

Duke A/C and Heat

Glen Duke, owner of **Duke A/C and Heat**, is committed to providing top quality service to his customers. A relatively new business on the scene, Duke has made it a point to establish his already growing reputation among area homes. The service line, 903-714-9138 is always open and will be answered by a person. If the summer heat is too much to take, fight back with an A/C unit.

Ellis Mercantile

Ellis Mercantile has the item you want at a price you won't believe. Owned by Loyd Ellis, Ellis Mercantile is a family resale store with a bit of everything. It's the place to go for quality furniture, name-brand clothing and even movies at incredibly low prices.

Don't expect to spend a lot of time rifling through the store for that one needed item, either. Everything is clean and well organized. The resale store is located on Highway 31 between Chandler and Tyler.

The Jackson Agency

The Jackson Agency, located at 202 Old Tyler Road, off of Highway 31 in Chandler behind Forget-me-not-Flowers, is the place to go for all kinds of insurance. They are open from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm, weekdays.

The insurance agency is, in a way, a newcomer to the area; the business has only been open for about two months. Greg Jackson, owner of the Jackson Agency, said though the office is new, he's been in the insurance business for around 26 years.

Greg, however, has lived in East Texas all his life; he graduated from Brownsboro High School.

"The Jackson Agency is a family business," Greg said. "It began in Mineola as the Dunahoe Agency."

There's nothing Greg Jackson won't cover: from cars and houses all the way to boats, he'll do it all.

The agency can be reached at 903-849-1919.

Joey Ridgle's Septic Service

It's a sort of slogan at **Joey Ridgle's Septic Service** just east of Murchison on Highway 31. The service fleet trucks have the words "A straight flush beats a full house" on the sides, and this is Ridgle's goal.

"I started 12 years ago in Brownsboro on FM 314," Joey Ridgle, owner of the septic service, said. "We moved to Murchison four years ago. It's good that we're on the highway now."

Ridgle and his team will service anything involving waste water.

"If it has anything to do with waste water, we'll do it," he said. "From pumping septic tanks to installing brand new systems to servicing all types of systems, we can go to work."

The service line is 903-852-3740.

Artesian Plumbing

Artesian Plumbing is a local, family-owned and operated business, and it is in repair and remodeling sinks, faucets, disposals, bathrooms, all phases of plumbing and even the kitchen sink.

Artesian Plumbing will even work on additions to bathrooms.

Based in Chandler and owned by the Watters family, Artesian Plumbing has been hard at work for four years.

It's involved in the community as a member of the Chandler and Brownsboro Area Chamber of Commerce, and is well qualified to handle whatever you can throw at them.

The company is licensed and insured with a combined 20 years of experience.

The Artesian Plumbing name is a trustworthy one with experience to speak for it.

The service line is 903-849-2393.

Businesses like these work every day to provide services to the area.

Stop by today to see what they can do for you.

Union Hill

By church staff

Union Hill had a special guest speaker Sunday morning, Brother and Sister John Lindsey, Missionaries to Africa. Beginning with the reading of Second Peter 1:2-3, Brother John brought us an enlightening account of just what God is doing in ten Western African nations, particularly the life and spiritual awakening of one young man. In the past twelve years, Brother John and Sister Margaret have witnessed 150,000 professions of faith. If you missed a blessing. In closing he asked for our prayers as they continue to spread God's Word.

Sunday morning, special recognition was given to four young members of the Union Hill family. It was with great pride that Brother Bill recognized Freshmen Bear Football Team players Cody Strickland, Cameron Boyd, Taylor Woodruff and R.J. Newsome. It was a great season for these young men as they won the District Championship and we thank God for watching over and protecting them, along with their fellow players.

CHANDLER U.M.C.

by Linda G. Keeling

"Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace." - Galatians 5:4

Do you believe that once saved always saved? Many immature Christians profess their belief in Jesus as the Son of God, and consider this as sufficient to ensure admittance into heaven. They perform "good deeds," give generously to the Church, publically acknowledge their beliefs, but still walk in darkness.

An acquaintance once told me that they did not believe in hell, because "my god" would not be so cruel. While that may well be a belief, it is more likely wishful thinking. How nice it would be not to fight the temptations the devil places before us. How much fun could one have in life not worrying about pleasing God?

We only need to acknowledge Him and we will get into heaven. Of course Satan lived in the very presence of God, yet look what happened to him. Remember, we have been recorded in the Book of Life since before the beginning of time, but in Revelation (3:3-5) Jesus will "erase our names from the Book of Life, if we are not worthy. "If anyone sins deliberately by rejecting the Savior after knowing the truth of forgiveness, this sin is not covered by

THE CHANDLER & BROWNSBORO STATESMAN

For those of you who missed the "Ladies Night In," Saturday, it was a rousing success. Sunday morning found about twenty-five ladies sporting beautiful, bright manicures but it was so cold, not many shiny toes were visible!! The ladies were treated to a devotional by Glenda Wallace and a wonderful salad supper. Proceeds from the fun evening will go toward the Toy Run for the Baptist Children's Home.

Sunday, November 23rd is the evening for the Community Thanksgiving Service to be held at the High School. Because all will be in attendance at the community service, there will be no evening service at Union Hill nor an Awana meeting that Sunday evening.

On the following Wednesday, November 26th, there will be no evening service at Union Hill, so that church members may participate in family gatherings. The beautiful "Hanging of the Greens" will happen on Wednesday evening, December 3rd, followed by the serving of refreshments in fellowship hall. Hope to see you there. Ladies, start making plans to attend the Women's Christmas Dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9th. Our own Nita Sargent will bring the devotional. You don't want

to miss this. More, later.

To you ladies and men too, don't forget the food drive currently going on through the month of November. It appears that the girls and the boys have a friendly competition going on, so help fill the barrel of your choice with foods to warm needy families.

Now, at this time of thanksgiving, we join with you as we reflect on God's blessings this year. He was there to encourage us, when we were deep in those valleys, when we strayed. He forgave us and gently showed us the way back and He smiled on us when we reached to the top of the mountain. When we were sick, scared or lonely, He was there to comfort us and when we were undecided, He was there to guide us. Above all and through all, He was always there to love us. Truly this is a time of thanksgiving for all the blessings we've received.

From all of us at Union Hill Baptist, we wish you a wonderful holiday with your family and friends. For those of you traveling, we pray God will grant you traveling mercies. According to Brother John Lindsey, as our African brothers and sisters in Christ would say, "Nyame Shrow Wo" (God Bless You). See you on the hill.

Christ's death; there is no way to get rid of it." -Hebrews 10:26.

Our Church is truly blessed with wonderfully talented musicians and last Sunday we were treated with an outstanding program of songs of worship. Kim Pollard sang "El Shaddai," a beautiful song using the Hebrew name for "the all-sufficient God."

She touched our souls with her voice and the message of this song. We also had the privilege of hearing Kate Griffin joining the Chancel Choir playing the French horn in "Call on Him."

We also enjoyed the Joy Jingers, the 2nd to 5th graders' bell players, "Jesus Loves Me," and the Youth Bell Choir playing the offertory "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise."

This year the Joy Jingers consists of Sarah Stokke, Jenny Burch, Kaylee Lambert, Camryn Johnston, Lyric Patterson, Joseph Cherry, Cub Griffin, Tommy Pollard and Christopher Bass, while Taylor Johnston, Zane Griffin, Taylor Cramer, Debbie Taylor, Sami Jo Taylor, Dianne Johnston, Jacalyn Taylor, Allison Reid, and Ryan Reid made up the Youth Bell Choir.

Have you considered joining the new mission aim toward contacting those who are serving in the military service?

It is a wonderful way of having personal contact with those who protect our freedom with their own lives. The mission will consist of contacting individuals through e-mail, letters or cards and an occasional gift bag. Contact Rev-

erend Pinson or Ken Reid if you are interested in this mission.

Wednesday, November 19th the Methodist Women and Methodist Men met. Both organizations have exciting activities and missions plans for the coming year, so plan to join these dynamic service groups. The UMW's silent auction will be held on November 30th following the Unity Service at 10:30 a.m.

Place Saturday, December 6th on your calendar, for the Live Nativity program with crafts, music, food and fun, offered by the seven regional Methodist Churches.

What a wonderful opportunity to get into the "spirit" of Christmas with the whole family. Rediscover Christmas by discovering Christ in the coming holiday season. Check out www.rediscoverchristmas.org for directions and other information.

Happy Anniversary to: Billy and Chris Martin

Happy Birthday to: Jack Irwin, Shirley Ann Bradbeer, Lindsey Johnson, and Lyn York.

Thought for the Week: "...no temptation is irresistible. You can trust God to keep the temptation from becoming so strong that you can't stand up against it, for he has promised this and will do what he says. He will show you how to escape temptation's power so that you can bear up patiently against it." I Corinthians 10:13

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St. Boniface Catholic

by Sue Beams

On the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, members of St. Boniface learned of the importance of having the confidence to take risks. In Sunday's gospel reading we heard the parable of the master, his three servants and the 'talents' he gave to them. Which servant do you identify with? Are you like the third servant who had no confidence or trust in others, therefore taking no risks? As Christians it's important to have confidence (in the Lord) and to take risks (for the Lord).

The lesson of the gospel message to remember is that we are sent to this world with many gifts — He wants us to use and multiply them. Of the many, many gifts we are given, several readily stand out. In his homily, Fr. Luke spoke on the gifts of time, opportunity, talents and the gift of faith. We are called to multiply our faith, double it to

help it grow and use it for the glory of God, not self. God's compassion is for those who do their best. In-born talents whether singing, organization skills, carpentry, the list goes on and on ... use them for God and for others, not self. The gift of time is to be used well. For most of us 24 hours just isn't enough. How we use those hours is the gift, given back to God. Our efforts, not always the results will win favor with our heavenly Father. Use each opportunity for the Glory of God.

Members and guests enjoyed delicious refreshments following the Sunday Mass.

Next Sunday we will have the Youth Mass at noon. All the young people of St. Boniface will act as ushers, readers, the choir and servers. It is the Feast of Christ the King and the last Sunday of the Liturgical year.

The annual parish Thanksgiving dinner will be November 23rd at 4pm in the community room. Those attending are encouraged to bring a dish. There are sign-up sheets available; St. Boniface will provide the turkey!

The month of December is al-

ways a busy one and this year will be no exception. Please see the bulletin for details of upcoming events. A few to mention are the bilingual Mass on Dec. 14 in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe at 10:15. A hayride is planned for the 20th from 6:30-9:00 pm. The parish Christmas party will be held on the 21st at 4pm.

Congratulations and best wishes to all who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

We pray for comfort and relief for those who are sick and suffering. Please continue to pray for the souls of the faithful departed, especially Horton Bunch. Words cannot fully express the feeling of loss our parish has suffered with Horton's untimely death. This beautiful man with the voice to match will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Sandy and the entire Bunch family as they mourn their loss. Keep our brave men and women serving in the Armed Forces in your prayers as they continue to protect and defend our nation and its freedom.

Have a blessed week!