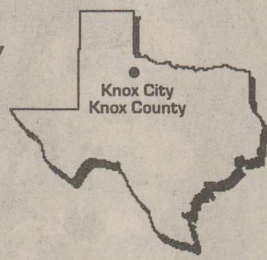


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Stefani Stephens Wins Polled Hereford Breed Champion Honors At San Antonio



STEFANI STEPHENS OF O'BRIEN is shown here with a big smile after she captured the Breed Champion Honors with her polled hereford, 'Sunny', at the prestigious San Antonio Exposition & Livestock Show held in San Antonio last week. The San Antonio show is the largest livestock show in the United States. A senior at Knox City High School, Stefani is finishing out her high school livestock career with a trunkload of trophies, ribbons and honors at shows throughout the State of Texas. As an added honor, Stefani has also been ranked as #1 in the Texas Club Calf Association for the State of Texas. Not quite finished yet, Stefani has just celebrated her 18th birthday this past weekend, prior to leaving for yet another show this week in Houston. (Courtesy Photo)

Knox City group heads for Ft. Worth to watch filming of Gaither gospel video



ALL ABOARD FOR THE Gaither Concert held in Fort Worth Friday night were these leaving First Baptist Church's parking lot early Friday afternoon on Agape Tours of Seymour. Attending were Norma and Vic Lowry, Jimmy, Ann and April Tankersley, LaNell Kight, Dorethy and Rob Harrison, Bobbie Harrison, Jennifer and Kent DeVillie, Bob, Beverly and LaTisha Munsell, Linda and Amanda Espinosa, Polly Marion, Ruth Rhodes, Hazel Tankersley, Bernice Rowan, Patsy and W.C. Orr, Kay and Steve Pepper, Regina Golden, Lacy Headrick, John Picklesimer, Peggy and Charlie Clarke, Ramona Helms, Melba Pharr, Peggy Guinn, Birdie Helton, and Georgie and Jim Lynn. (NEWS Photo)

Knox City-O'Brien Youth basketball tournament to start Friday evening, continue throughout Saturday

It's time once again for the annual Knox City Youth Basketball tournament.

Teams entered are from Benjamin, Rochester, Goree and Knox City.

With the large number of par-

ticipants, tournament play will begin Friday for third and fourth grade girls and boys at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday's games will begin at 8:00 a.m. Scheduled to play on Saturday are kindergarten, first and second and fifth and sixth

grade teams.

All games on both Friday night and throughout Saturday will be in the Knox City gym.

The public is invited to attend the tournament and a concession stand will be open for business.



BRAVING THE COLD WEST TEXAS WIND, SLEET AND ICE last Wednesday afternoon, this group of ladies from state agencies in Abilene and Austin traveled to Benjamin for a visit with City Manager Ronnie White as Benjamin prepares to embark on a new trash recycling program. Shown here are (from left to right) D. Lynne Haase, Planner, Solid Waste Planning Section, Waste Planning & Assessment Division of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, Wendy Stovall, Environmental Planning Assistant with the West Central Texas Economic Development District of the West Central Texas Council of Governments in Abilene, Alison Benton, Director of Economic Development with the Council Finance Division of the West Central Texas Council of Governments office in Abilene, and Ronnie White, City Manager for the City of Benjamin. The group stands before a new trash recycling trailer obtained by Benjamin through a grant from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin and administered through the West Central Texas Council of Governments office in Abilene. (NEWS Photo)

City of Benjamin receives grant to purchase trash recycle trailer

Thanks to a lot of work by City Manager Ronnie White, the folks in Benjamin are the proud recipients of a grant of \$11,990.00 from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission that has been utilized to purchase a trash recycling trailer for use by the residents of Benjamin and the surrounding area.

With an official meeting last week of both state and local officials, the recycling trailer was placed into service. Traveling to Benjamin to visit with City Manager White and Mayor Janice

Tolson were D. Lynne Hasse, Planner from the Solid Waste Planning Section of the Waste Planning & Assessment Division of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, Alison Benton, Director of Economic Development with the Council Finance Division of the West Central Council of Governments in Abilene, and Wendy Stovall, Environmental Planning Assistant with the West Central Texas Economic Development District of the West Central Texas Council of Governments in

Abilene.

The new recycling trailer will allow Benjamin residents to recycle tin, aluminum, glass, cardboard, and newspapers, along with grades 1 & 2 plastic. These items will be collected in clearly marked bins on the trailer, then the trailer will be transported to Abilene for the recycled items to be processed.

Hoping for a new county-wide emphasis on recycling effort, Ronnie White will be joined by City Managers from Knox City and Munday at future recycling meetings held by the state.

Knox City High School Cross-X debate team earns district second place honors

Knox City High School's Cross-X debate team of Chris Bartley and R.J. Rizan traveled to Matador recently to compete in the district contest. They won second place making them eligible to compete in the state meet.

The state meet will be held March 10 and 11 at the University of Texas in Austin. Through participation at the state meet, Chris and R.J. will qualify for Texas Interscholastic League Foundation scholarships if they advance to the elimination rounds. These academic scholarships have been funded by grants and donations from foundations and individuals.

Munday's team won first place and will also be attending the state meet. Rotan is the alternate team.

Knox City's high school Cross-X Debate Team is sponsored by Renella Watson.



R.J. RIZAN and CHRIS BARTLEY
...will now advance to state competition

Parenting Fair set for 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25 in the gymnasium at Knox City High School

The Knox County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Committee will be conducting a "Parenting Fair" on Tuesday, March 25, from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the Knox City High School gym. The event is free of charge and everyone is invited to attend. Door prizes will be given throughout the evening. Purpose of the fair is to provide parents with information regarding services and products available for their use in raising children. The fair will also provide individuals, organizations, and companies an opportunity to promote their products and services. There is still booth space available for exhibitors. Those interested in participating, contact Jane Rowan at the Knox County Extension office, 817-454-2651 for more information.

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WINNER OF THE VALENTINE Package Giveaway from Knox City Florist and Appearances was Judy Albus. She received a complimentary 'Cuddle Up' bouquet from Knox City Florist and gift certificates for hair and nail services as well as for a massage and tanning at Appearances. (NEWS Photo)

BETTER HEALTH

Change Your Toothbrush During Cough, Cold Season

News USA

(NU) - How often do you replace your toothbrush?

The right answer to the question might help you stay healthier during cold and flu season.

While the American Dental Association says you should replace your toothbrush every three to four months, most people buy fewer than two toothbrushes each year and are usually reluctant to replace them more often.

Independent laboratory studies show that bacteria can survive outside the body on toothbrush bristles. Toothbrushes are often kept in a humid bathroom near others, so there's a potential for germs to spread quickly.

If you want to help stop the spread of a cold or a virus, the first place to look is in the bathroom. Here are some tips from Oral-B Laboratories, maker of the new Advantage toothbrush with micro-textured bristles, as well as other oral care products:

- When you have a cold, don't use the same toothpaste tube as the rest of the family. It can spread germs from one toothbrush to another. Make sure you have your own tube and that family members know about it.
- Don't forget to brush your tongue and the roof of your mouth.

It will help freshen breath and clean your mouth by removing bacteria.

- After brushing, soak your toothbrush in an antibacterial mouth rinse for approximately 20 minutes. Then hang it to dry, making sure it's not touching anyone else's toothbrush.

- When your cold is gone, replace your toothbrush with a new one to avoid re-infecting yourself with lingering bacteria from your old toothbrush.

- Supervise your children when they brush their teeth. Sometimes children have a tendency to fool around and they may let their toothbrushes make contact with unclean surfaces.

Cold-Fighting Tips

(NU) - Some more helpful tips for fighting the germs that cause colds:

- Wash your hands often.
- Cover your mouth when you sneeze or cough.

- Eat a nutritious, well-balanced diet.

- Get plenty of rest.
- Use separate glasses, dishes, eating utensils and towels for each family member.

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Business owners must render property by April 14 by state law

(AUSTIN)—In accordance with state law, Texas businesses must render their property with county appraisal districts by April 14. To render is to list the taxable property that businesses owned or managed as of January 1, 1997.

"While state law requires business owners and operators to render, any property owner—including homeowners, farmers and ranchers—may also list their property with county appraisal districts," State Comptroller John Sharp said.

"Property owners who render are in a better position to exercise their rights as taxpayers," Sharp noted. "They are ensuring that the appraisal district has their correct address so they will receive notices of any actions that property or tax bills."

If the tax collector cannot deliver a tax bill because of an incorrect or old address, the property owner is responsible for paying the taxes, plus late payment penalties, Sharp added.

State law requires anyone who owns or manages income producing personal property on January 1 to render with the local appraisal district. An exception is a business that receives the freeport exemption for managing cotton stored in a warehouse.

"For example, businesses must report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other tangible personal property by filing this annual report," Sharp said. "Appraisal districts use the reports to set business property values. When a business owner doesn't render his or her property, the chief appraiser estimates the value."

Sharp also announced that property owners who had property damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year may file a special decreased value report that could lower their final tax bills. Property owners may file the decreased value report about their property's condition on January 1, 1997.

Property owners may ask the

chief appraiser for additional time through April 30 - if the owners can demonstrate good cause. The chief appraiser must grant owners of property regulated by the Public Utility Commission or the Railroad Commission an extension to April 30 to file the reports and may extend the deadline another 15 days if the owners request it in writing and show good cause.

On the renditions, property owners can record their opinions of their property's value. By stating their opinion, property owners make sure that the appraisal district sends them a notice before placing a higher value on their property. This notice allows property owners the time to gather information to protest the appraisal if they believe the appraisal district's value is too high.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office. Taxpayers may contact the county appraisal district office for the rendition forms, or they may call the Comptroller's property tax hotline at 1-800-252-9121.

Cookie sale is underway for Girl Scouts

The annual Girl Scout cookie sale is underway! Sales kickoff was Friday, February 14.

Orders will be taken through February 23 with the delivery of cookies and booth sales beginning on March 7.

New this year is "Le Chip", the ultimate chocolate chip cookie. The 1997 program will have eight varieties of the famous cookies including America's favorite, the Samoas (coconut and caramel, striped with cocoa). Other types of cookies available are Thin Mints, Do-Si-Dos, Trefoils, Tag-alongs, Reduced Fat Chalet Cremes, and low fat iced oatmeal'n raisin, Snaps.

Girls will learn valuable skills, such as goal setting, handling money, dealing with the public, marketing products, and working together as a team to accomplish goals.

Girls will also earn a bonus for their troops in addition to individual recognitions.

Service Unit Cookie Manager for Knox City is Eileen Rolo, 658-3771.

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O'Brien News

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

Two groups attended "Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames", a drama put on at First Baptist Church - Hamlin last week. Attending on Monday night were Orval and Helen Manning, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Junior and Myra Reeves and Johnny and Jo Lippard. On Tuesday night, Bro. Bill and Evelyn Trice, Bernice Rowan, Veeta Reid, Juanita Wilcox and I. It is called a tremendous presentation and it really was great to see so many souls saved.

Pleas and Sandra Childress of Ozona spent Wednesday night with Sandra's mom, Beatrice Ellis. Beatrice was in Lubbock last Tuesday to visit her aunt Mildred Draper, who is recuperating from a fall she suffered at home a few weeks ago. She's in St. Mary's hospital and doing pretty good. Bernice Rowan was in Fort Worth Friday night to attend "The Gaither Vocal Band" performance. She really enjoyed the night.

Claudia Reid of Rochester visited with her sister, Adelle Herring and husband Ranzy, Sunday afternoon.

Visiting Evelyn Underwood is her children, Bobbie and Carol Lapham of Amarillo.

The young people of O'Brien Baptist Church honored the adults of the church with a belated Valentine banquet Sunday night.

Those young people were Kiel Rowan, Angela Roberts, Dana Holmes, Misty Hurt, Sabrina and Wesley Powell, Jennifer Vacek, Jessica and Amanda Sliger, the adult helpers were Diane Roberts, Jane Rowan, Sherry Powell, Charlene Brothers and Betty Poe. Adults enjoying the meal were Orval and Helen Manning, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Bill Trice, Don Roberts, Billie Walker, Dwight Gothard, Junior and Myra Reeves, Juanita Wilcox, Jo and John Lippard, Demp and Hazel Emerson, Bernice Rowan, Leonia Raby, Bea Ellis, Alton and LaUna Hester, Veeta Reid, Janoma Stephens, Claudale and Jean Barnard, J.O. Brothers, Alan and Jennifer Holmes, Rachel and Wynell Stevens, Sherry Ellis, Audie Johnston and Bessie Duncan.

Juanita Wilcox was in Abilene during the weekend to see her granddaughter, Miriam Wilcox of El Paso, play basketball and did she ever enjoy it.

Dan and Marilyn Talbot were in Shallowater over the weekend helping their daughter Cathy Hughes and Gary and son move from Haskell to Shallowater.

Visiting over the weekend in the home of Billie Walker were her daughter and husband, Julie and Dale Sanders of Amarillo. They then traveled to Cliff and Bobby Banner's home in Hawley

to visit with Kevin Banner and family of Killeen. Kevin left February 17 for a five month tour of duty in Kuwait. His wife, Emily, and their children will remain in Killeen.

Thursday night of last week, Robyn Tolbert of Austin, spent the night with Janoma Stephens. Robyn is the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs Executive Secretary / Bookkeeper.

Janoma Stephens returned home from Imperial, California, after attending her uncle, Ross Williams', funeral. Sammie Darr Matthews made the trip with her. They visited with Sammie's mom, Louise Darr, Olene Williams, Buddy Williams and family, Inez Carver and other family and friends. The weather was perfect.

Scott Stephens and his roommate J.W., both of Vernon, joined his mom, Sue and Stefani Stephens and Jay Goldsten of Texas Tech at Janoma's for a birthday lunch. Stefani was 18 years old.

Stefani and Sue Stephens were in San Antonio last week for Stefani to participate in the San Antonio Exposition Stock Show, the largest stock show in the United States. Stefani won first in heavyweight Polled Hereford Class and won the 1997 Breed Champion Polled Hereford !! They will be going, next week, to Houston for "the" Houston Stock Show.

Barnard rites are Saturday at O'Brien Baptist

Funeral services for Myrtle Ethel Barnard of Knox City were held Saturday afternoon, February 15, at two o'clock in the O'Brien Baptist Church. Rev. Bill Trice, church pastor, officiated and burial was in the O'Brien Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Barnard, 96, died Thursday, February 13, at the Brazos Valley Care Home.

Born December 14, 1900, in Chester, Texas, she spent her lifetime in Haskell and Knox Counties. Her parents were the late Edward and Emma Samantha Lambert. She married Claude (Sip) Barnard on September 2, 1923, in Rule. He preceded her in death on June 19, 1966. Mrs. Barnard was a member of the First Baptist Church in Knox City.

Survivors include a son and his wife, Claudale and Jean Barnard of Knox City; two granddaughters and their husbands, Claudia and Eddie Bryant of Levelland and Diane and Donnie Roberts of O'Brien; four great grandchildren, Jennifer Hicks and husband Keith of Levelland, Jonathan Bryant of Levelland, Trish Roberts and Angela Roberts, both of O'Brien; and two sisters-in-law, Opal Lambert of Odessa and Edrie Barnard of O'Brien.

Pallbearers were Junior Reeves, Johnny Lippard, Jerry Curd, Alton Hester, Eddie Bryant and Billy Cypert.

Retired Teachers to meet Tuesday in Munday

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, February 25, at the First United Methodist Church in Munday at 2:30 p.m.

A patriotic musical program will be presented.

Self rites held February 8 in Wichita Falls

Henry Lawton Self of Wichita Falls, 70, died Thursday, February 6.

Memorial services were held Saturday, February 8, at Grant Street Methodist Church with the Rev. Gene Browder officiating.

Mr. Self was born July 25, 1926, in Rule. He married Vonna Louise Elmore on June 16, 1945, in O'Brien. He was a plumber and a member of Plumbers Local No. 387. He was a member of Grant Street Methodist Church and was a Sunday school teacher. He was a member of the American Bowling Conference.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Carol Ann Chatterton of Wichita Falls; a sister, Iva Lee Shaw of Richardson; two brothers, Cecil of Garland and Billy Gene of Malakoff, Texas; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the W. Erle and Emma White Hospice or Grant Street Methodist Church.

Historical commission to meet Thursday, Feb. 27

The Knox County Historical Commission will meet in an organizational meeting Thursday, February 27, at 3:00 p.m. in the Benjamin Courthouse assembly room.

Mary Jane Young of Benjamin is chairman of the commission and other officers will be elected at the meeting and committees appointed.

The public is invited to attend.

Auxiliary Fund

A donation has been made to the Knox County Hospital Auxiliary in memory of:

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by Florita Lemley.

Hodges rites held Thursday in KC cemetery

Graveside services for David Henry Hodges of Knox City were held Thursday, February 13, at 10:30 a.m. in the Knox City Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Dan Limitone. Burial was in the Knox City Cemetery.

Mr. Hodges, 81, died Tuesday, February 11, in the Brazos Valley Care Home.

He had been a construction worker and was a United States Army veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his parents, R.B. Hodges and Lottie Mae Hodges.

Survivors include three sisters, Sue Wright of Knox City, Mary Pierson of Edgewood and Lee Harris of Wylie; and a brother, Charlie Hodges of Rosenberg.

Historical commission planning April program

The Knox County Historical Commission is planning a program in celebration of "Texas Archeology Week" to be held Tuesday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Knox County Courthouse assembly room.

Ervy McGregor of Crowell will present the program. McGregor, a former Knox County resident, is an experienced artifact hunter and for several years, has worked with Indian artifacts exhibit at Cynthia Ann Parker Days in Crowell each May.

The purpose of the meeting is "researching our local past with emphasis on looking for Indian artifacts in this area," according to Clara Brown of Truscott.

Anyone of any age interested in Indian artifacts is invited to attend at no cost.

For additional information, contact historical chairman Mary Jane Young in Benjamin.

World War II 'Buddies' Visit After 51 Years

John and Georgie Edie of Springfield, Indiana, visited in Texas with Eddie and Virginia Adkins last week.

John and Eddie were World

War II buddies and had not seen each other since their return to the United States after the war was over.

Virginia reported they had a

wonderful time visiting, looking at old pictures and reminiscing. The two men had 51 years of "catching up" to do during their time together.



Stefani & 'Sunny'

...At San Antonio Exposition & Livestock Show

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 Saturday - Shrimp - \$8.95

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Benjamin News
 By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Today (Sunday) has dawned a beautiful day after a few days of snow, freezing rain and cold temps. The moisture was very welcome tho. We just need more of it.

We have had some in our small community who had had sorrow in their families this past week. Philomae Roberson's brother, Clyde Feemster, died Tuesday after a battle with cancer. His funeral was Wednesday in Vera. Bill and Pearl Ryder received word today of the death of his sister, Faye Jones, who was also a sister-in-law of Charles Jones. She lived near Gilmer, Texas. Funeral arrangements are pending at this

time. Sympathy is extended to both of these families.

Concerning our ill - Leroy West was back in Fort Worth on Friday and other than some blood pressure problems, he is doing pretty well.

And reports are that Bud Clower is feeling pretty good after some pretty "down" days.

S.L. Milson is a patient in a Dallas hospital after suffering a heart attack on Wednesday night. Reports are that he is doing better.

Jan Carver has been pretty sick with pneumonia. Not had to go to the hospital but is taking lots of medication and hopefully she will begin to feel better soon.

Dutch Young was able to come home last Monday after his back surgery. He's doing great but needs to continue to take it easy for a while.

Gary Hamilton had to go to the emergency room in Seymour one night last week with what he was afraid was a heart attack. Turned out not to be but was some heart related problem. He's doing OK now.

Of course, we send our best to all these friends.

HERE 'N THERE

Jim Bob Conner and Zeke Duke of Texas Tech spent the weekend with their parents, Judy Conner and Pam and Dennis Duke.

Weldon and Carolyn Koepf were in Abilene Saturday to be with their daughter, Erin, a student at HSU and a daughter Kristen, who was visiting Erin.

Sam and Clara Tipton of Forestburg and Larry Conner of Grand Prairie visited Bud Conner Sunday.

The high school girls basketball season came to an end Friday night as the Motley County Matadors soundly defeated the Lady Stangs in a playoff game in Crowell. For Audra Neal and Rachel Duke, it was their final high school game as they are the seniors on the team. They have played all through high school and have been an asset to the team but that is over so next year, we look forward to another good season with a little different team. The girls did well this year, despite injuries and sickness and certainly have nothing to be ashamed of. We are proud of you.

Raul Barrientez's family honored him with a birthday get-together in his home last Sunday. Didn't learn which birthday this was - Just a fun time for everyone.

Sharon Johnson spent the weekend with her daughter and family in Lubbock.

Little Dribblers basketball has begun and it looks like a bunch of tournaments lie ahead. They played at Rochester this past Saturday and I think some of the teams came home with first place ribbons.

Local's son-in-law back from South American deployment

NORFOLK, Virginia - Navy Lt. j.g. Donald E. Wyatt, son-in-law of LaNell Knight of Knox City, Texas, recently returned from a five-month South American deployment aboard the tank landing ship USS La Moure County.

Wyatt is one of more than 200 sailors aboard the ship who returned to their home port of Little Creek, Virginia, as part of the U.S. force that participated in Unitas 37. This annual joint-service exercise involves the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, and the navies of Venezuela, Brazil, Uruguay, Chile, Peru, Ecuador, Paraguay and Columbia. Unitas is latin for unity.

Wyatt is married to the former Amber Mahan. He is a graduate of Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, where is received a bachelor of science degree.

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We would like to express our appreciation for all the love, prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, flowers, food and support during the loss of our loved one, David Hodges. A big thanks to the employees of Brazos Valley Care Home and the employers at the Knox County Hospital and a big thanks to Pastor Dan Limitone and Smith Funeral Home. God bless you all.

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December 1996 Police Report

The Knox City Police Department had another very busy month during December 1996, receiving a total of 413 calls and tasks which required attention. This total included 20 actual criminal offenses, of which 13 were cleared or otherwise handled. Eight charges were filed in regard to the above offense, with five of the offenses involving juveniles as offenders. The cases involving juveniles were referred to the Juvenile Authorities for further action.

Offenses reported include: Criminal Mischief - 2, Evading Arrest / Detention - 1, Criminal Trespass - 2, Disorderly Conduct - 2, Theft - 4, Credit Card Abuse - 1, Burglary of a Coin Operated Machine - 1, Harassment - 1, Driving While Intoxicated - 1, Unlawfully Carrying a Weapon - 1, Illegal Possession of Controlled Substances - 1, Theft of Service - 1, Public Intoxication - 1, Engage in Organized Criminal Activity - 1, Traffic Charges Filed - 15, Warnings Issued - 30, Accidents - 3.

The Knox City Police Department Reserve Officers contributed a total of 27.5 hours of duty time to the City of Knox City during the month of December 1996.

Other items reported to the Knox City Police Department

during December are classified as incidents. These incidents either did not occur in the City of Knox City or for some other reason were not able to be considered as a criminal offense. However, they must be investigated to determine if a record is to be made for further reference or if the case should be referred to another agency.

Incidents reported include: Domestic Dispute - 3, Disturbance - 1, Property Dispute - 1, Threatened Suicide - 1.

On December 6, the employees of the City of Knox City attended a Christmas party organized and planned by Mayor Tommie (Bud) Reynolds and his wife, Sequoyah. Each year, Mayor Reynolds and Sequoyah organize a Christmas party, which include lots of good food, games and singing of Christmas songs. Hats off to Mayor Reynolds for caring so much about the city employees and those others associated with the operation of the city of Knox City.

On December 9 - 11, I attended a course in Abilene at the West Central Texas Law Enforcement Academy which was intended for making better supervisors out of those in a supervisory position. The course was very informative, with many details and

suggestions being made available to the students on dealing with various situations.

On December 14, Knox City had its Christmas parade. The parade was very nicely organized and had many good entries. I appreciate the Department of Public Safety, Knox County Sheriff's Department and the Munday Police Department for assisting with traffic control during the parade.

On January 2, Knox City officer William Curd was sworn in as Constable of Knox County. Although this department is losing its final reserve officer, Officer Curd will continue his law enforcement as Constable Curd. He has expressed his wish to continue to assist this department when the need exists, and I do appreciate the offer, which I do readily accept. I do wish him the best of luck with his new position, and do thank him for the many hours of duty time contributed to this department during the more than three years that he served with this department.

To many citizens, county wide, have the opinion that Law Officers are just kind of "under foot". Law enforcement, many times, is thought of as another problem when an officer stops a person for a traffic violation or some other

reason. Many driver's don't realize the amount of cattle that escape from their single wire electric fences, or the many times that wild hogs are seen crossing the highway. Either way, a lot of damage can be caused by contact between a vehicle and such a large animal. If you get stopped for speeding, consider that maybe the officer is attempting to convince you to at least drive the speed limit. By doing that, you may have a better change of surviving an accident or better yet, possibly avoiding the accident. You may say that you got a ticket in town for speeding or some other violation. Although you may rarely see a wild hog or a cow running loose in town, you will see many other vehicles, weighing as much or more than your vehicle, driving on the same roadway as you are traveling on. If you drive the speed limit, once again, you have a better chance of avoiding an accident. If you stop at a stop sign, you give yourself the opportunity to look around briefly, checking to see if the others at the stop sign or on the street crossing in front of you are driving safely so you can proceed without worrying about having an accident. You can see the advertisements posted in various places advising you to drive defensively. If you were to drive with the thought that everyone was out to run over you, you probably would be more ob-

servant of other traffic, traffic laws, and other situations that can cause a problem. Wearing a seat belt is a real pain to many, however, it can save your life, your face, and IT IS THE LAW.

This department intends to strictly enforce the child passenger safety seat law, which states that it is an offense to transport a child in a passenger car or light truck under the age of two (2), if the child is not secured in a child passenger safety seat system, according to the instructions of the safety seat manufacturer. The law goes on to read that it is also an offense if a child is between two (2) years of age and four (4), and is not secured during operation of the vehicle, in either a child passenger safety seat system or a safety belt. This law does not allow for a small child, or anyone for that matter, to be jumping around the vehicle, or to be held by the driver or anyone else, during the operation of the vehicle in which the child is riding. If you want a copy of the law, I will be much more happy to supply you with it, rather than an expensive citation if you refuse to consider the effects on the victim of an accident, which will be your child.

/s/ Dean W. Homstad
Dean W. Homstad
Chief of Police
Knox City Police Department

Social Security News Update

Most beneficiaries no longer submit annual earnings reports

Social Security has eliminated the need for most beneficiaries to file an annual report of earnings. Instead, the agency will adjust benefits as required under the Social Security annual earnings limits based on the amount of wages or net earnings from self employment posted to the worker's Social Security earnings record. The new process begins with reporting year 1996 and could save up to 330,000 public reporting hours. Under the new procedure, beneficiaries will need to file annual reports only when their earnings for purposes of the Social Security earnings test are not the same as the earnings reported on their W-2 and/or self employment tax return.

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All requests for applications must include the student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of high school, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1996-1997 academic year.

Applications will be fulfilled by mail only, on or about April 11, 1997. One hundred and seventy-five (175) winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extracurricular activities and some consideration for financial need. A total of \$175,000 will be awarded.

A Golden Time

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TB is becoming an increasing problem. TB infections has been increasing at a rate of about 20% in the U.S. since 1985. A National Institute of Health report says, among some segments of the population, the TB rate is higher than among the world's poorest nations.

More than 10,000 AARP members responded to a poll on age discrimination in the workplace. More than 2/3 said they had left work under duress due to age.

The abortion issue

By David Leathers
 Benjamin, Texas

Each year thousands of unwed or reluctant mothers walk through the doors of abortion clinics and sacrifice the child inside them to the convenience of their will. Most of these women fear the responsibility that a new baby might bring to them; therefore, they find it somewhat easier to commit this tiny life to death than to give it the gift of life. I cannot bring myself to believe that this method is the best way out. It saddens me to imagine that millions of babies die each year and we sit by and proclaim in ignorance that it is simply an unborn fetus incapable of feeling because it is not alive. People choose to believe this lie, because it allows them to commit murder under the banner of ~political correctness." It angers me to see this nation kill murderers, thieves, and other criminals under the death sentence, yet thousands of doctors carry a license to kill millions of babies each year; and we pay them to commit infanticide. Even though I am for saving the life of an unborn child, I do not agree with the way pro-life advocates handle the issue of abortion. I disagree with their campaign tactics. They blockade abortion clinics, parade down public streets waving signs-bearing pictures of half alive fetuses, and threaten the lives of the doctors that commit abortions. Their scare tactics are not convincing; to the contrary, they turn people to the pro choice advocates. The pro-choice movement offers something they call peace and a way out of the malady. Their solution is the murder of the tiny life inside the mother. They take pride in their diabolical ways. They remove the fetus by inserting a needle into the uterus of the mother and injecting a salt solution into the fluid. This disintegrates the child and they remove

the fetus by aid of vacuum cleaner. Thanks to a new abortion law, they abort by crushing or sucking the brain from the skull of the child. This method can be used up to nine months of pregnancy. I believe that if this were used on a normal human, it would be considered torture in the most extreme form.

Referral to the child as a "fetus," "tissue," or a "mass" can bring a false idea that the process

"Their solution is the murder of the tiny life inside the mother."

will only remove the child from the mother's uterus, no life will be lost. After the process this hope is replaced by a feeling of guilt, depression, and even sadness. No mother can forget a pregnancy, no matter how it ends. Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines "human" as, "having human form or attributes." It goes on to define it as being, "a substance, nature, or essence of anything existent, one that exists." Can anyone rationally conclude that the unborn child is not a human being? To suggest this is to imply that it does not exist. Certainly, it does exist; therefore, it is a being. Further, to suggest that it is not a human being must mean that it is some other kind of being. Would it therefore be an organic or inorganic being. I realize that this way of thinking may seem absurd, but it has to be considered. From the moment of conception, the child has the potential of being an Einstein or a Billy Graham. The best way to observe the pregnancy is simply "life." To remove that life for no reason but convenience is murder.

Even though a person can stand strong on his or her opinion, there

are those who will argue their point incessantly. There are several different arguments that are very convincing, yet they can be proven wrong. "What about those impregnated by rape?" Rarely does this happen due to the trauma of rape; about 1/10 of 1% of abortions are due to rape, incest, or other unnatural acts; and most importantly, one violent act does not condone another (killing child because of father's crime). "Don't unwanted children usually end up being battered or abused later on?" Statistically this is not true. Besides, abortion is the ultimate child abuse. "In Roe vs. Wade, wasn't it made legal for a mother to have an abortion?" It stated that if the mother's health was in danger, and the parents agreed, then the abortion could be executed. Liberal abortionists declared that the woman's decision was justifiable due to her social rank, physical condition, psychological state of mind, emotional pain, marital status, or infant's prospects of distressful life or future. Roe versus Wade was meant to save the mother's life with the eradication of the child within her. Since then, convenience has been the number one reason for abortion. It saddens me to see millions of babies die each year. They never have a chance to crawl, speak, or laugh. It is sad to see our nation embrace infanticide in its fullest form. Every day, doctors discover new ways to kill babies more conveniently. Doctors have begun to play God taking life when it is not theirs to take. One day we will feel the repercussions of our actions if we do not change our horrid ways.

(Editor's Note: This article was written as a college course requirement and sent in for publication by David Leathers. Responses sent in need to meet our published guidelines for Letter. To The Editor.)

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A great big "Thank You" to the young people of the O'Brien Baptist Church and their leaders for the wonderful Valentine Banquet that was given for the "Older People" Sunday night. The food was delicious, the decorations were beautiful and the service was just great. Loved the "Entertainment" Diane! Again thanks.
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Advisory panel rejects notion that Social Security "will not be there"

People who have been concerned about the future of Social Security should note that the Social Security Advisory Council expressly rejected the proposition that Social Security will not be there for future generations, Social Security Field Representative Doug English states. The Advisory Council's report, produced after 2-1/2 years of study, presents three options for assuring the long-range financial stability of the program," he said.

All three plans in the Council's report seek to achieve more advance funding of Social Security's long-term obligations and a higher level of national saving for retirement. In addition, all three involve investment in the stock market, would revise the taxation of benefits provision, and would cover state and local government employees newly hired after 1997. Ultimately, however, as the Council

indicates, "...each involves a very different vision for the future evolution of the U.S. retirement system."

"As the Advisory Council (and Social Security's own actuaries) reported, Social Security's revenues and trust fund reserves will permit the payment of full benefits for more than 30 years — until 2029. After 2029, tax revenues would continue to support 77 percent of the expected benefits. This means we have time to make prudent and careful decisions," English stated.

"But we should not delay. We as a nation should address this challenge in the near term. The sooner we agree upon those changes that are necessary, the less difficult those changes will be and the more time Americans will have to adapt to the reforms and adjust their personal financing plans accordingly," he said.

Classic Cable establishes scholarships

With commencement rapidly approaching, Classic Cable announced today the creation of a rural scholarship fund for graduating high school seniors within its service area. The Company will award individual scholarships in amounts ranging from \$250 - \$500 to qualified students demonstrating both academic and extracurricular leadership skills.

J. Merritt Belisle, Classic's Chief Executive Officer, views the scholarship fund as another occasion to reinvest resources back into the local community. "I know of few business opportunities with as high a pay-back as the continued education of a child", said Belisle. "I'm hopeful that the chance of a scholarship provides students with added motivation to strive for excellence."

Specific eligibility requirements include a top 20% ranking within graduating class, demonstrated leadership in and out of the classroom as well as participation in extracurricular activities. Financial hardship or other circumstances will also be considered when deciding between applicants whose abilities appear equal. In addition to the scholarship application, students must submit three letters of recommendation from school principals, teachers, or administrators, a copy of their official high school transcript showing class rank, as well as a 300 word essay on chosen goals with an emphasis on leadership potential and ability to reach goals.

All applications will be evaluated by a committee of employees from Classic Cable and will be judged according to the overall strength of qualifications.

Scholarship applications are available through high school administrators or by contacting Adina Bahl with Classic Cable directly at (913) 434-7620 (ext. 323). The deadline for submitting applications is March 31st with the scholarship winners announced April 30th.

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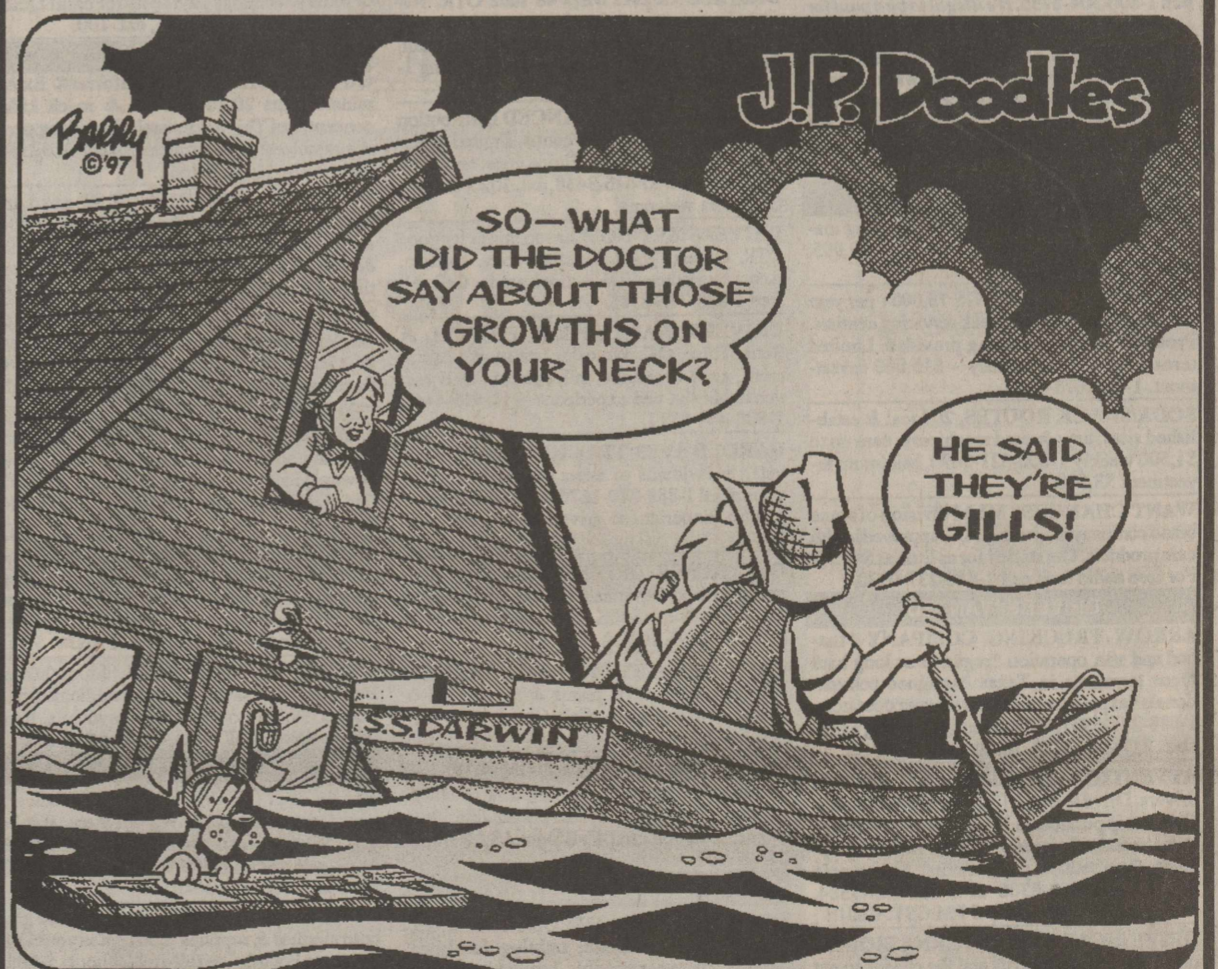
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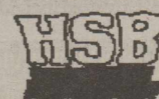


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