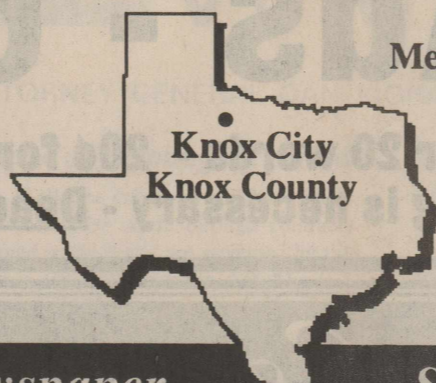


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## School Board Stands Behind Coach Johnson

By Dave Thompson

After an emotionally charged meeting late Tuesday night that brought a standing room only crowd of nearly sixty concerned parents, students, and even the wives of board members, trustees of the Knox City School Board assured Coach Wayne Johnson that he would remain the Athletic Director of the Knox City-O'Brien Consolidated Independent School

District through the remainder of this year and next year.

Responding to the overflowing crowd of supporters present at the meeting on behalf of Coach Johnson, School Trustee Donnie Roberts informed the crowd that representatives on behalf of Coach Johnson could address the board, but that no action could be taken during the open forum portion of

See School Board, Page 10

## Community Invited To Complimentary Dinner Friday To Honor Students

Everyone in the communities of Knox City and O'Brien are cordially invited to a complimentary community supper this Friday night at 7:00 in honor of the outstanding accomplishments by all students throughout the Knox City Consolidated Independent School District.

Featuring a free meal of brisket, beans, and all the trimmings, the meal is a perfect opportunity for the communities to come together to visit with and congratulate the students on their many outstanding athletic and academic achievements this year. No formal program is planned, this is

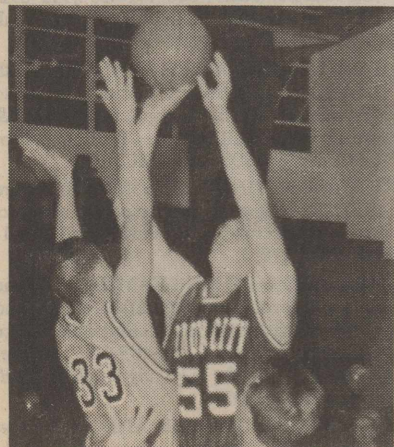
just a "come and go" type of event.

Sponsored as an event to promote student success, this event will be held inside the high school gym on the Knox City school campus. Last year the school purchased a hard rubber mat that is placed over the basketball floor,

making the gym a perfect location for large community events such as this.

Again, everyone is invited and there is no charge, everything is free so there is no reason not to be there! Mark it on your calendar, that's this Friday night, March 24, starting at 7:00 p.m.

## Stephens Named To All Big Country Team



Senior Scott Stephens has been the recipient of two honors during the past week.

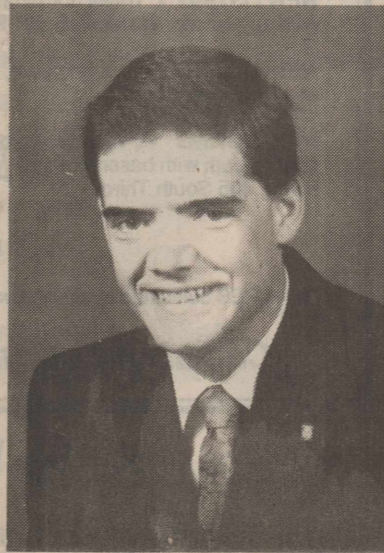
He was named to the All-Big Country Super Team in the *Abilene Reporter-News* and was also named to the All-Big Country Class A first team for the second year in a row. As noted in last week's *News*, Scott also was voted Most Valuable Player in District 18-A for the second year in a row.

## First Baptist Revival Starts Sunday

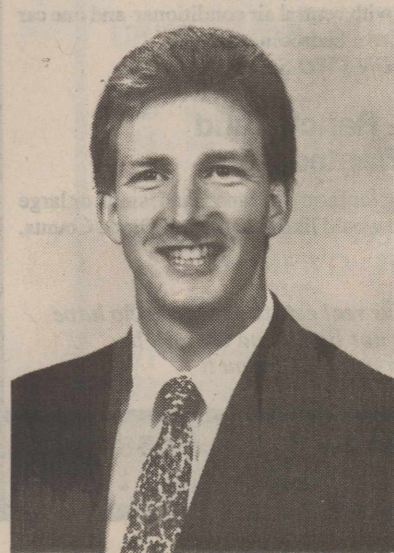
The pastor and congregation of First Baptist Church of Knox City announce their Spring Revival, scheduled to begin this Sunday morning, at 11:00.

Meeting on Sunday with services at both 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., the revival will continue through Wednesday night with the evening services each night at 7:00 p.m.,

With the revival open to everyone in Knox City and the surrounding area, the revival will feature preaching by Randy White, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Munday. Music for the



Randy White



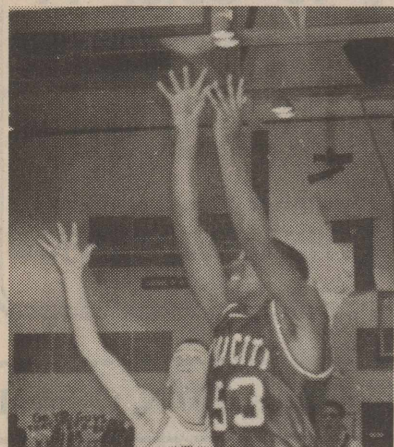
Lance Herrington

revival will be led by singer Lance Herrington of San Angelo. Herrington has been to First Baptist Church for a previous revival and was so inspiring, everyone asked for him to return to Knox City and First Baptist once again.

For those unable to attend the Spring Revival, First Baptist Church reminds everyone that each service will be broadcast live on cable channel 17 in Knox City and O'Brien to all subscribers on the Mission Cable system.

An advertisement inside this edition also gives details about the times and dates of the revival.

## Toliver Named To 2nd All Big Country Team



Junior Duane Toliver received another post basketball honor last week.

Duane was selected to the All-Big Country Class A second team for the 1995 season released by the *Abilene Reporter News*.

He had previously been selected as a repeat first team All-District honoree as reported in last week's *News* and was also named academic all-district.

## Chamber Of Commerce Banquet Planned For Tuesday, April 4 At 7:00

The annual Knox City Chamber of Commerce Banquet is planned for Tuesday, April 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Banquet speaker will be Nicki Harle, who is executive director of the Texas Midwest Community Network.

Nicki is the wife of Rob Harle, veterinarian and owner of Callahan County Vet Clinic. She is the mother of three sons, J.W., age 18; Kirt, age 17; and Lee, who is 13. The Harles reside in Callahan County, living halfway between Baird and Clyde.

She was a member of the Baird Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors during the



NICKI HARLE  
... TMCN Executive Director

downtown development project which began in 1990 and now serves as president of the Baird Community Economic Development Foundation.

From 1991 through 1994, she published the *Central to West Texas Travel Guide*. From 1989 through 1991, Nicki was producer and hostess of "The Noon Show" and "Notes of Interest", a community affairs talk show on KRBC-TV, Channel 9, the NBC affiliate in Abilene.

From 1981 through 1989, she was aerobics instructor and director of the Wrangler Belles dance team at Cisco Junior College.

A graduate of Southwest Texas

University in San Marcos with a bachelor of arts degree in speech and minor in journalism.

She was born and raised in Columbus, Texas, a small community 70 miles west of Houston.

Mrs. Harle is a self-proclaimed advocate for small towns and rural Texas.

Sammie Offield is retiring from the Board of Directors this year and accepting the nomination of new directors are Peggy Smith of the Mini Mall and Benny Vasquez of V & V's Oil Field Service.

Tickets are available from any Chamber director or may be purchased from Doris Crownover at the chamber office.

## School Election Now Contested, Three File

A race developed in the trustee election for the Knox City-O'Brien CISD Tuesday when Marla Hawkins announced. Incumbent Dwayne Johnson and Jerry Williams had previously announced for the two seats on the board. Derrell Marion is the other members whose term is expiring this year, but has declined to seek reelection.

In the City Council election, Tommie 'Bud' Reynolds and Stan Wojcik are seeking the mayoral seat now held by Oscar Mangis.

Carol Felts, who was appointed to the council when Alton Hester resigned, is seeking the remain-

ing one year unexpired term, while incumbents Jerry Curd and Cathye Williams have announced for the at large two year terms. City Hall did report that another person had picked up papers but had not filed as of Tuesday afternoon.

Deadline for filing for city and school elections is Wednesday afternoon.

Incumbent Greg Clonts has filed for re-election as trustee for the Knox County Hospital District. Deadline for hospital filing is April 11. A petition with 25 signatures of registered voters must accompany the application for hospital board trustee.

## 'Vision Quest' Wagon Train Arrives

Knox City serves as host this week to a very unusual occurrence in this day and age, a wagon train rolling into town and a village of tipis set up on the south end of town!

The event all became possible when officials of VisionQuest contacted residents here about

utilizing Knox City as a three day stopover for their cross country wagon train journey. Working with Dale Bloxham and the Brazos Valley Rodeo Association, the group will be rolling into town Wednesday afternoon and spending Thursday and Friday camping at the BVRA Rodeo grounds be-

fore departing on Saturday, March 25.

VisionQuest is a high impact program created to provide a new direction for treating troubled youth in America. This private corporation, formed in 1973, now operates programs nationwide. Youths come to VisionQuest

through juvenile courts, probation departments and social service agencies. Over the years, VisionQuest has developed and refined its programs to meet the changing needs of youths, their families, and their communities.

VisionQuest's treatment program  
See VisionQuest, Page 5

## GTE To Mail Ballots On Toll-Free Calling

Within the next 30 days, GTE will mail ballots to all customers in the Knox City exchange.

After marking the ballot, customers are to sign their name and return the ballot to the Public Util-

ity Commission of Texas. A stamped self-addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot.

The Knox City exchange has petitioned for Expanded Toll-Free

See GTE, Page 4

## Little League Registration Is March 30

Knox City's League Association is set to begin another year with action packed games for boys and girls in Knox City, O'Brien and Benjamin. The Little League Board of Directors met last Thursday night and spent two hours working out plans for the upcoming season. The first item set was the registration date, planned for

Thursday, March 30, at 6:30 p.m. in the W.R. Baker Auditorium on the Knox City Campus. League officials once again ask that one or both parents of each player signing up to play be present at the meeting. In order to make registration a little faster, sign up forms and medical release forms will be distributed to school cam-

pus at the beginning of next week for players to take home and have their parents fill out in advance. Coaches from each division will be present at the meeting to assist in registration and placement of players on teams. Immediately following the open registration, the coaches and officers of Little League will meet

to draw teams. Coaches will then call players within a day or so to let them know their team assignment and practice dates.

### Registration Fees Restructured

Parents will note a different registration fee this year as league officials elected to both increase  
See Little League, Page 4

# Classified Ads - 658-3142

Prices: Minimum Ad: \$4.00 for 20 words - 20¢ for each extra word  
\$1.00 Added per week if end-of-month billing is necessary - **Deadline: Tuesday mornings at 10:00**

**DAVID COUNTS**

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**DOWNTOWN STORE BUILDING** - with storage building adjoining. 120 North Central.

**INDUSTRIAL BUILDING ON NORTH CENTRAL** - With fenced in yard - **GOOD INVESTMENT PROPERTY!**

**BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME** - Close to town, three bedroom with fireplace, pool, lots of lawn trees on 25 acres. By appointment only. **PRICE REDUCED - GREAT BUY!**

**NEW LISTING** - Large Air Conditioned Building, which was formerly the Family Boutique. **FOR SALE OR LEASE**

**EXCELLENT LOCATION IN KNOX CITY** - For Sale Or Rent - 110 S. 2nd St, frame house, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, heat & cooling, dishwasher, appliances included, oriental rugs on floor. 2 garages, one attached, one in back with workshop. **COME SEE THIS ONE!**

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#### NEW LISTING

**LIKE NEW 3 bedroom 2 bath family room, 2 car garage, brick home with workshop and back yard fence.** Owner is transferring. 601 South 8th. A **REAL HOME** - call for an appointment.

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**THE LEA FARM** - Approximately 215 acres of which 137 are in cultivation. Good house with central air conditioner and one car garage. Large living room, two bedroom, one bath, **HIGHWAY FRONTAGE ON TWO SIDES.**

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102 N. Ave. A. (817) 658-3211 or 658-3390  
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**NEWLY REMODELED** two bedroom, 1 3/4 bath with privacy fence and storage building, Jenn Air, cooktop stove, dishwasher. 805 South Second.

**LARGE TWO STORY HOME IN BENJAMIN** - Five bedroom, two baths on large lot. Close to school.

**COUNTRY HOME** - Three bedroom, two baths on 2.2 acres with several outbuildings and a satellite system, water well. Priced right. Shown by appointment only, 1 1/2 miles north.

**EXCELLENT PRICE** - Three bedroom, one and one-half bath, brick home in nice neighborhood on corner lot at 401 South Central.

**NEW LISTING** - Custom built four bedroom, three and three-quarter bath, four car garage, all built-ins in good neighborhood at excellent price. 803 South Eighth Street.

**LARGE THREE BEDROOM**, three bath, den with fireplace, formal dining and living room, new carpet, new central air and new water heater. 201 SE Second.

**NEW LISTING** - Four bedroom, two bath, central heat, excellent price. 1006 South Third.

**FOR SALE** - Two bedroom, one bath, vinyl siding, 205 S. Avenue F. Priced right.

**NEW LISTING** - Trailer house on large corner lot. Three bedroom, one bath with appliances. Water well. 501 North Second.

**NEW LISTING** - Two bedroom, one bath with new steel siding, water well at 1105 South Fourth.

**NEW LISTING** - Very nice older home. Three bedroom, one and three-quarter bath with basement on large lot in good neighborhood. Myrtle White home, 405 South Third.

#### FARMS

70 ACRES cultivated land with two irrigation wells.

Call about our many other listings!

## Help Wanted

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY WITH THE US POSTAL SERVICE REMOTE ENCODING CENTER IN ABILENE, TEXAS

The following is a list of requirements and information individuals need to consider if they are going to apply for employment:

**AGE:** 18 at the time of appointment  
OR  
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**CITIZENSHIP:** All applicants must be citizens of or allegiance to the United States of America.  
OR  
Have been granted permanent resident alien status in the United States. Verification is required.

**SELECTIVE SERVICE:** All males born after December 31, 1959, must be registered with the Selective Service System.

**HOURLY WAGE:** \$9.74 plus a night rate of 10% for work performed after 6:00 P.M.

**SKILLS REQUIRED FOR PRE-SCREENING:** Must be able to use a computer keyboard at a rate of 35 words per minutes with minimum errors. A basic skill test will be administered.

**APPLICATION:** WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER APRIL 1, 1995 AT Texas Employment Commission Abilene Chamber of Commerce Abilene Industrial Foundation Local Post Offices Around And In Abilene

OR  
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## Notice

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**FOR SALE** - Three bedroom, two bath, nice utility room, large walk-in closets, built in appliances, central H/A, privacy fence, carport and storage, \$19,000.00. (817) 256-2070, (817) 658-3773. 3-2 4tc

**FOR RENT** - One three bedroom, one two bedroom. Call (817) 658-3041. 2-9 tfc 9

**REDUCED** - George McNeil home, 658-5089, 1 1/2 acres, fenced, 2,400 sq. ft., hot tub, satellite, three bedrooms, two baths, fireplace. 3-24 eow 20

## For Sale

**AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD Puppies** for sale - (817) 658-5115. 3-9 tfc 7

**FOR SALE** - 1972 Caravell boat - walk through; 1972 Chrysler motor with tilt and trim, \$800.00. Call after 5:00, 658-3279. 3-16 4tc 19

**FOR SALE** - 1993 Seadoo GTX, three-person. 658-3265. 3-16 tfc 8

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**BANQUET FORMALS** For Sale, Size 9. 658-5316. 3-23 1tc 7

## Vehicles

**SUPER NICE** - 1985 BUICK Park Avenue, four-door. Call David Counts, sell or trade. 3-16 tfc 14

**FOR SALE** - 1986 Dodge Caravan. Call after 3:00, (817) 658-3394. 3-2 tfc 10

## Garage Sale

**GARAGE SALE** - 405 South Fourth Street, Friday, 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. Big Moving Sale, Everything Must Go! Gracie Ramos and Danna Campbell. 3-23 1tp

## Opportunities

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## Help Wanted

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**WANTED** - Person with an aptitude in new and used steel prices to operate a reusables yard. Knowledge of weights, grades, plates, pipe, angles, flat, etc. required. Must be able to operate loader, cutting torch. Resume, References to Bruce Fisher, Bell Group, 1326 Burk Burnett Road, Wichita Falls, Texas 76304. 3-16 2tc 48

**GIRLING HEALTH CARE, INC.** Home Care Attendants - Needed in Knox City and surrounding areas to help with housekeeping and personal care. For more information, call 1-800-665-4471. 3-16 2tc 28

**THE KNOX COUNTY Aging Service** is accepting applications for a parttime kitchen worker. Must be 55 or older and in good health. Must qualify under S.T.E.P. (Senior Texans Employment Program, funded by the U.S. Department of Labor). This is an equal employment opportunity, no discrimination against race, color, or national origin. Four hours a day, five days a week. For information, call (817) 658-3618. 3-16 2tc 69



LESLIE WILLIAMS and RUBEN ESPINOSA

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED** - The engagement and approaching marriage of Leslie Dion Williams and Ruben Espinosa, both of Canadian, is being announced by their parents. She is the daughter of Shella and Leon Williams and he is the son of Santos and Robert Espinosa of Knox City. They plan to marry March 25 at 4:00 p.m. in the First Christian Church in Miami. The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Miami High School. She is employed by Pizza Hut in Canadian. The prospective bridegroom is a 1988 graduate of Knox City High School. He is employed by Easley Trailer Manufacturing Inc. in Canadian. (NEWS Photo)

### Graveside Rites Held For Former Resident Mar.21

Graveside services for former resident Mattie Johnston Jones, 88, of Altus, Oklahoma, were held Tuesday, March 21, at O'Brien Cemetery with the Rev. George Yarger, O'Brien Baptist pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Jones died March 18 in the Jackson County Memorial Hospital.

Born September 20, 1906, at Anson, her late parents were Ora Sena and George H. Thomas.

She married Howard F. Johnston December 12, 1925, and he preceded her in death in 1975. She later married Ike Jones and he also preceded her in death.

She worked as a nurse in Knox City for over 30 years, later moving to Dumas where she served as administrator of a nursing home. She moved to Altus when she retired and worked at the Hensley Green House and at the Emmanuel Baptist Church nursery. She was a Retired Volunteer Citizen and worked with the Red Cross Blood Drive as a nurse.

Survivors include one sister, Jesse Mae Westfall of Altus; nieces Joy Phillips of Altus, Pat Barton and Sue Barton, both of Knox City.

In addition to her parents and two husbands, she also was preceded in death by two sisters and one brother.



GERRI KRAUSE

### Gerri Krause Joins Firm Of Condley & Co.

ABILENE - CPA Gerri Krause has joined the staff of Condley and Company, L.L.P., a local accounting and business consulting firm. She will serve as a manager in the audit department.

A native of Knox City, Gerri graduated from Knox City High School in 1980. She received a BBA degree in accounting from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls in 1983, and became a CPA in 1987. Gerri, who has 11 years of public accounting experience, has worked for accounting firms in Temple, Texas and Phoenix, Arizona. She was employed by Davis, Kinard and Company, P.C. in Abilene before joining Condley and Company, L.L.P.

She is the daughter of Renella and Wayne Watson of Knox City.

### Letter To The Editor

March 15, 1995  
To The Knox County News:  
I'm sending you a \$20.00 check for another year of *The Knox County News*.

I hate to see businesses close up after so many years of operation in my hometown. They were family owned and they ran out of someone to keep it going or leave it too.

I hope someone else can pickup

some of the businesses. Every time I come back to Knox City I drive down the street and come back going South and I see C.H. Keck grocery still painted on the building. Last time I saw him and his wife, also Joe King, was in San Diego, California, in 1945. They were in Navy and I in Marines.

Keep our City alive.

As Ever,  
James (Frank) Nance Jr.



### Gabrielle Brianna Denison

Brittany and Chelsea Denison of Aspermont would like to announce the arrival of their baby sister, Gabrielle Brianna. She weighed five pounds, eight and one-half ounces, and was 17 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are Sonia and John Denison.

Maternal grandparents are Darlene and Terry Carter of Knox City. Paternal grandparents are Ida and Bill Denison of Old Glory.

Maternal great-grandmother is Pauline Lewis of Rochester.

Maternal great-great-grandmother is Myrtle Kinney of Rochester.

### MRS. CHAPPELL'S FIFTH GRADE CLASS

By Crystal Hunt

I hope everybody had an enjoyable spring break and is rested up for the last nine weeks of school. I hope everybody remembered to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and did not get pinched.

For St. Patrick's Day at school, we made gold coins and said what we would want to get if we got the Lepherchan's gold.

The GT program was very interesting at open house.

Don't forget to smile Wednesday for spring pictures.

### FROM LEVELLAND

Visiting with Charles Auburg Thursday and Friday were his and Marie's daughter Pam McClendon and her husband Bill of Levelland.

Charles reported that they had a good time Friday sight-seeing, starting with Miller Creek Reservoir, then on to Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland, next to Kiowa Peak and Charles said he did climb it one more time. He said they then tried to find Kiowa Park as shown on the Texas Road Map, but were unable to do so.

Pam and Bill did take a lot of pretty rocks back to Levelland.

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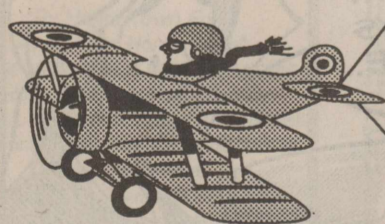
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## Little League

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and reduce fees at the same time. The increased registration fee is for a single child in a family, that fee will increase to \$15.00. The reduction in fees will be for families with more than one child in Little League as each additional child's registration will only be \$10.00. For example, a family with two children in Little League will pay \$25.00 total, down from the \$26.00 charged last year at \$13.00 each. A family with three children in Little League will pay a total of \$35.00, down from the \$39.00 charged at \$13.00 each last year. The slight increase is due to rising costs across the board. Even with the increase from \$13.00 to \$15.00 for a single child, Knox City's Little League still charges considerably less than some other area towns, whose fees range all the way up to \$35.00 for a single child.

### Dates Set

The dates for this year's practice and games have been tentatively set by the board. After the registration on March 30, the first practice sessions will be held on Monday, April 3. Games will begin during the week of May 1-6 and will continue until the end of the second week in June. After a two week practice, All-Star games will begin during the first week of July.

### Schedule Notes

With the increased number of players and teams all having to use one field, the league will have to schedule Saturday games this year. The current plan, depending on the final schedule planning, is for each age division to play on a separate night of the week, and at least one Saturday during the season.

### More Teams

Depending on registration, Little League may be adding more teams this year. If enough players sign up, a fourth Knox City Little League age team (9-12) will be added to allow each youngster more playing time. If enough Pony League age players (13-15) sign up, Knox City will have a Pony League team again this year. Also, if enough 13-15 year old girls sign up, Knox City will add a Senior League Girls Softball Team to play other teams throughout the Big Country area. Again, all these plans depend on the amount of each age group signing up at registration.

### Note To Girls

Both girls and their parents are reminded that girls are not restricted to playing softball. If a young lady of either age division wants to play Little League or Pony League ball, she is encouraged sign up in those divisions.

### Divisions

The Knox City Little League will have the same divisions as last year, and possibly those new divisions already listed above in this story.

### Age 5-6 • T-Ball

(Both boys and girls)

### Age 7-8 • Minor League

(Both boys and girls)

### Age 9-12 • Girls Softball

### Age 9-12 • Little League

(Mostly boys, but girls may sign up for Little League play.)

### Age 13-15 • Pony League

(Depending on registration, mostly boys, but girls may sign up to play.)

### Age 13-15 • Girls Senior League Softball

(Girls softball)

### Concession Stand

The concession stand will revert back to operation by the parents of the teams in each division. For example, when Little League is scheduled to play two games with four teams in one night, players parents from the late game will be asked to work the concession stand during the early game, then players parents from the early game will be asked to work the stand during the late game. Again this year, parents will be asked to donate items to the stand. Team coaches will make the arrangements with parents for the times they are needed. With the help of parents, this arrangement will be more cost-beneficial to the League.

### Registration & Uniforms

All parents are again reminded

to make every effort to be present for the registration on Thursday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the W.R. Baker Auditorium. Please note that if your child did not turn in his or her uniform at the end of the season last year, you will be asked for the uniform. League officials have a list of those who turned in uniforms last year. A major effort, at considerable expense, was made to have new uniforms last year, and the league needs those back to keep expenses down this year. The help and cooperation of parents is greatly appreciated.

### Rule Changes

League officials are expecting another great season this year. To address one problem area from last year, local rules will be tossed, and all rules followed will be those listed in the official Little League handbooks. An official Little League umpire clinic will be conducted for all umpires and coaches to help everyone better understand the rules. During the playing season, if a parent thinks he or she has a complaint about something, the Little League rule book will be the guiding authority in resolving any possible disputes.

### Field Work Days

Several Saturdays in April have been set aside as work days to get the field in shape. Parents are encouraged to participate in this part of the league also, more details may be obtained through your child's coach. The League is for the kids, and we hope a lot of parents and families will keep this in mind and help out with the field cleanup activities. Just a few league officials and coaches can't do it all, they need your help!!!

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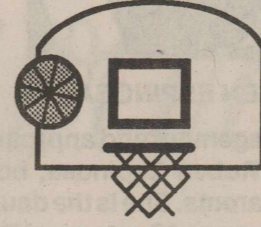
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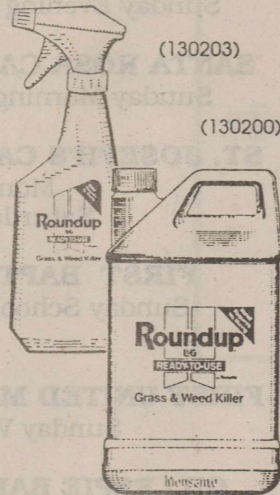
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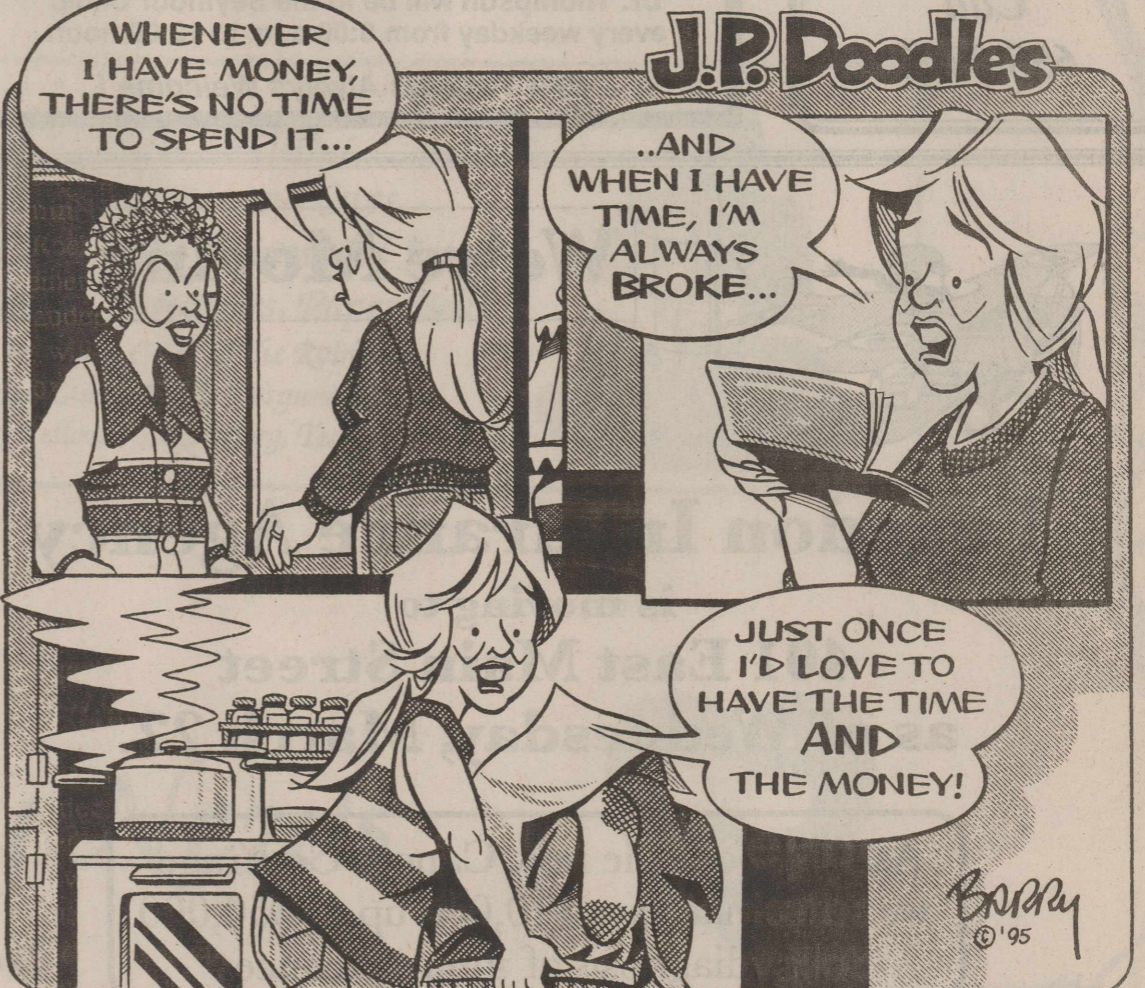
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VisionQuest is based on honor. Youths who enter the program are interviewed in detention by a VisionQuest staff member prior to placement in the program. Following their initial interview, youths become a member of a tipi family where they begin to form relationships, deal with issues, and experience many different types of success. Most youths who enter the program are labeled chronic or multiple offenders. They must make four commitments prior to entering the program: to complete three high impact programs or quests; abstain from drugs, sex, alcohol and tobacco; participate for a minimum of one year; and face - rather than run away from their issues.

VisionQuest will be set up at the rodeo grounds on the south side of Knox City, we welcome this innovative group to our community and plan to visit with them prior to their departure on Saturday.

George Hodges returned home last Saturday after undergoing surgery for five by-passes on Monday, March 13, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

### George Hodges Home After Surgery

According to family members, he is doing really well and enjoys company.

Ava Covey of San Angelo spent

### Austin, Verhalen, Rolston Take Sunday Scramble

The team of Todd Austin, Matt Verhalen and Jan Rolston took first place in the three-person Scramble held Sunday at the Knox City Country Club with a seven under par 64.

Second place was a two-way tie at five under par 66. Teams were Bruce Skiles, Homer Rolston and Esther Conn and Tyke Meinzer, Mary Johnston and Charlotte McNeil.

The team of Tommy Mangis, Weldon Skiles and Betty Stames was third at three under par 68.

Todd Austin made a hole in one on #5, 181 yards par 3.

### A Golden Time

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Annual median income for Americans over 65 increased to \$17,751 last year, according to the census bureau. That's up six-tenths of one percent in inflation adjusted dollars.

A consortium led by a University of California researcher is recruiting Alzheimer's Disease victims to take part in steroid tests. It's possible steroids could fight inflammation in the brain that leads to destruction of brain cells and dementia.

## O'Brien Happenings

By Audle Johnston

"My 16-year-old daughter rushed into the room while I was having difficulty preparing a sermon. Searching for an idea, I asked her, 'What's the most inspiring sermon you have ever heard me preach?'"

"Dad," she answered, "do you mean to the congregation or directly to me?"

### HERE AND THERE

Clara Hanson left Monday for Montgomery, Alabama, where she will spend a couple of weeks with her daughter, Joann Searcey and family. Troy will visit his sons in San Saba while she's away.

Kenneth and Sammie Roberts of Plainview spent a couple of nights with me last week and they also visited her mom, Ina Roberts in Goree.

Janoma Stephens is spending several days in Plainview with her sister-in-law, Verna Mae Williams, who is recovering from surgery.

Lowell and Sue Rowan of Denton spent Friday night with Lowell's mom, Bernice Rowan.

Vicki Daniel and sons of Abilene visited her parents, Coy and Loretta Hewitt and Ranzy and Adelle Herring, over the weekend.

Pansy Hines and Kevin Urbanczyk of Lubbock visited Ranzy and Adelle Herring. Kevin had spent a few days with them while he was on spring break.

Trish Roberts returned back to college Sunday night after spending spring break with her parents Don and Diane Roberts and sister Angelia. Trish is a student at Tarleton State in Stephenville.

Babe and Jean Banner of Littlefield visited Babe's sister, Rose Marie Johnston, over the weekend.

Erin Frost spent spring break with her parents, James and Jan Frost. Erin is a student at South Plains College.

Ava Covey of San Angelo spent

several days with her parents, L.A. and Eva Covey, last week.

Henry and Iris Fojtik of Seymour visited Bernice Rowan on Sunday for awhile.

Spending a few days last week with Orval and Helen Manning was their little great-grandson, Jacob Manning and his mom Monica. Grandson Brad was unable to attend with them.

Joe Wayne Emerson of Krum spent Saturday night with Demp and Hazel Emerson.

Grady Ellis is a patient in Lubbock. His address is Grady Ellis, Horizon Hospital, 1409 9th Street, Lubbock, TX 79401.

### BARNARD DESCENDANTS

The descendants of Dr. Joe Ward and Ella J. Barnard met at the Blue Goose in Knox City for a family reunion March 18 and 19 with the following in attendance: Joe Wayne Emerson, Krum; Lecil and Duane Cornett, Portales, New Mexico; Velma Grace and Kynn Davidson, Fairbanks, Alaska; Mark, Judy, John Henry, Rebekah and Diedra Lippard, Blanchard, Oklahoma; Jim, Nancy and Joseph Ellis, Bethany, Oklahoma; Hoye and Dorothy West, Dallas; LaVeme Emerson, Clyde; Jim, Shelia, Chelsea and Clint Frazier, Tuscola; Lecia Jo Cornett Parker, San Antonio; Jonette and Leah Tibbets, Rochester; Dr. Paul and Larisa West, Killeen; Dr. Ed and Jan Spann, Duncanville; Dan West, Austin; Susan and J.M. Emerson, R.P., Barbara and Drew Barnard, Lorie and Brittany Coop, Homer and Jan Rolston, Myra and Jr. Reeves, Jean and Claudale Barnard, Don, Diane, Trish and Angela Roberts and Angela's friend Jennifer Vacek, Joe Hugh and Melissa Barnard, and Jo and Johnny Lippard, all of Knox City.

Sunday morning, the Reunion President Hoye West led a very moving devotional. Group singing was led by Dr. Ed Spann who

is Dean of Music at Dallas Baptist College. After lots of food, fun and visitation, the family agreed to do it all over again in 1997.

Later Sunday afternoon, several of the family visited in O'Brien with Edrie Barnard. She was presented with a Book of Poems by President Jimmy Carter.

"I took my curly-top, blue-eyed toddler and her angelic newborn sister along with me to a discount store. As the young cashier rang up our purchase, she gushed, 'What beautiful children!'"

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# Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

With spring break over, the 1994-95 school year is "winding down". Banquets, parties, spring sports and trying to keep those passing grades in tact will be the utmost in students, teachers and parents minds from here on out. It won't be long now til summer vacation begins.

We have had three or four days of absolutely gorgeous weather. People took advantage of it, too, as lawn mowers hummed all over town during the weekend. Sure good to get all that winter foliage down.

Reports on the ill are about as they have been the past few weeks.

Lewis and Betty Lyles left yesterday (Sunday) for Dallas where he will undergo evaluation and possibly some rehabilitating therapy. Reports are that he is pretty well holding his own.

Bud Clower seems to be "hanging in there" too. He's undergoing daily treatment at M.D. Anderson and making it pretty well, I'm told. His children who were in Houston with him and Debbie have been exposed to the chicken pox so have been brought home until they are past the contagious stage. Bud certainly doesn't need that to compound his problem. The kids will be taken care of by their sister and two grandmothers here and needless to say, lots of friends are on hand to help out.

Darlene Benson is still feeling pretty well. Has some days better than others. Leroy West also is feeling lots better. Like Darlene, some days are better than others.

Carolyn Koepf says that her mom, Jo Dean Scott, is having some trouble adjusting to her pain medicine. But hopefully, after a few days, it will get regulated and she can tolerate it better.

Your prayers are, as usual, asked in all these friends behalf.

### HERE 'N THERE

Sheila and Ismael De Los Santos and children Chase, Dwayne and Tiffany of Vernon spent a couple of days last week with Sheila's parents, Charles and Joy Jones. Also visiting last week during their spring break were the Jones' granddaughters, Jessica and Kayla Jones of Runaway Bay.

Dutch and Imagean Young and DeeAnn and Anthony Lamb spent a couple of days in Wichita Falls last week and made a one day trip to the Arbuckle Wilderness near Davis, Oklahoma. Brenda Gollaher accompanied them to Oklahoma.

Michelle, Blaine and Clayton Conner spent a few days of their spring break with their dad, Steve Conner in Lubbock. Also visiting in Lubbock with the Conners was Jimmy Barrientez.

Stanton and Shari Brown were in Jacksboro Saturday where they met their daughter-in-law (and sister-in-law) Karen Brown and children, Colton and Haley, who live at Teague and were visiting Karen's family in Jacksboro.

James and Carol Duke of Throckmorton were Benjamin visitors on Sunday. Carol is reported to

be doing very well and in good spirits following her chemo treatment last week. She has many more to take but hopefully, her good frame of mind will continue. We wish her the best.

Hazel Stockton spent a few days last week with her brother and family, the Sam Lopers in Lubbock.

Buster Redwine of Lubbock visited his grandmother, Zula Conner, on Monday.

Terry, Dee Ann and Philp Cartwright of Plano visited his family, the W.T. Cartwrights and the Terry Cartwrights, a few days last week.

Visiting Rex and Maretha Patterson a few days last week were Sharon and Stephanie Johnson of Alpine and Suzanne and Brian Overton, Corey and Amber of Lubbock. Louise Hall also visited on Sunday.

Visiting the Jack Whittens during the weekend were Christi Whitten and her fiance' Ryan Ross of Amarillo. On Sunday, they all had lunch with Bill and Pearl Ryder. Joining them also for lunch were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ryder.

Craig Hertel of Lindsey spent a few days of his spring break with his parents, Don and Louise. Craig teaches at Lindsey.

Evan, Joleen and Victoria Yeager spent part of their spring break at Lewisville and then made a trip out to Lubbock to go to the Ranch Heritage Museum and the Science Spectrum, both of which they say they thoroughly enjoyed.

the injured area elevated as much as possible.

These measures will help control pain and swelling for most minor injuries. However, if pain persists or swelling is severe, call your physician immediately. Remember, the best treatment for an injury is ALWAYS prevention. So warm up before you exercise cool down afterwards and use common sense when starting an exercise program.

pressure to the affected area helps to reduce swelling or blood flow to the injured area. Wrap the injury with an elastic bandage. This should be done at the same time as you apply ice. Don't get it too tight!

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## Are You Ready To Get Fit?

By Dr. Shirley Barretto

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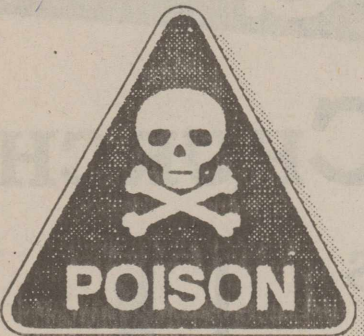
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- Place the victim on his or her stomach, with head to the side, and knee drawn up.
- If the victim is not breathing, begin artificial respiration. Place your mouth over the victim's nose (to avoid possible contact with the poison) and breathe in.

DURING NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK, remember that preventing accidental poisoning is the best prevention. Check your home for low cabinets where inquisitive toddlers might find poisonous substances, such as cleaning solutions. Read labels, and keep all poisons out of the reach of children.

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**Lunch** - Stew, cheese slice, lettuce salad, fruit cocktail, crackers, and milk, tea, or kool-aid. Or - salad plate.

### Wednesday, March 22

**Breakfast** - Fruit juice, scrambled eggs, toast, and milk.

**Lunch** - Bean burritos, lettuce, corn, peach cobbler, and milk, tea, or kool-aid. Or - salad plate.

### Thursday, March 23

**Breakfast** - Fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

**Lunch** - Ham, gravy, potato wedges, sweet peas, hot rolls, honey, and milk, tea, or kool-aid. Or - salad plate.

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## Do You Have A Living Will?

By STEPHEN KUEHLER  
Hospital Administrator

Do you have a Living Will? The Patient Self-Determination Act, a federal law, requires that hospitals get this information from all patients over the age of 18. The Living Will, sometimes called an "advance directive", is a legal document that asks the individual to decide what types of life support is to be provided or withheld in case he or she is ever kept alive by artificial means and is no longer able to make the decision.

Hospitals must inform patients of their rights to accept or reject medical treatment and to appoint someone to make health care decisions should they become mentally incapacitated.

You don't have to wait to go to the hospital to get a Living Will, however. In the state of Texas, you can sign a document and have it witnessed by two people who are not family members and are not involved in your care. You do not need to have a lawyer draw

up the document. We have sample forms at the hospital that we will be glad to give you.

One the will is signed, what do you do with it? It's probably a good idea to send a notarized copy to each family member and to your lawyer. You should be sure that your physician has a copy. And if you do come to the hospital, bring a copy for our files, also.

What happens if you change your mind? You may revoke your Living Will by simply sending a signed, dated letter to your physician and others who have a copy of your will.

The time to make crucial medical decisions is BEFORE you are ill or injured. It will make you feel better, and may relieve your family of having to make a terrible decision at a traumatic time. If you have questions about the Living Will or would like a copy of the required form, call the Knox County Hospital Business Office, 658-3535.

## Judge Perdue Proclaims Poison Prevention Week

### PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, our society has become increasingly dependent on household chemicals to perform labor saving, time-saving miracles; and on medicine to provide health-giving, life-sustaining benefits;

WHEREAS, these products, when not used as intended or directed, may be hazardous particularly if children gain access to them;

WHEREAS, over the past 33 years, the nation has been observing Poison Prevention Week to call attention to these hazards and how proper handling and disposal of these substances and proper use of safety packaging can help eliminate them;

WHEREAS, the efforts of our community organizations, complemented by the efforts of the Texas Poison Center Network at Amarillo have reduced childhood poisonings in Knox County;

AND WHEREAS, these programs must continue as long as even one child swallows a household product or medicine by mistake.

NOW THEREFORE, I, David N. Perdue, County Judge of the County of Knox do hereby proclaim March 19-25, 1995, as Poison Prevention Week in this County. Further, I direct the appropriate agencies in our local government to continue their cooperation with concerned citizens and community organizations; including our schools to develop programs which will alert our people to the continued danger of misusing medicines and household products and to promote effective safeguards against accidental poisoning among young children.

/s/ David N. Perdue  
David N. Perdue  
Knox County Judge

### Retired Teachers To Meet Tuesday, March 28

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, March 28, at 2:30 p.m. at the Knox City Community Center.

The program will consist of Knox City Elementary's oral readers, under the direction of Mrs. Wallace.

Refreshments will be served. All members are urged to attend.

### VISIT HERE

Visiting during spring break with Doris Crownover have been her daughters and families, Jacquelyn and Jill Beesley of Dumas, Holli and Donnie Gatlin of Amarillo, Brett Beesley, Abel Johnston and a friend Mat Eason of Canyon, and Ginger and Seth Johnston of Sweetwater.

### DENTON GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Denton, both residents of the Brazos Valley Care Home, had several visitors Saturday.

In addition to their children, A.P. Jr. and Lou Ella, were a grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Denton and their daughter Allison of Dallas, a nephew Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dowdle of Fort Worth, and a friend, Judy Leaverton of Knox City.

### IN SMITH HOME

Among those visiting in the home of Peggy and Jerry Smith during Spring Break were their son, Jay Smith and wife Penny of Dallas; granddaughter Whitney Smith of Mt. Pleasant; and their daughter Robyn Figgins and girls, Robyn Jr., Amy and Katy of Paris.

## Knox City Calendar Of Events

### Wednesday, March 22

- Lions Club Lunch at noon, First United Methodist Church.  
- School: Spring pictures, all grades.

### Thursday, March 23

- School: Zone One Act Play Contest in Munday.

### Saturday, March 25

- School: High School Track Meet in Aspermont.

### Sunday, March 26

- Revival begins at First Baptist Church, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

### Monday, March 27

- School: Boys Tennis, Archer City Invitational in Wichita Falls.  
- Revival continues at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 28

- School: Girls Tennis, Archer City Invitational in Wichita Falls.  
- School: UIL Literary in Munday.

- Revival Continues at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 29

- Lions Club Lunch at noon, First United Methodist Church.

- Revival ends at First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, March 30

- School: District One Act Play Contest in Petersburg.

- School: Junior High Track Meet in Knox City.

### Friday, March 31

- School: District UIL Literary Contest in Munday.

- School: End of six weeks.

To have your meetings or events listed in the calendar of events, just call the NEWS office at 658-3142 or drop us a note at P.O. Drawer 9 in Knox City, 79529.

### IN SHAVER HOME

Brack Shaver of Fort Worth spent Sunday night and Monday here visiting his mother, Faye Shaver.

Visiting Thursday and Friday of last week with Faye was her nephew and former resident, Robbie Robertson of Amarillo.



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## Counts Helps Pass HCR 65

AUSTIN - State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) helped pass House Concurrent Resolution 65, a measure to encourage U.S. Congressional leaders to make changes in the Endangered Species Act, this week.

According to Counts who co-authored the measure, the resolution will be presented to the U.S. Congress recommending their review of the act and its effects on Texas. "There have been a number of problems with the results of the Act here in Texas," Counts said, referring to past hearings for proposed designation of critical habitat for the golden cheek warbler, as well as recent proposals concerning the Swift Fox and the Arkansas River Shiner.

"The concepts behind the Endangered Species Act are good," Counts said, "but the administration of this Act has been detrimental to many Texas landowners." Counts noted that Texans want to protect their environment to ensure quality air and drinking water, but many of the proposals by the United States Fish and Wildlife Department under the Act go too far.

Counts noted that some of the past proposals could limit the ability of farmers and ranchers to fully utilize their land resources and drastically decrease property values. "There are ways to mediate these situations and find solutions in which everyone wins," Counts said.

Counts said he is hopeful that Congress will take action regarding this issue saying, "Several congressional members have indicated they are reviewing the Endangered Species Act to make it more responsive to the needs of landowners. I am optimistic this message will help spur on some of those changes."

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BY ATTORNEY GENERAL DAN MORALES

## MORE HEAT THAN LIGHT: SMOKE DETECTOR SCAMS

Recently, an elderly Killeen woman's home was invaded. A salesperson called, came over, started talking fast, and then proceeded from room to room, installing more than a dozen smoke and heat detectors. He ignored the woman's questions and then presented her with a bill for more than \$2,000. Even though she protested, he refused to leave until she had written him a check. How can you protect yourself from such intimidation and overbilling?

The Killeen woman alerted us at the Office of the Attorney General, and we put a stop to this particular salesperson's tactics. But there are some simple steps you can take to protect yourself.

### The bait

The first maxim of military intelligence is to "know your enemy." In this case, your "enemy" can be pushy salespeople who take advantage of the trusting nature of most Texans. So arm yourself with knowledge of their strategy.

The Killeen salesperson's tactics were simple — and effective. Concealing his true purpose, this man called different groups of senior citizens and offered to give a talk on fire safety. He offered a door prize, and asked everyone to register for it by filling out a card with his or her name, address, and phone number. The man then gave a nice and informative talk on fire safety, outlining the basics. He then awarded the door prize.

At no time during the presentation was any clue given that the man was anything other than a fire safety expert.

### The hook

Later, using the list of names garnered from the door prize stratagem, he called all the attendees and offered to inspect their homes, free of charge. Many people protested, not wanting to be bothered. But the salesperson showed up at their homes anyway. Once he got in the door, he would install very expensive smoke and heat detectors before consumers understood they were buying anything.

### How to avoid being victimized

You can protect yourself against fraudulent home repair schemes by following these common-sense guidelines:

- Be leery of anyone who appears at your door uninvited — or worse, who comes by after you have told him or her you are not interested. You have the right not to let any salesperson enter your home. If a salesperson comes in your home and will not leave, call 911.

- Check out people who offer to talk to you or your group. Scrutinize their credentials carefully. The salesperson in Killeen boasted of degrees from Texas A&M and the University of Mississippi — neither checked out.

- Ask salespeople for references of satisfied customers. Take the time to investigate them.

- Don't pay unless you have a contract. Don't be rushed into signing. Read any contract carefully and never sign one that has blank spaces on it.

- Lastly, if you get an unsolicited sales pitch, keep in mind that they contacted you. It is your right to turn down their offer. If you are not interested, hang up the phone, close the door, or throw away the mail.

If you are suspicious or unhappy about an offer, call the police or report it to your local Better Business Bureau or our nearest regional Consumer Protection Office.

## Three day cooling-off period

If all else fails, you still have alternatives. Sales made through contracts signed in the home are governed by the Texas Home Solicitation Act. The law applies to products or services, other than insurance or farm equipment, that are purchased in a residence for more than \$25. The seller must give you written notice of your right to cancel. You have an automatic three-day cooling-off period — you have until midnight of the third business day after you sign a contract to cancel it in writing. The seller is then obligated to return all of your money, even if the work has

already begun. Remember, though, this law does not apply if the contract is signed at the seller's place of business.

Never be afraid to seek advice from someone you trust. We have all heard sad stories of senior citizens who are embarrassed or ashamed to admit that they were taken by scam artists. Take our word for it — it is next to impossible to be knowledgeable about every type of con game.

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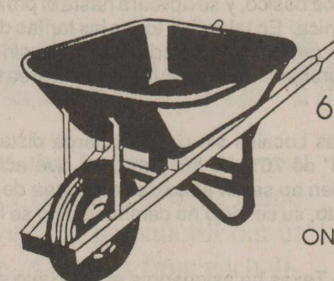
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## Plans Underway For Centennial At Rhineland

The community of Rhineland, Texas, is making plans for the observance of its centennial with a two-day celebration on Saturday, September 2, and Sunday, September 3, 1995.

Plans call for all-day festivities on Saturday and a spiritual celebration on Sunday.

Saturday's schedule calls for a parade to begin at 10:00 after registration starts at 9:00 a.m.

A museum, arts/crafts, souvenir booth, foods, country store, carnival games, carriage ride, tour, volleyball and horseshoe tournaments, along with fun run games and a 4:00 p.m. program will offer all types of entertainment for the day.

A catered meal will be served from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. to be followed by a fireworks display at dusk and a dance beginning at 8:30 p.m.

On Sunday, registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and mass at 10:00.

A catered meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and socializing and visiting on the grounds will be enjoyed from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The Rhineland community is going all out to make this an event to be long remembered, so readers should make note of these dates and plan to be there.

## School Board Supports Coach

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the meeting since this was a personnel issue that would have to be discussed in executive session by the board. After hearing from several of those supporters present and receiving a petition containing the signatures of 115 persons in support of Coach Johnson, the board adjourned into executive session just after 7:30 p.m. Nearly two hours later, the board reopened the meeting and acting President Donnie Roberts informed the crowd that since no action had been taken by the board to remove Coach Johnson from the Athletic Director position, there was no formal action needed by the board to keep him as Athletic Director. A short time later, the board adjourned into another executive session with Coach Johnson present.

Just before 11:00 p.m., Coach Johnson came out of the executive session with a relieved look on his face and informed all those there to support him that he would continue as Athletic Director just as he had been prior to Monday morning when the issue of his remaining in that position first began. When asked if he could comment on the executive session he had been through, Coach Johnson responded that there had been miscommunications that were resolved during the executive session and that he and the school board had a very positive discussion that was directed towards the best interests of the students in the Knox City-O'Brien CISD and the future of the athletic program.

Coach Johnson stated that he and his entire coaching staff were overwhelmed with the amount of support they had received. The

coaching staff wanted to assure everyone that they appreciated the tremendous amount of concern and support shown towards them and on behalf of the athletic program, and a special thanks to the many parents and students who felt it necessary to show that support by being present at the meeting.

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the strong commitment to our customers and communities remains.

Contrary to the self-serving efforts of a few special interest groups, the state's electric utilities have proposed legislation to increase competition in a way that will benefit all consumers. The proposal would open the wholesale generation market to all who want to participate, thus allowing every consumer to benefit from the least costly sources of power. Unlike the unregulated power producers' scheme, no consumers or group of consumers would face higher rates so a few could pay less.

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### Public Notice

The Knox City exchange has petitioned for Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling to the Aspermont, Benjamin, Haskell, Munday-Goree, Rochester, Rule, Seymour and Weinert exchanges.

Within the next 30 days GTE will mail ballots to all customers in the Knox City exchange. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the Public Utility Commission of Texas. A stamped self addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot.

Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling will allow customers in the Knox City exchange to call and be called by customers in the Aspermont, Benjamin, Haskell, Munday-Goree, Rochester, Rule, Seymour and Weinert exchanges. If approved, all subscribers in the Knox City exchange will be charged an additional monthly per line charge up to \$3.50 for residence and \$7.00 for business. This charge is in addition to your local exchange service rates, and will apply until GTE's next general rate case, at which time all service rates are subject to change. These charges are the maximum that can be charged regardless of the number of exchanges that are approved by the voters in the Knox City exchange.

Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling will be granted to each exchange with a "Yes" vote from 70% of the people who actually return their ballots. Exchanges that fail to receive a 70% "Yes" vote will not be added to the local calling scope. If all exchanges fail to meet the requirements of the ballot, service will not change and customers will not be billed an additional monthly fee.

The Public Utility Commission has assigned this matter Project Number 13825. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the Public Utility Commission, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or they may call the Public Utility Commission Information office at (512)458-0256 or (512)458-0221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

### Aviso Publico

La área telefónica de Knox City ha solicitado el Servicio de Expansion de Llamadas Locales sin costo de larga distancia con las áreas de Aspermont, Benjamin, Haskell, Munday-Goree, Rochester, Rule, Seymour y Weinert.

En los próximos 30 días, GTE le enviará por correo boletas a todos los clientes de la área de Knox City. Después de marcar la boleta los clientes deben firmar y regresar la boleta a la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas). Junto con la boleta estará incluido un sobre con estampilla y dirección de retorno.

El Servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales sin costos de larga distancia le permitirá a los clientes de la área de Knox City llamar y ser llamado por las áreas de Aspermont, Benjamin, Haskell, Munday-Goree, Rochester, Rule, Seymour y Weinert como si fueran llamadas locales. Si se aprueba la solicitud, todos los clientes de la área de Knox City tendrán que pagar una cuota adicional, por línea, de hasta \$3.50 para líneas residenciales y \$7.00 para líneas comerciales. Este cargo mandatorio es adicional a su tarifa de servicio telefónica básico, y se aplicará hasta el próximo caso general de tarifa de la compañía telefónica. En tal fecha, todas las tarifas de servicio podrían cambiar. Estos cargos son el máximo que pueden cobrarse sin tomar en cuenta el número de áreas que sean aprobadas por los votantes en la área telefónica de Knox City.

El Servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales sin costo de larga distancia será otorgado a cada área con el voto "SI" de 70% de las personas que actualmente regresen la boleta. Las áreas que fallen no serán añadidas a su área de llamadas locales. Si todas las áreas fallan el voto, su servicio no cambiara y no se le cobrara el costo adicional mensual.

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas ha asignado a este asunto el Número de Proyecto 13825. Las personas interesadas deben dirigir sus comentarios o/y preguntas sobre la solicitud a la Comisión de Servicios Públicos, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, o pueden llamar a las Oficinas de Información de la Comisión de Servicios Públicos, al 512-458-0256, o 512-458-0221 (teletipo para sordomudos).

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