June 22nd Chef Salad Baked Potato Crackers Jello/Fruit	Friday, June 25th Roast Beef/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Hot Rolls Cake
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Western swing music comes to Quartz Mountain Lodge July 11

LONE WOLF, Okla. – Fans of Western Swing Music are in for a treat. The "SIDE-KICKS" will return to Oklahoma and bring their brand of Western Swing, Classic Country, and Cajun Music to The Quartz Mountain Resort on Sunday, July 11, 2010.

The "SIDEKICKS", under the direction of Wendell Sollis, a five string banjoist, has been the opening band for The Bob Wills' Texas Playboys' Annual Cowboy Christmas Ball for several years. The band's fast-moving performances have entertained audiences at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium in Ruidoso, N.M., a cultural festival that draws 20,000 visitors each year. The "SIDEKICKS" performed in 2005 with the

See MUSIC on page 6

2009 Weekly Weather Report			
Date	Temperature (F) Low / High	Rainfall inches	Snow inches
6/07	73/98		
6/08	75/99		
6/09	70/97		
6/10	75/103		
6/11	75/99		
6/12	77/97		
6/13	78/98		
Total Rainfall for month		0.03	
2010 Rainfall (ytd)		15.02	6.6

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Miscellaneous

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Garage Sale- June 18th & 19th from 7a.m. until noon at 106 SE 5th Street in Knox City. Come check out all the stuff we have- Something for everyone! Stephanie Carver.

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City of Knox City will be taking sealed bids to purchase selected City property. Bids will be taken until 5:00 pm on Friday, July 2, 2010. Information at City Hall. Council reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Bids will be opened at the following regular monthly meeting.



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701 NE 3rd Street 2000+/- sq.ft frame home. 4 BR, 2Ba, CH/AC, metal roof. New Carpet

609 S. Ave E: Split Level 4 BR,3 Ba, Brick home. C H/AC, Fireplace, Master Suite, basement, pool, fenced yard, great location!

1109 SE 4th St.: 2BR frame home. CH/AC, Siding, corner lot.

1202 SE 4th St: 2 BR frame home, new roof, steel siding.

604 SE 4th St: 3 BR, 2B, Brick home, CH/AC, garage, great location. Needs work! Make an offer!

501 SE 3rd St.: Large brick home located on corner lot. CH/AC, 2 or 3 BR, 2 ba. Detached garage, fenced yard.

200 South 2nd St.: Large 3BR, 3 Ba, Brick home. This home features 2 master Bedrooms! Walk in Closets, CH/AC, 2 Living areas, fireplace, covered patio, plus size 2 car garage, water well, fenced yard, new paint, lots of space, lots of storage! Great neighborhood.

904 Central Ave: 3Br, 1.5Ba brick home.CH/AC, bonus room, large kitchen, storm shelter.

Grand Central Avenue O'Brien: 1800+/- sq.ft brick home. CH/AC, 2 living areas, 4 BR, 3 Ba, large carport, fenced yard, cellar, great closets!

1101 E Main St: Large commercial bldg, 4000 +/- sq.ft, CH/AC, new roof, lots of parking, kitchen, bathrooms, ADA compliant, and more. Lots of potential for different uses! Ready for occupancy!

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Contract Pending

New Listing! 1106 SE 2nd Street. 3 BR,1 Bath home. Central H/AC freshly painted interior, updated bathroom, fenced yard, exterior storage, storm cellar, covered parking. \$27,500.00

'A weekend filled with Thunder'

Submitted by Sandra Garcia

The Knox City KC Thunder Coach Pitch team led by Gilbert Trevino, competed in the Haskell Coach Pitch tournament on June 10-12 in Haskell. Gilbert Trevino's KC Thunder did a great job. The team consisting of 10 players, ages 6 and 7, came home with the second place title after 3 long days of game play in the sun. The KC Thunder team took on the Mustangs of Aspermont, on Thursday night and defeated them 17 to 6 in 5 innings; this win sent the KC Thunder team to the winning bracket in this double elimination tournament. On Friday night the team took on the Spartans of Haskell, and at the end of this intense

game, KC Thunder defeated the Haskell Spartans 15 to 4. This was the second win for KC Thunder.

Game play for KC Thunder started at 1pm on Saturday afternoon when they went up against the undefeated Yankees of Stamford, this turned out to be a very disappointing loss for the KC Thunder team as they were defeated by the Yankees 11 to 0, and the game was called in the 4th inning due to the 10 run rule, this loss would be KC thunder's first loss of the tournament. If there was any hope to remain in this tournament and still have a chance at winning the gold, the team would have to win the following two games, which would be played back to back.

At 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, KC Thunder took on the Cardinals of Rotan and defeated this team 12 to 10. This win put the team back in the running for 1st place in the tournament. 30 minutes after playing their previous game against the Cardinals, the team once again faced off against the Yankees of Stamford. In order for the KC Thunder team to have a chance at winning this tournament the team had to defeat the Yankees in this game, as this would give both team only one loss and they would have to face off again for the championship. After an action packed game, full of great plays made by both teams, and many fans on the edge of their seats, KC thunder took the win 10 to 8. 20 minutes later The KC Thunder team once again faced off against the Yankee team in the final game after having already played two games back to back. After 4 innings of hard play from this tired KC Thunder team, the Yankees defeated KC Thunder in a 15 to 5 upset.

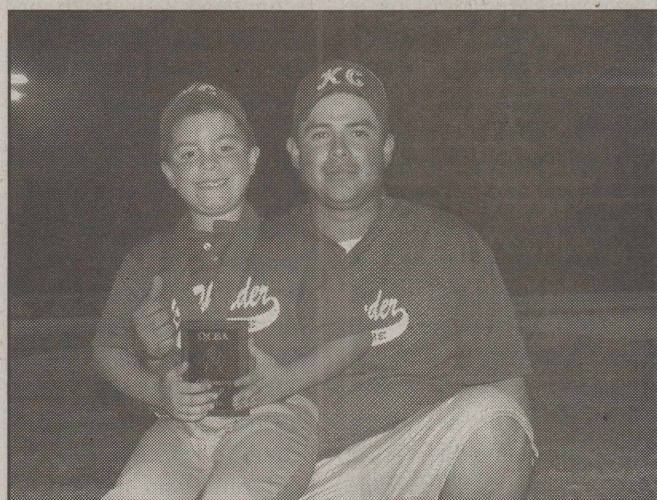
This was truly a very sad loss for these boys who played their hearts out all weekend. The team came home with second place medals. KC Thunder's, Gilbert Trevino Jr was named "Best Offensive Player" of the tournament. Thank you to all the fans that came out and supported this team during this tournament, and at any of their other games. Gilbert would like to thank all the players on his team for all their hard work and dedication to this team, and loss of the time that they could have spent swimming instead of practicing in the heat. This team worked hard all season long, and you could really see the progress at every game.

A special Thank you goes out to Gilbert Trevino and all the assistant coaches AKA "Dads," for taking time out of their busy schedules to work with these kids on a daily basis and making this truly a successful season for this KC Thunder team with 11 wins and 4 losses. GO THUNDER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



In team picture left to right is Aj Ruiz, Al DeLosRios, Eric Garcia, Gilbert Trevino (Head coach) players names: back row Carson Carver, Anthony Martinez, Jacob Gonzalez, Gilbert Trevino Jr, Michael Rutledge, Samuel Barnard. Front row is Tres Frausto, Tyler DeLosRios, Gabriel Ruiz, Kobe Roberts

Courtesy Photo



Coach Gilbert Trevino and his Son Gilbert Jr, after receiving his award for Offensive MVP of the tournament

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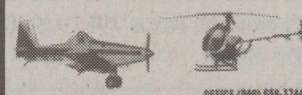
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BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

Homecoming 2010 is now history- A good crowd was on hand to enjoy all the festivities and there was a lot going on- Beginning with the registration Friday afternoon and continuing through the pot luck lunch after church on Sunday, there was something for everyone for three full days.

And the Ranch Rodeo was going n up at the arena, which gathered a pretty good crowd. A roping during the day Sat. also brought in a number of spectators. The highlight of Friday's events was the coronation of the Homecoming Queen. Katy Ressel New, BHS graduate of the 1960 class received this honor. Besides her crown, she was also presented with red roses. Ex-Student Ass'n president, Jimmy Barrientez crown the queen. She was introduced by her nephew, Tracy Cartwright, who also gave a short history of her life. Free snacks, furnished by the community were enjoyed by those present on Friday night-

Sat, morning found lots of folks out and about early- The roping got started about 8:30 or 9- Prior to that, breakfast on the porch at the museum was enjoyed by many- What a great way to meet, greet and eat! All kinds of breakfast goodies were available plus a bake sale going on inside. Then more visiting at the community center until the parade at 3 p.m.- Participants included bicycles, horses, fire trucks, antique cars, Jr. High Cheerleaders and miniature horse riders, and more. The parade was led by a horse drawn buggy, which carried at Grand Marshall, Philomae Roberson- also in the parade was the Homecoming Queen, who rode in one of the antique cars. There were several winners in all the categories, but I don't have those winners names available- But I congratulate them anyway.

Following the parade, it was back to the building for more visiting until the business meeting at 4. President Jimmy Barrientez opened the meeting, Tammy Lyles gave a financial report, the raffle winners were drawn and many folks left with a pretty nice gift they had brought a chance on. The quilt guild also held a drawing for a quilt they had made and donated for the Homecoming event. Lorrie Coop's name was drawn for that beautiful piece of work. Dicky McCanlies, chairman of the nominating committee, then made the nominating committee, then made the nominations for officers for the next two years- nominated

were:

President- Randolph Barnett

Vice president- Sheila Benson Kuehler

Secretary- Kaitlyn Kuehler Acevedo

Treasurer- Jim Cox

There being no opposition, these were all "voted in" and are ready to "get down to business."

A dance followed Sat. nite and seems like lots of folks attended, did some "boot scootin" and enjoyed the music of Jason Allen. The "icing on the cake" was the church service and pot luck lunch that followed on Sun morning. Approximately 80 persons were in attendance and a wonderful service was presented. Tracy Cartwright welcomed the guests, Tibb Burnett played his harmonica and recited a poem, Bud Conner sang a song and Troy Culpepper delivered the message. After the meal, everyone went their separate ways, thankful for another good weekend and already making their plans to return home in two years.

The outgoing officers and board did a good job in getting the wheels-a-turning for the weekend to make it an enjoyable time for everyone- the officers for the last 2 years were pre-Jimmy Barrientez, Vice Pres.-Janice Tolson, Treasurer- Tammy Lyles, and Sec.- Beverly Strickland. There were also several board members, but I'm not sure of all of them so I won't mention any- Bottom line is- everyone worked and got it done and that's what it's all about.

There is some news other than Homecoming-

Johnnie Williams is doing pretty well. Was able to go up to the Community Center a while Fri. nite and visit with friends- Johnnie is the last one of the original "do-ers" who got homecoming started and worked diligently to help get the Ex-Students building built. So much is "owed" her and we all thank her so much.

Mike Young has been a patient in a Sherman Hospital. He suffered a light stroke recently but has no real lasting effects from it. That's good news.

One more bit of Homecoming weekend news- members of the Knox Co. Historical Commission kept the museum open and lots of visitors passed through the doors, very impressed at the collection of items on display. So many favorable comments were heard- Just has to make us all proud.

No way to have everyone's name who was here for Homecoming, but

I have a partial list so folks who didn't make it will know who they missed seeing by not being here. Among those present were Bill Crenshaw and wife of Canyon, Buddy Crenshaw and wife of El Paso, Fred Louis Crenshaw of Abilene, Dorothy Crenshaw Maples and husband of Canyon, Kenneth Benson and wife of Wichita Falls, Tommy Benson of Abilene, Jerry Benson of Munday, Wanda Benson Jennings of Wichita Falls, Lucille Golden McCanlies of Ft. Worth, Billy Ray Golden of Megargel, Jimmy Golden of St. Paul, Minnesota, Leroy Yarbrough of St. Paul, Minnesota, David and Darlene Dikes of Ft. Worth, Billy Jay and Dink Jennings of New Brunsfels, Sammy and Clara Tipton of Forestburg, Wynelle Holloway of Fredericksburg, Jerrell and Darlene Barnett of Baytown, Patricia Barnett Culver of Paris, Texas, Betty Joe Riggs of Elk City, Okla., Barbara Norris Hogard of Andrews, Walter Taylor and wife of Vernon, Troy Pratt and wife of Lubbock, Jim and Barbara Pratt of Rule, Harris of Sugarland, Calvin Brown of Kingsland, Stasia Carrier Antilley and husband of Wingate, Sue Ryder Oxford of Lake Arrowhead, Mark Oxford of Lake Arrowhead, Judy Ryder Whitten of Lake Stamford, Keith and Pam Conner of Midland, Casey and Lacey Conner of Midland, Sue Gideon Terry of Dallas, Betty Clower Parker of Aspermont, Cathy Clower Tomlinson of Denton, Peggy Adkisson Shropshire of New Deal, Jack at Katy Ressel New of Liberty Hill, Billy and Penny Trainham of Dallas, Walter and Peggy Trainham Hertel of Munday, Gene and Mike House of the Dallas area, Joe Reed Jones of Brownwood Bo and Betty Nall of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, Roger and Cindy Stone Potts of Seagraves, Jerry Leaverton and wife of Dallas Area, Roy Ed Griffin of Stephenville, Gary Coppedge of Stamford, James Coppedge and wife of College Station, Lloyd Coppedge of Crosbyton, Helen Coppedge Green of Guthrie, Clint and Misty Ham Jones of Paducah, Jerry Kilgore and wife of Austin, Peggy Jennings Sandlin and husband of Paducah, Claude

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I apologize for names I have left out. Several failed to register and of course, I didn't see everyone here, so that's the best I can do.

This week's news is just about all about homecoming and I want to say something on behalf of everyone here who worked to get it all together, how thankful we are for all the support given us- Many, many folks donated food, prizes, money and anything we asked for to help make it the success it was and we thank you all so very much.

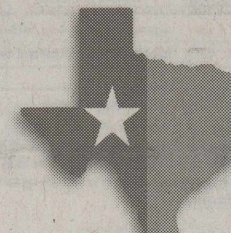
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5/3/10- Landing Zone
5/9/10- Landing Zone
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5/13/10- Weather Watch
5/14/10- Fire

5/16/10- Escort State
Champion
5/17/10- Landing Zone
5/25/10- Landing Zone
5/26/10- Weather Watch
5/30/10- Bee Call
-Submitted by Terry Butler-
#214, Public Information
officer

Knox City Police Department report month of May

The Knox City Police Department during the month of May, 2010 received a total of 141 calls and tasks that required attention. This total included 8 actual offenses. Six charges were filed in regards to the offenses listed below.

Offenses Reported include:
Criminal Mischief- 1
Theft- 4
Disorderly Conduct- 1
ID Theft- 1
Assault (Domestic)- 1

During May, this department received several calls from the following agencies:

Central (911)- 42
Sheriff's Office- 13
City Hall- 21

Other Items reported to the Knox City Police Department during the month of May 2010 are classified as "incidents". These incidents

are not all considered as a criminal offense, however, they must be handled in a responsible & proper manner.

Incidents Reported Include:

Assist EMS- 6
Assist Other Agencies: 5
Welfare Concern- 13
Funeral Escort- 3
Neighborhood Dispute- 1
Domestic Disturbance- 4
Civil Standby- 3
Dog Call- 2
Loud Music- 1
Lost Property- 2
Landing Zone- 3
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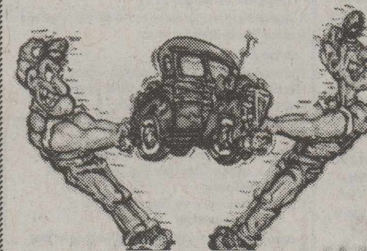
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You may be more vulnerable than the general population to certain microbial contaminants, such as *Cryptosporidium*, in drinking water. Infants, some elderly or immunocompromised persons such as those undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; those who have undergone organ transplants; those who are undergoing treatment with steroids; and people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders can be particularly at risk from infections. You should seek advice about drinking water from your physician or health care provider. Additional guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

Public Participation Opportunities

Date: 2nd Thursday of each month
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: City Hall, 902 E. Main

Phone Number: (940) 658-3313

To learn about future public meetings (concerning your drinking water), or to request to schedule one, please call us.

Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

WATER SOURCES: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

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Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Boron	0.177	0.177	0.177	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling water; discharge from metal industries; erosion of natural deposits.
2009	Chlorine	2.5	2.5	2.5	100	100	ppb	Discharge from metal and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
2009	Fluoride	0.65	0.65	0.65	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and phosphate factories.
2009	Nitrate	0.1	0.1	0.1	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2007	Combined Radionuclides 226 & 238	0.8	0.8	0.8	5	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.
2007	Crates from asbestos	0.9	0.9	0.9	50	0	pCi/L	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
2007	Gross alpha	0.8	0.8	0.8	15	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.

Organic Contaminants TESTING WAIVED, NOT REPORTED, OR NONE DETECTED

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Disinfectant
2009	Chlorine Residual	3.3	0.5	3.7	4	4	ppm	Disinfectant used to control bacteria.

Year	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Total Halocarbon Acids	26.8	15.4	35.4	60	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2009	Total Trihalomethanes	47.2	22.1	72.8	80	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Unregulated Initial Distribution System Evaluation for Disinfection Byproducts

This evaluation is required by EPA to determine the range of total trihalomethanes and haloacetic acid in the system for future regulations. The samples are not used for compliance, and may have been collected under non-standard conditions. EPA also requires the data to be reported here.

Year	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Total Halocarbon Acids	29	20.7	43.3	NA	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2009	Total Trihalomethanes	41.4	20.8	62.2	NA	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from SURFACE water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: MILLERS CREEK RESERVOIR. A Source Water Susceptibility Assessment for drinking water (source(s)) is currently being updated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. This information describes the susceptibility and types of constituents that may come into contact with your drinking water source based on human activities and natural conditions. The information contained in the assessment allows us to focus our source water protection strategies. Some of this source water assessment information will be available later this year on Texas Drinking Water Watch at <http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/DWW/>. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact us.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concern. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

DEFINITIONS

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)
The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)
The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)
The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Treatment Technique (TT)
A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL)
The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ABBREVIATIONS

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units
MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/L)
ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Chloroform	11	11	11	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2009	Bromoform	2.6	2.6	2.6	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2009	Bromodichloromethane	13	13	13	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2009	Dibromochloromethane	6.6	6.6	6.6	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Year	Contaminant	The With Parameter	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Lead	0.3	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
2009	Copper	0.433	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

Required Additional Health Information for Lead

"If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. This water supply is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/leadwater/>."

Year	Contaminant	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Limits	Turbidity Limits	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Turbidity	0.28		100.00	0.3 NTU	Soil runoff.

Total Coliform REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO COLIFORM BACTERIA.

Fecal Coliform REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIA.

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Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Secondary Limit	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2009	Aluminum	0.069	0.069	0.069	05	ppm	Absorbed naturally occurring element.
2009	Bicarbonate	192	192	192	NA	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
2009	Calcium	48.5	48.5	48.5	NA	ppm	Absorbed naturally occurring element.
2009	Chloride	58	58	58	300	ppm	Absorbed naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity.
2009	Copper	0.001	0.001	0.001	1	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2009	Hardness as CaCl ₂	180	180	180	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
2009	Magnesium	14.3	14.3	14.3	NA	ppm	Absorbed naturally occurring element.
2009	Manganese	0.0094	0.0094	0.0094	05	ppm	Absorbed naturally occurring element.
2009	Nitrite	0.004	0.004	0.004	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits.
2009	pH	7.2	7.2	7.2	>7.0	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
2009	Sulfate	41	41	41	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2009	Sulfur	84	84	84	300	ppm	Volcanically occurring; remains industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2009	Total Solids as CaCl ₂	157	157	157	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.

Just Jeff

June 15 2010

Well this is a big weekend coming up for us Dad's: It is Father's Day weekend.

My dad Ron Stanfield has always supported all my dreams, when I was a kid he always made sure my brother, Tony, and I enjoyed the outdoors. We fished, and hunted together. Dad coached baseball every year. I have been fortunate enough to be able to travel with my dad to many places. We have been to Mexico on fishing trips and on vacation. We've visited Alaska and had tons of trips to the Texas coast.

One of my favorite trips was to Alaska; where we hunted for 7 days on a waterfowl/fishing trip. We had a cabin about the size of a small Morgan building. There were 4 of us on the trip, and it was on a riverbank at the base of Mt. McKinley. Imagine walking out your front door to a 20,000 ft. mountain. We had a blast, we shot ptarmigan (an arctic pheasant), had tundra swans and bald eagles around camp, and shot tons of ducks, as well as some geese. We had grizzly bears and Moose and about any other critter you would find in the arctic circle. We even got snowed in, having to spend an extra day.

On this trip, we had rationed food where it would last for the whole trip. Well, guess what- on that extra day we ran out of food, other than duck (which tastes like bad liver). After about 24 hours of not eating, I was really hungry. It was sight for sore eyes when that bush plane showed up. Finally, after a hot shower (the 1st in a week) we hit the best spot in Fairbanks to eat, which specialized in Salmon, proclaiming that they were "world famous". After about 30 minutes of waiting, we finally got our plates. It was poached salmon, alright, and I thought it was great. My dad, on the other hand, only likes fish with hot oil, and breaded. He never thought in a million years anyone would poach fish... Why poach when you can fry?

He looked like a kid at Christmas who only got socks and underwear instead of toys. It was priceless. Dad talked about it all the way home- Imagine, 9 hours on an airplane, talking about poached fish.

The great part was getting to spend time with my dad; he is a big part of the reason we are in the hunting business. It was a great trip and memories I will take with me to the grave. Thanks

Dad, I Love You.

We have many dads here in Knox City that deserve mention, Jarred Pepper is a great dad to three adoring daughters: Leighton, Ashton and Boo. Jarred is very involved in his kids' lives. All three girls race Go Karts- so dad, with the help of the Knox City EDC and several local volunteers, built the local Go Kart track for the girls to race. This would not have been done without Jarred, as he was the main driving force for the track. He spent countless hours building of the track, and continues to spend time there maintaining it from day to day. Jarred also was one the main Dads essential in getting a Softball field built in Knox Coty for his daughters. This softball field will be used by Knox City High School starting next spring and the youth softball teams. Leighton, Ashton and Boo: You girls are very lucky, give your dad a hug and tell him thanks for all the other kiddo's in town that will get to use these facilities.

I understand that we have a lot more dads that deserve special recognition; I could not even try to name them all because we have many. What do we consider a good dad? I say: a good dad teaches his kids manners, respect and principles. How about the Bradley boy's? They're great

kids. What about a man who lives by example? Dalton Harrington. His kids are all hard workers and great citizens. See we have so many; it would be impossible to name them all.

The best example of a great dad is the guy who lives down the street from all of us- he works over 40 hours a week. He is Black, White, Hispanic, etc. He goes to work everyday sick, cold, tired and always has the look of a man who is worried about money, light bills, and feeding his family. We all know the guy, he has a huge burden added to him when school pictures come out. Or he has a child with a toothache, needs medication or has a car problem.

This is the same guy that Christmas is tough on, that usually sells his vacation each year rather than taking it... That is if he works where he gets a paid vacation. The tooth fairies is not an easy task, nor are birthdays for his kids or Little League. This is my hero: a dad who goes to work each day, a dad who teaches his child about responsibility, & that life is not fair for all of us. This man only wants one thing, he wants his kids to have a better life than he has. Make sure when you see that Dad that you tell him "Happy Fathers Day".

God Bless

MUSIC

Midland-Odesa Symphony at the Commemorative Air Force Hanger at Midland. Texas, a sell-out celebration of Western Swing Music.

Starting at 2 p.m., at The Performing Arts Center, the two hour event, will feature many talented musicians.

Included in the line-up of the very talented musicians will be Ronny Dale Schultz, who has shared his talents all over the globe with such luminaries as; Bob Wills' Texas Playboys, David "Fathead" Newman, Claude Gray, Red Stegall, Leroy Van Dyke, Lynn Anderson, Johnny Bush, Frenchie Burke, Johnny Gimble, Hank Thompson. and too many others to list. His ability to play many different musical styles on several instruments keeps him highly in demand as a session player and performer. Ronny Dale is currently the owner/operator of World Records Recording Studio based in historic Crowell, Texas.

Also included in the line-up for Sunday at 2 p.m., July 11, will be Ginny Mac. She is a vibrant vocalist-accordionist with over 20 music awards to her credit. Anyone that has ever seen her perform never forgets the experience. George Uptmore, on fiddle. is well known for his Cajun sound, was a former fiddle player for Boxcar Willie and his performance with the Bob Wills' Texas Playboys. Bob Baker, a member of the Steel Guitar Hall of Fame. is one of an elite group of non-pedal steel players. He honed his steel guitar chops while working as a band mate of the great Leon McAuliffe. His swingin' style is highly in demand.

The "SIDEKICKS" play everything to the rhythms of drummer Terry Thompson, a sought after musician, who doesn't miss a beat.

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2009 Weekly Weather Report

Date	Temperature (F) Low / High	Rainfall inches	Snow inches
5/31	66/97		
6/01	66/97		
6/02	67/94	0.02	
6/03	61/96	0.01	
6/04	64/99		
6/05	69/106		
6/06	76/100		
Total Rainfall for month		0.03	
2010 Rainfall (ytd)		15.02	6.6

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Childress

Contract 6210-05-001 for MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY in DICKENS County, etc will be opened on July 09, 2010 at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$149,310.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
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State Office

Constr/Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office(s)

Childress District
District Engineer
7599 U.S. 287
Childress, Texas 79201-9705
Phone: 940-937-2571

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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OPINION



The Paperboy

Many lessons learned

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Did you ever sit and think about what you have learned this year? Really, it's remarkable to think what I've learned in such a short time.

These are just a few of the things I've learned so far this year:

- I've learned how to plum a kitchen and bathroom.
- I've learned to install a dishwasher.
- I've learned to make intricate cuts on ceramic tile.
- I've learned how to refinish furniture.
- I've learned about drapes and home decor.
- I've learned which plants can take extreme sunlight.
- I've learned how to use Facebook.
- I've learned more about the human body.
- I've learned how certain medications can help the human body and how others can be detrimental.
- I've learned about the fine art of knife-making.

- I've learned how to grill a better steak.
- I've learned how a little water in the gas tank of a lawn mower can be bad.
- I've learned a multitude of things about American History thanks to the History Channel's terrific series "America - The Story of Us."
- I've learned I need a heck of a lot more patience.
- I've learned to let go of some things and let the Lord lead me instead of trying to force things.
- What have you learned so far in 2010? Think about it and you'll be astonished.
- We never stop learning regardless of what we do, where we live, or where we go. Newspapers, computers, television, phones, friends ... the avenues for learning are all around us. Information is everywhere. We are learning when we don't even know it.

One of the things I learned a few months ago was that I

have amazing friends and family. The love and care shown for my wife has been incredible.

You know, we can make our lives so complicated that we sometimes take all of the joy out of simply living. It's important to realize how wonderful our relationships are.

For seven years I took for granted that my wife and children would be with me for years and years. However, there are certainly no guarantees that we'll be around in the morning.

Appreciate your life. If things aren't as you want them to be, work toward that goal. Realize that you are loved and cared about and recognize those doing the loving and the caring.

Thanks to all of you for blessing my family.

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Why the U.S. is Drowning in its own Blood while China Prospers

By BILL WILSON

Two unrelated stories in early June show in stark detail why the United States is on an accelerating downward, death spiral while China is continuing to build a solid foundation for economic domination in the decades to come. The actions reported in and of themselves will hardly register on the radar of most Americans. But they portray the crucial errors and arrogance of the Obama regime. They also point to a different path, a way forward out of the morass of ultra-liberal, ideological delusion that is now policy in Washington, D.C.

The first article, appearing in the Washington Post, details Chinese investment in the basket case of Europe, Greece. The Chinese government is investing "hundreds of millions — perhaps billions — of euros" into Greek infrastructure. Not the soft infrastructure that is thinly disguised consumption but in the hard, base platform that will allow both China and Greece to build prosperity.

Greece's primary port city is Piraeus, a gritty industrial zone to the west of Athens. China is investing heavily to modernize Piraeus. Why? The answer is simple. The investment is so China will have a port to off-load mountains of Chinese exports to Europe. They are making investments that will en-

able industry to produce and sell more. And that means they are investing to put their people to work.

China has learned the hard way that control of all elements — what was once called total vertical integration — means maximum profit. Greece is flat on its back. China can get what it wants cheap. The irony of a communist state teaming up with a petty bourgeois neo-socialist government to crush unions allied with a local communist party just to maximize profits is too sweet not to note. But all such theoretical conflicts are of no consequence to the dictators in Beijing when in the hunt for increased market share.

Contrast the Chinese model with a big announcement made the same day by Barack Obama. Obama committed the United States taxpayers to \$400 million in aid to the Palestinians in Gaza. What will the \$400 million buy? Schools, mortgages for local citizens to buy homes, water treatment facilities and other associated "soft infrastructure" expenditures.

Is there any economic return on this money? None that is readily apparent. Is there any link to U.S. business thereby creating jobs for American citizens? Not unless they are a top level bureaucrat. What do we get out of it? Good karma, that's about it.

So, while the Chinese invest in hard things that directly

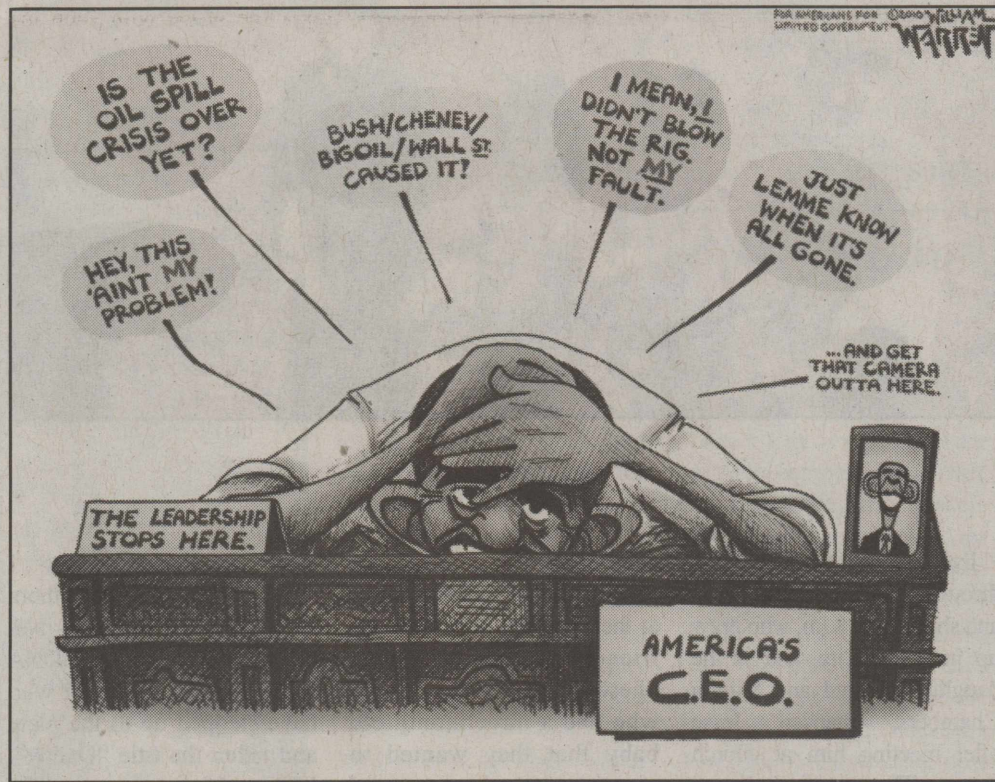
help create jobs in their country, the United States lavishes money on things the locals should be doing for themselves — things that any nation should want to do for themselves from their own savings, investment and hard work.

In Greece, China creates the foundation for the Greek people to do for themselves. In Gaza, the United States practices the toxic, paternalistic enslavement of the welfare state.

Were that all, it would be bad enough. But, of course, there is more. The Chinese are making these investments with saved money, money they have stockpiled. The United States is frittering away \$400 million it doesn't have. In fact, we are borrowing the money, throwing yet another brick on the backs of our children and grandchildren, unconcerned about their future.

In short, China is building jobs and a future for theirs, while the United States is going deeper in debt.

Whether there is time for America to reverse course is something one can only guess. But the path of enlightened self interest and national sovereignty practiced so aggressively by the Chinese is clearly the way the U.S. should go. The "World Government" dreamers and Ivory Tower gurus need to be shoved aside and hard-nosed realists put in their place. Just like they have done in China.



Legion to President Obama: Restore Mojave cross

A letter signed by The American Legion is asking President Barack Obama to restore the Mojave Desert Veterans Memorial cross.

The letter, which also copied U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder, was signed by National Commander Clarence Hill and also included signatures from the heads of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Liberty Institute and the veterans counsel for Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP.

"It is time for the President to intervene and restore this tribute to our World War I veterans which stood as a testament to their sacrifice for over 75 years," Hill said. "After its reaffirmation by the highest court in the land, its clandestine removal by thieves cries out for its immediate replacement."

This spring, the U.S. Supreme Court overruled lower federal courts' decisions to tear down the memorial because of a misplaced belief that it was a religious icon on federal land. Soon after the ruling, the memorial was ripped down and carried away by vandals.

"This act was abhorrent and constitutes a federal crime under the Veterans' Memorial Preservation and Recognition Act of 2003. And it defies the rule of law, flouting a binding decision of the U.S. Supreme Court," the letter states. "If Arlington National Cemetery

were similarly desecrated, that desecration would be rectified immediately, and rightly so. Unfortunately, however, the National Park Service and the Department of Justice are refusing our request to replace the stolen memorial."

The letter goes on to state that the National Park Service hasn't restored the memorial because it is complying with a lower court order, which in their interpretation, the Supreme Court decision did not fully address. Henry Sandoz, the caretaker of the memorial for the last 26 years, has built an exact replica of what was torn down and is ready to reinstall it.

"This impasse is at a point where we now need your intervention as our nation's leader, Mr. President, on decisive action to direct restoration of the memorial to its original form," the letter reads. "It is in your power to direct the National Park Service and the Department of Justice to immediately restore the Memorial. And, on behalf of our nation's veterans, we humbly ask you to do so, as Commander in Chief and as the sole officer constitutionally charged to take care that the laws are faithfully executed."

Info: <http://www.putthecrossback.com/>

Other Views

The Unselfish Bernie Madoff

By DON WATKINS

New York magazine's Steve Fishman just penned a fascinating account of Bernie Madoff's life behind bars. What I find most fascinating, however, is the reaction from a number of quarters to the effect that Madoff is "thriving behind bars" and living like a "rock star."

What actually emerges from the article is the exact opposite conclusion: that Madoff was frightened and unhappy before he was caught, and that his life in prison is empty and pathetic.

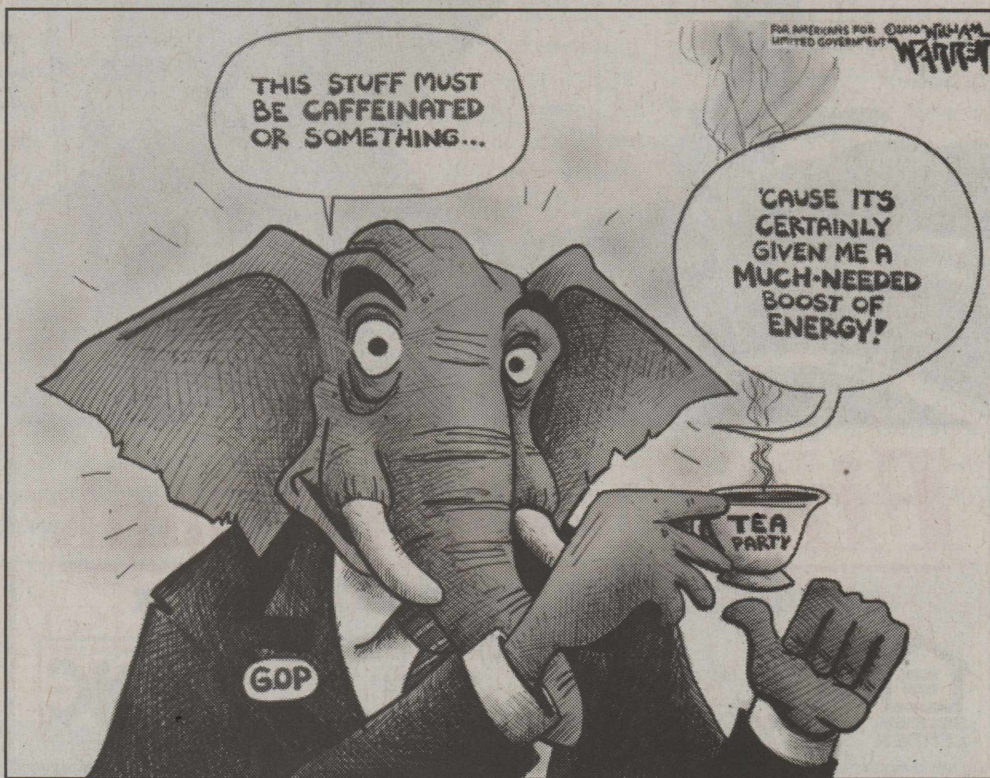
Take Madoff's life before he was arrested. According to Fishman:

For Bernie Madoff, living a lie had once been a full-time job, which carried with it a constant, nagging anxiety. "It was a nightmare for me," he told investigators, using the word over and over, as if he were the real victim. "I wish they caught me six years ago, eight years ago," he said in a little-noticed interview with them.

And what does life look like for Madoff, now that he's been caught? As Fishman shows, Madoff lives separated from his family, surrounded by murderers and sex offenders, sweeping floors for fourteen cents and hour, and doing what he can not to fall victim to prison violence. Some rock star.

What comes across from Fishman's article is that Madoff's existential life now matches his inner life. A man whose inner life had been a nightmare is now trapped in a literal nightmare.

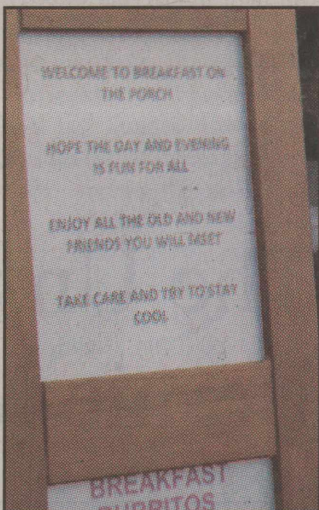
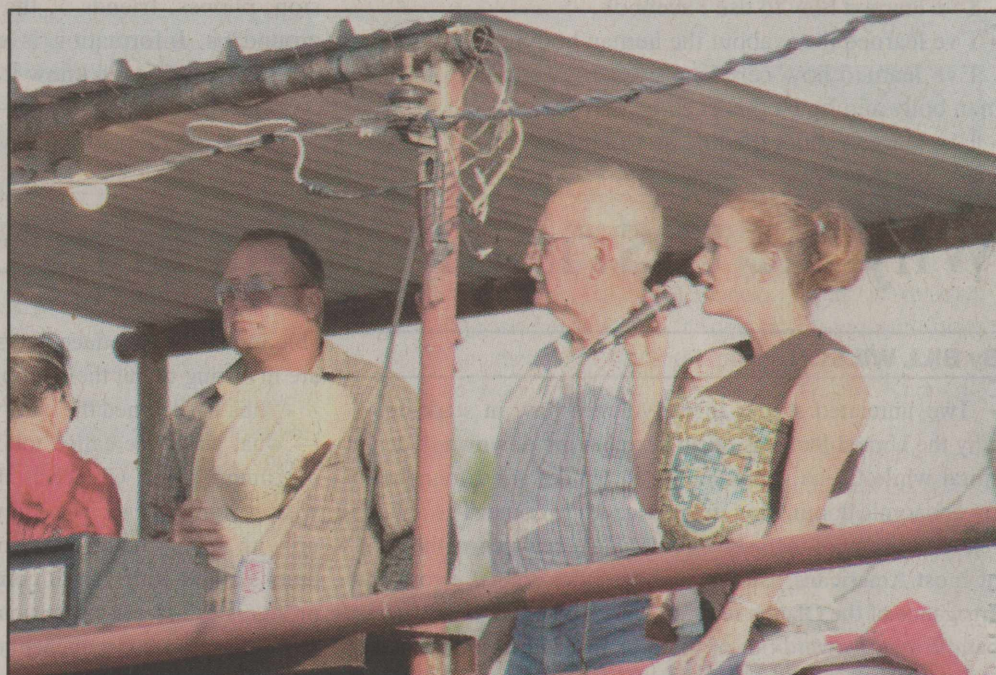
Madoff is often taken as the preeminent example of selfishness. But what the facts show is not a man who was concerned with his own interests, but rather someone totally uninterested in thinking about what kind of choices would genuinely promote his life. By trying to live like a criminal, rather than as a productive individual, Madoff guaranteed himself a meaningless, joyless, self-destructive existence. There's nothing selfish about that.



BENJAMIN HOMECOMING/ RANCH RODEO HIGHLIGHTS

Benjamin Homecoming took place last weekend, June 11-13th. With a Ranch Rodeo taking place each night at the Rodeo grounds (complete with Bronc riding), to a parade during the heat of the day on Saturday afternoon, to the Breakfast on the Porch at the Benjamin Museum, and concluding with a community worship service, the 2010 Benjamin Homecoming/Ranch Rodeo turned out to be a convention for the books. Pictured here are a few of the highlights of the weekend.

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lives is one of those stories through which God shows up and shows off. Kim, who grew up in Knoxville, and is the daughter of Paul and Sandra Chambers, married Jesse after meeting him at church camp. The two then started trying to conceive, but to no avail. There was no medical reason for their lack of luck in getting pregnant, "it just never happened" according to Kim. They had considered adoption, even taking the required 200 pictures of themselves, their house, and their surroundings, but never actually put in an application to an adoption agency. They said that they were just waiting for some obvious sign from God that they needed a child (or, in this case, a child needed them).

At Christmas, while Kim and Jesse were here in Knoxville City, Jesse's sister (who lives 5 minutes from the ex-Knox residents) went to visit their family in Florida. Upon departure, her grandma stopped his sister, giving her a blue blanket that she had made to give to Jesse and Kim when they returned to their home in North Carolina. His grandma gave this blanket, telling Jesse's sister, "this is for Jesse and Kim, God told me they have a baby on the way."

Kim & Jesse returned to North Carolina earlier than expected because their intended plans to go skiing in Colorado fell through, and on December 29th, the day after their return,

were met with an ominous phone call from a distant friend at their church. Apparently a friend of a friend of a friend knew this homeless couple who had a three month old baby that they wanted to give up for adoption, and when inquiring as to a good home, Kim and Jesse's name was brought up.

The couple prayed about it, and then decided to meet the baby. At 7:30 the night they had received the phone call about the child, they first met their son, Luke- although his name at that time was Gavin. Not even 24 hours after the life-changing phone call, Luke was in their home, part of their lives, and embedded into their hearts. And when the blanket was brought to Kim & Jesse's home, a bundle of baby boy was there to be wrapped inside it's warmth.

The couple named their new son "Luke" because there is a passage in Luke that says: Nothing is impossible with God.

While talking to Kim and Jesse about their son, Jesse pulled out his iPhone and scrolled through umpteen different pictures of Luke through the last 5 months. "This is Luke at the Harley store", "This is Luke and me at my birthday"... al spoken with that sparkling smile of the proudest of daddys.

Now, while a few years ago, the nation was addressed on Fathers day about "dead-

beats" and "absent fathers", I look around and see a plethora of amazing Daddies. Not just those biological DNA donating men, but men who have stepped up to the plate and taken the title "Daddy". I know of several men who are step-dad's, who fair better than the DNA provider ever would have. I know of men who are "like-a-dad" to someone. I hold in high esteem men who accept the title of God-fathers, who never get their due celebration on day's like Father's Day... the "dead-beats and "absent" men who helped in making of children are not daddies- these men are.

Look at the greatest step-dad ever known: David, who married a virgin, saw her through the birth of Jesus Christ, then stuck by her side, teaching the son that was not biologically his how to work with wood, become a carpenter, discipline him (if Jesus needed disciplining), and act as his daddy on Earth. God didn't just chose Mary to bear His son, he chose David to be His son's Earthly daddy.

So, this fathers day, remember not only your special daddies (like my "fixer" dad), or your "daddies-in-law" (which I also have the extreme pleasure of having one of the best), but all the "Step-daddies", the "God-Daddies" and the "Like-a-daddies" in the world. Daddies of all kinds are truly God's chosen men.