

WHITE'S Wagging Tongue



by Cynthia White

For all your guests who will be visiting Texas this summer you might want to explain to them that we have all types of food, but Mexican food is our favorite and must be thoroughly explained.

Mexican food has three types - real Mexican food only for the tourists, Mexican-American food for most of us, and Taco Bell for the tourists. Real Mexican salsa has been produced in large quantities recently since it has been found that it can be used both as a food and as a paint remover.

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Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

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Law of Airlines: The shorter the time between flights, the greater the distance between gates.

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Is the politically correct name for a woman who wears too much make-up "Cosmetically Oversaturated?"

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Wife to husband: "There you go again, quoting our marriage vows out of context!"

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Personnel director to new employee: "Our pension plan is a bit unusual. When you retire, we buy you 50 lottery tickets and wish you good luck."

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When a friend asked his six-year-old brother why babies are panked when they are born, the youngster replied, "To get them used to it."

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A businessman boarded a plane to find, sitting next to him, an elegant woman wearing the largest, most stunning diamond ring he had ever seen. He asked her about it. "This is the Klopman diamond," she said. "It is beautiful, but there is a terrible curse that goes with it."

"What's the curse?" the man asked.

"Mr. Klopman."

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"Don't tell me to reduce, Doc," said the man after his examination. "I just can't take those diets."

"No problem," said the doctor. "I'm prescribing an exercise machine."

"Really? What kind?"

"A rack. For your weight, you should be a foot and a half taller."

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Zack and his mule were walking down the road when one of Zack's friends drove up and offered him a ride to town. Zack got into the truck while his mule ran along behind. The mule was right in back of them as they reached 55, and stayed with them as they sped up to 70.

"I'm worried about your mule," said the driver. "His tongue's hanging out."

"Which way?" asked Zack.

"Left," his friend said.

"Well, stay in this lane - he's about to pass."

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Rolling Plains boll weevil program to begin soon

The restructured boll weevil eradication law, signed by Governor Bush on May 29, 1997, has enabled Texas cotton producers to continue successfully fighting the pest. However, due to the Supreme Court decision and subsequent revision of the law, it appears that funding for the eradication program will not be available until after June 20, 1997.

Officials in the Rolling Plains Central Zone (RPC) are advising growers, who may have cotton at pin head square stage, to consider early season treatments for overwintering boll weevils.

The Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Steering Committee will be meeting this month to discuss 1997 eradication program activities and make recommendations to the Foundation.

"Recent heavy rains, coupled with the restructuring of the boll weevil law, have prevented the Foundation from beginning an early season program in RPC," said Larry Smith, RPC zone manager. "We hope to begin program activities as soon as possible in order to maintain the momentum we achieved with last season's diapause program."

Gideons resign positions at Munday High School - Gunter hired for head coach slot

Athletic Director Steve Gideon and his wife, Ralene - a math teacher, resigned their positions at Munday High School on Thursday, June 12. They had been employed with the school district since April of 1994 after teaching in the Groesbeck Independent School District.

Mr. Gideon has accepted a position at Midland High School in Midland, Texas where he will be acting as linebacker coach and defensive co-ordinator. Mrs. Gideon will be teaching geometry and honors algebra 2.

"This is really a career move for me," remarked Coach Gideon. "Midland High is a 5-A school and is in the premier 5-A district in Texas along with Odessa Permian and Midland Lee."

"Coach David Browning is the head coach there and has been acting in that position for one year - coming from Oklahoma State," he explained. "Just in that year the program has grown by over 50% with 130 kids now involved in the program." The school has an enrollment of approximately 2400.

The Gideons are looking forward to their move to Midland - a town of some 100,000 and explain that the Midland High School staff is "a Munday on the rise - just on a bigger scale," commented Mr. Gideon. "The people seem to be a lot like the folks in Munday - they

are goal-oriented and their priorities are to develop a well-rounded student."

"We are really excited but it was tough to even consider this. I didn't know about this job until the first day of summer. The first time they called and made me an offer I turned it down. We have enjoyed our stay in Munday - it has been fun and rewarding - especially working with the young kids here in town" commented Coach Gideon.

In reacting to being hired as the new Head Coach and Athletic Director at Munday High School, Coach Steve Gunter said, "I am very excited to be the new Head Football Coach and Athletic Director at Munday High School. I feel like this is a great opportunity for me because the community, the kids, and the school administration is so committed to having a great athletic program. I look forward to working with the student athletes at Munday High School and to continuing the strong traditions."

Also please with the announcement of the new coaching choice was Superintendent Jerome Hall. "We're pleased with our coaching staff and I think we showed that by promoting Coach Gunter. We feel like we have a very experienced staff and that's a great asset for us. We were pleased with our choices and I think they'll do a great job," stated Mr. Hall.

Guilty pleas accepted at District Court; Indictments returned

Three prison sentences were handed down and seven other guilty pleas were accepted in the 50th Judicial District Court action last week, according to District Attorney Bill Neal.

Also four additional indictments were returned by the Baylor County Grand Jury, meeting Tuesday, June 10, 1997 in Seymour.

Further, assets used in criminal enterprises and seized by local law enforcement officers and forfeited by the State last week amounted to \$6,021.96, and fines assessed in criminal cases in the District Court totaled \$4,500.00, while restitution to parties damaged by criminal acts in District Court cases totaled \$10,505.39, according to District Attorney Neal. District Judge David Hajek presided in all the cases.

Larry David Walker, 32, of Seymour was sentenced by Judge Hajek to serve three years in the penitentiary after pleading guilty to a felony DWI indictment on June 3, 1997 in the Baylor County District Court.

Also, on the same date in the Baylor County District Court, Billy Watson, 45, of Wichita Falls was called to account for violating his probation. Watson, who was put on a 10-year probated sentence in 1987 for selling drugs was filed on by District Attorney just prior to the 10-year probation deadline for violating his probation as well as failure to pay probation fees, court costs and his fine. Just prior to a hearing, Watson changed his plea to guilty, and upon the recommendation of the District Attorney

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Munday Schools TAAS scores released by district

Munday ISD Superintendent Jerome Hall called the Spring 1997 TAAS scores "really good."

Hall presented the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills scores to the public by explaining "Our fourth grade scores were not as good as we had hoped but we were pleased with the school district's over-all performance."

TAAS is a standardized test designed to assess reading, math and writing abilities of students at various levels. Science and social studies are also tested on the eighth grade level.

Tenth graders are required to pass TAAS exit level tests and in April thirty-one students in Munday participated. 65% of those students met the minimum expectations on all the tests. 90%

passed reading, 68% passed math and 94% passed writing. The state average for those tests in grade ten is 86% in reading, 72% in math and 88% in writing.

Eighth graders were also tested this year. In Munday 82% passed the reading exam, 86% passed the math exam and 75% passed the writing test. The state average for these tests on the eighth grade level is 83% in reading, 76% in math and 80% in writing.

89% of Munday seventh graders passed the reading test, 81% passed the math test and 78% passed in writing. The state average for reading is 87% and 79% for math.

There is no reading tests for sixth graders but in math 87% of Munday students passed and in reading 90% passed. The state average for these two tests was 84%

for reading and 81% for math.

In the fifth grade there is no reading test but 78% of Munday students passed the reading portion and 83% passed the math portion. State wide 84% of fifth graders passed the reading test and 86% passed the math test.

Fourth graders are tested on reading, math and writing. In Munday 69% passed the reading quiz, 62% passed the math quiz and 82% passed the writing quiz. State-wide, fourth graders passed the reading quiz by an 82% margin while 82% also passed the math portion and 87% passed the writing portion.

In Munday 86% of the third graders passed the math test and 96% passed the reading test. On a state-wide average, 81% of third graders passed both the reading and math test by 81%.

Wheat harvest slowed by many showers

Just when the harvest was in midstream another stream slowed down the process. Rains that fell in the Munday area amounted to approximately 1.2 inches on Sunday, June 8, and had stalled the harvesting process for several days. On Thursday of last week approximately .2 inches fell in the area and on Saturday night .8 inch was recorded.

"If no more rain falls we could be back to the business of harvesting in really soon" said Farmer's Grain spokesperson Cory Moore. In the meantime, harvesters have had a few days to rest, catch up on sleep and work on equipment as necessary. Additional rains could give the wheat a "bleached" appearance and make it weigh less at time of harvest.

Farmer's Grain has already taken in approximately 650,000 bushels and expects to accumulate another 200,000 bushels prior to the end of harvest. If the sunshine holds the fields could be cleared in a matter of days as the harvesting appears to be about 80% finished.

Band kids cook to earn money for camp

The auxiliary groups of the Purple Cloud Band of Munday High School are helping to defray their cost for summer camp. How? They're cooking!

That's right. This Sunday, June 22, there will be a Sunday Dinner served at the High School Cafeteria from 11:30 to 1:30. They will be serving up fried chicken, ham, potato salad, green beans, bread, dessert and tea. The per plate charge will help send these kids to camp to perfect their skills so please purchase a ticket and eat up!

Tickets cost \$6.00 for adults and children under twelve will eat for \$3.00. Take-outs are available and in-town delivery service can be established by calling 422-4924 or 422-4820.

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Rolling Plains-3 District 4-H Horse Show set for Vernon

The Rolling Plains-3 District 4-H Horse Show is scheduled for June 19 - 21 at the Finley Bradley 4-H Arena in Vernon, according to Galen D. Chandler, District Extension Director. The annual event, sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will qualify 35 horses for the State 4-H Horse Show to be held July 20 - 26 in Abilene.

A total of approximately 220 entries are expected from the 25 counties in the District. Registration for the District event begins at 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, June 19. Roping leads off the competition at 6:00 p.m. Thursday evening; Team Penning starts 9:00 a.m. Friday, June 20 followed by Working Cow Horse, Two-Year Western Pleasure Futurity/Three Year Old Stock-horse Futurity, Reining, and English Events and Western Riding, with awards for the invitational events portion of the District Show presented following the Western Riding. Qualifying show timed event preliminaries are expected to begin at 6:00 p.m. Friday evening.

Saturday's activities will begin at 8:00 a.m. with Showmanship, Yearling Futurity Halter Classes followed by Qualifying Halter Classes, Western Pleasure and Western Horsemanship and Western Riding. Timed even finals will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Awards Program will follow the timed event finals.

The public is invited to attend the District event.

The 4-H Horse Project teaches young people skills in leadership, horsemanship, sportsmanship, teamwork, and responsibility. 4-H is the youth development and leadership program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, a part of the Texas A&M University System.

If you are interested in learning more about the 4-H Program, contact your local County Extension Agent.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin.

Little League All-Stars announced for 1997 season

The Little League All-Stars will complete the baseball season of 1997 by playing more games from June 30 - July 4.

The eleven and twelve year old all-stars will be playing at Seymour and will be coached by Pat Angerer and John Weeks. Players for this year are Jeffery Toliver, Jeffrey Urbanczyk, Marcus Sosa, Jason Josselet, Terrance Allen, Matt Arismendez, Jennifer Carlson, Colt Vencil, Brian Sterling, Micah Yates, Brandon Urbanczyk, Josh Myers, Justin Lowe and Zac Sanchez.

The nine and ten year old tournament will be held in Munday from June 30 - July 4. Coaches for this team include Steve Morren, Terry Bufkin and Phil Loftin. Players are Jordan Lowe, Trent Tidwell, Sean Gray, Michael Wilde, Aaron Loftin, Ty Bufkin, Joseph Gulley, Pedro Graciano, Torey James, Joshua Arismendez, Payden Stewart and Kevin Brown.

The Munday Pee-Wee All-Stars are Jocelyn Decker, Justin Yates, Christopher Sample, Michael Rubio, Cody Kuehler, Sammy Hernandez, Landry Gunter, Jonathan Key, Steven Urbanczyk, Brendt Brumbelow, Joel Contreras and Jacob Fetsch. Their coaches are Jay White and William Sterling. Three other players were given special recognition but would be unavailable to play at the time of the Pee-Wee All-Star game. They were Quincee Gideon, Blake Gideon and Trey Wakefield.

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Calendar of Events

June 23 - Munday VFD.
June 24 - Lions Club.

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THE LITTLE LEAGUE CARDINALS for 1997 include players Amado Aguayo, Shane Melton, Marcus Sosa, Cody West and Daniel Earl. Players kneeling on the front row are Ricky Escamilla, Joseph Gulley, Pedro Graciano, Ty Bufkin and Julio Molino. They are coached by Terry Bufkin (back) and Ricky Sosa (not pictured).

Fuel surcharge to be added to WTU customer bills

West Texas Utilities Company retail customers will see a slight increase in the total amount of their electric bills beginning this week. The surcharge is being added to customer bills over the next 12 months to collect unrecovered fuel costs and interest.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas approved WTU's request to recover approximately \$13 million in unrecovered fuel costs and interest.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas approved WTU's request to recover approximately \$14 million in unrecovered fuel costs and interest that are the result of unforeseen and significant increases in the cost of natural gas that have occurred over the last year

throughout the country. Implementation of the surcharge will result in a 1.6 percent increase in customers' bills over the 12 month period. Typical residential customers using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity a month would see their bills increase, on average, by approximately \$1.22. The effect of the surcharge on customers' bills will vary depending on the rate schedule under which they take service.

Investor-owned electric utilities in Texas, like WTU, use fuel factors based on cost estimates to collect the projected cost of fuel used to generate electricity at their power plants.

When the actual costs of fuel significantly exceed the fuel charges that customers are paying in their monthly bills, PUCT rules require that the utility request permission to surcharge the additional amount. When the actual costs of fuel are significantly lower than what customers are paying in fuel charges, the electric utility is required to issue a refund.

Since this fixed fuel cost recovery mechanism was placed into effect in the late 1980s, WTU has refunded over \$49 million in fuel cost reductions to its customers.

Unforeseen and significant increases in the cost of natural gas occurred over the last year throughout the country. The cost of natural gas was 38 percent higher during 1996 than it was in 1995. The increases were even more significant during colder months. For example, the actual cost of natural gas in December 1996 was 82 percent higher than the December 1995 cost.

Approximately 55 percent of WTU's annual generation of electricity is produced by power plants fueled by natural gas.

A mother elephant calls to her young by slapping her ears against her head.

Birthdays & Anniversaries



June 18 - Kaleb Alexander, Floyd Reed Jr.; W.O. & Brenda Smith, Danny & Pat Owens, Cheryl & Ronnie Urbanczyk.

June 19 - Kevin Hawkins.

June 20 - Chris Wallace.

June 21 - Joe Rivera, Johnnie Smith, Lanesa Wilson; Jimmy & Phillis Urbanczyk.

June 22 - Chris Anderson, Robyn Redder, Stephanie Brown, Kayla Moore.

June 24 - Tiffany Rivera, Jonathan Phillips.

Sharp delivers June sales tax rebates

John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, today delivered a total of \$161.6 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1089 Texas cities and 117 counties.

"So far this year, Texas allocations are running 5.5 percent ahead of those for the first six months of last year, once again indicating that the Texas economy is continuing its strong, steady climb," Sharp said.

Shapr delivered sales tax rebates totaling \$147.7 million to Texas cities, 4.8 percent higher than last June's payments of \$140.9 million. Rebates of \$139 million to Texas counties were 2 percent higher


than allocations of \$13.6 million to counties in June 1996. Another \$185.0 million went to the state's eight transit authorities; 26 special purpose districts around the state were delivered \$4.4 million.

This month's sales tax rebates include local taxes collected on April sales and reported to the Comptroller in May by businesses filing monthly returns.

Knox County received \$14,435.77 net payment this period. Of that amount, Benjamin netted \$232.68, Goree received \$423.16, Knox City gained \$8,422.11 and Munday accumulated \$5,357.82.

Comparing last year's payment at this time - Benjamin received \$79.43, Goree received \$392.92, Knox City gained \$12,014.67 and Munday accumulated \$4,794.62 for a total of \$17,281.64.

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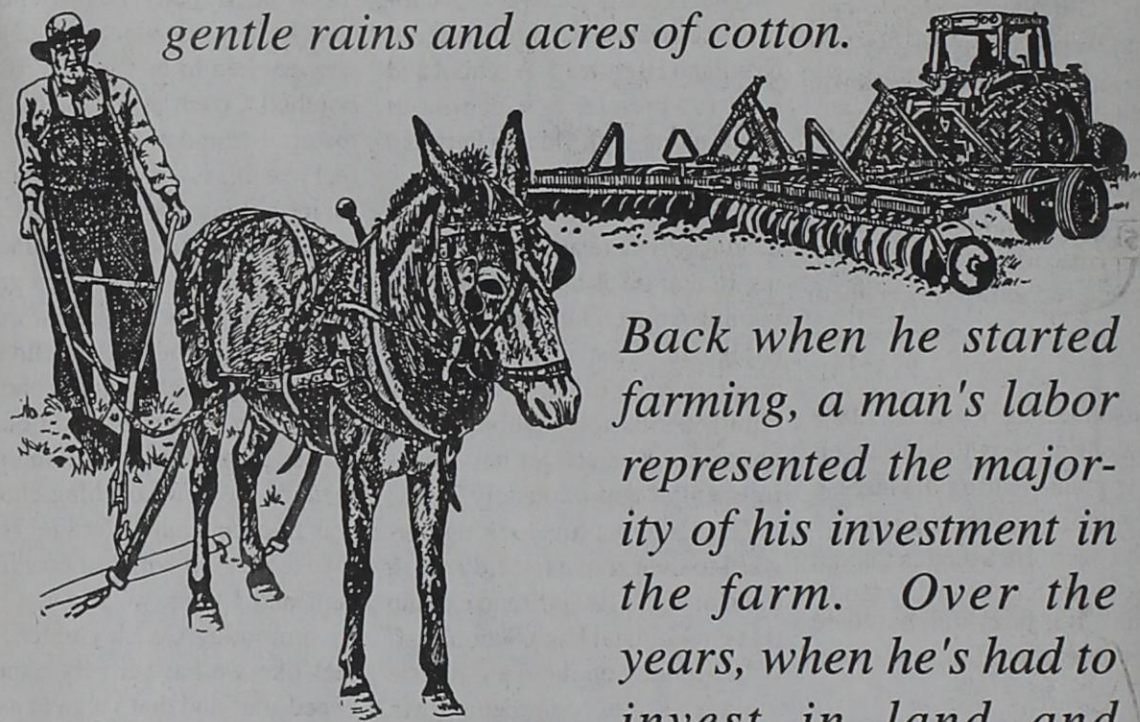
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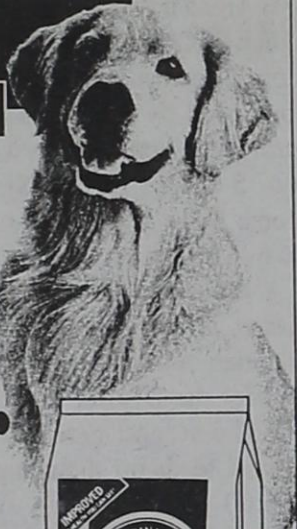
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THE PEE-WEE LEAGUE PIRATES this year are (back, left) Coach Paul Weiss and Coach Dale Carroll. Players are (middle, left) Parris Melton, Doug Carroll, Crystal Sample, Renissa Dockins, Pate Stewart and Cody Kuehler. On the front row is Justin Yates, Brent Brumbalow, Beatrice Monasterio, Marci Hise and Phillip Sosa.

Children need extra summer supervision around water

Children and water can be a deadly summer combination.

"It's a sad fact that thousands of children drown annually, and 80-95 percent of these deaths occur between Memorial Day and Labor Day," said Dr. Joan Shook, a pediatric emergency-room physician at Houston's Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

"That means that during the summer months it is imperative

that mixing children and water not become a tragedy."

Almost 100 percent of child drownings are preventable.

The single most important preventive measure, Shook said, is having an adult designated to watch children who are in the water. This is especially true in social settings.

"At least one adult must be given the specific duty of actively watching the kids. That means," she said,

"That the designated adult will have to forego social chit chat or anything else that is a distraction."

Also important: making sure all children in the water can swim. But do not assume that the ability to swim is enough, she said.

"A toddler simply does not have the judgement needed to react properly if he or she gets into trouble in the water."

Other recommendations:

A child who becomes tired or chilled should be removed from the water immediately; Never rely on blow-up toys or other inflatable devices to prevent a drowning; Keep toys such as tricycles away from the pool. They can distract a child or cause a child to fall into the water; Never leave a child alone around any sort of standing water. This includes buckets, tubs and toilets. Under no circumstances should a child be left alone, even briefly, in a bathtub; Be sure pools have fences at least five feet high and have self-closing, self-latching gates.

"It's always tragic when a child dies," Shook says, "but it is even more tragic when that death was entirely preventable."

Corps of Cadets at A&M releases Honor Roll

Texas A&M University's Corps of Cadets has named its Commandant's Honor Roll students for the 1997 spring semester, recognizing more than 600 cadets for outstanding academic performance.

The Commandant's Honor Roll recognizes cadets who have maintained at least a 3.0 grade point ratio on a 4.0 scale during the most recent grading period while maintaining a course load of at least 12 credit hours.

Among those recognized were Patrick Jerome Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hall of Munday. Patrick is a junior student and is a member of A-Company Aggie Band.

HAVE A NICE DAY!

"On A Wizer Note"

by Paul Weiser
Knox County Extension Agent

Most cotton is planted and looking good. Wheat harvest has been slow at times and very fast at others. Yield from 3 to 40 bushels/acre have been reported on dryland wheat while irrigated fields have been yielding around 45 - 50 bushels/acre.

There have been many individuals asking about all of the moisture that is inside the straw this year. This sticky, syrup-like substance has caused problems for many combine operations.

Originally, I figured this was due to freeze damage on the stalk. After visiting with some wheat specialists with the Agricultural Experiment Station in Vernon, I have realized it is not our April freeze to blame.

This spring has been relatively cool and humid. This weather pattern has not allowed the stalk to dry as fast as the heads and grain. Because of this, the wheat plant is green while the grain and head is mature.

Some producers have also reported a swarm of lacewings in their fields. There are no absolute answers for this. The best guess is an abundance of aphids/green bugs feeding on fresh vegetative growth within these wheat fields are attracting these natural enemies. Normally, by now, the green bugs are leaving wheat

fields because of the lack of green vegetative growth. However, with the cool, wet climate that has been cast upon us, the wheat fields are producing some green growth, thus keeping high numbers of greenbugs.

Another big concern this spring is the Boll Weevil Eradication. I have heard several rumors as to when they will start spraying. The rumors have ranged from late June to late August.

I will try to help keep everyone aware of what is happening with the eradication. The boll weevil

numbers are very high this spring. On June 6 I had an average of 234 weevils per trap. On June 8, 1996 the average number was 9. If the eradication does not begin spraying this month it will be vital that farmers do their own spraying if they want to make a crop.

If it's happening out there somewhere, The Munday Courier wants to know about it. If you are sponsoring an event, teaching a class, having a meeting, organizing a trip or just want people to know something, send your announcement to The Munday Courier, P.O. Box 130, Munday, TX 76371.

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8th Annual Festival in the Park scheduled for June 28 in Seymour

Festival in the Park will be held Saturday, June 28, in Seymour's beautiful City Park. Major events will include: Car Show, Art Exhibit, Arts & Crafts, Live Entertainment, Kids Fishing, Silent Auction, Fab-Duck-U-Lous Race, Homemade Pie Contest, Fireworks and loads of games and activities for young and old alike.

Kids Fishing in Seymour Creek is new this year. 1-2 pound catfish will be put in the creek from Midway Fish Hatcheries and Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife will give 10 minute educational program for children every hour.

There will be a State-Sanctioned Pedal Pull for boys and girls, ages 4 - 12 are eligible to compete. Sponsored by Montgomery Tractor and Quality Implement, Inc.

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Booths as of 5-26-97 are: MoMo's - Special hand-painted wood crafts, LaDonna of Belton - Handmade Quilts; Woods - Glow Necklaces; Kid's Stuff - Moon Bounce, Scarber of Henrietta - Toys, Kelsey - Kid's Stuff, Newberry of Decatur - Children's Clothing and Fun Spinning Wheel; Food - Knights of Columbus - Famous Bohemian Sausage; SOHO - Delicious Homemade Ice Cream; KSEY - Tacos, Fajitas, Candy Apples; Mt. Zion - Chili Dogs, Chips; Triple J's Juntion - Chicken Shishkabobs, Egg Rolls; D.B. Darnell - BBQ Plates and Sandwiches; Pounds of Newcastle - Roasted Corn; Turner of Cisco - Stained Glass; Williams of Cisco - Oil on Rocks and Canvas and more.

There will be a Horseshoe Tournament which starts at noon and the Fab-Duck-U-Lous Race will see the winners receiving a bicycle or a cooker from Western Auto.

The Homemade Pie Contest will be conducted at the Portwood Art and Civic Center.

The Seymour Chamber of Commerce is proud to host the Festival in the Park. Contact them for further information.

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Vera News

by Mrs. Thelma Coulston

Harold and Edith were in Abilene last Saturday and Sunday where they attended the First United Methodist Annual Conference on McMurry College Campus. While there they also attended a Retirement Ceremony for her brother, Reverend Ernest McGaughey, who is retiring from the ministry after 38 years of service. He and his wife will be mak-

Noncitizens receiving SSI have 90 days to prove eligibility

Noncitizens will have up to 90 days from the date they receive a notice to submit proof of U.S. citizenship or eligible alien status to continue receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments. Social Security recently notified more than 895,000 individuals whose records do not show that they meet the new SSI immigrant citizenship or eligible alien status requirements established by recent welfare reform legislation. To get SSI, individuals must be either a U.S. citizen or nation, or a legal alien in certain categories.

If you receive a notice and are a U.S. citizen, you need to let us know. You will need to bring us evidence of citizenship, such as certificate of naturalization or your U.S. passport. (An Immigration and Naturalization Service factsheet which explains how to become a U.S. citizen accompanied the notice.)

If you meet one of the eligible alien categories, you should bring us an unexpired Immigration and Naturalization Service document listed in the notice. You will need to bring us the original document to establish your eligibility. Social Security does not accept photocopies of documents.

People who submit proof of eligibility on time will receive a notice informing them of the eligibility category they meet, and the proof we used to make our decision. If you do not contact Social Security or submit proof of your eligibility, you will receive a second notice informing you that we plan to stop your SSI payment in August or September. The notices will explain your appeal rights and what you should do if you become a citizen or your alien status changes and you think you are eligible for SSI.

Texas Tech lists Munday student on Honors List

More than 3,600 Texas Tech University undergraduate students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the spring semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Area student making the President's List was Robin Marie Bowen, a freshman student and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bowen of Munday. Robin is a Music Education Major.

ing their home in Tullia, Texas.

The Jim Coulstons of Sour Lake visited Thursday and Friday with their parents, the Carl Coulstons and Ferman Dowd. They were enroute home from a vacation trip to Lake City, Colorado and other points of interest in Colorado.

Duward and Wanda Richards attended memorial services for Lank Millican at the First United Methodist Church in Throckmorton, recently. Mr. Millican was the father of Duward's son-in-law, Randy Millican of Cedar Hill, Texas. Burial was in the Throckmorton Cemetery.

Phil and Rebecca Boone of Trent visited Sunday afternoon with his folks, Clifford and Alma Jean Boone.

A donation has been made to the Vera Community Center by Claudell and Mary Bratcher in memory of Richard (Dickie) Patterson.

Carla Coulston of Lubbock and her mother, Barbara Holt of Odessa and little grandson, Donovan Smith of Graham visited Thursday with Bill Townsend and the Billy Kinnibrugh. Also visiting in the Kinnibrugh home Thursday and Friday was their daughter, Gordon and Rhonda Thomas and two children, Brianna and Tanner of Woodson.

Donations have been made to the Vera Cemetery Association by Mrs. J.P. Caston in memory of Jack Robertson and by Harold and Edith in memory of Richard (Dickie) Patterson.

Jason and Christopher Marek of Holliday spent last Monday night with their grandmother, Mrs. Aleitha Beck.

Jo Carol Riodon and a friend, Carol Sandifer of Wichita Falls visited Friday with Jo Carol's father, Ferman Dowd.

Mrs. June Trainham was a business visitor in Abilene, Tuesday.



THE BIG SUMMER COOL-DOWN is accessible to young and old alike at Munday's City Pool. The pool is open on Tuesday through Sunday from 1:00 - 5:00 with admission of \$1.50 per swimmer. It's a great way to beat the heat!

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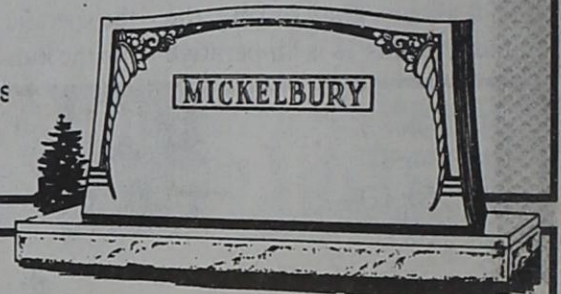
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MUNDAY SENIOR LEAGUE Baseball team for 1997 consists of (back, left) Coach Edward Escamilla, Jason Key, Brian Urbanczyk, B.J. Brown, Eric Beaty, Jai Fernandez, and Coach Salano Fernandez. On the front row is John Francisco, Justin Key, Erik Sosolik, Lane Murphy and Manual Bejar.



THE RED SOX OF MUNDAY little league team includes Junior Monito, Josh Myers, Jara Gray, Blake Brumbalow, Jordan Lowe, and Coach Jerry Lowe. Kneeling includes Trent Tidwell, Sean Gray and Justin Lowe. Not pictured are Eric Coody and coach Phil Loftin.



THE MUNDAY BRAVES Little League team includes (back, left) Coach Steve Morren, Matt Arismendez, John Harper, Micah Yates, Brandon Urbanczyk Jason Josselet and Coach Jimmy Urbanczyk. Also playing are (front, left) James Nelson, Torey James, Brad Estrada and Woody Canada. Not pictured is Jose Flores.



THE LITTLE LEAGUE YANKEES for 1997 include (back, left) Coach Pat Angerer, Jennifer Carlson, Jeffrey Tolliver, Kevin Brown, Jeffery Urbanczyk, Brian Sterling, Charles Sample and Coach John Weeks. Front row includes Terrance Allen, Payden Stewart, Colt Weeks, Josh Angerer and Joseph Melton.



THE DRAGONS Pee-Wee Baseball Team are coached by Mike Toney and Jim Wakefield. Players include (middle, left) Cole Gray, Joseph Gonzales, Michael Rubio and Trey Wakefield. Players pictured on the front row are Amada Prieto, Nathan Stanford, Jonathan Key, Kelli Sepeda and Brittany Angerer.



THE RANGERS of Munday are the Pee-Wee team coached by Tim and Mickey Sanders. Their players include (middle, left) Christopher Sample, Catherine Harper, Jerica Escabeda, Emily Mizer, Joel Contreras and Sammy Hernandez. Kneeling (front, left) are Curt Groves, Landry Gunter, Whitney Sanders, B.J. Dockins, Anason Jones and Kayla Fernandez.

Sharp certifies new state spending bill

John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts, has certified that enough money will be available to pay for the \$86.2 billion Appropriations Bill which the Texas Legislature recently approved a fund state government for fiscal years 1998-1999.

"Once again, the Legislature's approval of numerous Texas Performance Review recommendations which I proposed to cut costs and improve state services has helped ensure that sufficient revenue exists to fund state government for another two years," Sharp said.

Sharp said lawmakers approved 78 percent of the recommendations contained in his most-recent TPR report, Disturbing the Peace, producing total savings in state government operations of \$475 million. Forty-one of Sharp's

money-saving TPR recommendations were included in the Appropriations Bill alone.

The Texas Constitution requires that the Comptroller certify that sufficient revenue exists to pay for any spending bill approved by the Legislature.

The new Appropriations Bill (House Bill 1) certified by Sharp covers state spending for the two-year budget period that begins September 1, 1997, and runs through August 31, 1999.

According to Sharp, the new biennial state spending bill is \$5.5 billion, or 6.8 percent, higher than the 1995 Legislature wrote for fiscal years 1996-1997.

Sharp said that approximately \$53.1 billion of all state spending for FY 98-99 will be funded from General Revenue, of which the

largest single source is the state sales tax.

Federal funding sources in HB 1 will total \$24.6 billion for the biennium. Interest, fees and other sources of revenue will total nearly \$8.5 billion in the new budget, Sharp said.

The largest share of state funding for FY 98-99 will be in the areas of education, which will total more than \$37 billion. Funding for public education will total more than \$25 billion for the biennium, an increase of \$1.5 billion over current two-year funding. Funding for higher education will total nearly \$12 billion.

The state's health and human service programs will receive more than \$26 billion in the biennium.

HB 1 provides funding for 223,000 full-time equivalent state employees in 1998 and for 22,800 in 1999. This represents a reduction of 4,350 FTEs from the authorized funding levels for the current state operating year.

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Telemarketing consumer fraud targets senior citizens and unsuspecting

Unscrupulous telemarketers who rip off consumers are committing a crime and many of them intentionally target older people.

According to Congress, Americans lose an estimated \$40 billion each year due to the fraudulent sales of goods and services over the telephone. With an estimated 14,000 fraudulent telemarketing firms in the country one can understand why.

In a study conducted by the American Association of Retired Persons fifty-six percent of the names on "Mooch lists" (the name telemarketers call their list of most likely victims) were aged 50 or older. The FBI, attorneys general, and other law enforcement officials across the country report numerous cases of older people losing their life savings to fraudulent telemarketers.

Here are some examples of typical calls and how they violate the law.

1. **THE PITCH:** You are eligible to win a valuable prize!! "Congratulations! You can win a car worth \$35,000, \$10,000 in cash, a European vacation, or a diamond necklace worth \$2,000. Your purchase today of our fabulous vitamins will automatically enter you into this amazing sweepstakes."

THE LAW: A prize is free! You need not pay any money or purchase anything to enter a sweepstakes or contest to win a prize. The caller must tell you the "no payment-no purchase" method of entering, and the odds of actually winning or the factors used to calculate the odds. If the caller says you have already won a prize, the caller must also tell you all the key costs associated with claiming the prize. This is important because the costs may be high and may substantially reduce the value of the prize (e.g., you have won a free vacation, but you have to pay \$1,000 or more for airfare).

2. **THE PITCH:** We can get your money back!! "I was really sorry to hear that you lost money in a telemarketing scam. It's really amazing how some people will call you offering a great deal and then steal your money. But, my company will get your money back for you. All you have to do is give me your credit card number

to cover our low service charge."

THE LAW: You do not have to pay in advance! These so-called "recovery rooms" are just a way to take advantage of you a second time. The caller may work for the same company that stole your money the first time, or may have bought that company's customer list. A caller who promises to recover or assist you in getting back money that you paid, or an item of value you were promised in a prior telemarketing call cannot ask for or receive money from you until seven business days after you actually receive the promised money or other item.

3. **THE PITCH:** Great loans at great rates. Bad Credit - no problem!! "Today's your lucky day. I'm going to help you qualify for that loan you thought you'd never get. For only a small fee, I will get those late payments removed from your credit record. And, I'll send a courier to pick up your payment, because the sooner you pay the fee, the sooner I can get started."

THE LAW: You need not pay until you see proof that your credit record has been fixed! A caller is prohibited from asking for payment or requiring you to pay for goods or services to remove negative information, or to otherwise improve your credit report, until after 1) the expiration of the period for providing you with all the promised goods and services, and 2) you receive documentation that the promised results have been achieved, in the form of a report from a credit reporting agency issued more than six months after the promised results were achieved. [Remember too, that you can, on your own and at no cost, get inaccurate negative information removed from your credit report, and also can try to get accurate but outdated negative information removed.]

4. **THE PITCH:** Magazines at fantastic low prices. Give me your bank account number, and they're in the mail! "We've extended this amazing offer one more day and we have to receive your money by midnight tonight. But don't worry, you can meet the deadline. Just give me your bank account number and I can process your order for the four magazines you want

to start receiving right away."

THE LAW: Callers must get specific authorization from you to take money from your bank account! Many people have learned not to give their credit card number to strangers selling things over the phone. And many other people do not have a credit card. Fraudulent telemarketers know this and now ask for a bank account number instead. They can debit your account and never send you what you have ordered, and also can withdraw as much money as they want. Now, the caller must get your written authorization or tape record your verbal authorization to withdraw a specified amount from your account, or send you a written confirmation of the transaction, before attempting to withdraw money from your account. The caller must provide the taped verbal authorization to your bank upon request.

REMEMBER: It can be extremely difficult to tell if a telemarketing call is legitimate. This is especially true when the caller is pressuring you to make an on-the-spot decision and to send money right away. While many callers can make their offers sound awfully good, even too good to pass up, you should not be afraid to take time to make up your mind, or to call the National Fraud Information Center, at 1-800-876-7060, to check out the company and to get advice.

REMEMBER: Fraudulent telemarketers are criminals. Don't fall for a telephone line.

Munday student included in ACU commencement

Kent Marcus Latham of Munday received a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural business during May commencement at Abilene Christian University.

Latham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruddy Latham.

ACU is affiliated with the churches of Christ and has an enrollment of more than 4,400 students. The university offers 117 bachelor's, 35 master's and one doctoral program. For more information about ACU, call toll-free 1-800-460-6228.

Munday student earns degree from Midwestern

Midwestern State University had 567 students complete degree requirements during the Spring of 1997. Degrees conferred included 1 associate, 393 baccalaureate and 97 master's degrees. Honor graduates included 13 summa cum laude, 23 magna cum laude and 44 cum laude.

Honor requirements are a grade point average of 3.9 - 4.0 for summa cum laude, 3.70 - 3.89 for magna cum laude and 3.5 - 3.69 for cum laude.

Graduates included Gregory F. Birkenfeld of Munday.

Social Security tips for vacationers

If you're a Social Security beneficiary who plans to travel during the summer, you should consider having your check sent directly to your bank, the Social Security Administration advises. That way the funds are available to you even when you're not there to cash your checks. More than half of Social Security beneficiaries receive their checks through direct deposit. It is the method of receiving checks Social Security recommends for convenience, safety, and speed.



THE PEE-WEE LEAGUE RAIDERS are coached by Jay White and include (middle, left) Steven Urbanczyk, Blake Gideon, Jacob Fetsch, Quincee Gideon, Johnica Fetsch, and Jocelyn Decker. The front row pictures (front, left) Jay Alan White, Lynndy Moeller, Angel Miranda, Cody Weeks and Matthew Sterling. Not pictured are coaches William Sterling and Steve Gideon.



Wayne and Lynette (Williams) Babcock of Newton, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kaitlyn Nicole Babcock. Kaitlyn was born at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in Beaumont, Texas on Monday, May 26, 1997 at 8:36 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds and 2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Maternal Grandparents are Burt and Lynell Williams of Spearman, Texas. Maternal Great Grandparents are Dimple Jetton of Spearman, Texas and Alton and Dean Williams of Hamilton, Texas.

Paternal Grandparents are Glen and LaFay West of Livingston, Texas and the late Gary Babcock. Paternal Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ester Duff of Livingston, Texas.

If it's happening out there somewhere, The Munday Courier wants to know about it. If you are sponsoring an event, teaching a class, having a meeting, organizing a trip or just want people to know something, send your announcement to The Munday Courier, P.O. Box 130, Munday, TX 76371.

Guys and Dolls Golf Tournament this Sunday

Lake Creek Golf Course & Country Club will be hosting a "Guys and Dolls" golf tournament this Sunday, June 22. A meal will be served after play. For more information or to enter call 422-4746 or 422-4242.

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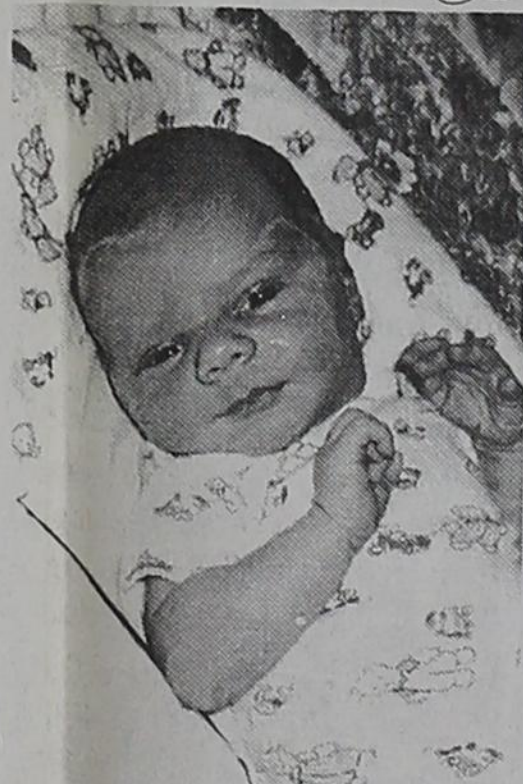
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MITCHELL DRAKE PRESLEY

It was a much anticipated moment when little Mitchell Drake Presley made his debut into the world. Born weighing eight pounds and four ounces and measuring twenty-one and three-fourths inches long, Mitchell promises to be a good looking singer who will probably also grow up to be a computer whiz! He was born at Wichita General Hospital on May 28, 1997.

Sharing the pride and joy of his parents, Misty and Mark Presley of Munday, are his grandparents Brenda and Travis Floyd of Munday and Jerry and Beth Presley of Shawnee, Oklahoma. His happy great-grandmothers are Willie Floyd and Faye Johnson of Munday and Dortha Presley of Shawnee, Oklahoma. Also celebrating with the family are Mitchell's aunts - Heather Floyd of Brentwood, Tennessee, Ricki French of Olathe, Kansas and Deidra Harvey of Midwest City, Oklahoma.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



ANSWERS TO SOME TAXING QUESTIONS

Several weeks ago in this column I outlined a number of proposed tax reductions under consideration in Congress. While our sights remain fixed on finding a way to balance the federal budget, tax relief is high on readers' minds as well.

The possible cuts outlined were estate tax relief, child tax credit, capital gains tax cut, education tax cut and individual retirement accounts. Then I asked you to tell me which cuts were most important to you.

I received a number of interesting comments that I will share later in this column, but first a brief review of your priorities.

The clear favorite as the most important tax cut for you and your family is estate tax relief. Thirty-four percent of those who responded said an estate tax cut is the most important; 16 percent of you reported it as the second most important priority. Overall, 66 percent of you ranked estate tax relief as one of your top three tax relief measures.

A capital gains tax cut ranked second in popularity. Twenty-six percent of you listed a cut in the capital gains tax as the most important kind of relief for you; 32 percent listed it as the second most important tax relief measure.

Nearly 17 percent of you said the IRA provision is most important; another 11 percent reported it as the second most important priority; 71 percent of you listed the IRA changes as one of your top three tax-relief priorities.

Fourteen percent of you said the child tax credit is the most important tax-relief provision; about 13 percent said it is the second most important item.

Finally, 9 percent of you responded that the education tax cut is the most important tax cut for you; almost 29 percent said it is the second most important cut.

Responding to the questions about estate taxes, one person wrote, "There really should not be any estate taxes. Taxes already have been paid once in accumulating the estate." Another observed, "If a person works hard enough to save and make a future for their family, they should be able to share it with their family. Under the current system, there is no incentive to work and save - you just have to give it all to the government."

Another woman summed up her life of paying taxes: "We pay taxes each year on what we make. Then we invest anything left over and pay taxes on our investments. Then (our family) has to pay the estate tax."

The second most popular tax-cut proposal was capital gains tax cuts. A family wrote, "Capital gains should take inflation into consideration. After holding something for a good many years, your 'gains' actually are losses."

One respondent observed, "Enough of compromise. There should be a 40 percent to 50 percent reduction in the capital gains tax - for all capital gains, not just the sale of a home."

A couple replied, "The capital gains tax takes all incentive out of doing business. If people don't invest, there will be no job opportunities, the economy would slow and there would be much less taxes paid. As long as investors can make a little, they have an incentive to invest for everyone's future."

About phasing out limits on IRAs, one person wrote, "This suggestion sounds good in that you could pay taxes on what you contribute up front, but be allowed tax-free withdrawals. Quite often today, what older folks thought would be enough to live on turns out not to go far enough."

"It is important to encourage people to save and accumulate funds," another responded. "Right now, you pay taxes on your income, and then get taxed on what you set aside. You pay taxes on those funds twice."

Another wrote, "Taxes should be structured so people make their own decisions and are responsible for their own futures. It is a disgrace that government punishes people for saving and being thrifty."

Fourth on your list was the child tax credit. Although this was a popular proposal, many of those who wrote to comment on it did so in the negative. One family wrote, "The child tax credit leaves people with adult children no credit for having raised them."

But others observed, "Two wage-earner families need help now." Finally, on the issue of education tax credits, we received a letter that lays out the situation eloquently:

"Every dollar we save is taxed. My son starts college in the fall but we are not eligible for funds because we work and we save. We face huge loans and debt for many years to come."

"We are not asking for a handout. We would like a little justice, though. Stop punishing those who work, save and play by the rules. An education tax credit would level the playing field."

Another reader wrote, "Without education, opportunity evaporates."

Your responses were revealing, and I would like to thank every Texan who took time to fill out the questionnaire, comment on the issues it raised, and mail it to our office. A special thanks, as well, to your newspaper for publishing it.

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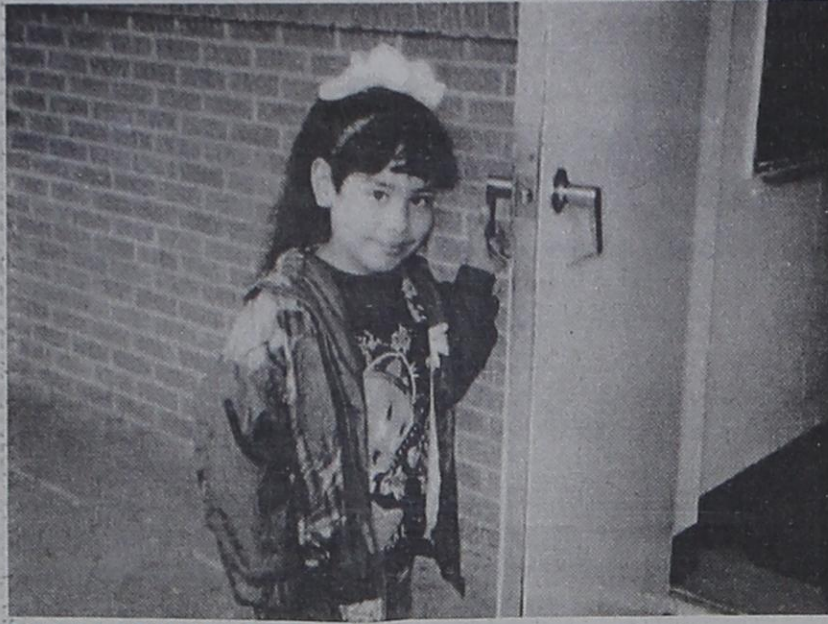
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KAYLA FERNANDEZ of Goree Elementary was the first person to join the R.I.T.S. Club to continue her reading skills this summer. Kayla is the daughter of Solano and Rose Mary Fernandez.

District Court

(Continued from Page 1)
ney, Judge Hajek sentenced Watson to a two-year prison term. Also in Baylor County District action on June 3rd, Pamela Jane Howe, 19, of Pampa drew a three-year deferred adjudication probation plus a \$500.00 fine and \$238.00 in restitution for her part in the burglary of a habitation. The following day, June 4th, in the Knox County District Court in Benjamin, Eddie Russell, Jr., 69, of Goree also answered the State's Motion to Revoke his probation. Russell was on a four-year probation for felony DWI and the State alleged that he violated that probation by again driving while intoxicated. Russell plead guilty to the allegation, and Judge Hajek sentenced him to a four-year term. Carlos Santisteven, 21, of Munday, plead guilty to a charge of Possession of a Prohibited Weapon and was assessed a three-year probated sentence, but ordered to pay a \$2,500.00 fine and court costs. Gilberto Flores, 32, of Goree, plead guilty to an indictment charging him with Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver and was given a 10-year probated sentence and ordered to pay a \$1,000.00 fine.

In other Knox County District Court action, District Attorney Neal proved up an asset seizure case and assets totalling \$6,021.96 were forfeited to the State. A 1966 Ford pickup truck, \$1,021.81 in cash and an 870 Remington pump shotgun were seized from the possession of Linton Lee Clemons, 42, of Fort Worth, when he was arrested for possession of drugs with intent to sell in Knox City on April 12, 1997. The pickup truck and shotgun were seized as assets used in commission of the offense and the cash as proceeds from criminal activity. Judge Hajek ordered these assets forfeited after a hearing by the State, and the pickup was sold for \$5,000.00, making a total of \$6,021.96 in cash plus the shotgun. Since the Knox City Police Department and the Knox County Sheriff's Department were the originating law enforcement agencies and the Knox County District Attorney's office prosecuted the case, by prior written agreement of the agencies, the proceeds were shared in equal shares between the three departments. The shotgun was delivered to the Knox County Police Department by agreement of the agencies.

On Tuesday, June 10, 1997, the Baylor County Grand Jury reconvened in Seymour and returned four indictments: John Anthony Thomas, 22, of Seymour, Conspiracy to Commit Burglary of a Habitation and Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity; Terri Lynn Jones, 22, of Seymour, Conspiracy to Commit Burglary of a Habitation and Engaging in Organized Criminal Activity; Marcell Lara, 31, of Goree, Endangering a Child; and Christopher Wayne Beamon, 26, Delivery of a Controlled Substance.

The most common element in the Earth's atmosphere is nitrogen. The least abundant element is the radioactive gas radon.

Goree School District offers summer reading club

Beginning Monday, June 2 and continuing through Friday, July 11, Goree Elementary will be hosting a summer reading group for their youngsters. The club is titled "Reading In The Summer" (RITS Club) and meets daily from 9:30-11:30.

Students who wish to come read, test, earn points, spend or save points have been very excited about joining the RITS Club. These students can read and test on their own, be read to orally, and have time to visit and share their books with friends.

RITS has about thirty members and an average daily attendance of twenty plus students. If any other youngsters would like to join, please feel free to do so. Also, guest readers (adults) are invited to call the school at 422-5218 and set up a convenient time to come share their favorite book with this new and growing club.



RAQUEL L. DECKER

Scholarship bestowed upon Munday pharmacy student

Southwestern Oklahoma State University students received scholarship, honors and awards at the recent School of Pharmacy convocation ceremony held on the Weatherford campus. Among them was Raquel L. Decker, Munday, who received the \$500 Frank Hodges Memorial Scholarship.

Botanists say that the banana plant, the most prolific of food plants, dates back to the Pliocene era, a million years ago.

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Munday & Goree Menu June 23-27, 1997

Mon. June 23 - Beef casserole, tossed salad, blackeyed peas, fried squash, cornbread, peach cobbler.

Wed. June 25 - Pork roast, tossed green salad, cheese potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cake.

Fri. June 27 - Chicken & rice, tossed salad with carrots, sweet peas, sliced bread, cookies

If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Freuhwirth at 422-4191. At Goree, call Mrs. Allene Seale at 422-5292 the day before.

Munday High School Athletic Boosters to meet

Athletic Director Steve Gunter has announced that the first meeting of the Munday High School Athletic Boosters Club for the 1997-98 season will take place on Monday, June 23. The meeting will be conducted at the High School Cafeteria beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to come out and meet the new girls' basketball coach, elect new club officers and to begin organizing activities for the up-coming season.

Board of Trustees meets in two sessions in June

The Munday Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, June 12, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's office in the Administration Building.

The subjects discussed or considered were roll call, approval of previous minutes, approval of payment of bills, adopting Update 55 - policy manual, approve school calendar for 1997 - 98, approve addendum for 3-year plan for workers' compensation self insurance fund, questions of and by the board and adjournment.

The 1997-98 School Year Calendar is as follows: August 7 & 8 - in service days, August 11 - in service day, August 12 - work day, August 13 - September 26 - first six weeks, September 1 - Labor Day, September 29 - November 7 - Second Six Weeks, November 10 - December 18 - Third Six Weeks, November 27, 28 - Thanksgiving, December 19 - Workday, January 1, 2 New Year, January 5 - Febru-

ary 13 - Fourth Six Weeks, January 9 - Stock Show, February 16 - April 3 - Fifth Six-Weeks, March 9 - 13 Spring Break, April 6 - May 21 Sixth Six-Weeks, April 10 - Good Friday, April 15 - Sightreading and Concert, May 22 - Graduation, May 22 Workday.

Immediately following the June 12 regular meeting the Board of Trustees met in special session to consider and grant the resignations of Steve and Ralene Gideon and to hire Steve Gunter as Head Coach and Athletic Director.

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Myers visited recently in Hurst with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Scheffler, Hunter and Harrison.

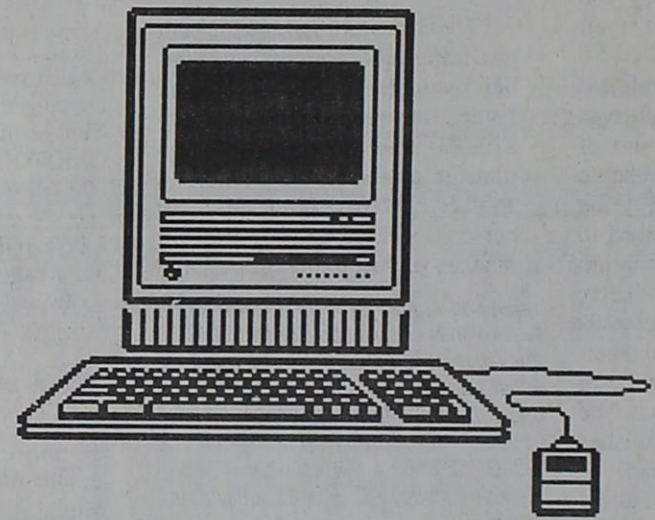
They enjoyed seeing Hunter play in a Hurst Indian Little League Baseball game. This team received a second place trophy in their division. Also Hunter received the Most Valuable Player Award for his team.

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Local Obituaries

Patterson, Richard

Richard Loran "Dicky" Patterson, 52, died Friday, June 6, 1997, in his home in Allen, Texas.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, June 8, at First Baptist Church of Seymour with Dal Ward officiating. Burial with military graveside rites conducted by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 7871 were in Vera, Texas, Cemetery under the direction of Archer Funeral Home.

Mr. Patterson was born May 9, 1945, in Seymour. He and Sherry Mackey were married February 19, 1983, in Fairview, Texas. He was a Vietnam War veteran, serving in the Nad to Plano, Texas, in 1974, and worked as an electrician for seven years. He founded Friends for Life Ministries in Allen, where he served pastor.

Survivors include his wife of Allen; two daughters, Tina Lennon of Plano and Heather Williams of Garland, Texas; three sons, Richard Jr. of Farmers Branch, Texas, Lance of Seymour, and Michael Mackey of Houston; a sister, Christy Miller of Lincoln, Nebraska; his mother, Violet Patterson of Vera; and seven grandchildren. His grandmother is Mae King of Munday.

