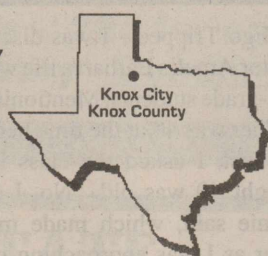


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Winners announced at Christmas Parade



KNOX CITY CHRISTMAS PARADE HONORS RUBY ROBINSON as the Parade Grand Marshal. Ruby, known for her many years of service to just about everyone in our community, is shown here as she led Saturday's Christmas Parade while riding in a convertible driven by Ward Rikala. (NEWS Photo)



SANTA CLAUS made his annual visit to Knox City on Saturday, shown here while driving a customized miniature car at the start of the Christmas Parade. Santa arrives in town a different way each year, and this year he thanks Steve Pepper for the use of his 'little coupe'. (NEWS Photo)

Hard work put into many entered floats

Once again the annual Christmas Parade sponsored by the Knox City Chamber of Commerce has been a big success. Held this past Saturday at 2:00 p.m., the parade moved through Knox City from its starting point in front of the Knox City Elementary School, through the downtown business district, then back to the school.

Just prior to the start of the parade, an invocation was delivered by David White, Pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The theme for the parade this year was 'Christmas Memories', and the honor of being the parade Grand Marshal belonged to Knox City's Ruby Robinson. Ruby was honored for her many years of tireless service to her community, her church, her friends and the Knox City Lions Club. She rode in a convertible through the parade and was presented with a gift donated by wildlife photographer Wyman Meinzer and the Art Stall & Frame Shop.

It was obvious to all those watching that a lot of work had gone into the parade theme as many of the entries were quite elaborate.

Judging all the entries was a hard task, but the judging panel of three area postmasters took on the task and came up with a list of winners. The judges were Post-

master Barbara Pratt from the Rule Post Office, Postmaster Lola Gholson from the Aspermont Post Office and Postmaster Theresa Scoggins from the Rochester Post Office.

Winners in the various categories were:

Best Of Show

Overall Winner

SRS Trucking

Oilfield Entry Division

1. SRS Trucking
2. Rolling Plains Well Service
3. (Tie) Shortes, Inc.
3. (Tie) V & V Oilfield Service

Community Service

Entry Division

1. KC Circle Club
2. KC Lions Club
3. City of Knox City

Business Entry Division

1. Citizens Bank
2. Supply House
3. Brazos Valley Care Home

Church Entry Division

1. O'Brien Baptist Church
2. First Baptist Church
3. First United Methodist Church

School Entry Division

1. Student Council
2. KCHS Band
3. FHA

Antique Car Entry Division

1. Lewis Paint & Body Shop
2. Glen Dale Large
3. Glen Dale Large

Farm & Ranch

Entry Division

1. A.P. Denton Jr.
2. Scott & Stratton Edmonds
3. Johnson Melon Corp.

Individual Organization

Entry Division

1. Brownie Troop 161
2. Girl Scout Troop 161

Individual Entry Division

1. Brie Anna Rios
2. Brandon Lewis
3. Justin Parker

An added attraction throughout the afternoon was drawings for a total of \$550.00 in gift certificates donated by Knox City Businesses and redeemable at any local merchant. Those donating this year were Hunt Oil, Stiewert Welding, Rolling Plains Well Service, SRS Trucking, G & L Tool Company, Oilco Tool Company, Eagle Testing, Pumpers Supply, P-B-H, Shortes Construction, Lynn Electric, Baker Performance Chemicals, WSI Logging, Eaton Dozer, Kudu Pump, Air Ag, Inc., Leamco Trucking, Magnum Hot Oil, Counts Insurance, V & V Oilfield Service, The Knox County News and Appearances.

The trailer used for the reviewing stand was brought in by V & V Oil Field Service, the poinsettias were donated by Jim and Tammy From Dillon Greenhouse, and the sound system was provided by the First Baptist Church.

Police officers on hand to help with traffic control were from the Knox City Police Department, the Munday Police Department, the Knox County Sheriff's Department and the Texas Department of Public Safety. Members of the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department normally help with traffic control as well as furnishing parade entries, but the department was called out on a grass fire North of Knox City just before the parade started.

Roger and Rita Rosencranz were once again the organizers of the Knox City Christmas Parade.

A bean and cornbread supper was provided throughout the afternoon by the Chamber of Commerce after Roberta Walton let the chamber use her downtown 'Houndbites' restaurant location.

Houndettes selected for All District Volleyball



ALL-DISTRICT VOLLEYBALL selections were these Knox City Houndettes, first team Sara Dillon, Stefani Stephens and Melissa Barnard and honorable mention Erin Lierly. (NEWS Photo)




THE OVERALL 'BEST OF SHOW' AWARD for the 1996 KC Christmas Parade went to SRS Trucking of Knox City. This float also won first place in the Oilfield entry division. (NEWS Photo)



THOSE RUMORS ARE TRUE - ELVIS IS ALIVE! At least he was during the Christmas parade on Saturday! This float entered by Citizens Bank won first place in the Business entry division. The Elvises pictured here are Clint Jones, Greg Clonts, Tim Gigliotti, Leon Burkham and Sam Gigliotti.

More Parade photos will appear in next week's Christmas edition of the News

To everyone who knew and helped to share and bear the loss of our beloved grandson,
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O'Brien News

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Ego Tripped - I was discussing aviator Amelia Earhart's life with my fifth-grade students. Mentioning that the flier was 40 at the time her plane was lost, I asked the class if they thought 40 was old. "No, I don't," Bonnie said, which made me feel better as I was approaching middle age. Then she added, "Forty is young if you're dead, but old if you're alive." **HERE AND THERE**
 Bernice Rowan spent the weekend in Henrietta with her son Jerry and wife, Julia and Angelia. They enjoyed the Christmas Sonata at church on Sunday.
 Donny, Diane, Trish and Angelia Roberts were in Rotan on Sunday and attended church at Crossroad Baptist Church Sunday morning and Don and Trish gave the special music for the church. They visited C.H., Linda and Reed Underwood as they are members of the Crossroad Baptist Church.

The children all enjoyed being in the program and being dressed as different characters of the manger theme. Those taking part were Billie Norton's grandchildren, Chris, Robert and Kristie, Kate Rowan, J.C. and Taylor Chappell, Wesley and Sabrina Powell, Dana Holmes, Angelia Roberts, Casey, Caleb and Candice Carver, Leah Tibbets and Brittany Coop.
 Junior and Myra Reeves are to be in Lubbock this week for Junior to have some checkups with some doctors there.
 Janoma Stephens, Dwight Gothard, Vivian Hendrix and I were in Jayton last Tuesday night to watch our high school girls and boys play basketball. We also had dinner at Frazier's in Aspermont and drove around and enjoyed the Christmas decorations that were beautiful.

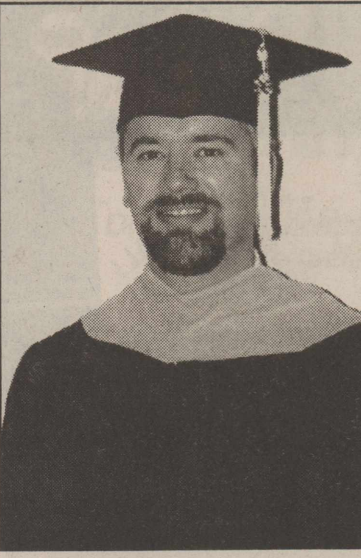
Members and friends of O'Brien Baptist Church enjoyed a beautiful Christmas program on Sunday night.

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RUSSEL L. HACKER



Hacker receives chiropractic degree Saturday

Russel L. Hacker, a 1980 graduate of Knox City High School, graduated from Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas, Saturday, December 14. He was the recipient of a bachelor of science in anatomy and a doctor of chiropractic degree.
 The doctor of chiropractic degree requires approximately seven years of college.
 Attending the graduation were Russ' wife Simone, sons Ashton and Harrison, parents C.L. and Jo of Knox City and brother Rance from Corpus Christi.
 Russ and his family reside in Irving.

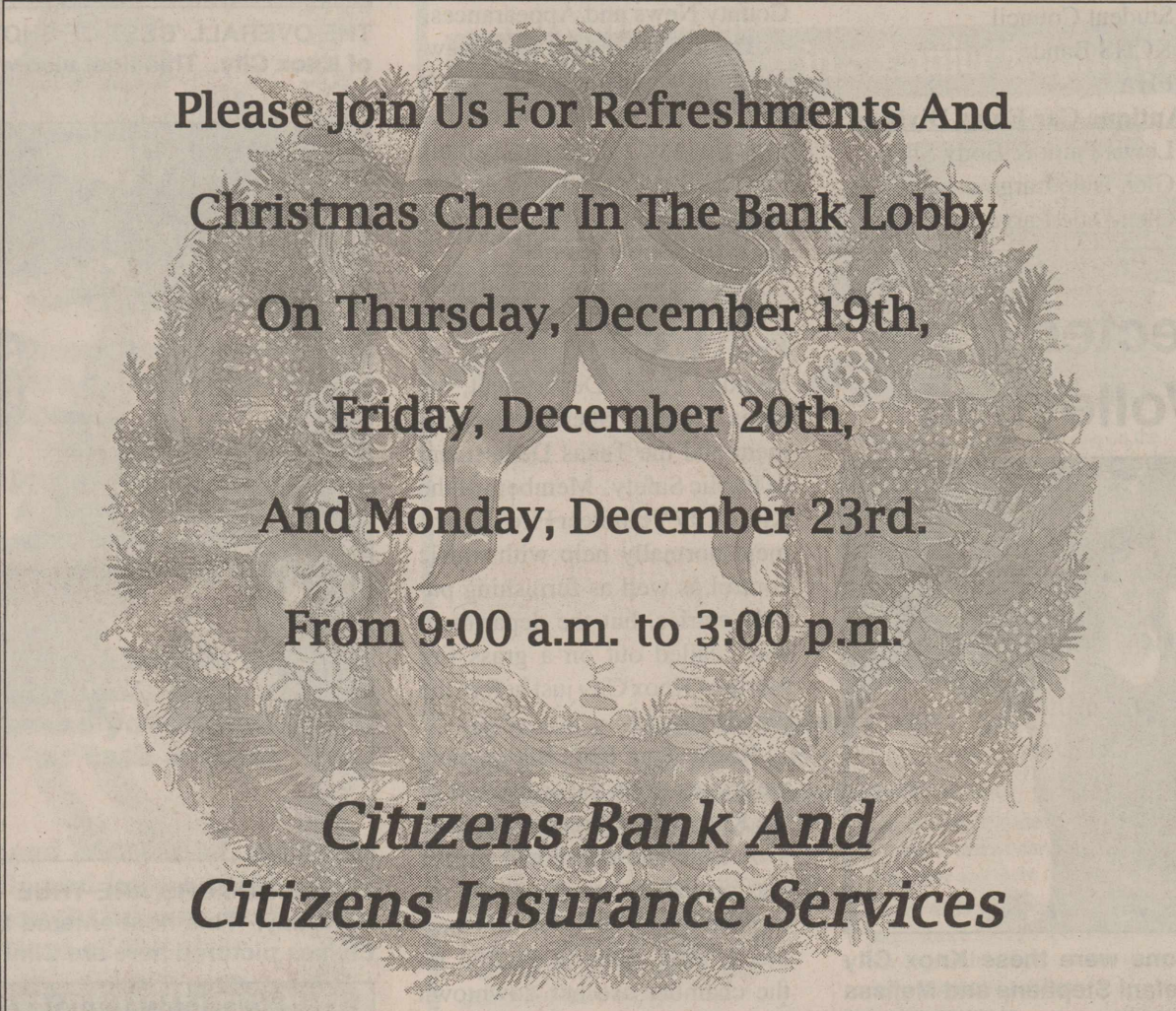
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The annual Christmas edition of the NEWS will be printed early next Monday. So, we need all of your Christmas messages turned in to us no later than Friday afternoon. Thanks!

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 Friday, December 20th,
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Study Club celebrates Christmas December 5

The Knox City Study Club met December 5 for their regular meeting and annual Christmas luncheon in the home of Winifred White. Special guest and speaker was TFWC Mesquite District President Almata Young of Hamlin.
 Following the bountiful meal of turkey, dressing and trimmings, in the beautifully decorated home, the meeting was called to order by President Frances Dear. The Pledge of Allegiances to the United States and Texas flags were given.

Following a short session of comments and discussion, Janoma Stephens introduced Almata Young, who brought the program on "Federation". Mrs. Young stressed the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs had near 9,000 members and was a member of General Federation of Women's Clubs with a membership of over 1,000,000 members, the largest organization of "Volunteers". Mrs. Young gave her thoughts on the word Federation.

- F - Friends, fellowship
- E - Education
- D - Development
- E - Enjoy
- R - Report
- A - Accomplish by doing
- T - Texas Heritage
- I - Increase - membership, leadership
- O - Organize
- N - Now is the time to make a better tomorrow "TODAY"

Discussion concerning the 1997 Spring Convention to be in Waco, celebrating the 100th birthday of Texas Federation, was held. This will be a "gala" party.

Following a short business discussion concerning the Christmas project for the Knox City Study Club, the meeting adjourned after the Collect was recited in unison.

Present were Frances Dear, Sandra Bateman, Dickie Lloyd, Wretha Fitzgerald, Erma Liles, LaVerne Mayfield, Olien Elmore, Flora Tankersley, Janoma Stephens, special guest Almata Young and hostess Winifred White.

Toy drive successful

For those who have looked into the front windows of *The Knox County news* office in the last few days, the proof is evident that the Christmas toy drive for the Knox County Child Welfare Board is a huge success.

Each year, the NEWS has donated the downtown area window space and the Knox City Girl Scouts have placed a Christmas tree in one of the windows. Those individuals and groups in our community who wish to collect and donate toys then use the area as a place to display the toys until they are collected by the Child Welfare Board for distribution to needy children of our area.

We have taken several photos of groups donating toys in the last week, and those photos will appear in next week's Christmas edition of the News.

A Golden Time
 Brazos Valley Care Home
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A Mayo Clinic study says that depressed people tend to recover less well from heart attacks, coronary bypasses and other heart condition problems than people without emotional problems. The study followed 310 men and 70 women entering cardiac rehabilitation programs.

Researchers know that the protein ApoE is involved in Alzheimer's. Some Duke researchers say people who inherit a variant called ApoE are at risk before age 70.

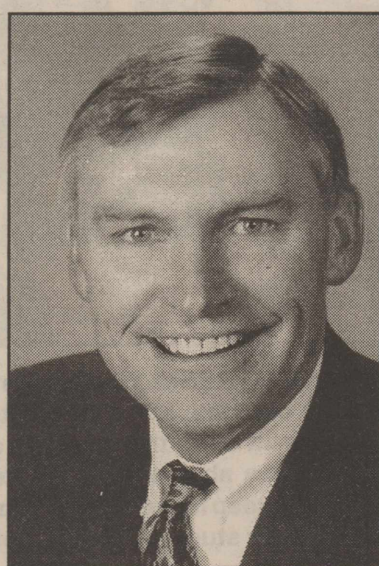
Roberts to chair Minnesota chamber

Duluth, Minnesota - James A. Roberts, 46, vice president of Corporate Relations for Minnesota Power, Duluth, was elected Chair of the 49-member board, replacing Bob Anderson, Boise Cadcade, International Falls.

The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce elected Roberts at its annual meeting held in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota.

The Chamber Board of Directors approves all legislative and operational policies developed by its volunteer committees. Board members represent a cross-section of the business community membership. As the state's largest business organization, the Chamber has nearly 3,000 members representing more than 500,000 Minnesota employees from across the state. About half its members are located in the seven county metro area and half are located in greater Minnesota. Nearly 85 percent of its members have less than 100 employees.

Roberts was born in Knox City, Texas, in 1950 and was raised in Tulia, Texas, where he graduated from high school in 1968. He is the son of Wynelle and the late Alvin Roberts. He attended Northern Virginia Community College



JAMES A. ROBERTS

in Arlington, Virginia, and received his bachelor's degree in government from West Texas State University in 1972. He has previously worked for the FBI in Washington, D.C. and as an assistant city manager and police officer in Texas before joining Minnesota Power.

He met his wife while working in Washington, D.C., and married Susan Swanson, a native of Aurora, Minnesota, in 1970. They have two girls - Jill, age 23 and Jaime, age 19. The family lives in Duluth, Minnesota.

Sharla Carver named to students' 'Who's Who'

WICHITA FALLS - The 1997 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities listed the names of 63 students from Midwestern State University.

Included in the list from Knox City is Sharla D. Carver.

Students were included in the publication due to campus nominating committees that based their decisions on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

'Trooper Joe' urges safety for Christmas

Christmas time, a season of sharing and a season to be jolly and as Trooper Joe Clement, Safety Education officer of the Texas Department of Public Safety says, "a season to be careful".

Trooper Clement suggests a few simple precautions to keep your holiday season a joyous one. While shopping this holiday season, attempt to shop with other people. Keep all packages in the trunk and out of plain view. If shopping at night, park in well lighted areas and as close to the location as possible.

If vacationing or just simply traveling for the Christmas holiday, ensure that precautions are taken to secure individual residences. Home security tips are available through local law enforcement agencies.

Across the state or across the country, the holidays will bring an increase in traffic and with it a greater risk of traffic accidents. When traveling, it is best to take frequent rest breaks. Get out of the vehicle, walk, stretch, get a cup of coffee or a soft drink to help keep you awake, or better yet

change drivers if you can. Take a rest break every two hours or every 100 miles of driving.

When in strange towns or cities look for changing speed limits. Constantly look all around and get the big picture. Don't forget pedestrians.

The Texas Department of Public Safety will again have all available troopers on duty this year to make sure that all Texas travelers can enjoy a safe and Merry Christmas.

Houndettes upset Jayton Lady Jaybirds, 52-50

The Knox City Houndettes have improved their record to 8-2 as they defeated Jayton Tuesday, December 10, 52-50.

The Lady Jays outscored the Houndettes the first quarter 12-9 and 16-12 in the second quarter. The Houndettes got fired up at halftime and it showed during the second half. They outscored Jayton in the third quarter 19-10 and fourth quarter 18-12.

The Houndettes were led by Michele Collier with 11 points. Michele had an excellent game.

She really attacked the boards and pulled down some key rebounds," Coach Dala Young stated. Sara Dillon and Sara Lowe each had nine points.

The Houndettes will return to action Friday as they host the Goree Lady Cats. Game time is 6:30.

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Special Thanks . . .

Thanks to all of those who supported and contributed to the KC Circle Club's quilt raffle.

Special thanks to Citizens Bank of Knox City, Home State Bank of Rochester, First National Bank in Munday, Perry's and the Aging Center for selling tickets and displaying the quilt.

Congratulations to Saturday's winner, Lillian Rae Verhalen of Knox City.

We could have never done it without each of you.

KC Circle Club

KC Video Holiday Schedule

We will close Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, at 6:00 P.M.

All Sunday, December 22, rentals will be due back Tuesday, December 24, at 5:00 P.M.

We will be closed all day Christmas Day.

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Reader shares thoughts from December 19 paper, 50 years ago

(Editor's Note: Former resident Jerry Houston who now lives in Littleton, Colorado, is sharing thoughts taken from a Knox County Herald dated 50 years ago today, December 19, 1946. Thanks, Jerry, I enjoyed seeing familiar names as I know others will.)

4777 S. Kline St.
Littleton, CO 80127
December 13, 1996

Dear Stacy,
I thought you might be interested in

the following news that was taken from an old newspaper that I have had for 50 years. It is from *The Knox County Herald*, Volume 42, Number 7, dated December 19, 1946. Jimmie and Rene Branch were Editor and Assistant Editor. Weather observations were by Horace Finley.

Roy Baker was Mayor of Knox City and J.G. Dutton was Secretary.

City Marshall George Hardberger warned local citizens to remove their keys when they park.

Sheriff-elect Homer T. Melton returned from Austin where he attended the Texas Police Academy school. The 1946 Study Club had their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J.A. Wilson Jr. Hostesses were Mrs. Elmer Wall Jr., Mrs. C.B. Cape, Miss Carrie Neal Russell and Mrs. Jeff Graham.

Fire Chief Guy Robinson said, "Let's keep the record that we now hold - no loss from fire within the city limits in 1946." Other officers were Jack Coats, Assistant Chief; Lee Smith, President; J.M. Averitt, Secretary and Treasurer; Chad Wilson, V-P and Jerry Wilson, mascot.

The KCHS Kennel had the following office holders: Carol Finley, Editor; Donald Caussey, Assistant Editor; Bobby Hackfield, Sports Editor and Willie Baker, Society Editor.

The 1946 District Championship football trophy was presented to the Greyhound team by Coach M.J. Schofield. It was then placed on display at Frizzell's Drug Store.

The Texas Theater had four movies scheduled for the week.

Letters to Santa were from Lou Ella Denton, David Denton, Annette Dozier, Bobby Tankersley, Lynelle Tankersley, Donald Tankersley, Barbara Egenbacher, Donna Worley, Janette Hodges, Josephine Chafin, Florence Reeves, David Perdue, Bobby Day and Ross Ed Lankford.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Averitt had a baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Angle and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Carr spent Thursday in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker were in Abilene Sunday to attend a meeting of druggists.

Marjorie Lowrey is on the mid-semester honor roll at McMurry College.

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Clonts and Ken returned from Dallas after seeing an eye specialist for Ken.

Regular Sunday Singing was held in the Lynn Tankersley home.

Well, that was some of the news in my hometown back when I was 12 years old. Hope you enjoyed it.



BOOK FAIR RESULTS - Vicki Brandon, library aide, is elated at the recent outcome of the Elementary Book Fair held on December 2. As a result of all the students and parents who participated, the library was able to accumulate approximately \$600.00 worth of books in keep in the school's library. Shown with Mrs. Brandon are third grade students of Niki Collins. (NEWS Photo)

Houndettes claim championship trophy at Goree tournament

The Knox City Houndettes continued their winning streak this past weekend as they defeated Rochester, Benjamin and Munday JV to capture first place in the Goree tournament.

The Houndettes cruised by the Rochester Lady Steers, 65-15. Sara Dillon led the scoring with 14 points followed by Kim Grimsley with 12 and Stefani Stephens with 11.

The Houndettes then defeated Benjamin 41-36 in an exciting game. Sara Dillon led the Houndettes with 13 points followed by Melissa Barnard with 10.

The championship game between the Houndettes and the Munday Mogulettes ended with a Knox City victory, 59-36. Audra Dale was high point with 13. Other Houndettes in double figures were Sara Dillon with 11, Melissa

Barnard with 10 and Kim Grimsley with 10.

Sara Dillon received the most valuable player award while Melissa Barnard received all tournament team honors. "I was very proud of the entire team throughout the tournament. Everyone played an important role in each of the games and everyone came through when they were called on," Coach Dala Young said.

The Houndettes improved their record to 7-2. The Houndettes will return to action December 17 as they travel to Crowell.

The next home game for the Houndettes will be December 20 with Goree at 6:30.

(Whoops! We left a part of this story out last week by accident, so we are reprinting it for the team and their scrapbook collections. Sorry 'bout that!!)

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Data Control Codes		Governmental Fund Types		Totals (Memo Only)	
		100-199	200-499	98	97
		GENERAL	SPECIAL	AUGUST 31, 1996	AUGUST 31, 1995
		FUND	REVENUE FUND	1996	1995
	REVENUES:				
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$396,632	\$10,698	\$407,330	\$387,764
5800	State Program Revenues	658,413	15,979	674,392	538,296
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	28,774	28,774	27,398
	Excluding Revenues Funding Function 14	\$1,055,045	\$55,451	\$1,110,496	\$953,458
0014	Revenues Collected for Funding Function 14	-	-	-	-
5030	Total Revenues	\$1,055,045	\$55,451	\$1,110,496	\$953,458
	EXPENDITURES:				
0011	Instruction	\$471,423	\$24,447	\$495,870	\$399,312
0015	Public Education Grant Program	-	-	-	-
0016	Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program	-	-	-	-
0017	Charter Schools	-	-	-	-
0021	Instructional Administration	-	-	-	-
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	30,978	-	30,978	35,831
0023	School Administration	19,599	-	19,599	22,353
0025	Curriculum and Instruct. Staff Development	6,617	-	6,617	6,079
0026	Communication and Dissemination	-	-	-	-
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	13,620	-	13,620	11,236
0032	Attendance and Social Work Service	-	-	-	-
0033	Health Services	6,732	-	6,732	6,695
0034	Student Transportation	35,997	-	35,997	92,253
0036	Co-curricular Activities	35,993	-	35,993	28,048
0037	Food Services	-	44,904	44,904	39,809
0041	General Administration	85,301	-	85,301	80,428
0042	Debt Services	-	-	-	-
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	104,371	-	104,371	97,616
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	55,247	-	55,247	23,181
0075	Data Processing Services	6,511	-	6,511	6,113
0081	Community Service	263	-	263	408
	Expenditures Excluding Function 14	\$872,652	\$69,351	\$942,003	\$849,362
0014	Instructional Services Between Districts	-	-	-	-
6050	Total Expenditures	\$872,652	\$69,351	\$942,003	\$849,362
	Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures				
1100	Other Resources	\$182,393	(\$13,900)	\$168,493	\$104,096
7990	Other Resources	12,463	13,900	26,363	30,234
8990	Other (Uses)	(26,363)	-	(26,363)	(23,668)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	\$168,493	-	\$168,493	\$110,662
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	715,895	-	715,895	605,233
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	-	-	-
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$884,388	-	\$884,388	\$715,895

Church Directory

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Knox City
Jim Teeter, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Knox City
Steve Pepper, Minister
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

FOUR SQUARE CHURCH - Knox City
Dan Limitone, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:30 p.m. - Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

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Father Kevin Fagan
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Father Kevin Fagan
Monday Through Friday Mornings, 8:00 a.m. Mass
Saturday Mass at 5:30 p.m. - Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Benjamin
John Gillispie, Pastor
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Benjamin
Jim Teeter, Pastor
Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH - Gillespie
Ross Anderson, Pastor
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. - Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Benjamin
Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

THE BELIEVERS' CHAPEL - Highway 222
W.O. Smith, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Mid Week, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL - 8 Miles South Of Knox City
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship Service at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.
Mid Week, Wed. at 7:30 p.m.

O'BRIEN BAPTIST CHURCH - O'Brien
- Pending Name Of New Pastor -
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship
at 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m.
Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Knox City
David White, Pastor
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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

News this week is scarce. Everyone is trying to put the finishing touches on Christmas plans. It will be here very soon.

Big news is our cold "spell". After those summer temps last week, this cold is really striking. A few snow flurries were reported Sunday evening but so far not enough to brag (or gripe) about.

Leroy West is in Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. He underwent a kidney transplant last night (Saturday) and at 6:00 this afternoon, he was doing great. Already in his room and was able to talk on the telephone so that's wonderful news and I'm glad to report it. If all goes well, he may be home for Christmas.

Bud Clower was feeling pretty well today according to reports. And that's good to report.

Thelma Brown is a patient in the Perryton Hospital. No late report on her but hopefully she will be able to return home soon. Best wishes go to Thelma during this time.

Kenneth Roberts has had a pretty good case of the flu, but is finally about to get over it. Has felt pretty bad for several days but think he about has it "whipped" now.

Larry Neal's mom is quite ill. Larry says she's sort of holding her own right now but not doing well at all. She lives in Hatch, New Mexico. Larry asks prayers in her behalf.

BASKETBALL NEWS

The junior high girls took on Northside last Monday night and fell just a bit shy with the Lady Indians talking a 29-27 victory. We played well on defense the majority of the night. We are still learning terminology and really how to play man to man defense, but the girls did a nice job throughout the game. We hit some key free throws late in the game that really kept us in this one until the end. We have showing real signs of improvement since the first game and will continue to work on our defense, ball handling and layups each and every day.

The Lady Stangs traveled to Megargel Tuesday night and came away with a 60-18 victory. We really

wanted to work on our man-to-man defense and we looked better during the game but we still have areas that we must improve on if we are to be successful down the line. The girls rebounded well and are to be successful down the line. The girls rebounded well throughout the contest and are beginning to sink a few needed free throws. Focus for this game was to execute little things to help better the team.

The ladies opened up the Benjamin Tournament with Rochester JV and played really aggressive early and that helped us get several layups to open up a lead in the game and go on to defeat Rochester. The second day of the tournament pitted Benjamin against a scrappy Rule JV club. This was probably our best overall game on defense this year as we began to show signs of applying the concepts practiced on daily. Rule has several young kids that really do a nice job for Coach Brown and we knew we would have to play well to beat the Lady Bobcats. We hit several shots early and we executed our main offense well in the game, but the defense really sparked our victory in this game. In the championship game, the Lady Stangs faced a familiar foe in Rochester. This is always a dog fight to the end of the game and we knew that we couldn't get into foul trouble and stay in the game. However, we scrapped by with four girls in foul trouble most of the fourth quarter. We hit the boards well during the contest and we were able to utilize our post game in our offense, which I felt was the difference in the game. We were not hitting well from the outside so we decided to push the ball into our posts and we hit several key shots down low. The Lady Stangs were able to hold off the Lady Steers and win the tournament championship 43-35.

The outcome of the tournament is as follows: In the girls, 1st place was won by Benjamin, 2nd went to Rochester, 3rd Goree and placing 4th was Guthrie. Guthrie boys won 1st. Rule came in 2nd, Harrold, 3rd and Rochester - 4th.

Benjamin placed two girls on the all-tournament team, Blaine Conner and Lacy Carver. Blaine was also selected most valuable player in the tournament. Bobby Condon was named to the boys all-tournament team. Congrats to these young folks.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Supt. Weldon Koepf and his wife Carolyn hosted a party on Wednesday night in their home for the teachers, employees and school board (and their spouses) of the Benjamin ISD. Everyone reported a good time. Lots of good food and fellowship.

HERE 'N THERE

Part of Nancy McGreger's third and fourth grade students gave the churches an extra treat Sunday morning when they entertained with some Christmas songs.

Those ten youngsters gave their "all" and really did a great job. Services at all the churches were scheduled around the children's presentation and I think everyone agreed it was well worth it. Children singing were Chance Propps, Seth Kuehler, Kevin Porter, Tyler Collins, Matthew Cartwright, Jessica Moorhouse, Cassie Lyles, Laura Benson, Whitney Dennis and Shaylee Propps. We appreciate Nancy allowing these young people to share their talents with us.

Edith Broach of Lubbock visited her daughter, Janet Reed and family, a few days last week.

Jim Bob Conner and Zeke Duke, students at Texas Tech, came in Wednesday to spend the Christmas break with homefolks.

My girls, Debbie Taylor and Diane Bell and Ashlee of Childress, visited me on Saturday. We went to Wichita Falls for a "day in town" and enjoyed the outing very much.

Betty Bohannon and family spent the weekend with her niece and family in Clyde.

Fred Lewis (Screwdriver) Crenshaw of Abilene visited Bud Conner Saturday. Fred Lewis was guest speaker at the Men's Breakfast at the Methodist Church Sat. a.m.

Weldon and Carolyn Koepf were in Waco during the weekend for daughter, Lauren's, graduation from Baylor.

Erin Koepf selected to HSU's Gamma Beta Phi

ABILENE - The Gamma Beta Phi Society at Hardin-Simmons University, an honor and service organization for students in colleges and universities in the United States, inducted 91 members into its charter in November.

Erin Koepf of Benjamin was selected for induction into the newly formed HSU chapter of Gamma Beta Phi Society. She is the daughter of Carolyn and Weldon Koepf.

The objectives of the Gamma Beta Phi Society are to recognize and encourage excellence in education, to promote the development of leadership ability and character in its members, and to foster, disseminate, and improve education through appropriate service projects.

AGING CENTER MENUS

December 23 through 27, 1996
Monday, December 23 - Beef stew, 7-minute cabbage, cheese sticks, cornbread, apple cobbler.
Tuesday, December 24 - Closed for observance of Christmas.
Wednesday, December 25 - Closed for observance of Christmas.
Thursday, December 26 - Closed for observance of Christmas.
Friday, December 27 - Chicken strips, tossed green salad, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, cake squares.

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



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Before the amendment of the new law, it was a class A misdemeanor for meter tampering unless the loss of service was more than \$200. Under the new law, any meter tampering regardless of the amount of loss is now a felony of the third degree.

Meter tampering consists of, but is not limited to:

- (1) Diverting electricity from passing through a meter device.
- (2) Preventing electric service from being correctly registered by a meter device.
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As in the past, there are children in Knox City and throughout Knox County who need Christmas gifts, medicine, clothes, transportation, and many other services at Christmas.

You too can be a 'Santa Claus' and make a child happy at Christmas, all it takes is a little generosity on your part. A fund has been established by the Knox County Child Welfare Board to help provide for those kids who are less fortunate than others, not only during the Christmas holiday, but throughout the year.

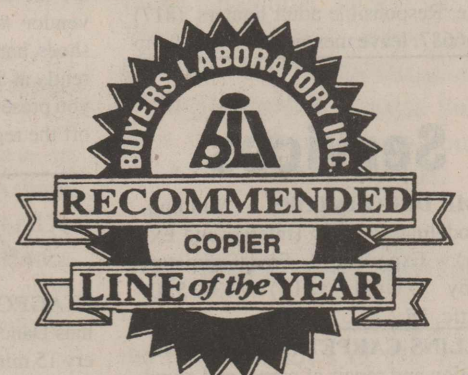
The fund needs your help. It's really very simple. All you have to do is go by the Citizens Bank in Knox City or the First National Bank in Munday and make a deposit to the fund. Just make your check payable to the Knox County Child Welfare Board - or cash is great too!

The only money the Child Welfare Fund has to spend is donated, so ... it's up to you. Why not share your holiday spirit and help a child at the same time? 'Santa' will appreciate your thoughtfulness, and you'll feel better for sharing at this very special time of the year.



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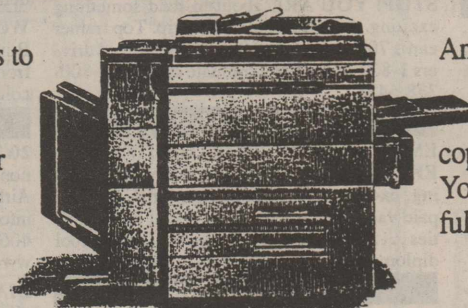
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