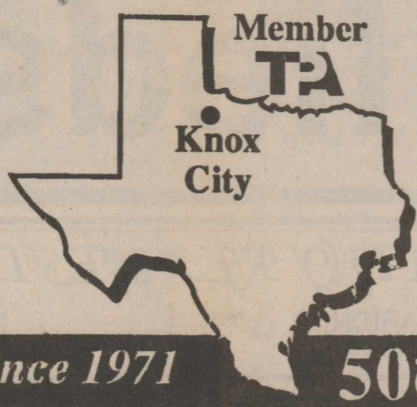


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Watermelon Festival All Set For Saturday

The city park here in Knox City will be the place to be this Saturday as the Chamber of Commerce hosts the Knox City Watermelon Festival.

Beginning at 9:00 a.m. with a watermelon sculpting contest, the annual event is sure to draw a capacity crowd again this year. Offering a wide variety of food, arts and crafts, music, and games for the young and old, the annual festival is sure to please everyone.

Started by the Chamber of Commerce as a way of recognizing our local watermelon industry, the festival also features a free

day of swimming at the city pool, located in the park complex. The pool will open at 1:00 p.m. and stay open until 9:00 p.m. with free entry for all.

- Events -

Items listed on the event schedule include a variety of things to do, food to eat, and music to listen to. The festival will feature a horse shoe tournament, a co-ed volleyball tournament, space ball, miniature train, children's sand art, painting, a dunkin' booth, a basketball throw game and dart game.

- Food -

Food booth sponsors urge you

to come hungry as items for sale at the festival will include barbecue, hot dogs, popcorn, hamburgers, sausage-on-a-stick, homemade ice cream, cotton candy, Mexican food, chicken shish-kabob and turkey legs.

- Drawings -

Those wishing to try their luck might be interested in several drawings to be held at the festival. There will be cash prizes drawn for throughout the day, including a TV-VCR donated by Penman Conoco, and a char-broil grill donated by West Texas Utilities. Also featured this year is a draw-

ing for a Super-Soaker 250 water gun by the KC-O'Brien Junior High School Cheerleaders. Tickets for the water gun are \$1.00 each and you do not need to be present to win. The water gun drawing will take place at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are available from any of the Junior High Cheerleaders.

- Crafts -

Arts and crafts booths will be set up, along with a jewelry booth. Vendors will be displaying their wares for sale to the public.

Musical entertainment will begin at 12:30 p.m. and include a variety of artists from Abilene,

Mesquite, and our local area.

- Postal Cancellations -

Employees from the Knox City Post Office will be on hand at the park offering a special postal cancellation that was designed for the Watermelon Festival. The stampings will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for first class envelopes or postcards.

- Souvenir T-Shirts -

Special Watermelon T-Shirts have been designed for the event and will be available at the festival. These are sure to sell fast, so be sure to plan on obtaining one of these special T-Shirts for your-

self. The T-Shirt design is the same design to be used on the postal cancellations.

- Times* -

* Booths will open at 10:00 a.m.,

* Music will start at 12:30 p.m. with performances at 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m.

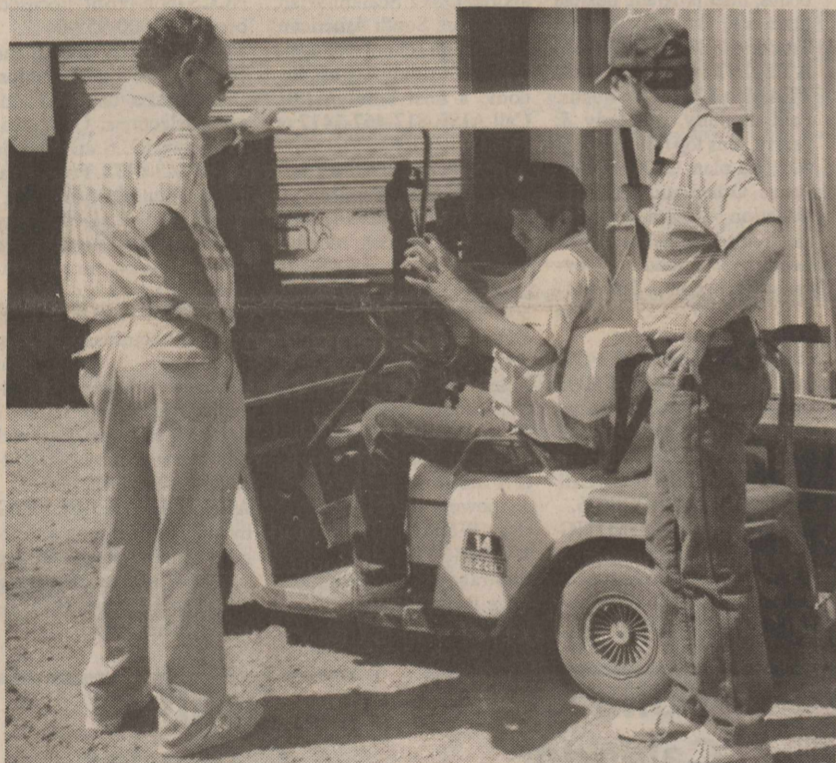
* Postal cancellations will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

* Swimming will open at 1:00 p.m. and conclude at 9:00 p.m.

* Misc. drawings will take place all day.

* Water Gun drawing is set for 5:00 p.m.

Johnson Melon Corporation Puts KC In National Spotlight



TAKING A BRIEF MOMENT out of their busy day, Donald Johnson, DeRoy Anderson and Dwayne Johnson talk over the watermelon operations at Johnson Melon Corporation. Donald and Dwayne handle the Johnson end of the operation, while DeRoy runs his firm, Anderson Produce of Dilley, Texas. (NEWS Photo)

By Dave Thompson

While small towns all across America are decaying and dying, there is one local firm that works hard every day to make the name of Knox City, Texas, known throughout the nation. A lot of maps don't even have Knox City listed, but if you were to ask food buyers in Chicago, Vermont, New Jersey, Louisiana, or even California where Knox City is, they would tell you right away that it's the home of Johnson Melon Corporation and the seedless watermelon! Known throughout the nation for the production of seedless watermelons, Johnson Melon Corporation is truly 'putting Knox City on the map.'

The huge watermelon operation that is making Knox City famous is actually two different firms working jointly at the same location. Johnson Melon Corporation is owned and run by the Johnson family that includes Donald, Kay, Dwayne, Lorie, Brad and Dustin. The Texas Melon Exchange is owned and operated by DeRoy Anderson with Anderson Produce of Dilley, Texas. Both firms contract out their watermelons to Sunworld in Bakersfield, California.

Located on a 700 acre spread east of Knox City, Johnson Melon Corporation and the Texas Melon Exchange both provide a huge boost to our local economy. Employing approximately 44 workers each, Johnson Melon and Texas Melon Exchange each have weekly payrolls in excess of \$40,000. Those figures easily place them among the top employers in Knox County and this part of Texas.

Shipping a whopping average of 12,000 watermelons per day, the folks at Johnson Melon Corporation put in a lot of long hours during their peak growing and harvesting seasons. Beginning about the second week of March each year, workers are busy planting seeds in the greenhouse. Then about the second week of April, the transplants are taken out and actually put into the ground by machine. The watermelon growing season lasts from April to July, with the harvesting usually beginning about the first week of

See Watermelons, Page 6

Festival To Offer Variety Of Music

By Jo Ann Maddox

Bring your lawn chairs and come on down.....down to the city park, that is, to enjoy the entertainment planned during the Watermelon Festival.

We have asked several good groups to visit us this year and we think you will enjoy them very much.

Our program begins just after lunch at 12:30 p.m. with Bonnie Workman of Rule, Texas. Bonnie won 2nd place in the fiddlers contest at Stamford this year.

At 1:30 p.m., the Glory Bound gospel music group of Abilene will sing for you. You will really enjoy this group of 4 men who each plays a guitar and they sing gospel music. We have had this group at our church a couple of times and

we have really liked them.

At 2:30 p.m., Wendell Callaway of Mesquite, Texas, will be here to sing for us. He is part of a group called Texas Legacy and



we hope the whole group will be here. This group entertained at the Copper Breaks State Park recently during the playing of the *Summer of the Wild Plum Moon*. They are great musicians.

At 3:00 p.m., we will hear Jim Burt and Brownie Tackitt and their band. This is always a favorite time as our own local fellows play.

Again at 4:00 p.m., Mr. Callaway will sing for us. He has written some delightful music and some of it is funny and will have you laughing.... such as one called

"Jackrabbits in my boots."

We will hear some more from our local talent and then at 5:00 p.m., the local group *Timber Wolves* will entertain us. They will be playing just as long as there is anyone to play to.

We have tried to plan something for every taste in music. Please come and enjoy with us. Bring your lawn chairs and a pocket full of money to buy cold drinks and food, sit in the shade and pat your foot, or clap your hands. We will be looking for you there.

Your Entertainment Committee,

Sammie Offield
Tracy Carter
Jo Ann Maddox

Rep. Counts To Be Honored With Meal

The Knox City Volunteer Fire Department has announced that the organization will be hosting a bean and cornbread supper to honor State Representative David Counts for his efforts on behalf of the department and the Fire Protection Service.

Lane Davis, speaking on behalf of the department, said that the Knox City Fire Department wanted to "show its appreciation to Representative Counts for all

his help over the years."

The meal will be held this Sunday, July 31, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Knox City School Cafeteria. The timing is perfect for those getting out of church and wanting to eat a good meal, the firemen said.

The 'all-you-can-eat' menu will consist of beans, cornbread, tea and dessert. Cost for the meal will be \$5.00 per person, collected at the door.

Members of the fire department invite everyone to make plans to attend this very important meeting. Not only will you have a good meal, but you will have the opportunity to visit with Rep. Counts and show your appreciation for all his hard work in Austin on behalf of Knox City.

Remember, that's this Sunday, July 31, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Knox City School Cafeteria. See You There !!



HANDLING THE RETAIL END OF WATERMELON SALES to drive up customers, Traci Deering of Knox City is shown here (at right) with Frankle Thurston of Munday, who arrived to purchase a watermelon. (NEWS Photo)

Knox County Constable Leroy Davis Found Dead At Home Tuesday Morning

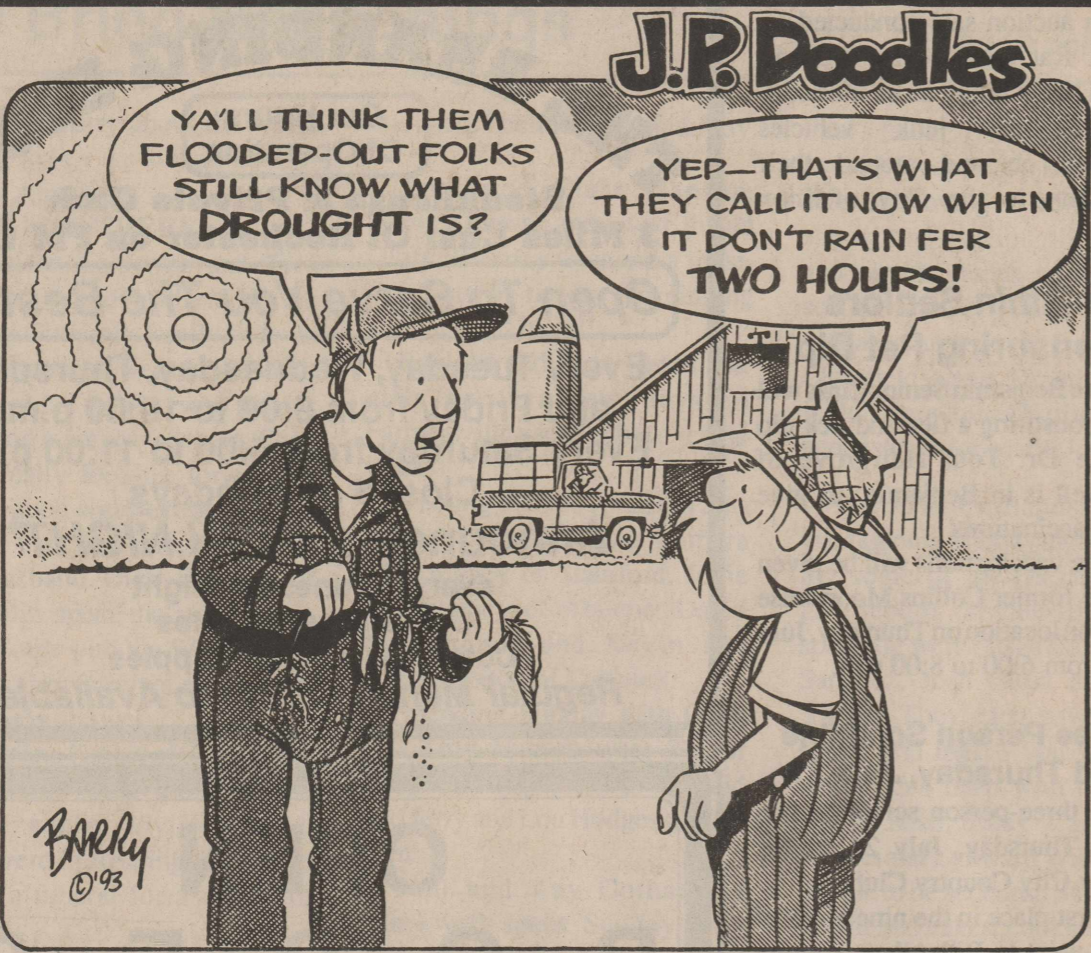
Constable Leroy Davis was found dead at his home Tuesday morning. He had not been feeling well and a friend Jerry Curd went by his house to check on him and made the discovery.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Bobby King, pastor, officiating, and burial will be in the Knox City Cemetery.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's News.



YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABIES! -- The Anderson Triplets, from left, Spencer, Tanner and Madison will be celebrating their first birthday, July 30. Parents Sonni and Robert are asking friends to help them celebrate Saturday as noted by their invitation elsewhere in this week's News. (NEWS Photo)



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Alesha Rutherford Honored With Saturday Coffee

Alesha Rutherford, bride-elect of Shawn Reed, was honored with a coffee Saturday, July 23, in the home of Mrs. Jerry Ray. Calling hour was from ten until eleven o'clock in the morning.

In addition to Alesha, special guests were her mother, Sharon Rutherford; and members of the prospective bridegroom's family, his mother, Mary Ann; his grandmother, Fern; and his aunt, Sharon.

Refreshments of raspberry sherbert with ginger ale, coffee, sausage balls, donut holes, coffee cake and a fruit plate were served from a table covered with a Battenburg cloth. An arrangement of mauve and burgundy flowers centered the table and crystal and silver appointments were used.

Hostesses were Sandra Chambers, Carolyn Sloan, Joyce Risinger, Maribeth Williams, Melanie Dillon, Bonnie Peysen, Susie Ray, Doris Crownover, Wanda Phipps, Bobbie Meinzer, Faye Shaver, Margie Clonts, Birdie Helton, Dottie Lowrey, Frankie Baker, Faye Reed, Mary Counts, Elva Gonzales, Mary Ann Boone and Sequoyah Reynolds.

Rural Mail Boxes Are Being Vandalized

There have been several cases of rural route mailboxes being vandalized on the Knoxville City, O'Brien, and Rochester rural routes, according to reports from postmasters in these towns.

The postmasters are reminding readers that this is federal offense punishable by fines and/or imprisonment. Opening or tampering with mailboxes and mail is also prohibited, they said.

If anyone is seen tampering with mailboxes or someone else's mail, readers are asked to report it to their local postmaster.

VISITS GRANDPARENTS

Stuart Ray of The Woodlands spent last week with his grandparents, Susie and Jerry Ray.

Stuart's dad, Don, came on Friday and spent the weekend prior to returning Stuart home.

Visiting on Sunday was another son, Cliff of Haskell; and a college friend, Quentin Hinson of Dallas.

IN FORT WORTH

Orval and Helen Manning and Kash and Agnes Powers were in Fort Worth last week visiting their grandson Brad and wife Monica Manning and great-grandson Jacob Manning.

King County 4-H'ers Competing In State Horse Show In Abilene

By Gary D. Antilley
King County Extension Agent
Eleven King County 4-H Horsemen will be competing at the State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene on July 24-30 to compete in the Qualifying and Open Show events throughout the week.

Ryan Antilley and Tara Merrick are two of the top 35 horsemen that will be representing Rolling Plains-District 3 at the State Qualifying show. Antilley won Grand Champion gelding honors giving him an automatic bid to state. Tara placed seventh in poles and fifth in western riding to give her enough points to qualify. Both of these horsemen will be competing in the qualifying portion of the show during July 28-30. Ryan will

compete in the Halter Gelding class, while Tara will be in Western Riding, Poles, Barrels, and Stakes.

Eleven 4-H'ers will be competing in the Open show during July 24-27. Ryan Antilley will be team penning; Jay Gholson, penning, calf-breakaway-team roping; Will Hale, penning, team roping; Dan Merrick, penning, breakaway roping; Jake Merrick, penning, calf and breakaway roping; Tara Merrick, penning and breakaway roping; Jody Moorhouse, team penning; Seth Moorhouse, penning, calf-breakaway, team roping; Cody Springer, penning, team roping; Bill Vinson, penning, breakaway, team roping; and Kendra Williams, working cow horse, reining.

SUNDAY, JULY 31 IS DAVID COUNTS APPRECIATION DAY

We invite you to join the Knoxville City Fire Department as we show our appreciation to State Representative Counts with an all-you-can-eat bean and cornbread meal at the Knoxville City School Cafeteria.

The meal starts at 11:00 a.m. and concludes at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person, collected at the door.

Come help us show our appreciation to David and enjoy a meal of beans, cornbread, tea and dessert.

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Rhonda Albus Is LVN Graduate

Rhonda Albus graduated with honors from Howard County Junior College School of Nursing in Big Spring on May 13.

She was one of 54 students receiving her Licensed Vocational Nursing certificate.

Attending her graduation were her parents, brother, and many friends.

She took the LVN state board exam on July 11 and passed the exam, receiving her license.

Rhonda, a Knoxville City High School graduate, is presently employed in Big Spring.

Congratulations, Rhonda!

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Cassidy Danae Carter

Paula and Tracy Carter are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Cassidy Danae.

She was born July 8 at 9:15 a.m. at Hendrick Medical Center weighing eight pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces. She measured 21 3/4 inches in length.

Welcoming the new baby home is her proud big brother, Jordan, who is three years old.

Maternal grandparents are Sandra and Paul Chambers of O'Brien. Paternal grandparents are Darlene and Terry Carter of Knox City.

Maternal great-grandparents are Modelle and T.W. Barton of Rochester and Bernice and Jack Chambers of Donna. Paternal great-grandmother is Pauline Lewis and paternal great-great-grandmother is Mrs. D.K. Kinney, both of Rochester.

Molly Kate Matties

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Matties are the proud parents of a baby girl born Wednesday, July 20, at 3:08 p.m. in a Seymour hospital.

The baby has been named Molly Kate and she weighed in at seven pounds, ten ounces and measured 19 inches in length.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bradley.

Mrs. Eloise Newberry of Abilene is maternal grandmother.

Chandler Joyce Helms

Vanessa and Jim Helms of Wichita Falls proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Chandler Joyce, on July 12 at 10:42 a.m. in Wichita General Hospital.

She weighed eight pounds, four ounces, measured 20 inches in length, and was born on her daddy's 36th birthday.

Maternal grandparents are John Brock of Wichita Falls and Linnie and Allen Howard of Kingwood. Paternal grandparents are Ramons and John Helms of Knox City.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bud Peevey, Dorothy Brock, and John Brock of Wichita Falls.

Maternal great-great-grandmother is Mrs. Weiss of Wichita Falls.

Nicholas Tate Sisson

Barbie and Kevin Sisson of Lubbock announce the birth of their son, Nicholas Tate, born June 28 at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Nicholas weighed seven pounds, eight ounces, and was 21 1/4 inches in length.

Grandparents are Janice and Bill Sisson of Lubbock and Barbara McGaughey of Stamford. Nicholas is the 12th great-grandbaby for Winnie Johnston of Knox City.

The baby's mother will be remembered here as the former Barbie McGaughey.

June Busy Month For Police Dept.

By DEAN HOMSTAD
Knox City Chief of Police

The Knox City Police Department had a very busy month responding to and completing 320 calls and tasks. Many more tasks were completed, however, these listed in the total were the significant ones. The criminal activity again has increased with a reported total of 24 criminal offenses during the month. Of the reported offenses, 20 have been cleared or otherwise disposed of, with 11 criminal charges being filed. Juveniles were involved as suspects in seven of the offenses, with several more being present or involved. The remaining four offenses are still under investigation.

Offenses reported include:

Criminal Mischief, 1; Runaway (Juveniles), 2; Harboring a Runaway Child, 2; Burglary of a Motor Vehicle, 2; Violate Ordinance #1109, (Requiring a Peddler's Permit), 1; Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, 1; Dog Bite, 3; Terroristic Threat, 3; Reckless Damage, 1; Injury to a Child, 1; Assault (with injury), 2; Minor in Possession (Alcohol), 1; Driving While Intoxicated (Felony), 1; Driving while License Suspended, 1; Evading Detention, 1; Theft (under \$20.00), 1; Tickets Issued, 6; Traffic Warnings, 19; Accidents, 2.

The Knox City Police Department Reserves contributed a total of 65 hours of work to the City of Knox City in the month of June.

On June 1, Reserve Officers Curd, Steen and I attended a course at the West Central Texas Council of Governments Law Enforcement Academy. The course was entitled Testifying in Court, and was informative of court procedures, tactics, and preparation of officers as witnesses. This course will be very helpful when an officer is called to testify.

On the 12th of this month, while investigating a runaway report, Officer Walker of this department located and recovered a stolen motorcycle. The motorcycle had been reported stolen from Haskell County in May 1994, and had been taken to a remote location near Knox City and repainted. The owner was notified and did identify it as his. Three local juveniles, (16 years of age and under) are suspects in the case. The case was turned over to the Haskell County Sheriff's Office for prosecution.

On June 15, the Knox City Police Department held its regular meeting. Due to other activities, only Officer Curd and myself attended the meeting. A film was viewed on some offensive as well as defensive police procedures. During the meeting, another skunk call was received. The call was completed and the meeting adjourned.

On the 25th of the month, an impounded junk vehicle was sold at an auction sale conducted by Pack Rat auctioneers. We will soon begin citing more individuals for the junk vehicles located on and around their property in the City of Knox City.

Benjamin Seniors Sponsoring Pet Dip
The Benjamin Senior Class will be sponsoring a flea and tick dip while Dr. Tom Hairgrove of Haskell is in Benjamin to give pet vaccinations.
The vaccinations will be given at the former Collins Moorhouse Station location on Thursday, July 28, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Three Person Scramble Held Thursday, July 21

A three-person scramble was held Thursday, July 21, at the Knox City Country Club.
First place in the nine holes of play went to Bill Allen, Tommy Mangis and Mary Johnston with a five under par 30.

Three teams tied for second with a three under par 32. Teams were Weldon Skiles, Estelle Skiles and Earlene Austin; Ben Grill, Travis Cook and Dallas Dykes; and Brian Williams, Cathye Williams and Donnie Roberts.

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TUBERCULOSIS HAS BECOME THE COMEBACK PLAGUE

When did the incidence of TB begin to rise?
Until the middle of this century, tuberculosis was a common and often fatal illness. Between 1953 and 1984, the disease decreased an average of 5 percent a year and the Center for Disease Control published the goal of eliminating the disease in the United States (less than one case per million people) by the year 2010. However, from 1985 to 1992, more than 51,000 new cases were reported, an increase of 20 percent and a clear indication that the disease is not retreating.

Why is the disease increasing now?
Three major factors contributing to the increase of tuberculosis in our society are:
1. The increased number of immunodeficient people at risk for infection. The higher incidence of AIDS and of other immune-system suppression is associated with this rise.
2. Increased immigration from countries with high tuberculosis levels continues to introduce new exposure into the country.
3. Poverty, homelessness, substance abuse, and lack of medical care have always contributed to the success of tuberculosis in invading and thriving in a society.

How is tuberculosis transmitted?
TB is transmitted when an individual infected with the Mycobacterium tuberculosis germ coughs, sneezes, talks, or shouts, and a fine spray of droplets containing the germ is expelled into the air and is inhaled by an uninfected person. Tuberculosis cannot be transmitted by sharing food, drink, or eating utensils with someone who has tuberculosis.

What steps are being taken to control tuberculosis?
The increased incidence of tuberculosis in many Texas counties prompted a study by the state Tuberculosis Elimination Division that has identified high-risk counties. Women, Infants, and Children clinics in these counties have begun to provide TB skin testing along with the routine childhood immunizations. Employers have been urged by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to redouble screening and protection programs for health workers. Early detection and prompt treatment remain the primary weapon in the fight against TB, and we find that we still have rounds to fight.

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1994 Property Tax Rates In City of Knox City

This notice concerns 1994 property tax rates for City of Knox City. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 130,169.24
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 130,169.24
Last year's tax base	\$ 18,966,813.00
Last year's total tax rate	\$.6863 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 130,025.32
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 19,223,718
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.6763 /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing
\$.69658 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 130,025.32
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 19,223,718
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.6763 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.73040 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.73040 /\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION	-\$70,000.00

Schedule B 1994 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
THIS ENTITY, CITY OF KNOX CITY, HAS NO DEBT PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES				
Total required for 1994 debt service	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Excess collections last year	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1994	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 1994	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Total Debt Levy	\$	\$	\$	\$

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT
Name of person preparing this notice Stanton Brown
Title Chief Appraiser and Tax Assessor/Collector
Date prepared July 22, 1994

CLIP AND SAVE!

O'Brien Happenings

By Audie Johnston

"Don't worry about the world ending today, it's already tomorrow in Australia."

HERE AND THERE

Brandon Gutierrez and Tres Estrada, grandchildren of the Whitey Gutierrez family, flew to Washington last week to visit their aunt Lynda Gamber...

Lee Cox and daughter Carol and husband Dick Dickson of Benjamin spent the weekend in Fort Worth with the Wallace and Bobby Cox families...

Pretecia Kinzer of Grandfield, Oklahoma, spent the weekend with her mother, Vivian Hendrix. They were in Roaring Springs to attend a funeral for a cousin of

Miss Fortenberry

Honored Friday

With Bridal Shower

A bridal shower honoring Nikki Fortenberry, bride-elect of Trent Mabry, was held Friday, July 22, in the Church of Christ Annex.

Special guest was June Moss, mother of the prospective bridegroom.

Jennifer Harrison and Lila Rector served an assortment of cookies, punch and nuts from a table carrying out the bride-elect's chosen colors of dusty mauve and blue.

Hostesses were Leona Burkham, Dorethy Harrison, Jennifer Harrison, Jean Thomas, Marie Darr, Pam Mongrain, Barbara Rector, Lila Rector, Romain Stubbs, Wanda Duncan, Carolyn Sloan and Tamie Weiershausen.

The couple will be married Saturday, July 30, at two-thirty in the afternoon at the Cactus Drive Church of Christ in Levelland.

Mrs. Crownover To Report On Holy Land Trip

Doris Crownover, who recently returned from a trip to the Holy Land, will be the featured speaker for the United Methodist Women at First United Methodist Church on Tuesday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m.

Anyone in the community who would be interested is welcome to attend, a spokesperson said.

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A Golden Time Jerry Smith Administrator Brazos Valley Care Home 658-3543 605 Avenue F, Knoxville

Several programs during the 80s sought to increase the number of nursing school graduates. The programs are now paying off. Graduating nurses in 1992-93 numbered 88,448, up 10.6% to an all-time high.

As a rule, seniors taking anti-depressant drugs should start with doses about a third those of younger patients. Maintenance doses are also about one third to one half the levels of younger patients.

Vivian's, Thelma Fish, Saturday.

Troy and Clara Hanson, Bernice Rowan and I were in Old Glory Saturday to attend a musical. Lots of music and singing was enjoyed by all.

Rayland and Rose Hayes and girls spent a few days in Farmersville vacationing over the week.

Visiting Winnie Johnston Saturday were her daughter Barbara McGaughey of Stamford, Jodie McGaughey of Abilene, David McGaughey and Kevin and Barbic Sisson of Lubbock.

Spending Sunday with Clara and Troy Hanson were Taylor and Judy Hodges of Brownsfield and Jerry and Lou Hodges of Graham.

Paul and Kay Gothard of Blackwell spent Sunday with

Paul's father, Dwight Gothard.

Beth Underwood is in the process of moving to Roby where she will be teaching the seventh and eighth grades in the Roby schools another year.

Babe and Jean Banner of Littlefield spent Saturday night with Babe's father Berlie Banner and sister Rose Marie Johnston.

The O'Brien Baptist Church was honored Sunday night by having some of the Mexico group give reports on their trip. Those speaking were Susan Carver, Rey Sanchez, Josh Gerik and Gena Yarger. They each gave a good report and makes you wish you could have been with the crew.

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were enjoyed by all attending the celebration.

Sam Cameron spent the weekend with his mother, Fannie Cameron and they enjoyed going to church Sunday in Rochester.

"After months of working overtime as a financial analyst for a large corporation, I returned home one night at 12:30. As I crawled into bed, my wife awoke. "You've got to alphabetize," she commented. "What do you mean?" I asked. "Wife comes before work," she said."

Benjamin Senior Class will hold a Flea & Tick Dip while Dr. Tom Hairgrove will give Pet Vaccinations Thursday, July 28, 6-8 P.M.

KNOX CITY WATERMELON FESTIVAL Saturday, July 30 - City Park Booths Open At 10 a.m. Live Musical Entertainment Begins At 12:30 Watermelon Sculpting Contest Judging at 9 a.m.

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Watermelons Put KC On The MapFrom Page One



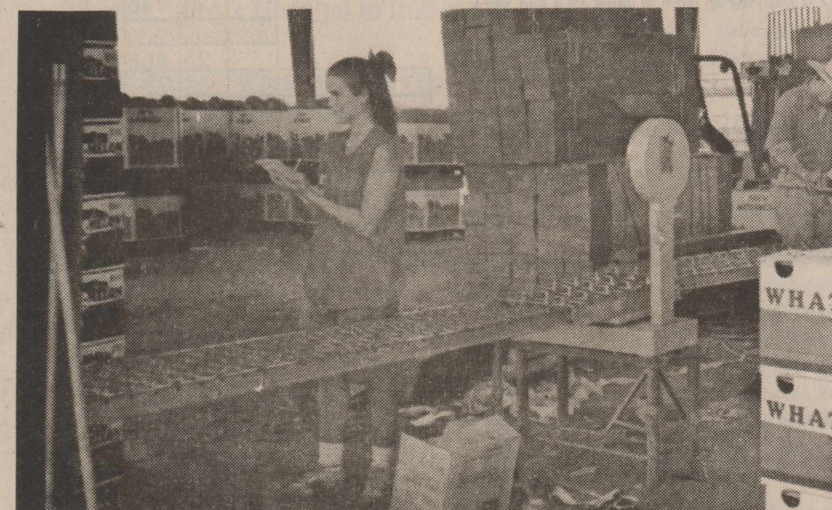
LOADING WATERMELONS IN THE FIELD, these workers labor hard in the 100+ degree temperatures as they load melons on to trucks for shipment to the sorting and packing sheds. (NEWS Photo)



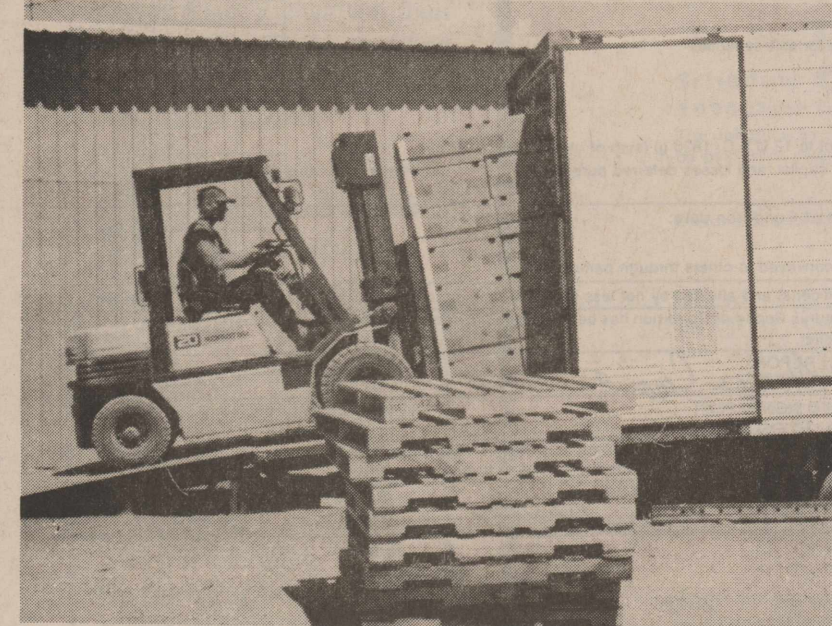
CHECKING WATERMELONS, these workers keep the conveyor belts running between the unloading crews and the packing crews. (NEWS Photo)



STACKING BOXES OF WATERMELONS ON TO PALLETS, these workers have the job of stacking the melons just prior to their shipment to all parts of the country. (NEWS Photo)



MAKING SURE THE SHIPPING ORDER IS CORRECT, Trish Roberts is just one of several local youth who are employed at Johnson Melon Corporation and Anderson Produce. (NEWS Photo)



THE LAST STEP OF PROCESSING WATERMELONS is the loading of the pallets full of melons on to semi-trucks for shipment all over the country. This truck was bound for Kansas City, Missouri. (NEWS Photo)

July, and ending around Labor Day in September.

When the harvesting begins, it's full speed ahead without regard to the time of day, day of the week or week of the month. The family run operation is unique and everyone pitches in to do "whatever it takes" according to Dwayne Johnson, who went on to say that "whenever the belts are running, they're loading and we're there."

Semi trucks arrive 24 hours a day and are loaded with approximately 40,000 pounds of watermelons each. "A good year for us will fill about 200 semi loads, that's an average of 8 million pounds of watermelon each season," said Johnson.

The watermelons are trucked all over the country, with an average of 5 to 9 semi loads for Johnson Melon Corporation going out each day, and the same for The Texas Melon Exchange.

In just a two day period at the end of last week, Johnson Melon Corporation shipped watermelons to Virginia, Massachusetts, Canada, Louisiana, New Jersey, Vermont, Oregon, California, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Washington D.C., Houston and Dallas. Some of these destinations were multiple semi loads, with six loads going to New Jersey alone. The firm also supplies watermelons locally, with the five M-System stores and ModernWay among their customers. Hundreds of watermelons are also sold each day to the general public at a retail booth on the farm.

Obviously proud of the firm, Dwayne Johnson took some time out of his busy schedule last week to show me around. Traveling by golf cart and 4-wheel drive pickup, I was shown the heart of the operation as it operated in high gear to fill trucks from several different states.

Showing me the field crews at work, Dwayne stated that the cutters usually arrived at work about 6:00 a.m., followed by the loaders at about 8:00 a.m. Working under the hot sun and 100 degree weather, both the cutters and loaders do everything the old fashioned way - by hand. The three field crews average 15 to 20 workers per crew and are hired by a Crew Boss who contracts the crew to Johnson Melon Corporation.

From the fields, the watermelons are trucked to sorting sheds where they are sorted and placed into boxes for shipment. Shipment is by orders of either 4 or 5 watermelons to a box. Sunworld of California is the selling agent, with orders faxed daily by telephone to both Johnson Melon Corporation and the Texas Melon Exchange. Filling those orders requires the efforts of everyone, from the pickers and cutters, to the sorters and loaders. While the majority of the workers are from Mexico, the firm is careful to employ only legal workers, who are documented and have their work papers. Because of this long-standing practice, the Johnson family enjoys a good relationship with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (Border Patrol), and the U.S. Labor Department. Both agencies have come in during past years to inspect the operations and interview the workers. Representatives of both agencies left with high praise of the Johnson operation. Others working at the operation include high school students and recent grads from Knox City who are earning money for college.

Watermelons are loaded 4 or 5 to a carton, with 28 cartons to a pallet. Each semi truck takes 21 pallets to a load. That's a lot of work for the 22 workers who work in the boxing area. Those workers average assembling and

filling 2,840 cartons of watermelons a day. If you think that is a lot of watermelons, just remember that these figures are only for Johnson Melon Corporation. Everything doubles if you count in all the Texas Melon Exchange operations at the same location!

For those in our community and surrounding area that have never paid much attention to the operations of Johnson Melon Corporation and the Texas Melon Exchange, I can assure you that the operations east of Knox City are a beehive of activity. The visit was an eye-opener to me and I appreciate Dwayne, Donald, Kay, Patricia Deering and Traci Deering for taking the time to help me with this story.

The Johnson family has become known throughout the nation for their production of seedless watermelons. It is a fitting tribute to have the Watermelon Festival sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce here in Knox City as a way of focusing local attention on what the Johnsons do for our community. If you haven't made plans to attend the festival this Saturday at the City Park here in town, I urge you to do so. Besides having a lot of fun, a great side benefit is that you get to taste the free seedless watermelon provided by the Johnson family and Johnson Melon Corporation!

Commodities To Be Delivered Aug. 16

The News office was advised Tuesday morning that commodities would be delivered on August 16.

More information will appear in a later edition of the News.

The Benjamin Cemetery Association
would like to express its
Sincere Appreciation
to
Mary and Troy Powell
for the gravel for the Cemetery Road
and to
Precinct Two
for furnishing the trucks
to haul the gravel.

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1994 Property Tax Rates In Knox County Hospital

This notice concerns 1994 property tax rates for Knox County Hospital. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	\$ 597,661.19
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 597,661.19
Last year's tax base	\$ 129,926,346
Last year's total tax rate	\$.4600 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes	\$ 597,516.66
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 120,845,910
(after subtracting value of new property)	
- This year's effective tax rate	\$.4944 /\$100

x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing

\$.5092 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 597,516.66
(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 120,845,910
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.4944 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.5339 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
- This year's rollback rate	\$.5339 /\$100

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION	\$250,000.00

Schedule B
1994 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
THIS ENTITY, KNOX COUNTY HOSPITAL, HAS NO DEBT PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES				
Total required for 1994 debt service				\$
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$
- Excess collections last year				\$
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1994				\$
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 1994				\$
- Total Debt Levy				\$

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Name of person preparing this notice: Stanton Brown
Title: Chief Appraiser and Tax Assessor/Collector
Date prepared: July 22, 1994

KC Woman's Mother Dies Wednesday

Funeral services for Ruby Nix Magee, mother of Leona Burkham, were held Friday at 10:00 a.m. in the Knox City Church of Christ with A. B. Martin officiating. Graveside rites were held at 4:00 p.m. Friday in Nocona Cemetery with Bill Yergin officiating under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mrs. Magee died Wednesday, July 20, at Brazos Valley Care Home after a lengthy illness.

Born Sept. 1, 1911, in Pilot Point, Texas, she married William Alton Magee on June 9, 1928, in Denton. They moved to Knox City twenty years ago from Sweetwater. Mr. Magee preceded her in death on March 25, 1976.

She was a member of the Knox City Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Leona Burkham of Knox City and Claudia Snow of Loving; a brother, J. R. Nix of Wichita Falls; a sister, Mary Slater of Nocona; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers included Mike Burkham, Bob Burkham, Jack Snow, Bill Fry, Greg Covey, and Gary Strawbridge.

Rites Are Held Sunday For Myrtle Jones, 94

Funeral services for Lurie Myrtle Jones of Knox City were held Sunday afternoon, July 24, at two o'clock in the First Baptist Church in Benjamin. The Rev. John Gillespie and the Rev. Jack Maddox officiated. Burial was in the Truscott Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Jones, 94, died Thursday, afternoon, July 21, in the Brazos Valley Care Home following a lengthy illness.

Born October 2, 1899, in Santa Anna, she married John Arthur Jones on September 18, 1916, in Crowell. He preceded her in death on April 25, 1940. Her parents were the late James Walter and Ora Frances Rutherford. Mrs. Jones was a member of the Baptist Church in Truscott.

She was also preceded in death by an infant son on May 8, 1918.

Survivors include two sons, Edwin Jones of Winnsboro and Charles Jones of Benjamin; three daughters, Frances Chilcoat of Knox City, Winnie Sue Nall of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, and Myrtle Lou Shaw of Knox City; a sister, Lavern Holmes of Menard; 13 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were James Duke, W.T. Cartwright, Leroy West, Wyman Meinzer, Tracy Cartwright and Dennis Duke.

Brownie Tackitt was honorary pallbearer.

County 4-H'ers Attend District Teen Leader Lab

By Jane Rowan
County Extension Agent-H.E.

Twenty-two counties from the Rolling Plains - 3 Extension District were on hand for the annual 4-H Teen Leader Lab held June 22-24 at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood. The theme for the weekend was "Open Your Eyes", and 155 4-H members, adult leaders and County Extension agents met at Brownwood to be a part of this educational and fun leadership experience.

Participating in the Teen Leader Lab from Knox County were Jason Patterson - Voting Delegate, Kandis Longan - Voting Delegate, Amanda Baker, Nathan Bloxham, Kay-Kay Kiser, Mindy Zeissel and County Extension Agents Paul Weiser and Jane Rowan.



MR. AND MRS. TERRELL FITZGERALD CANTRELL
... the former Laura G. de Leon

Locals' Grandson, Bride Are Wed Saturday, June 25

Terrell Fitzgerald Cantrell and Laura G. de Leon were married at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 25, at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Anding de Leon in Garland.

Best friends of the couple, Mitz Courilan and Tom Roberts, were honor attendants. Alton Fitzgerald Sr. of Knox City and Larry McCoumbs of Ohio were sponsors for the couple.

Terrell attended Texas Tech University and is employed by Micrografx, Inc. in Richardson. Laura is employed by Haynes &

Boone Law firm in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo de Leon of Manila, the Phillipines are Laura's parents and Donna and Claude Ricks of Ransom Canyon and Wallace and Dale Cantrell of Phoenix, Arizona, are Terrell's parents.

Alton and Wretha Fitzgerald of Knox City and Christine and the late Raymond Cantrell of Throckmorton are Terrell's grandparents.

The couple will reside in Dallas.

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The NAACP and Ms. Sylvia Moreland, president of Meals On Wheels in Anson, are teaming up with the Texas Commission For The Blind in this fund raising effort. Local contact person is Melinda Robinson.

Saturday,
In Front Of
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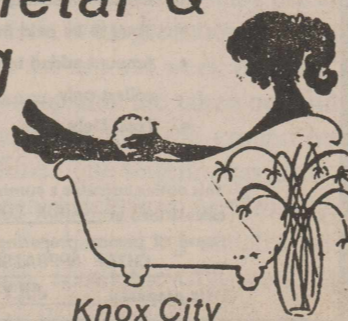
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7-21	75	93	
7-22	68	100	
7-23	75	104	
7-24	79	103	
7-25	78	97	

Our Most Sincere and Deepest Appreciation,

To all the people who helped comfort us during the loss of our loved one, whether by sending cards, flowers, food or just being there for us, Thank You and God Bless You!

The Hernandez Family
The Martinez and De La Cruz Family

A special thanks to our friends and "extended family" in Knox City for a terrific first year. Tanner, Spencer and Madison will be a "Big 1" on Saturday, July 30 and we ask that everyone

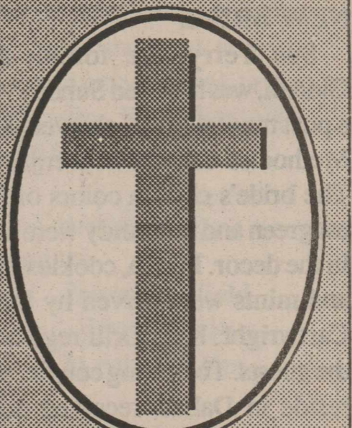
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celebrate their first birthday.

This is our way of saying "Thank You" to those who have helped and supported us this first year.

Come celebrate with us on Saturday, July 30, 1994, from 7:00 - 8:30 for cake and ice cream at our home, 604 South Eighth.

Sonni and Robert Anderson

Church Directory



First Baptist Church

Knox City

Bobby King, Pastor

*Sunday School: 9:45 A.M.
*Morning Worship: 10:55 AM
*Evening Worship: 7:00 PM
Mid-Week, Wed.: 7:00 PM
*Sunday Services Broadcast
On Cable Channel 17 In
Knox City and O'Brien

Santa Rosa Catholic Church

Knox City

Father George Foley
Tuesdays: 7:00 PM Mass
Sunday: 11:00 AM Mass

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Rhineland

Father George Foley
Mon.-Fri.: 8:00 AM Mass
Saturday: 7:00 AM Mass
Sunday: 5:00 PM Mass
(Spanish)

First United Methodist Church

Knox City

Jim Teeter, Pastor

Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM
Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

First Christian Church

Knox City

Bill Christian, Pastor

Sunday School: 10:00 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM

Foursquare Church

Knox City

Farrell Lemmings, Pastor

Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Morning Worship: 10:45 AM
Evening Worship: 6:30 PM
Mid-Week, Wed.: 7:00 PM

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Knox County Hospital
658-3535

The Knox County News
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O'Brien Baptist Church

O'Brien

George Yarger, Pastor
Sunday: 9:45 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM
Evening Worship: 7:00 PM
Mid-Week, Wed.: 7:00 PM

Gillespie Baptist Church

Rhineland

Ross Anderson, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM
Evening Worship: 7:00 PM
Mid-Week, Wed.: 7:00 PM

First Baptist Church Benjamin

Benjamin

John Gillespie, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:00 AM
Morning Worship: 11:00 AM
Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

First United Methodist Church Benjamin

Benjamin

Jim Teeter, Pastor
Sunday School: 10:30 AM
Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM

First Christian Church Benjamin

Benjamin

Pending Name Of Pastor
Sunday School: 10:30 AM
Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM

The Believers' Chapel

10 Miles East of Knox City

On Highway 222
Sunday Classes: 9:30 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM
Mid-Week, Wed.: 7:30 PM

KCHS Cheerleaders Attend Tech Camp



KNOX CITY HIGH SCHOOL'S 1994-95 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS attended the NCA High Plains Cheerleading Camp at Texas Tech University in Lubbock during June. Standing from left are Christina Rodriguez, head cheerleader Sarah Vacek and Heather Tilson. Kneeling, from left, are Chrystal Tankersley, Diana Estrada, Melissa Barnard and Kristi Richardson. According to cheerleader coach Greta Waldrip, the squad will have their first public performance at the "Community Spirit Night" August 18. Immediately following the scrimmage, fans are invited to stay for introduction of football and volleyball players, coaches' speeches, and a "Bleacher Mania" rally by the cheerleaders. (Courtesy Photo)

Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

It's happened again! We have been threatened with rain but have gotten none to speak of. A few sprinkles, here and there but surely not enough to do much good. Only makes the humidity much higher.

Sympathy goes to the family of Myrtle Jones today. Mrs. Jones died Thursday after a long illness. Her funeral was Sunday here in Benjamin.

We have a report on Odessa Cox, who is a patient in the Wichita General Hospital. Mrs. Cox underwent surgery last week and so far, is doing quite well. Please remember her in your prayers, and send her a card. I'm sure she would love to hear from her friends.

SHOWER HONORS NEW BRIDE

Sue Terry, the former Sue Gideon, was honored Sunday with a post nuptial bridal shower at the Methodist Church in Benjamin. The bride's chosen colors of forest green and burgundy were used in the decor. Punch, cookies, nuts and mints were served by Susan Cartwright. Kate Grill registered the guests. The young couple, who reside in Dallas, received many nice gifts.

Hostesses for the occasion were Jo Cartwright, Susan Cartwright, Nancy McGreger, Belle Grill, Shannon Propps, Stasia Propps, Linda Wagner, Louise Hertel and Christi Benson.

CONNOR REUNION

On Saturday, descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bill Conner met at the Portwood Pavillion in Seymour for their second annual reunion. Lots of visiting, good food and just "good ole" fellowship were enjoyed by those in attendance. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gideon and Freida and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Jennings of Poolville, Joy Yancy, Mike Yancy, Cory and Kerri and Brenda Golleher of Wichita Falls, Jack Nunley and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Young and family of Seymour, Joe Nunley and Dave Terry of Dallas, Lana Caldwell and Coletton of Haskell, Kyle Nunley and son of Graford, Wanda West of Cisco, Toni Benson and Daniel of Wichita Falls, Imagean and Dutch Young, Dee Ann Lamb and Anthony, Keith, Pam and Casey Conner, Darlene Benson, Leroy and Gloria West, Zula Conner, Jane Gideon, Weldon Gideon, Bud Conner and Gladene Green, all of Benjamin. Also, Samijo Russell of Spur and Trevor Benson of Seymour. The group elected Terry Jennings as president for the coming year and Gloria West was retained as secretary-treasurer. It was voted

to meet again next year - same place - the third Saturday in July.

HERE 'N THERE

Shari Brown and her dad, Stanton, were at Six Flags Saturday night for the Reba McEntire concert. Reba is Shari's all-time favorite so needless to say, she enjoyed every minute of it. She said they had real good seats and were able to really see and hear well!

Samijo and Shelby Russell of Spur have been here for several days visit with relatives. Their mom, Kim, came for them on

Monday.

Jack and Mary Young and grandsons, Trevor Neil and Dusty Collins, returned home last Sunday after a two weeks vacation including a trip to Disney World and other points of interest.

Philomae Roberson tells me that her brother, Bobby Feemster, who lives in San Angelo is having some rough days. He is taking chemo and we all know what that does to those who take it. Hopefully, we will hear some encouraging news the next report we get.

It is soon going to be school time again. They are working fe-

Open Rodeo Planned Here This Weekend

An Open Rodeo, sponsored by the Knox County Riding Club, has been set for Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30 at the Knox City arena.

Books will open July 25 at 9:00 a.m. and close July 27 at 10:00 p.m.

Events include:

Mutton Bust'n (five and under), Calf Riding (6-10), Steer Riding (11-14), Bareback, Saddle Bronc, Tie-Down Calf Roping, Barrel Racing, Team Roping and Bull Riding.

Cecil McCandless of Forestburg, Big "M" Rodeo Co. is stock producer for this year's rodeo.

erishly here to get the building ready for the first day. Some remodeling is taking place and a new heating and cooling system is going in so it ought to be a pretty pleasant place to be when school starts. We have two new teachers, so far, who have moved in over here. Kent Josselet and family have come to us from Munday. Kent will be the head coach, replacing Kim Smith. And Evan Yeager and family are new residents coming here from the Canton area. Evan is the new principal.

PET CLINIC AVAILABLE

There will be a Dog and Cat Vaccination clinic here Thursday, July 28, from 6:00 p.m. til 8:00 p.m. Dr. Hairgrove will be the vet available. Also the Senior Class will have dipping available.

Oh yes, the clinic will be at the old Collins Moorhouse station.

Knox County Hospital Offers New Technology

The miracle of mobile technology is bringing another high-tech diagnostic tool to patients in Knox County, according to Stephen Kuehler, administrator of Knox County Hospital. Advanced Cardiovascular Technology (ACT) is now offering echocardiography and other non-invasive cardiovascular diagnostic tests to the local hospital district.

"Using this mobile technology on a shared basis with other hospitals gives our physicians a very sophisticated diagnostic tool," Kuehler said. "Small hospitals could never afford to purchase these extremely expensive pieces of equipment, or maintain the highly trained technicians who operate them. By using the mobile service, our community has access to millions of dollars worth of equipment without having to make the investment to purchase it."

Echocardiography utilizes in-audible, high-frequency sound waves (ultrasound) to detect structural, and some functional, abnormalities of the heart wall, the heart valves and the heart's large blood vessels. "Because it is a painless, non-invasive procedure that simply involves running a wand over the chest area, echocardiography is used to avoid the risk, expense and discomfort patients might have with other types of diagnostic tests," Kuehler said.

The other cardiovascular diagnostic tests are also non-invasive and painless. "There is a variety of tests using ultrasound that can help physicians diagnose stroke, blood clots, and a variety of other diseases," Kuehler said. "All this technology uses highly-developed ultrasound technology. We're excited to bring this updated, sophisticated diagnostic tool to our patients," Kuehler concluded.



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1994 Property Tax Rates In City of Benjamin

This notice concerns 1994 property tax rates for CITY OF BENJAMIN. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 15,722.14
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 15,722.14
Last year's tax base	\$ 2,348,326
Last year's total tax rate	\$.6695 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 15,722.14
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 2,438,326
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.6447 /\$100

x 1.05 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.6640 /\$100
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This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 15,722.14
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 2,438,326
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.6447 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.7178 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.7178 /\$100

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Schedule A

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
MAINTENANCE & OPERATION - - - - -	\$21,000.00

Schedule B

1994 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
THIS ENTITY, BENJAMIN CITY, HAS NO DEBT PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES				
Total required for 1994 debt service	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$			
- Excess collections last year	\$			
= Total to be paid from taxes in 1994	\$			
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only % of its taxes in 1994	\$			
= Total Debt Levy	\$			

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Name of person preparing this notice STANTON BROWN
Title CHIEF APPRAISER AND TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR

Date prepared JULY 22, 1994