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One-car rollover claims Jason Beyer's life at 18, injures Bell

Jason Michael Beyer, 18, and his passenger, Kelly Brandon Bell, 17, were injured when Beyer lost control of the red 1986 Chevrolet Cavalier he was driving. The car was westbound on County Road 428 (Picnic Grounds Road) when Beyer lost control to the right side of the road. After traveling 390 feet, the vehicle flipped, reported DPS Trooper Chris Watson.

Neither of the occupants was wearing a seat belt and both were thrown from the car. Bell sustained bruises, abrasions and lacerations. Beyer suffered massive internal head injuries.

Bill Bivin and Bob Stovall of the Muenster Police Department were the first officers to arrive at the scene. They were assisted by several Muenster Volunteer Firemen.

"They were very instrumental in preserving the accident scene

until the Highway Patrol arrived and evidence was gathered," complimented Trooper Watson. Muenster Police officers also assisted in taking measurements for the investigation.

Cooke County EMS arrived at the scene at 1:22 a.m. Beyer was transported to Muenster Memorial Hospital by ambulance. Bell was brought to the Muenster Hospital by Officer Bivin.

Kelly Bell was admitted to the Muenster Hospital. Jason Beyer was transferred to Harris Hospital in Fort Worth by CareFlight helicopter. Beyer was pronounced dead at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 24, in Harris Hospital.

Kelly Bell is the son of Jeanne Bell. Jason Beyer is the son of Stephen and Meri Jane Beyer of Mesquite. He was staying with Muenster friends, Leonard and

Patti Bayer, while attending school at Sacred Heart.

According to two female witnesses, the car driven by Beyer was seen traveling north on Main Street at a high rate of speed, followed closely by a Dodge pickup truck. Both vehicles were observed making Schilling's corner and continuing westbound on FM 373.

The two witnesses decided to follow in their vehicle. Both cars that they were observing left FM 373 and continued west on Picnic Grounds Road.

About a half mile down Picnic Grounds Road, the witnesses came upon the flipped Chevrolet, but lost sight of the Dodge when they stopped to assist. While one remained at the accident scene with the victims, the other went to the Bert Hesse residence to call police and ambulance.

An investigation is ongoing to all incidents that happened that night. DPS Trooper Watson said that he is very aware of who was driving the pickup and that final disposition of this case will be determined by the county attorney.

Alcohol may have been involved in this incident, but it was not the cause of the accident, said Watson.

In an interview Monday, DPS Trooper Chris Watson and Muenster Police Officer Bill Bivin voiced their concerns with the high number of offenses involving alcohol in this area because it endangers the lives of our youths and others. "We (Department of Public Safety) will be working this area with more intensity," stated Watson.



AUTOMOBILE that was involved in a one-car rollover Saturday. The driver, Jason Beyer, died later from injuries sustained in the accident.

Janie Hartman Photo

Good response to blood drives allows blood to be sent overseas

All of our lives have been touched by the war in the Middle East. Many people are wondering what they can do to help the troops overseas. Donating blood is something many can do to directly help.

The American Red Cross has to date sent 4,000 pints of blood overseas and plans to send 1,000 more each week as needed. Each Red Cross region must keep enough blood on hand to meet the demands of their area and therefore will depend on more volunteer donors to give blood so that there will be enough to send overseas for use by the troops.

Each American Red Cross Region is asked to supply a portion of the blood needed overseas. "It is because so many of you responded to our call that we at the Red River Region Blood Center are able to meet our portion of this goal," said a spokesman for the Red River Region.

In a recent interview Sandra Neer, Center Consultant for the Wichita County Chapter, Red River Region Blood Services, asked that it be stressed that although more donors are needed it is necessary that everyone does not donate at the same time. This is

because fresh blood has a life span of six weeks and a person must wait eight weeks after donating before being eligible to donate again.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile is scheduled to collect blood in Muenster on Thursday, March 7 from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Muenster Knights of Columbus Hall. Beta Kappa members are again providing home-made cookies and orange juice. For more information contact Jean Walterscheid, chairman, at 759-4834.

Muenster's goal is 82 pints of blood. At the last blood drive 70 pints of blood were collected. If each bloodmobile is over goal the Red River Region will be able to provide the blood needed by our area and our Armed Forces on a continuing basis.

The Wichita Falls American Red Cross chapter is presently training local doctors, anesthetists, psychiatrists, social workers, and EMTs to be volunteer workers in the hospital at Sheppard Airforce Base in Wichita Falls if they are needed. The hospital is taking war casualties. There have been six non-combat wounded admitted already and more are expected as the war escalates.

Events scheduled for Public School Week

Muenster Public School Kindergarten through grade 5 students have a full week planned for Public School Week.

On Monday, March 4, parents and friends are invited to an Award Assembly by the Invitational Practice UIL Meet at 3 p.m. in the MHS Auditorium. Monday is also Appreciation Day for Support Personnel. Students are busy making Thank You cards for their favorite school helpers.

On Tuesday, Jane Weinzapfel's second grade students will learn about Japanese customs, clothes and orgami from Hiroko Miura. Rajko Jelen will tell Becky Scott's and Carol Dyer's third grade students about German customs.

Julie Felderhoff will assist Mary Ahrens fourth graders in making molded fossils as part of their Science class.

Darla Lile's first graders are looking forward to having their parents read stories to the class.

On Tuesday, parents and grandparents are invited to have lunch with their children. Check with the children for their lunch times. Meal reservations may be made in advance by sending \$1.50 to the child's teacher. Also students on the Junior High campus are to notify Mrs. Klement and elementary students are to notify Mrs. Fleitman by Friday, March 1 if the parents wish to participate so adequate food can be ordered.

Muenster High School's student council officers and members will serve as hosts Tuesday, March 5, at the annual Open House and Arts and Crafts Fair. Several first and second place ribbons will be awarded in each general category

of each age group. Some of the categories are science projects, food, fine arts, crafts, weaving, needle point, industrial arts, clothing design and photography.

Officers Melissa Bayer, Jane Klement, Brad McDaniel, and Marcia Vogel will be the welcoming committee. A guest book will be available for registration in the front lobby. Other members will assist guests in the gym and home economics room. They include Darren Bindel, Kelly Colwell, Kay Grewing, Marlene Hess, Leslie Klement, Tina Klement, Darrin Russell, Tony Perryman, and Brandon Walterscheid. Each member will be easily recognized by a name tag and "Welcome to Our Open House" ribbon as they give guests directions and answer any questions. Everyone is invited to visit the classrooms during Open House on March 5, 1991, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Arts and Crafts will be on display in the gym. On Wednesday, parents and

students are planning small surprises to show appreciation for the teachers.

Bobby Jane Slater will be the guest reader for elementary students on Thursday. Second and third grade story tellers will share their stories with SNAP.

On Friday, Dads are invited for Doughnuts in the cafeteria (50 cents) from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. The week's activities will close with Becky Scott's Gifted and Talented fourth and fifth grade students' presentation of "Give and Go," their Odyssey of the Mind project, at 3 p.m. in the MHS gym.

Justin Britian and Aaron Klement, two of Mary Ahren's fourth grade students will give a brief presentation about "The Importance of Good Public Schools" at the Chamber of Commerce meeting on March 12 at The Center Restaurant.

For more information concerning Texas Public School Week call the high school office.

Chamber asks for assistance

The new and improved 1991 Germanfest brochure is scheduled for delivery to the Chamber of Commerce office on Friday, March 1.

Key people are needed to distribute Germanfest brochures in the Metroplex and areas outside of Muenster, according to Margie Starke, Chamber of Commerce secretary. Local folks with family members who would be willing to distribute a small amount of the brochures would be ideal.

Anyone willing and able to assist the chamber with this task should contact Mrs. Starke at 759-2227.

2 accidents reported

The driver of a Brinks semi-trailer truck had a surprise Friday, Feb. 22, when he looked up from a cup of coffee to see his truck rolling away. He was parked at the Kountry Korner west of Muenster with the motor running.

Muenster Police Officer Bill Bivin who investigated the accident reported that the driver claimed to have put the emergency brake on and it was apparently faulty. After rolling down an incline, the truck rolled into a gas pump before being stopped by the self-service station's concrete column.

Members of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department were at the scene for about an hour as a precaution in case the fumes from the broken pump were ignited.

At 5:25 p.m. that same day, Jason Endres, 17, driving a 1985 Ford pickup, was rear-ended by a 1983 Blazer driven by Deann Leigh Bayer, 16. Both reside in Muenster.

According to the police report filed by Officer Bob Stovall of the Muenster Police Dept., Endres was going west on Division. When he slowed to make a right-hand turn on Hickory, he was hit by Bayer who was also westbound on Division. There were no injuries.



THIS RUNAWAY SEMI-TRUCK was stopped by a concrete column after its emergency brake failed. The driver was inside the Kountry Korner at the time, leaving the truck with its motor running. No injuries were involved and minimal damage was done to the gas pumps. The truck's windshield was damaged. Dave Fette Photo

Williamson responds to school finance lawsuit

by Richard F. Williamson, State Representative, District 63

In this article, I will discuss the three options that are available to us to solve the school finance crisis that is the result of the recent and final Texas Supreme Court decision on the Edgewood lawsuit.

In the first article, I discussed the background of the issue in the context of the unequal wealth that exists between the over-1,000 independent school districts in Texas. At all times, it must be remembered that school districts in Texas are not just educational districts, but taxing districts as well. The wealth that lies within these school districts varies so widely, that it is impossible to keep the districts equally financed from year to year. The basis for the lawsuit that the Texas Supreme Court has recently ruled on is this very problem - unequally wealthy school districts.

The first option we have involves using the current sales tax to equalize the difference between the wealth. And this is what we have done for over 40 years now. Simply described, each year we would set the state sales tax at a level that would yield enough money to not only pay for general government, but send money to the property poor school districts as well. As the property wealthy school districts increased the local tax rates, we would have to set our sales tax at ever higher levels to keep the system equalized. Because we do not level the sales tax on most of the Texas economy, it is unreasonable to expect that this scheme will work for the long term. And in fact, I hear every day from taxpayers who oppose any increase in the current tax rate.

The second option involves the currently popular proposal to level a property tax across all of the

school districts. The money that would be raised by this equal rate would then be shared on a per student basis with all of the existing school districts in Texas to pay for what is described as "basic education." Each local school district would then be allowed to level up to 25 cents as a local tax rate to pay for "non basic education," things such as sports and other extracurricular activities. The key to this proposal is that the total tax rate would be capped at \$1.25. This means that even if the citizens of a given area wanted to tax themselves at a higher level to pay for things that they wanted for their schools, they would be prohibited from doing so. This proposal would also involve an amendment to our constitution. The biggest losers under this proposal would be the five most populous counties in Texas and it is doubtful that the voters in those

areas would approve such a plan.

The third option involves a complete overhaul of our current tax system. This overhaul would have to include one of two drastic decisions: either tax every transaction (a uniform sales tax) or tax cash flow. Many people say that a cash flow tax is little more than an income tax with the wrong name! No matter which route we choose, the tax rate would be set high enough to replace the local school property tax in total. What would develop would be a block grant from the state to each school district for each student in attendance on a monthly basis. Schools would be free to invest the money in their students as local officials see fit. Many believe that this approach would be much more fair to the average Texans because it would tax everyone, not just those of us who own property.

My approach to making a

decision will be to carefully analyze the impact of each proposal as it relates to the average taxpayer in Cooke County. In many respects, the state property tax is very fair for us in Cooke County because we would receive more money per student at a reduced tax rate. The problem for us in Cooke County is that there is no guarantee that statewide property values will continue to increase fast enough to keep pace with the growing student population in our area. Remember, not all areas are growing as fast as ours.

I invite any citizen of Cooke County to contact me in Austin concerning this or other issues that confront the legislature. I find that when we talk with each other, I develop a better understanding of the needs and expectations of the people for whom I work. Call me at 512/563-0738 or write to me at P.O. Box 2910, Austin 78769.

Good News!

"Again, I tell you, if two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted you by my Father in heaven. Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst."

MATTHEW 18: 19-20

Letters to the Editor

Dear Enterprise Staff,

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes would like to express our appreciation of all your fine coverage, enthusiasm and support of the 1990-91 season. Thank you for all your time and hard work.

Love,
1990-91 SH Tigerettes
Robin Greathouse, J.J. Dowd,
Sharon Fuhrmann, Vickie Bayer,
April Truebenbach, Deanna Hess,
Deann Bayer, Angie Hofbauer,
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Mandy Barnhill, Jennie Endres,
Erica Schilling, Donetta Hess,
Julie Felderhoff, Jennifer
Walter, Kelly Dangelmayr,
Coach Jon

Dear Editor:

This is a public apology for missing a Chamber member's listing for the Chamber ad ran in last week's **Muenster Enterprise**. The business listing missed was **Bed and Breakfast of Muenster**. This was not an intentional omission, only an oversight and I apologize.

Margie Starke
Chamber Secretary
Muenster, TX

Police Chief Helen Tompkins comments...

With the turmoil in the Middle East causing stress and worry over loved ones and the recent trauma in Muenster causing the community to grieve, it is a time when we should draw closer.

Instead of looking for someone to place blame on, or point an accusing finger at, we should be offering friendship and understanding.

The end results of our actions will not be changed by hanging the weight of guilt on someone else.



HERITAGE NEWS FORUM

FROM HERITAGE FEATURES SYNDICATE WASHINGTON, D.C.

Easing the Time Deficit

by Edwin Feulner

The professional children's lobby here in Washington would have you believe that the most serious problems facing American children today can be solved by pouring more money into subsidized day care, giving teachers big pay raises, lengthening the school year, and handing out condoms.

But if America's children did their own lobbying, what would they say? What would they tell us about what helps create secure, happy families?

"Doing things together," was the most oft-repeated answer from 1,500 schoolchildren in a recent survey.

Kids say the darnedest things, don't they? What those children are articulating is a societal fact that used to be whispered in the dark but is now being shouted from the rooftops: Parents are spending less and less time with their kids.

"The family meal is dead," says columnist Jonathan Yardley.

That may be an exaggeration, but the numbers are numbingly accurate: Parents now spend 17 hours a week with their children, down from 30 hours a week in 1965, according to William Mattox, a policy analyst with the Family Research Council. Indeed, a 1989 Cornell University study drives the point home, showing that two-thirds of all mothers working full-time would like to work fewer hours so they could spend more time with their families. But for too many of them it just isn't possible.

We might lay blame for this "time deficit" on the growing number of single-parent families and on the vast amounts of time two-income families devote to their careers. But there are other culprits at work — economic sharks that have been under the water's surface and, smelling blood, are closing in for the kill.

One of the predators is the tax rate. In 1950, the average family of four paid 2 percent of its annual income to the federal government in income and payroll taxes. Today, it pays 24 percent. Add on top of that state and local taxes, which eat up another 8 percent of family income, and you see why many working mothers lament.

Adding insult to injury: The value of the personal exemption (the tax code's way of adjusting tax liability to family size) has eroded, shifting more of the federal tax burden to families with dependents. Had the government kept the exemption in line with inflation since 1950, it would now be at about \$7,000 per child, instead of the current \$2,050.

At the same time, major family expenses — housing, health care, transportation, and higher education — have outrun the inflation rate for the last 25 years. It all adds up to an economic mess that is literally destroying many U.S. families.

The American family needs help, but not in the form of new or expanded government programs. Government could do the most good just by reducing the tax burden on families with children. Congress should raise the tax exemption for dependents to \$7,000, or extend other tax credits to reflect the age and number of children.

Instead of trying to replace the family with government boondoggles, Congress can strengthen the family by allowing parents to keep more of their income. More income will give families greater control over their money and greater control over their lives. The ultimate beneficiaries: first the kids, then society as a whole.

Edwin Feulner is president of The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.

Superintendent reports on school finance

by Superintendent Steve Cooper
School finance marches on. As of Friday the 23rd, the State property tax has been revived, not in its original form but supposedly in a more palatable form. The Senate has passed a bill that will establish 20 taxing regions throughout the State. These 20 regions will be the same territory now occupied by the Regional Educational Service Centers. The legislation is supposed

to promote equity through a regional tax rate. Districts will be required to set predetermined minimum tax rates. Those with above average wealth to high wealth will experience, at best, a reduction in State funds and at worst, what the State calls recapture. This means rich districts will have their excess money dispersed to poorer districts throughout the State. Muenster will be effected by

the former scenario. We would have to raise property taxes to offset a loss in State funding.

It's still a little early to get exact projections but under this legislation we would lose State funds and in my opinion a measure of local control. Another bureaucracy would be established in these Regional centers to collect and disperse taxes. This additional layer of "red tape" would have to be funded thus creating another level of inefficiency between local districts and the Texas Education Agency. I believe this solution, being promoted in Austin, is a mistake. We still are tied to the property tax which will always be a temptation to raise. More pressure will be put on local districts to increase taxes to maintain existing personnel and programs without corresponding State support. The State "dodges the bullet" again by forcing districts to use the property tax to fund education.

There does seem to be a grass roots movement forming in opposition to this plan. Lawmakers report that they have been inundated, the last few days, with phone calls and other communications from disgusted taxpayers. I would encourage Muensterites to vent their feelings about this proposed legislation to their representatives.

We've cursed the darkness perhaps in closing lighting a candle would be appropriate. The

State tax structure must be addressed and revised so a tax system can be put in place that will meet future educational demands. Some have suggested a system of taxation that will involve everyone, not just property owners. These suggestions range from additional sales tax to a dedicated income tax with a corresponding decrease in property taxes. There are of course advantages and disadvantages to each proposal. However fairness may have to override the pros and cons.

Lindsay gets word from Persian Gulf

It took less than a month for Lindsay High School to get a response from the 561st "Black Knights" Tactical Fighter Squadron in the Middle East. A week after the 561st opened US air strikes against Iraq, Lindsay students mailed "Knight" caps and bumper stickers to Squadron Commander Lt. Col. George Walton, along with a letter. Last week, a reply arrived, including several black-on-yellow squadron patches and the following message:

To the Faculty and Student Body of Lindsay High School:
"The Black Knights"

Howdy from the Middle East! Many thanks for the hats and stickers. They were all gone in a very few seconds after opening the box. We also thank you very sincerely for your support and I want you to know it means a great deal to have the support of the American people in our steadfast and determined effort to erase the tyranny that is Saddam Hussein. War is something that nobody here ever wanted to have happen, but one man has given the world no alternative. We hope to see an end to it soon, so that all of us can return home to our family and friends.

Enclosed are some "Black Knight" squadron patches that I carried with me to Baghdad the other night. The mission was a total success and these patches made the round trip.

Thanks again for the good wishes.

GO KNIGHTS!!

George W. Walton,
Lt. Col., USAF
561 Tactical Fighter Squadron
Commander



The Lindsay Home Ec Department and the CYC have since sent cookies and candy to the "Black Knights."

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Sharp says sales tax rebates from Feb. break records

AUSTIN - "Texas cities and counties will enjoy a tidy post-Christmas bonus, because this month's total local sales tax rebates are the largest in the state's history," State Comptroller John Sharp said recently.

The Comptroller's office recently mailed checks totaling \$177.4 million to cities and counties across Texas that collect the local sales tax.

"February's total rebates are always large because they include sales taxes collected by annual, quarterly and monthly taxpayers, but these broke by \$19.5 million the old record set in February of 1989," Sharp said. "That's an increase of 12.4 percent."

Reports filed by monthly taxpayers reflect sales made in December.

"Christmas retail sales may not have been as bright as some folks had hoped, but the state's economy still looks good when compared to the nation as a whole," Sharp said.

Cities in Cooke County received a total of \$181,648.98. Muenster's rebate check was \$16,102.79, a 2.65 percent decrease from last year. Gainesville experienced a 6.83 percent decrease with their check for \$152,523.56. Showing increases were Lindsay \$4,964.69, up 4.63 percent; Oak Ridge \$4,203.88, up 6.01 percent; and Valley View \$3,854.06, up 15.02 percent.

Cooke County's rebate check was \$86,297.78.

Grand Opening

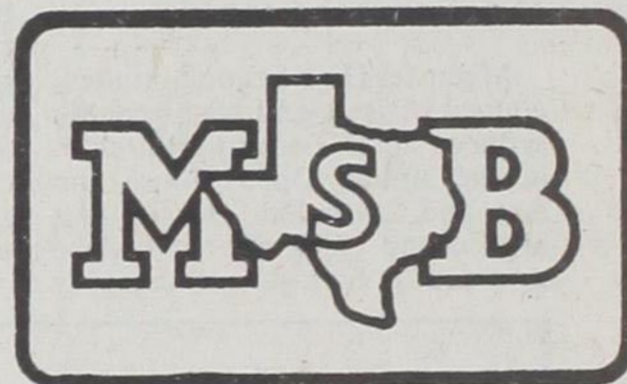
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Those people on Capitol Hill say community banks, such as this one, are redundant. They'd like to see us merged into branches of large interstate, nationwide conglomerates. No matter that state laws prevent such concentration.

During the past five years Texans have watched as close to 60 percent of the assets in our banks have been taken over by six out-of-state holding companies. NCNB alone now controls 28 percent of the market.

With nationalized banking, Texas bank customers soon would have only memories of a healthy competitive climate that once flourished.

Nationalization of banking means we lose and you lose. This bank no longer could actively help shape the future of this area. Your loan officer, today an important partner in your business plans, probably would be

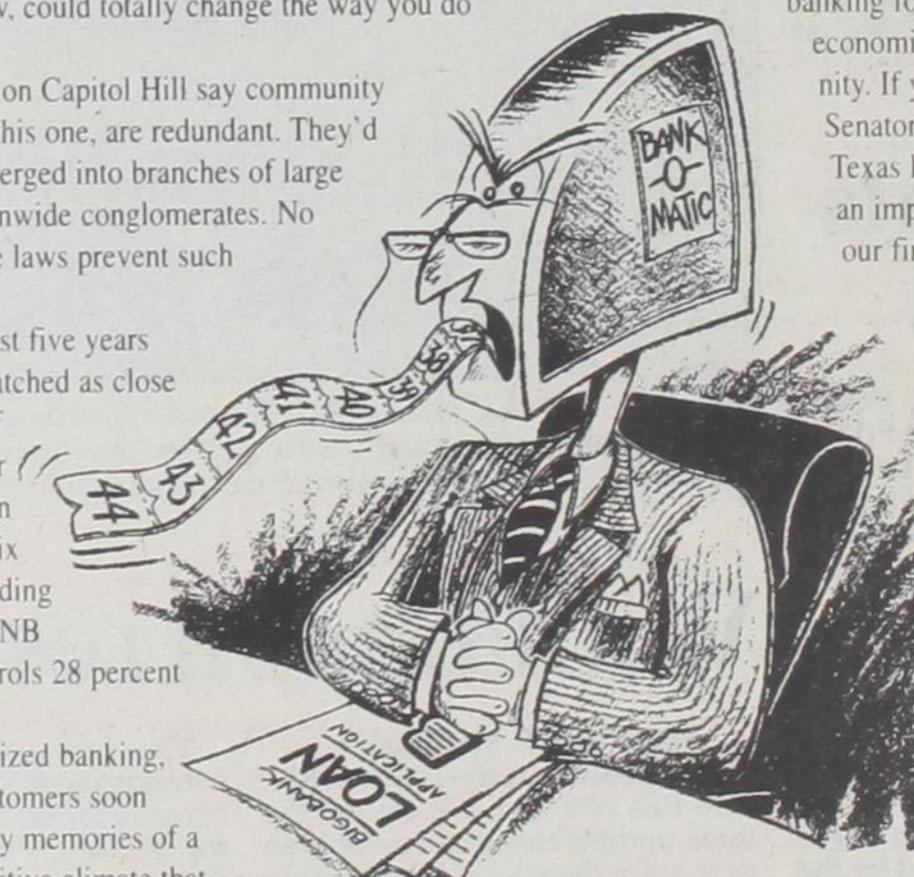
replaced by a "take a number" system. And your hard-earned deposits, now being plowed back into the area as loans, could be siphoned off to New York, Ohio or other regions thought to possess high growth potential.

Our directors, officers and staff believe a local banking focus is essential to the economic health of this community. If you agree, contact the U.S. Senators and Congressmen from Texas listed here. Each will play an important role in reshaping our financial system.

Call us if you need the phone number of your local Congressman.

Be sure they get this message: Vote "No" to nationalized—or interstate—banking.

- Hon. Lloyd Bentsen, chairman, Senate Finance Committee, 202/224-5922.
- Hon. Phil Gramm, member, Senate Banking Committee, 202/224-2934.
- Hon. Steve Bartlett, R-Dallas, member, House Banking Committee, 202/225-4201.
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Jason Beyer, 18, dies

Mass of Christian Burial was offered for Jason Beyer, 18, in St. Augustine Church of Mesquite on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1991, at 10 a.m. with Father Victor Gillespie, OSB, pastor of Sacred Heart Church of Muenster, assisting as one of the four concelebrants in the sanctuary.

Jason was the son of Stephen and Meri Jane Beyer of Mesquite and a senior at Sacred Heart High School.

Participants in the special funeral liturgy were his sisters Becky Beyer, Robin Beyer Dye and Elizabeth Beyer with the First and Second Readings from the Old and New Testaments.

Offertory gifts were presented at the altar by his brother, Andrew Beyer, and family friends, Leonard, Allison and Johnathan Beyer.

Music Ministers were Patti Bayer, Anne Poole, Christy Hesse, Ruth Felderhoff, Emily Klement, Pam Fette, Barbara Fuhrmann, Eileen Fisher and Eric Gray.

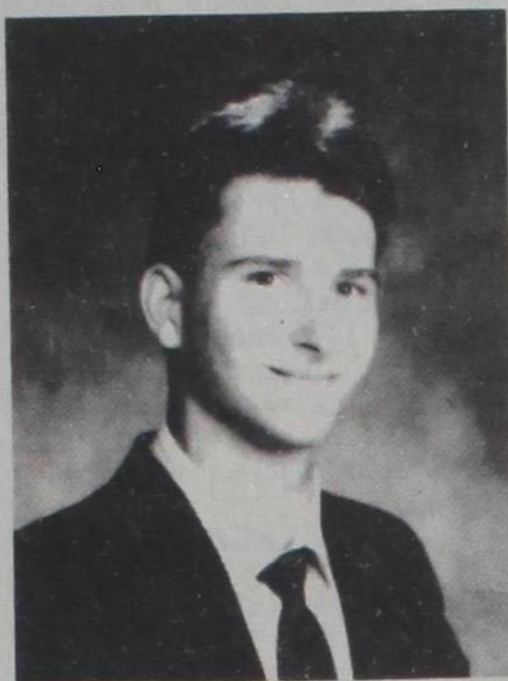
Sacred music included "I Am The Resurrection and the Life," "This Alone I Seek," "On Eagle's Wings," "Be Not Afraid," and "Song of the Angels."

The Communion Meditation was an original song composed by Jason's maternal uncle, Ray Peterson, followed by "Amazing Grace." Classmates of Andrew and Elizabeth sang with the adult group.

Entombment was in Calvary Hill Mausoleum, directed by Crane Funeral Home of Northwest Highway and Abrams Road.

Pallbearers were Shawn Dangelmayr, Darrell Mullins, Jason Endres, John Nasche, Jason Maher and Chris Frye.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Sacred Heart High School senior class of 1991 and the Tiger football and basketball teams. At the entombment, each senior placed a red rose on the pall.



JASON BEYER

Preceding the funeral, other services included a Vigil held in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on Monday evening and Rosary prayed in Crane Funeral Chapel on Tuesday evening. School was dismissed all day Wednesday at SHS.

Jason Beyer was pronounced dead in a Fort Worth hospital Sunday, Feb. 24, about 9 a.m. of massive head injuries suffered in an accident about 1 a.m. Saturday morning.

He was born on Sept. 19, 1972, the son of Stephen and Meri Jane Beyer of Mesquite. He attended school at Sacred Heart while his father was high school principal, and in Dallas and Mesquite when the family moved from Muenster. He returned to Sacred Heart High School for his senior year in August 1990 and lived with family friends, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bayer and children. He was a member of the Tiger football and basketball teams.

Survivors include his parents, Stephen and Meri Jane Beyer; three sisters, Becky Beyer, Robin Beyer Dye and Elizabeth Beyer; one brother, Andrew Beyer; and his grandfather, Dr. Larry Beyer; and an uncle, Ray Peterson.

TASP results reported

AUSTIN - Approximately 74.3 percent of the 109,916 Texas students who took the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) Test in 1990 passed every section they attempted, surpassing the 55 percent passage rate projected by early field tests a year ago.

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board released the composite passing rate for the 1990 TASP Test recently.

Students entering Texas public colleges and universities are required to take the TASP Test, which helps the schools identify those students needing additional help in reading, mathematics and writing to do college-level work. Students who do not pass the test must enroll in remedial programs.

They must pass all sections before enrolling in more than 60 semester credit hours of college courses.

"The whole purpose of the test is to try to help students coming to college to do better, get degrees, and get more out of their college experience," said Kenneth H. Ashworth, commissioner of higher education. "By assessing students' skills early in their college careers, we can get them the help they need to handle college courses."

Approximately 51 percent of Black students, 62 percent of Hispanic students, and 82 percent of Anglo students passed all sections they attempted in 1990.

For more information, contact the TASP office at the Coordinating Board, (512) 483-6330.

Lloyd Reiter appointed president/CEO of bank

Lloyd J. Reiter, former resident of Muenster and son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Reiter, has been named president and chief executive officer of First Bank & Trust in Springtown, Texas. He will also serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the said bank. Lloyd will assume duties as president and chief executive officer on March 1, 1991.

Reiter is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School in Muenster and is a 1982 graduate of the University of North Texas in Denton. He was employed by Gainesville National Bank for six years before assuming his present position in June 1988 as Vice President and Branch Manager of Continental State Bank of Boyd in Rhome, Texas.

Lloyd and his wife, Mary, live in Decatur with their son, Travis, and their daughter, Karissa.



LLOYD J. REITER

Texas Events Calendar released for springtime

There's just no limit to the ways Texans celebrate the return of spring. From the traditional to the unexpected, fun-seekers will delight in the more than 1,000 festivities, all found in the latest Texas Events Calendar, just released by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

The quarterly calendar, spanning the months of March, April, and May, is recognized as the state's authoritative list of Texas happenings. From major cultural events to festive family celebrations, there's something for everyone in every corner of the state, including Muenster's Germanfest.

In March, St. Patrick's Day festivities entertain visitors with colorful parades, Irish fun and foolishness, and steaming bowls of chunky Irish stew. Cinco de Mayo celebrations pay tribute to Mexican independence with lively mariachis, colorful ballet folklorico, and spicy Latin cuisine. And Texas Cajuns, Czechs, and Germans offer their own special varieties of delicious ethnic foods, and traditional folk music and song.

Mother Nature heralds the arrival of spring with blossoming trees and wild flowers along trails in Central and East Texas. Spring blooms, too, at dozens of flower and garden shows sprinkled throughout the state.

Packed with Easter pageants, air shows, antique shows, bike tours, and old-time country fairs, the spring calendar tells the where and when of it all. Free individual copies are available at any of the highway department's Texas Travel Information Centers, or by writing Texas Events Calendar, P.O. Box 5064, Austin, Texas 78763.

Sadie Geray Williams dies

Word has been received locally of the death of Sadie Jo Geray Williams of Wichita Falls on Sunday morning. The funeral Mass was held Tuesday morning at

Queen of Peace Church in Wichita Falls. Mrs. Williams was the wife of John Edward Williams. A number of nieces and nephews live in Lindsay.

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Articles submitted by Sacred Heart Journalism Class

What Lent means to me

by Jason Beyer

The dictionary defines Lent as being a forty-day period of penitence and fasting observed from Ash Wednesday to Easter by many churches. There are many different meanings of the word "Lent," as an adult in the eyes of the church, it is my duty to do penance and fast.

Lent is not just a time to "give things up." Little children usually give up sweets, but as an older member of the church, it is a time to reflect on what happened so long ago during these forty days.

Lent is a time when we commemorate our savior Jesus for fasting and at the end dying on the cross for our sins so that one day we will be in heaven with him.

Lent is only forty days of the year. We should take this time to realize all that God has done for us. We should look at our families and thank God for everything he has given us. Even if you have not "given up" anything for Lent, take time out sometime in the day and say thanks to God for giving us life and thank Jesus for giving up his life for us.

Cemetery questions

by Carol Grewing

Can you help me? We are starting work Monday, March 4, and we would like to know the following about the children's part of the cemetery northwest of the Crucifixion statue:?

Row No. 1 (west of cross) - midway north, there is a cement cross with no name (probably mid-1919).

Row No. 3 - there are several crosses with no names: No. 1, wooden cross, no name - I'm guessing about January or February 1895. No. 9, wooden stick, no name. No. 11, wooden cross, much the same as No. 1, about June 1899. No. 14, cement cross, no name, about July 1899. No. 25, metal cross (4 1/2'-5' tall), homemade name plate, no name, it could be January or February 1902. No. 26, same as 25 with name plate, it could be 1902 also.

Any information you can give will help. Thank so much! Call evenings or leave a message and I'll get back with you, 759-4256.

Six Flags roller coaster ranks among best

A poll of America's roller coaster buffs has ranked Six Flags Over Texas' latest wooden coaster, the Texas Giant, one of the best in the world.

The ride ranked third in the annual readers' poll by Inside Track, a publication for theme park enthusiasts. The ranking was the highest for any coaster introduced during the 1990 season.

Numbers one and two on the list were the Beast at Ohio's Kings Island and the Timber Wolf at Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. A total of 66 coasters were rated.

Six Flags president Bob Bennett is hopeful the Texas Giant will take over the number one spot in the 1991 poll. He commented, "We have spent a great deal of time during the off-season making the ride both faster and smoother." He said the work, which he described as "fine tuning," included significant changes in track sections and an improved train design. He added, "The changes should increase rider capacity by about 70 percent, cutting waiting times accordingly."

The Inside Track poll of some 1,000 theme park fans also gave the Arlington park awards for the Friendliest Theme Park Employees and the Best Theme Park Hamburger.

Six Flags will begin its 30th anniversary season March 9.

Who to write or call

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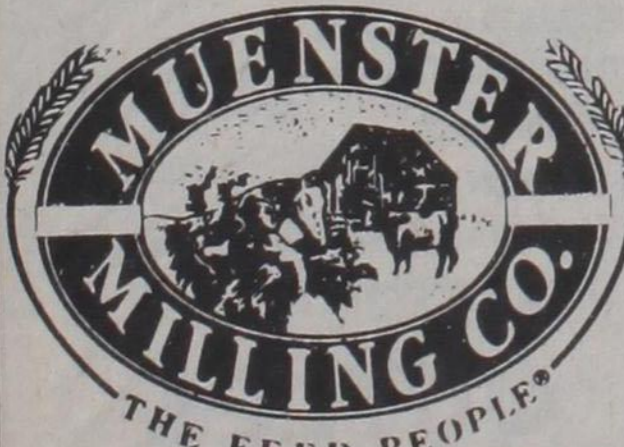
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Lifestyle

Vows exchanged in Feb. 23 ceremony

The wedding of Sharla Katherine Hermes and Robert Joseph Davis was held in First United Methodist Church of Gainesville on Saturday, Feb. 23, with Rev. Jim Dorff officiating the double-ring vows at 5 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hermes of Gainesville and the granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Wolf of Gainesville and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Hermes Sr. of Lindsay.

The groom is the son of the late Lois Jane Davis, formerly of Carrollton.

Presented at the altar by her father, the bride was wearing a wedding gown of exclusive design by San Martin of white silk organza with re-embroidered Schiffler lace heavily encrusted with pearls and iridescents. Designed with a V-back, the dress featured a butterfly bow at the basque waist.

Flowing organza ruffles formed the full skirt and drifted into a cathedral-length train.

She wore a waist-length bridal veil trimmed with satin and hand

beaded pearls, featuring a satin and organza flower headpiece accented with seed pearls in a delicate cascade. The veil was designer-created especially for her gown.

Her bridal bouquet of simple elegance was a cascade of white Casablanca lilies, snow white roses, stephanotis and gypsophila with accents of unusual foliage. Her fingertip tulle and embroidered lace gloves added distinction.

For "something old," she carried a sterling silver rosary with blue wedding-bell beads, given to her as a child by her maternal grandmother, Mary Wolf.

ATTENDANTS

The matron of honor was Shirley Bowman of Frisco, a friend of the bride. Kathryn Hermes, bride's sister-in-law of Dallas, was bridesmaid. They wore identical gowns designed with emerald green iridescent taffeta skirts with tea-length hemlines and black velvet bodices. Each carried an arm bouquet of long-stem calla lilies and bear grass tied with peach, white and ivory ribbons.

Flower girl was the bride's cousin, Katy Wolf of Gainesville, and ring bearer was Ryan Zimmerman of Lindsay, also a cousin.

Dennis Hermes of Weatherford was best man and Dwayne Hermes of Dallas was groomsman. Both are brothers of the bride.

The white carpet for the bride's entry was rolled out by her uncle, Patrick Hermes.

Wedding music was outstanding, and presented by Psalms Quartet, Dee Vaughn, Ron Higgins, Ed Carrigan and Glenn Wilson. Mr. Wilson was the organist. Selections included Schubert's "Ave Maria," sung in

Latin; "The Wedding Song," Wagner's "Bridal Chorus" from Lohengrin; "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You?" by Morrison; "The Lord's Prayer;" "Oh, Perfect Love" by Gurney; "Surely The Presence Of The Lord" by Wolfe and the processional, "Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring" by Bach; and the recessional, Handel's "La Rejouissance."

Church decorations included a pair of 14-branch candelabras with peach tapers; and a Unity candle decorated with English ivy and a peach bow. Center aisle pews were marked with peach bows.

RECEPTION

A reception, catered buffet and dance followed in the Knights of Columbus Hall of Gainesville. Guest book attendants were Diane White of Denton, a cousin of the bride, and Christa Wooderson of Dallas.

Guests were greeted at the KC Hall where soft lights glowed in the front shrubbery. The foyer to the reception area was decorated with balloons, lattice fencing and English ivy. Reception tables were accented with iridescent green bows and silver shredded ribbons. Clusters of votive candles were nestled in iridescent and silver shredded cellophane. Each guest table held a basket of snacks.

In the center of the reception area was a table holding a 3-ft. high tropical flower arrangement, flanked by the bride's cake and the groom's cake. The five-tiered white wedding cake was accented with gumpaste flowers, calla lilies, orchids, gardenias, roses and stephanotis, all with the look of porcelain, in light muted tones.

The groom's large round chocolate cake was surrounded with chocolate-dipped strawberries and topped with mounds of chocolate curls.

Cake servers were Marlene and Darlene Hess and Julia Fleitman, all of Muenster, and Delana Cunningham and Kelly Hermes. Pamela McComber presided over the groom's table and Joyce Hermes presided over the bride's table.

Suspended from the ceiling over a table holding the silver coffee and punch services was a shower of glistening glass hearts.

The table for the bridal party was covered with white linen, edg-

ed with Juliet tulle and pearl strands, and decorated with hurricane lamps, ivy, peach bows and silver shredded ribbon.

An elaborate, bountiful buffet was catered by Francis and Cathie Fuhrmann, from a table centered with an ice carving of a dolphin, surrounded by a profusion of sea foods.

The couple is on a Caribbean cruise to several undisclosed resorts.

The bride is a 1981 graduate of Gainesville High School and a 1986 graduate of the University of North Texas with a degree in Finance. She is a Sales Representative for Business Men's Assurance. The groom is a 1976 Eastern Michigan University graduate with a degree in Business Administration. He is the Western Sales Manager of Mitsubishi International.

Out-of-town guests attending the wedding included Mr. Kiyohide Inoue of Chicago; Jerry and Judy Scruggs of Mesa, Arizona; Holly Kroll of Santa Clara, California; Betty Henderson of Bay City, Michigan; and friends and colleagues from Dallas, Denton and Windthorst.

Kim Hess on Honors List at UNT

Kim A. Hess has received a Certificate of Commendation and a letter of congratulations from the University of North Texas in recognition of earning a perfect grade point average of 4.0 on a 4.0 ratio, while completing 18 semester credit hours for the Fall 1990 semester.

She has been on the Honors List each semester since entering UNT in the Fall of 1988. Kim is a 1988 graduate of Muenster High School and is the daughter of Dennis and Kathy Hess.

Muenster Invitational Literary meet great success

by Robert Wayne McDaniel

Everyone associated with the first literary meet held in Muenster was excited about its success. There were 205 entries representing the third through eighth grades from Lindsay, Era and Muenster. Muenster had 114 entries, Lindsay 81, and Era ten. Lindsay took the sweepstakes trophy by accumulating 613½ points with 19 first places, 15 seconds, 12 thirds, 9 fourths, 8 fifths and 7 sixths; Muenster earned 463½ points with 10 first places, 10 seconds, 12 thirds, 7 fourths, 9 fifths, and 11 sixths; and Era 32 points with one second place, one fourth place, two fifth places, and one sixth.

Of course, no meet is successful unless interested people pitch in to do his or her share. The Muenster faculty did an excellent job grading, judging, and running the concession stand.

Correction!

The mural incorporated into the new exterior south wall of Fischer's Meat Market and Grocery was painted by Dennis Stephens of The Carriage House in Nocona. In carrying the story last week, **The Enterprise** spelled his name incorrectly. We offer an apology to Mr. Stephens.



CARRIE ANN GREWING

Carrie Ann celebrates 4th!

Carrie Ann Grewing, daughter of Glenn and Connie Grewing, celebrated her fourth birthday on February 2 with a party at her home. Party decorations were carried out in a ballerina theme. Refreshments included a beautifully decorated birthday cake, ice cream and soft drinks.

Pictures and videos were made, gifts were opened and young guests enjoyed playing outdoors. Treat bags and balloons were given to the little ones as they departed.

Helping Carrie celebrate were her parents; brother Christopher; sister Megan; grandmothers Flo Walterscheid and Judy Grewing; godmother Diane Walterscheid and Mindy; uncles, aunts and cousins, Nancy Grewing; Diane, Michael, Randy, Shannon, and Craig Grewing; Sheila, Daniel and Kara Kleinert; Deuce, Donna, Darrell, and Cory Charles; Elaine and Evan Koesler; and friends Kenya, Kyle, and Derek Endres.

Sending special wishes were Grandpa Steve Grewing; godfather Rick Walterscheid; Kenny, Alice, Kenneth, Erik and Jeannene Walterscheid and Deano Bayer; and Bud and Donna Graham.

Public Library compiles 1990 annual report

The 1990 annual report of the Muenster Public Library was presented at the regular monthly meeting on February 20.

Librarian Bobby Jane Slater gave credit to the volunteers who are vital to the operation of the library.

Teresa Fowler, assistant librarian, has served for 16 years and worked 1014 volunteer hours last year. Betty Felderhoff, 16 year volunteer worked 463 hours. Evelyn Koesler, 10 year volunteer, worked 400 hours. Agatha Wolf, eight year volunteer worked 287 hours. Marci Klement, two year volunteer, worked 306 hours.

The July total circulation was the highest with 1816 pieces circulated. December was the lowest with 776. The total circulation for the year was: books 12, 351; non books 2137; audio visual 2136. Total yearly circulation was 16,658.

A total of 232 books and articles were secured through inter-library loan.

There were a number of special activities sponsored by the library. The Summer Reading Program had 154 children who registered and kept a reading log of the books read on their particular reading level. Certificates were awarded and a coupon for a free ice-cream cone given courtesy of the Dairy Inn.

Story time for 4- and 5-year olds was held each Tuesday in March, April and May and then again in October, November and December. In addition the librarian told stories to different classes at the schools and to several classes who visited the

library. A total of 748 attended programs given by the library.

There were 673 books added to the circulation during the year. They include 268 through the local budget; 209 through NETLS; 96 were donated; 24 given as gifts; 68 were presented as memorials; and eight were acquired through the Library of America series.

Those donating books were Jeanne Reynolds, Donnie and Anna Stoffels, Anne Perkins, Dorothy Fisher, Dennis Hess, Janie Hennigan, Jane Monday, Janie Weinzapfel, Billie Boyd, Johanna Bezner, Doris Dennard, Monica Hess, Nancy Grewing, Herbert Meurer and a number of unknown donors.

Gifts of new books were presented by Charles Stenholm, Steve and Mary Moster, Publishers, Beta Kappa, Henry and Betty Felderhoff, KXAS, Opal Booz and Philip Slater.

Books were given in memory of Ollie Trubenbach, Lynn Dangelmayr, A.V. Grant, Angela Juarez and Herbert J. Fleitman.

The library has 549 audio-visual items and subscribes to 15 magazines covering a wide range of subjects. In addition there are 16 free or donated magazines and one donated paper **The Muenster Enterprise**.

Defensive driving course scheduled

Senior citizens 50 years of age or older will be offered the opportunity of attending a refresher course to improve their driving skills and possibly prevent traffic accidents, in a class of defensive driving taught through slide presentations, group discussions and rules of the road.

Weldon Cowan of Nocona, a volunteer trained by AARP will conduct the course on March 11 and 12, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the Cooke County Electric Co-op Building. The course is named "55/Alive/Mature Driving." Call Joe Hoeng at 759-2946 for more information.

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SACRED HEART students taking part in the Kansas State Stock Competition included, upper left, Shirley Henscheid, Mark Flusche; above, Gary Hess, Arnie Hess, Greg Hess; below left, Jayna Hofbauer, Angie Endres, J.J. Dowd and Melanie Bayer. Not pictured is Jason Bayer. **Janie Hartman Photo**

SHS stock market wizards ranked high

At the end of the second week of the Kansas State Stock competition, Sacred Heart Economics class has placed three teams in the top 40, out of some 760 teams taking part in the contest. Sacred Heart's best team is No. 62005, ranked 14th, consisting of Jayna Hofbauer, Angie Endres, Mel Bayer and J.J. Dowd. Their best strategy so far has been short-selling Delta Airlines. Team No.

62002, ranked 20th, consists of Mark Flusche, Shirley Henscheid and Jason Bayer. Their winning strategy to date has been buying Snyder Oil and short-selling Loews. Also placing high was team No. 62003, ranked 34th, consisting of Arnie Hess, Gary Hess and Gregg Hess.

device for learning about financial markets and stocks. The goal is to take an initial \$100,000, invest in the market, and try to make as much money as possible during a 10-week session. All transactions are recorded on Scan Sheets, and at the end of each week, team stan-

dings are published and portfolio value.

Sponsor of the game at SHS is Joe Caserta. The competition is sponsored by the Department of Economic Education at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas.

The purpose of the Stock Market Game is to provide an interesting

NSDAR announces entries

The Francis Lightfoot Lee Chapter NSDAR, Era, Texas, is pleased to announce the following entrants in the annual American History Contest.

From the Sacred Heart School fifth grade in Muenster: Laura Klement, Amanda Wimmer, David Hesse, Rebecca Endres, Valerie Bartush, Shauna Endres and Trisha Endres entered papers.

From the Sacred Heart eighth grade, Tiffany Fisher entered.

The entrants from Muenster Public School eighth grade were: Kerri Ann Barnhill, Tonya Marie Sicking, Cory M. Cain, Jason Michael Hughton, and Ashley I. Hartman.

We are proud of the papers we received. Only one entrant from each grade can be entered in the NSDAR State Contest although all will receive Certificates of Appreciation.

The fifth grade entrant is Amanda Wimmer from Sacred Heart School.

The eighth grade entrant is Kerri Ann Barnhill from Muenster Public School.

The topic was "What the Bill of Rights Means to Me."

The Bill of Rights is the first 10 amendments to the Constitution. We congratulate the students,

their parents and the teachers. Members of the American History Month Committee are Mmes. Jeanette Balentine, Della Maberry and Becky Jones.

Schedule of Meetings

Hospital Auxiliary

The Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will meet Thursday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the south wing of the hospital.

CCC holds book review

The Cooke County College Library is sponsoring a Brown Bag Book Review Thursday, March 7 at 12:10 p.m. Patsy Wilson will review the book **Dances With Wolves** by Michael Blake. The public is invited to attend.

Love Fund set up

Beta Kappa has opened a Love Fund at the Muenster State Bank for Allen Bayer. He recently had surgery and has been ill for some time. Allen is the son of Rosalee

Bayer and the late Robert Bayer. He is married to the former Christy Yosten. The couple now resides in Carrollton. Anyone wishing to contribute can do so at the bank.

Decatur plans Trade Days

Eighter From Decatur Trade Days will be March 15, 16 and 17 at the Wise County Sheriff's Posse Grounds in Decatur.

The event is sponsored by the Decatur Chamber of Commerce and features indoor and outdoor booths. Indoor booths are 10' by 10' and outdoor spaces are 10' by 20'. Rentals are \$20 for arts and crafts, used merchandise and antiques; \$60 for new merchandise and food concessions by permission.

Booths may be rented through the Chamber office, 817-627-3107, P.O. Box 474, Decatur, Tex. 76234. Dealers may set up at 7 a.m. Friday and must be off the sale grounds by 8 a.m. Monday. Sales are also planned for July 19, 20 and 21 and November 22, 23 and 24.

Decatur is located 60 miles northwest of Dallas, 38 miles north of Fort Worth and 28 miles west of Denton. Ample motels and restaurants are available.

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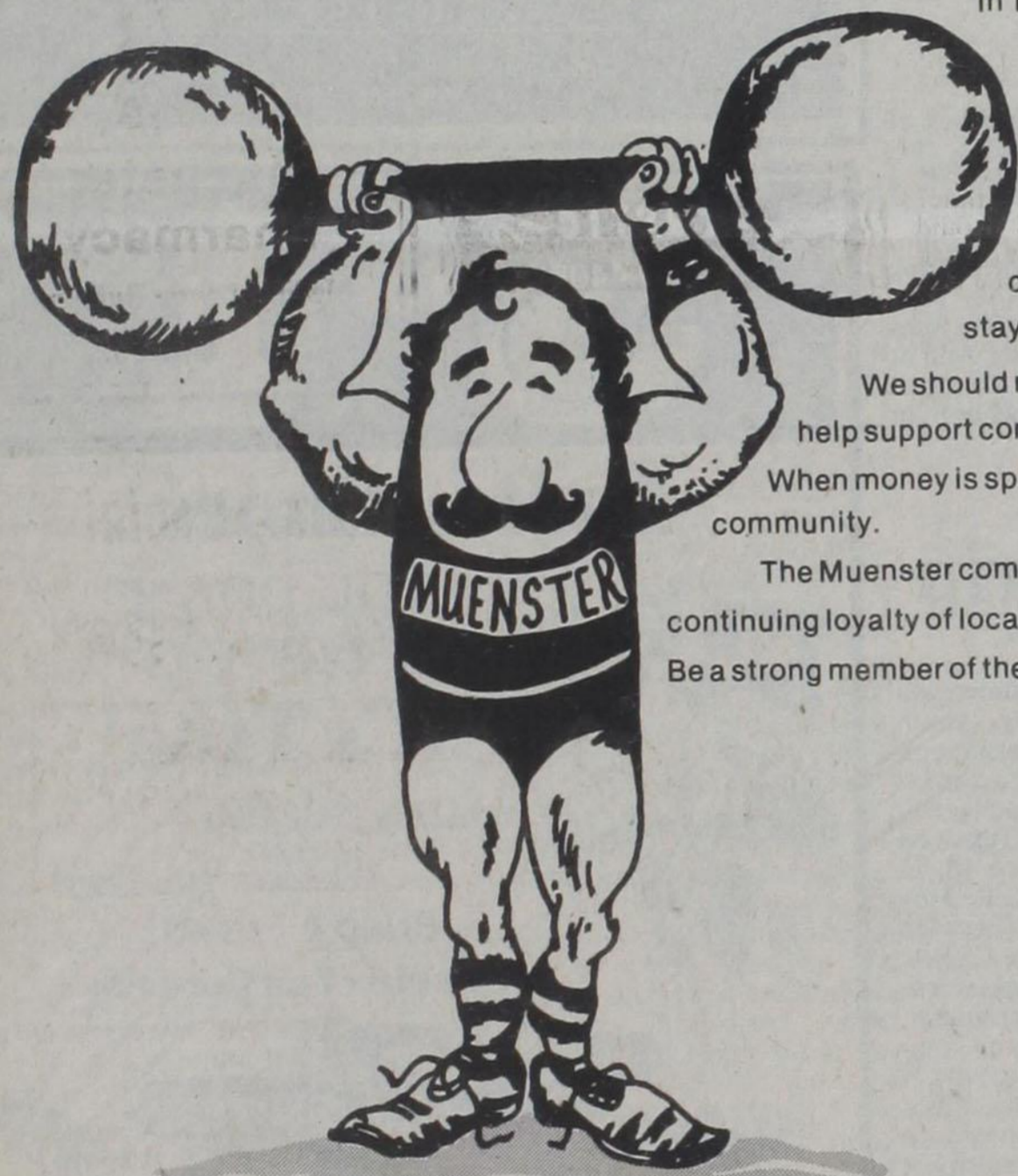
In 1990, Muenster received \$122,287.00 in sales tax rebates.

Nobody is expected to keep all of their money in town. We all enjoy trying new attractions and seeing what other places have to offer. But just a small portion of the spending that goes out of town could make a very big difference if that little bit extra stayed in town.

We should remember that part of every dollar we spend goes to help support community services and pay part of the tax obligation.

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Lisa Martinez is college grad

Lisa Marie Martinez, daughter of Ben and Lupe Martinez of Muenster, is a graduate of Texas Woman's University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Occupational Therapy and a minor in Psychiatry.

She was one of 750 students receiving degrees during winter commencement exercises, which represented the largest number of students graduating at any one time in TWU's history. Exercises were held in Margo Jones Performance Hall, followed by a reception for graduates and their families in Hubbard Hall.

Lisa Martinez is employed at the VA Hospital in Waco as an Occupational Therapist.

A graduate of Muenster High School in 1983, she also earned an Associate of Science degree at Cooke County College in 1985, and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Fraternity.

KERRY ANN HAVERKAMP and Mike Dangelmayr have chosen April 6, 1991, for their wedding day. Their engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by her parents, Benny and Mickey Haverkamp. Parents of the future-groom are Paul and Patsy Dangelmayr. Father Victor Gillespie, OSB, will officiate in Sacred Heart Church at 5 p.m. The bride-elect is a graduate of Muenster High School and is attending Cooke County College. She is a sales representative for The Hut, Pauline's, and Radio Station KGAF. The future-groom is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and TSTI in Waco in Electronics. He is employed by Peterbilt, Inc. Attendants will be Jeanie Hess, Amber Grewing, Monica Haverkamp, Sharon Hermes, Susan Cook, Bobby Johnson, T.J. Walterscheid, Ron Dangelmayr, Chris Dangelmayr and Darrell Dangelmayr. The couple plans to reside in Muenster.



LISA MARTINEZ

Pat Davidson Gilliland excels in journalism and music!

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davidson recently attended a performance of the annual Oklahoma City Gridiron Show, in which their daughter, Pat Gilliland of Norman, Okla. was a member of the cast.

The musical production is put on each year by Oklahoma City journalists, and offers a humorous and satirical look at Oklahoma politics and events.

Pat Gilliland, assistant metro editor at *The Daily Oklahoman* newspaper in Oklahoma City, played roles as the Oklahoma City Manager, and the wife of the newly-elected governor, as well as a turtle and a chorus line dancer. Her duet with the "governor" drew a very complimentary review by the newspaper, which said: "She sounded like a professional singer on stage."

Attending in addition to the Davidsons were Pat's husband, Gene, and Curtis Gilliland and Marie Cannon of Gainesville.

Pat is a choir member and soloist at Goodrich United Methodist Church in Norman. She is a graduate of Muenster High School and Texas A&M University.

Program offered to parents Monday

by Elaine Schad

A program giving pointers on how to build positive self-images and better self-esteem in children will be presented at 7 p.m. Monday, March 4, at the TU Electric meeting room, 210 N. Dixon Street in Gainesville.

"Developing a Positive Image," will be presented by Evelyn Yeatts, Cooke County Extension Agent. The free program is geared toward parents, daycare workers or anyone interested in childcare and parenting, said Mrs. Yeatts.

Continuing Education Units will be given for the program. The support group meets the first Monday of every month. For more information about the group or the program, call the extension office at 668-5412.

Jessica celebrates four!

Jessica Bezner, daughter of Andy and Susie Bezner, celebrated her fourth birthday on Sunday, Jan. 20, with a special party at her home in Lindsay. The celebration was held two days prior to her actual birthday of Jan. 22.

Guests enjoyed a pink and blue Barbie doll cake made by Jessica's mother. Special games were played after gifts were opened, followed by a chili supper.

Attending were the honoree's brother, Nicholas; their grandparents, Thomas and Barbara Felderhoff and Weldon and Rose Bezner; the great-grandmother, Augusta Walterscheid; and uncles, aunts and cousins, Tom, Becky, Emily, Danny and Diana Felderhoff; Billy, Keri, Brad and Jenna Felderhoff; John, Rose,



JESSICA BEZNER

Jaclynn and Darell Henscheid; Matt, Janet and Lydia Bezner and Amy, Jessica, and Michelle Pangel; Lisa Bezner; Sandra, Aaron and Kevin Walterscheid; Bruce, Jenny and Jillian Bezner; Dan Bezner; and Pat, Tammy and Sabrina Bezner.

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New Arrivals

Frazier

Chuck and Beth Frazier are parents of a baby girl, Laurel Ann, born Saturday, Jan. 12, 1991, at 9:01 a.m. in Wilson N. Jones Hospital in Sherman. She weighed 10 lb. 13 1/2 oz. and measured 20 3/4 inches in length. Laurel joins a brother, Russell, age 2. Grandparents are Rev. Clay and Pearl Frazier of Morris, Tennessee and Herbert and Ann Cook of Atlanta, Georgia. Chuck Frazier is the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Muenster.

Stock

Coach and Mrs. Eddie Stock of 7413 Barney Street, Dallas, Tx. 75217 announce the birth of a daughter, their third child, on Feb. 22, 1991 at 10:27 p.m., weighing 6 lb. 9 oz. and measuring 19 3/4 inches in length. They have named her Kelley Quinn. She joins a brother Dale and a sister Ann at home. Stock is a former coach at Sacred Heart High School in Muenster.

Six students vie for trip

This Sunday, Cooke County Electric Cooperative will hold a speech contest to select the winner of an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. Six finalists have been selected from 22 high school students from around Cooke and Montague counties who submitted essays.

The finalists, selected on the basis of essay scores, include Kimberly Bryan, a junior at Gainesville High School; Kristen Klement, a senior at Muenster High School; Jane Klement, a senior at Muenster High School; Marlene Hess, a sophomore at Muenster High School; Charles K. Colwell, a senior at Muenster High School; and Jesse Kincy a senior at Prairie Valley High School.

The students were among 22 who entered the competition. The essays were judged by a panel of outsiders that included, Ed Sipes, member services director for Wise County Electric Cooperative; June Richie, member services advisor for J-A-C Electric Cooperative; and Charles Christian, member services manager at Lamar Electric Cooperative. In their jobs, these professionals are called upon to communicate about energy conservation, use of electricity and the role of electric cooperatives.

The judges were impressed by the quality of the essays. "Whatever resources were available to them, they came up with some good information," said Christian.

Sipes added, "It's one thing to get together a lot of information; it's another to understand and express ideas clearly." With only one or two exceptions, the writers demonstrated a clear grasp of material, according to the judges. "The quality was deep," said Sipes. "I was surprised so many were so good."

Students wrote on a variety of topics, including the impact of electricity on quality of life, the role electric cooperatives have played in development of rural America and the connection between conserving energy and the preservation of the environment.

All 22 students who submitted essays will receive T-shirts honoring their participation in the

contest. The speech contest winner will travel with outstanding youth from across Texas to Washington D.C. as part of the TEC's annual youth tour. The youngsters will depart from Lewisville, Texas on June 7 and return on June 18. In between, the youngsters will enjoy extensive guided tours. They will have a chance to visit the Capitol and meet their Congressmen. They will tour the Smithsonian, Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery and participate in a variety of educational activities and seminars. Many of the youth who have taken the trip describe it as a life-changing experience.

The other five finalists will receive a consolation prize.

PARENTS Ask

EDITOR'S NOTE: Parents Ask will be a weekly column, attempting to answer questions that parents in the Muenster Independent School District sometimes ask. It will try to briefly address concerns and needs of parents and students. Gwen Trubench, Muenster Public School Elementary Principal, will be writing the column. Questions should be addressed to her at P.O. Box 608, Muenster, TX 76252.

Question: My first grader reverses letters and numbers. Should I suspect dyslexia is the problem?

Answer: Not necessarily. Certainly letter and number reversals are frequently made by children with dyslexia. However, there is no need to panic. Your child can learn to read and write quite well - dyslexia or not. Dyslexia is not a sentence to failure. It simply means a child has a constitutional disorder causing difficulty in reading, writing and spelling despite conventional methods of instruction.

Most children reverse numbers and letters when they are learning to read, write and spell. Often children will continue to do so in third grade - a few will do so from time to time all of their lives.

Often small children are taught the "ball and stick" methods of

writing. While this method seems easy at first glance, it often confuses the young child.

A "ball and stick" put together will make a b, d, p, q or g. It makes little sense to the child that it matters which side the ball or stick is. After all, a cup with a handle is a cup - no matter which way it is turned.

Adults can help little ones by giving them the alphabet and numbers in a line on a card to use to check their work. Or, better yet, children can be taught cursive writing instead of "ball and stick." A chant, telling the children how to form the letters and numbers is helpful too. For example, little ones easily remember to make the number nine, you begin at the 2 o'clock spot, make a balloon and then the stick. Sometimes children make up their own chants to help them remember how to form their letters and numbers. There are many other little tricks good teachers show their children to help with reversals. The important thing to remember is that all of us have some sort of learning problem. Reversing letters and numbers is simply a problem - a problem with solutions.

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MAJ. R. THOMAS BRIGHT

Through recent letters and telephone calls, Major R. Thomas Bright, USMC, has informed his parents, David and Juanita Bright, that he is back in Hawaii and will remain there for some time. Thomas expressed his deep appreciation for letters and expressions of best wishes received from local area residents. He says his position in Hawaii removes him from the dangers existing in the Persian Gulf area and he will probably remain in that position for the immediate future. Thomas bemoans his prospects of any further participation in the Kuwaiti conflict while his parents heave a slight sigh of relief. His address remains: Maj. R. Thomas Bright, USMC, COMSOCPAC, SOJ-3, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii 96861-5025.



MAJ. JOSEPH A. BRIGHT

Major Joseph A. Bright, USAF, Thomas' older brother, reports he continues very busy within the Persian Gulf area. Flying C-130 cargo/troop transports, his activities consist mainly of the movement of supplies and troops to forward positions and return of casualties. By both letter and telephone, he related to his parents the particulars of the recent incidence shown on CNN of his aircraft landing on improvised high-way and sand landing strips. By letter dated Feb. 11, he writes of the tremendous activities involving fighter and bomber aircraft and the efficiency of the overall operation. Joseph, too, expresses his profound gratitude for the many letters of support and though constantly on the move, his address remains static as: Major Joseph A. Bright, USAF, SSN 449-04-8654, 317 TAW (Deployed), 41 TAS/DOXT, APO New York 09617.



1st LT. JAMES M. BRIGHT

Younger brother, 1st Lt. James M. Bright, USMC, is smack in the middle of present combat operations. Commanding a platoon of some 80 men equipped with missile-firing vehicles, his mission is one of support to other ground units by destroying enemy tanks, other equipment and/or enemy troop emplacements. He was constantly on the move prior to the initiation of current ground operations which now further limit his ability to correspond. However, he, too, is appreciative of letters and expressions of support and will be even more grateful now for others addressed to: 1st Lt. James M. Bright, USMC, SSN 449-04-8702, TOW Platoon, Anti-Tank Co., 1st Tank Battalion, FPO San Francisco 96608-5521.

Entomologists help soldiers battle insects in the Persian Gulf area

by Kathleen Davis
Texas A&M Agriculture Dept.

COLLEGE STATION - The U.S. military is squashing bug problems in the Persian Gulf war with double dose of insect control.

A lotion repellent and chemically treated uniforms are coupled for the first time in a war effort to protect soldiers in the campaign, according to Lt. Col. Tony Bosworth, medical entomology staff officer for the U.S. Army Health Services Command (HSC) in San Antonio.

HSC, one of the Army's major commands, operates perhaps the largest military medical care system in the world.

"We were able to brief people before they went over there," Bosworth said. "Everyone deployable in the field gets some training against insects."

Bosworth said insect control is vital in any military operation. "Aside from the biting and annoyance factors, insects and related pests can cause injury in many ways, and these injuries can be lethal," he said.

The repellent being used in Desert Storm, is a soothing lotion in contrast to the liquid used previously by troops. It is more effective and contains less chemicals and it is not flammable.

The uniforms are sprayed on the outside with an approved insect repellent that will last through several washings. Insects that land on the treated uniforms die.

Providing information about likely desert insects and updating reservists for active duty was the responsibility of HSC, Bosworth noted.

"We are making sure that we are teaching things of relative importance for the deployment...and how to live once there. That is an extremely important role," said Bosworth, who has been an Army entomologist since the late 1960s.

Dr. Jimmy Olson, a medical entomologist at Texas A&M University, agreed that infestations of bugs can hinder military operations.

"From the military standpoint, the goal is to protect the troops from the direct and indirect effects of insects of medical importance," said Olson, a former Army entomologist.

"Sandflies are a biting insect, very small and inconspicuous. They frequently occur in arid conditions in rodent burrows and dwellings, and they carry some diseases," Bosworth said.

"Although they bite more frequently in the evenings, they also will bite at other times under the

right circumstances...in bunkers and such.

Olson added that in addition to sand flies, which carry microbes that cause fevers and leishmaniasis (skin-rotting disease), the troops are having to monitor other insects that carry diseases such as malaria as well as for "a plethora of other things such as fleas, lice and ticks."

Flies can become a major problem in the desert, Olson said, in part because waste disposal is difficult.

"With the flies comes contamination in general, which results in such things as food poisoning and diarrhea," he noted.

"Then, of course, there are snakes, scorpions and even camel ticks," Bosworth added. "Camel ticks are big, fast and nasty."

Bosworth warned against combating the sand flies and other insects by the wearing of flea collars reportedly sent to some U.S. soldiers from home. He said the systematic approach of using repellent with treated uniforms, approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, should effectively remove the pests.

"Flea collars are for dogs and cats. Using them exposes one to toxic materials that could make a person weak and more vulnerable," Bosworth said.

Bonnie Hess is surprised

Bonnie Hess was the surprised honoree at a party planned by her children on Feb. 17 in the Community Center meeting room, in observance of her 70th birthday.

Attending were all her children and grandchildren, including the Don Hess family; the Bob Hess family; the Dennis Hess family of North Richland Hills; the David Hess family of The Colony; Larry Hess of Sanger; Steve and Jen-

nifer Hess of Irving; Frances, Paul and Trisha Stratton of North Richland Hills; and Mark Hess of Runaway Bay.

Also granddaughters Sharon Rice and Shelly Mallory of Tyler; and Frank and Clara Evans and daughter, Carol Ann, of Pilot Point; also the honoree's sister and sister-in-law; and several uncles, aunts, friends and neighbors.



KIMBERLY STURM, daughter of Mike and Joni Sturm, has completed seven levels in the pre-team meets held in Sherman. This accomplishment has won her a crown trophy and readied her to train and compete in AGAF Gymnastic Competition Meets. Kimberly is a student of the Gymnastic Sports Center of Muenster.

Janie Hartman Photo

1st Calvary Div. reunion set

While the 1st Cavalry Division is deployed to Saudi Arabia on Operation Desert Shield, the veterans of the 1st Cavalry Division Association are planning their 44th Annual Reunion at the home of the First Team Fort Hood, Texas.

According to Reunion committee members, all hopes are pinned on the First Team coming home before July 4, but if they are not, the Reunion will be dedicated to the troopers and their families.

In 1990 the Association Reunion broke all attendance records with 1,416 at Fort Benning, GA. Planners are looking to exceed that number in 1991. All veterans

of the First Team are encouraged to plan their celebration of the nation's birthday with fellow First Team Alumni at Fort Hood.

Information can be obtained about the Reunion (July 4-7, 1991) by writing to First Team Reunion, 1st Cavalry Division Association, 302 N. Main Street, Copperas Cove, TX 76522. Or by calling 1-800-234-9313 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday Central Standard Time. Early registration is recommended.

Arts & Crafts Sell-O-Rama reservations now accepted

by Evelyn Yeatts,
County Extension Agent

The dates for the Annual Arts and Crafts Sell-O-Rama have been set for 1991. The Sell-O-Rama, which is sponsored by the Cooke County Extension Homemakers Council, will be held on Friday, Nov. 8, and Saturday, Nov. 9. This year, the Sell-O-Rama will be held in the Gainesville Civic Center.

The Annual Sell-O-Rama is designed to provide an outlet for the many people in the area who enjoy doing one or more of the many different types of crafts, needlework or other handcrafted items. It will also provide an opportunity for people, who do not have the time or talent to make quality craft items, to purchase them.

Reservations are currently being made for people who want to have a display table of sale items. To obtain a reservation form, call the County Extension Office at 817-668-5412 or pick up a form at the County Extension Office located in the Courthouse Basement.

Reservations must be made on the proper form and mailed to Mrs. Sharon Simmons, 1303 Belmont, Gainesville, Texas 76240.

Individuals as well as organizations are invited to have a crafts display.

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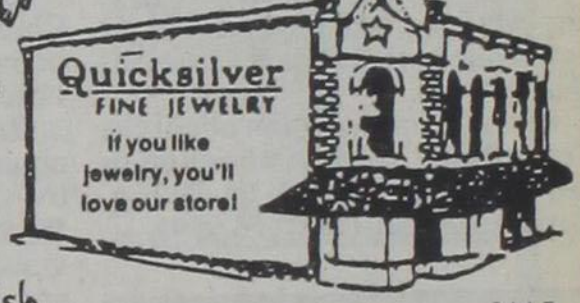
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New studies at Stanford University indicate that polyunsaturated oils are as effective as monounsaturates in a heart-healthy diet - as long as total fat intake is 30 percent or less.

Humidity seems to sap the power of the anti-epilepsy drug carbamazepine. The Food and Drug Administration and the Epilepsy Foundation recommend storage in a cool, dry place.

A faster, more accurate test for toxoplasmosis has been developed. Infection from the parasite found in cat litter boxes is dangerous to the fetus if a pregnant woman is exposed to it for the first time.

When people with colds take Vitamin C, it seems to reduce their need to cough, according to a study reported in the journal "Respiration."

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Dean Flanagan, R.Ph.



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News of the Sick

News on Joe Paul Walterscheid is that he is beginning to improve daily, very slowly but surely. According to a conversation with his mother, Theresa Walterscheid, on Wednesday, the doctors are unsure how long he will be hospitalized. "Literally," said his mother, "he has broken bones from his head to his toes, and there is no way he can be turned to ease his constant pain."

His jaws, broken in three places, are wired shut; one eye socket is crushed; he's also suffering with a broken pelvis, clavicle, etc.

Sure to be a joyous event for him and his family will be a visit at home this weekend.

Although he is in Rehabilitation now, Physical Therapy is a slow process.

Theresa mentioned that Joe Paul feels deep appreciation for prayers, cards, visits and concern and has learned to look forward to daily "Mail Call." She hopes everyone will be aware of her son's response to the outpouring of concern from his hometown.

Get-well cards may be sent to the following address: Route 2 Box 348, Muenster, TX 77852. Mail is taken to him daily by family members.

Texas 4-H enrollment jumped

by Cassie Bullock
County Extension Agent

Enrollment in 4-H, the state's largest youth organization, has jumped up 30 percent to 402,000 during the past year.

"That means that the 4-H program now reaches about one out of every eleven young people between the ages of 9 and 19," said Dr. Lynne Thibodeaux, assistant director of the 4-H and youth development program with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"The increase in membership is due partly to new 4-H initiatives in Texas schools that provide educational curricula for classes in life sciences," she said. "School courses in food science, the environment, agriculture, horticulture and home economics have been enhanced by 4-H program packages in these and other technical subject matter areas."

Polka music festival is March 15-17 in Belton

In Texas, the use of superlatives has almost reached the point of becoming cliché, yet nothing else will do in describing the events about to take place in Belton, Texas. March 15-17 will be the date of the greatest Polka Music Festival ever held in Texas, or anywhere else in the country, for that matter.

Thirty-five of Texas' greatest Polka Bands have been committed to play in the First Texas Polka Music Awards Festival.

Polka Music lovers are expected to start showing up as early as Friday Noon for warm-up dances in the expansive Exposition Hall. They will be greeted by the Fabulous Six Band and "away they will go."

Saturday will feature fifteen hours of non-stop action.

Sunday's events will begin with a 10:00 a.m. Polka Mass which will be conducted by the priest who originated it. The Mass will be followed by four hours of music, dancing and great food. The Festival will end with the 4:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony.

Tickets for the event are moderately priced at \$22 for three days, \$16 for two days, and \$8.50 for a single day.

Because of the great number of people expected to attend the Festival, TPMA officials are urging everyone to buy their tickets and make their room reservations early.

For more information about the Texas Polka Music Association or the Awards Festival in Belton, Texas please call (713) 556-9595.

One of the most popular 4-H enrichment courses in "Blue Sky Below My Feet," which introduces children in the third through sixth grades to hands-on adventures in space technology and the expanding opportunities in this industry.

Thibodeaux also credits the success of the program to a variety of learning opportunities provided through 4-H projects that are based on current research and designed for children in specific age groups.

"The 4-H program goes far beyond instilling knowledge in youth," Thibodeaux said. "It focuses on blending current information and technology to help children develop life skills."

Young people learn how to make decisions, solve problems, set goals, be sociable and to deal with failures and setbacks through positive and productive activities, she said. Parents also benefit by spending quality time with their children.

"Various programs are presented by county extension service agents who are dedicated professionals," she said, "while more than 54,000 volunteers throughout the state lend tremendous support and leadership to 4-H."

Statistics show that 4-H membership appeals to a wide range of youth - adolescents and teens, rural and urban from all ethnic groups. In Texas, about two-thirds of 4-H members are white, while minority enrollment has increased to more than 30 percent.

Over half of the members live in cities and suburbs, a third live in towns and 13 percent live on farms. Children between the ages of 10 and 13 make up 59 percent of the membership; 28 percent are 9 or younger; and 13 percent are 14 and older.

Youngsters can enroll in 4-H by joining a community or school-based 4-H club or by participating in a 4-H school curriculum enrichment project. Four-H members can choose from 40 different science, technology and life skills projects and learning experiences.

Youth interested in joining 4-H and adults interested in serving as volunteers can call the Extension office at 668-5412.



Hearts and Flowers

by Ray Ashley

In Illinois Bend, for the Valentine's Day meeting, our Community Center was decorated with red and white balloons, crepe paper, white table cloths, red candles and heart-shaped coasters - all provided and arranged by Myrna Brawner and Bonnie Ivins. The effect was both striking and cheerful - a nice, thoughtful touch. For heat the antique wood-burning stove again served its function.



MUENSTER LUNCH MENU March 4-8

Mon. - Hot Dogs, French fries, chili beans, fruit cobbler, milk.

Tues. - Salisbury Steak, potatoes and gravy, corn, rolls, milk.

Wed. - Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, green beans, lettuce salad, bread, milk.

Thur. - Hamburgers w/Trim-mings, cheese, fruit, brownies, milk.

Fri. - Fish Sticks, potatoes and gravy, blackeye peas, rolls, milk.

SACRED HEART MENU March 4-8

Mon. - Mexican Casserole, ranch style beans, lettuce, tomatoes, cookies, bread, milk.

Tues. - Chicken Fried Steak, potatoes, gravy, green beans, fruit salad, homemade bread, butter, milk.

Wed. - Spaghetti and Meat, corn, applesauce, hot rolls, butter, milk.

Thur. - Steak Fingers, potatoes, gravy, combination salad, escalloped apples, bread, milk.

Fri. - Toasted Cheese Sandwiches, tomato soup, celery, fruit, milk.

LINDSAY SCHOOL MENU March 4-8

Mon. - Vegetable Beef Soup, crackers, choice of sandwiches (bologna/pressed ham), lettuce, tomato, cookies, milk.

Tues. - Lasagna, mixed vegetables, okra, tossed salad, bread, cobbler, milk.

Wed. - Chili w/Beans, crackers, mashed potatoes, congealed salad, bread, assorted fruit, milk.

Thur. - Hamburgers w/Trim-mings, French fries, ice cream, milk.

ERA ISD LUNCH MENU March 4-8

Mon. - Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, butter, Apple Brown Betty, milk.

Tues. - Vegetable Beef Soup, tossed salad, grilled cheese sandwich, chocolate mousse pie, milk.

Wed. - Bar-B-Que Chicken, au gratin potatoes, blackeye peas, hot rolls, butter, banana pudding, milk.

Thur. - Cheeseburger w/Trim-mings, onion rings, pinto beans, ice cream, milk.

FORESTBURG MENU March 4-8

Mon. - LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets, creamed potatoes, green beans, vegetable salad, peaches, bread, milk. BREAKFAST: Donuts, juice, milk.

Tues. - LUNCH: Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, blackeye peas, corn, beans, prunes, garlic bread, chocolate pudding, milk. BREAKFAST: Scrambled Eggs, toast, juice, milk.

Wed. - LUNCH: Hamburger Steak, creamed potatoes, gravy, English peas, fruit gelatin, bread, milk. BREAKFAST: Cereal, juice, milk.

Thur. - LUNCH: Sandwiches (cheese, bologna, peanut butter), lettuce, pork and beans, chips, pears, milk. BREAKFAST: Biscuit and gravy w/sausage, juice, milk.

Fri. - No School!



Country Tidings by Ruth Smith

Graveside services for Mrs. Lena Mae Tackel, 63, of Bridgeport were held Friday at West Bridgeport Cemetery. Joe Richardson presided.

Mrs. Tackel passed away Thursday, Feb. 14, in an Arlington hospital. She was born May 24, 1927 in Fort Worth. She was the daughter of the late Mrs. Jewel Manire Russell. Her husband, Glenn Albert Tackel, preceded her in death.

She is survived by one son, Sony Tackel, of Bridgeport; one brother, Forest McEntire of Amarillo; two sisters, Eula Neighbors of Springtown and Ruby Black of Bridgeport; and one grandchild.

Mrs. Tackel was a member of the Church of Christ and was a homemaker. She went to school at Forestburg.

Rev. Marshall Stewart has announced there will be a Revival at the Church of Nazarene at Prairie Point on March 8, 9, and 10. Services will be each evening on Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.. Sunday school will be at 10 a.m. and morning services at 11 a.m. Sunday evening services will be at 6 p.m. Rev. Charles Jones, District Superintendent of the West Texas District of the Church of Nazarene will hold the services. This will be his first time in this area. Everyone is invited to come and hear good preaching.

Emory Fletcher, who has been in the Veterans Hospital in Dallas for several days of tests, will have bypass surgery scheduled for Monday.

Emory is Mrs. Odessa Berry's brother.

Lee McKown of Dallas, who had bypass surgery, was dismissed from the hospital Friday and is doing satisfactorily.

Casey McKown of Valley View spent Monday and Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berry and James.

Bobby Fletcher of Corpus Christi, Doris Hodges of Ennis and Carrie Sharp of Gainesville visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berry and James Monday afternoon.

Jimmy and Sandy Christian and their grandson Casey, their daughter-in-law Jodi Christian and children Ryan and Hanna of Springtown spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Christian. The C.H. Christians enjoyed visiting with their great-grandchildren Casey, Ryan and Hanna. It was Hanna's first visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Maberry visited Mrs. Fannie Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Addcock Sunday afternoon.

Guests of Mrs. Louise Shults during the weekend were Mrs. Bobbie Nell Amis of Era and Rickey Blankenship. Rickey has worked in the African oil fields for a year.

George and Pat Morby visited Mrs. Evelyn Brown Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Brown visited the Harold Browns at Era Sunday afternoon.

Brad and Kenda Hutson visited the Kenneth Hutsons Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Hutson, Brad and Kenda drove to Denton later.

Rickey Gaston of Dallas and children Coy, Tyler and Bali visited the Kenneth Hutsons Saturday.

Mrs. Gladys Balthrop and Mrs. Pat Morby attended the revival service Sunday evening at the Forestburg Baptist Church.

Miss Lois Bewley and Clyde went to Whitesboro Sunday afternoon and visited Mrs. Winona Russell and Wes and Barbara Holley and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lynch went to Wichita Falls Friday night to attend the ball game between Holliday and Nocona at Hirschi High School in Wichita Falls. Colin O'Brien, who is their grandson and nephew respectively, is a member of the Holliday team. Holliday won the game with a score of 68-58. Holliday will play Pilot Point at Graham High School Tuesday night.

Mrs. Becky Richardson, Chari and Laura visited in Slidell Sunday with Mrs. Charlotte Fortenberry, Mrs. Anna Lee Fortenberry, Ethan and Bain Fortenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jackson took Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phillips on a tour of the Red River area. They started at Bulcher, then to Valley Creek, then to where Mt. Hope used to be close to Red River. They went nearly to Sivells Bend and through the old Camp Howze area, then to Gainesville for lunch.

Mrs. Josephine Berry accompanied Mrs. Merle Hudspeth, Mrs. Veda Magee of Bowie and her guest, Mrs. Cosette Abdulla of Haymarket, Virginia, to Gainesville Monday to Mrs. Pat Dill's for lunch.

Mrs. Abdulla is a relative of Mmes. Berry, Hudspeth and Magee. Her husband is Major General Obaid Abdulla. He is serving as a consultant for the United States government, stationed in

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia near the Persian Gulf. Mrs. Abdulla hears from him every day. She is visiting Mrs. Magee at Bowie for a few days.

Mrs. Josephine Berry visited her longtime friend and classmate, Mrs. Ruth Stark, Thursday.

Mrs. Juanita Greenead, Mr. and Mrs. Ran Greenead and Matt attended the Greenead family reunion Sunday at the Masonic Building in Era. There was lots of good food. Approximately 65 relatives attended. The one attending from the greatest distance was Mrs. Wanda Jones of Boston, Massachusetts. Other relatives there were from the Metroplex area.



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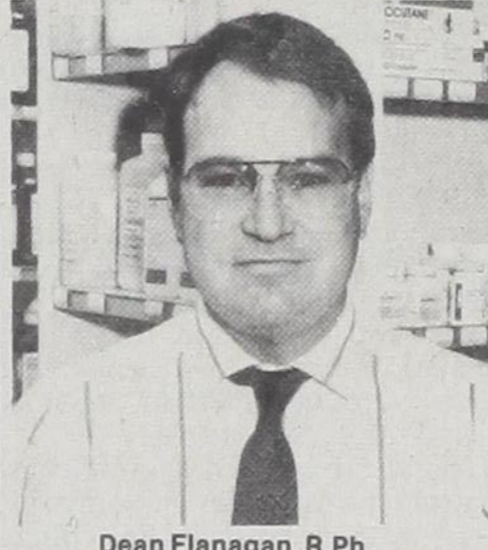
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Knights advance to Regional Tourney

They play some tough basketball in District 33A, and the Lindsay fans can attest to that after the Knights defeated the Ponder Lions 54-49 in Bi-District and the Bland Tigers 74-68 in an overtime Area Playoff match.

Lindsay and Ponder met last Friday evening at Denton High School. "We overpowered them a little with size and out-rebounded them," said George Thomason, coach for the Knights. "We intimidated them. Kenny (Fleitman) and Scott (Hermes) kept blocking their shots." The Lions started playing even with the Knights, but things changed when Lindsay came on strong early in the second half.

After first quarter scores of 15-

The win advanced Lindsay to Area competition with the Bland Tigers Tuesday evening at Tom Bean.

The Lindsay boys started in a hole but kept digging their way out to take a thrilling 74-68 win.

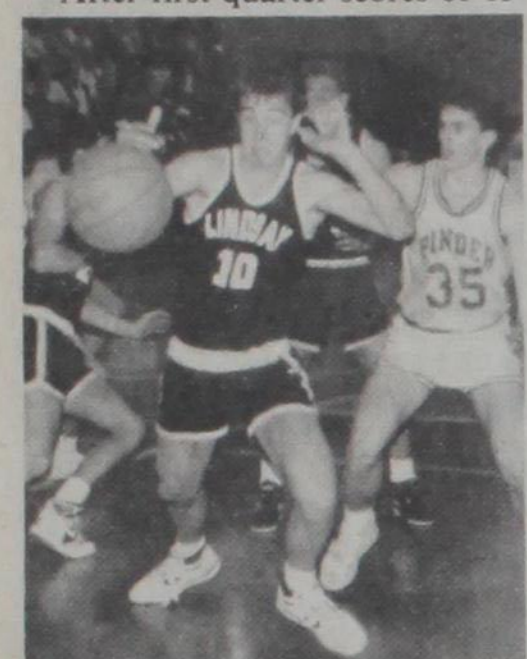
The leading scorer was John Krebs with 23 points, including 8 in overtime. Scott Hermes slipped in 18, Kenny Fleitman popped for 12 while Corey Sandmann, Chris Hanks and Ron Dieter added 7 points each.

The Black Knights found themselves trailing 17-12 when the end of the first quarter rolled around. After an even 18-18 second period, the teams broke at halftime with the Tigers ahead 35-30.

"I didn't feel like we played all that sharp, they came out pressing us, we made our shots, but had some bad passes," said the Lindsay coach. "Our best asset was we stayed out of foul trouble."

The Knights came out hot the third quarter shooting 21 points to take a 52-45 lead going into the final period.

Lindsay kept the lead until a few minutes remained in the game, when Ponder came back. "We had the lead, then they took a 2-point lead, then we tied," said Coach Thomason. "With 20 seconds on



SCOTT HERMES moves in on a loose ball in Bi-District action. Gene Hermes Photo

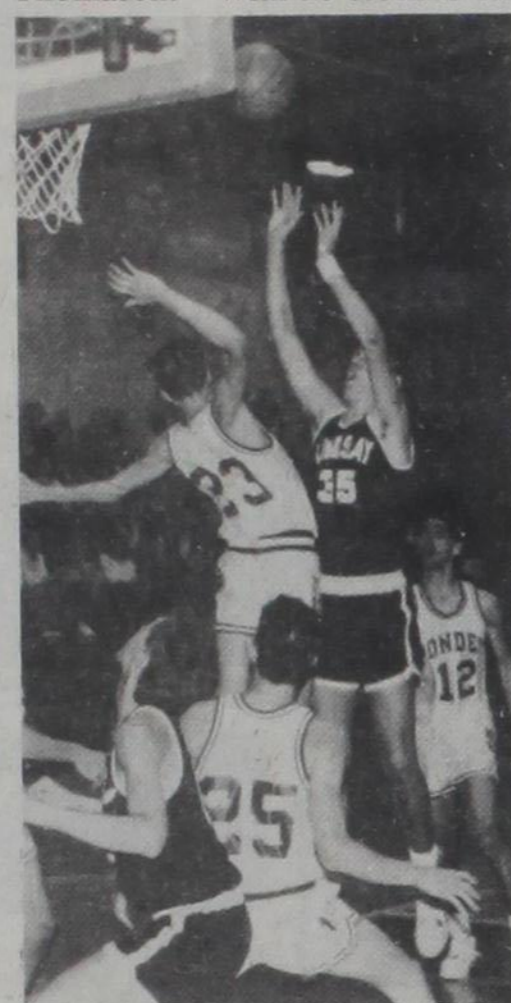
14 and 12-11, Lindsay led by 2, 27-25, at halftime. The Knights out-scored their opponents by 6 the third quarter for a 43-35 lead going into the final period. Ponder attempted a comeback, but fell short 5 points.

Six Knights scored, three of them in double digits, led by Scott Hermes and Kenny Fleitman with 14 points apiece. "Scott had a good game on the boards," said Thomason, "including 15 rebounds." Corey Sandmann added 10 points and John Krebs 9. Ronnie Dieter and Chris Hanks also scored.

Thomason credited the win from the free throw line. Lindsay hit 15 of 27, while Ponder made only 3 of 13 attempts.



KENNY FLEITMAN attempts to block a shot in the Area Playoff game with Bland. Gene Hermes Photo



KENNY FLEITMAN outjumps a Ponder defender as Chris Hanks moves in under the basket for a rebound. Gene Hermes Photo

the clock we set up for one shot, but it didn't work and we went into overtime." Continuing with a 62-62 score, the Lindsay coach credits John Krebs for his outstanding playing. Besides making 8 of the 12 OT points, Krebs' defensive steals, layups and 3-point shot clinched the 74-68 victory for Lindsay.

The coach concluded that he hopes the boys will be ready for Regional competition, after some sickness in school, which left some of the players dragging Tuesday night.

The Knights advance to the 8-team Regional Tournament at Kilgore Junior College, Friday and Saturday, March 1-2.

The State Playoffs are down to 32 teams, the winners of the four Regional Tournaments will advance to State.

PLAYOFF GAMES SCHEDULED

Lindsay Coach George Thomason received word Wednesday afternoon that the boys' first-round Regional Tournament basketball match is scheduled for Friday, March 1, at Kilgore Junior College. The Knights will play Neches, from District 42, at 8:30 p.m. Neches has a season record of 26-5. A team must win all three games in the tournament to advance to State Finalist.



RONNIE DIETER takes the shot against Ponder. Also pictured is John Krebs. Gene Hermes Photo

Two from SH selected as All-Stars

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes will be well represented this weekend at the TAPPS All-Star Weekend in Dallas. Seniors J.J. Dowd and Sharon Fuhrmann have been named to play for the North All-Stars. The athletes will be in Dallas Friday morning for their team workout and will be the guests at Friday's All-Star Banquet. The Tigerettes North squad will play the South on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the University of Dallas.

Fuhrmann led the Tigerettes in 3-pointers and was the team's leading rebounder. Dowd, the dominant post for the Tigerettes, led the

Tigerettes in scoring and connecting on 52% of her field goal attempts. "It is a well-deserved honor for two very hardworking young ladies," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "The center of our team was J.J. and Sharon and they played against our opponents best." "I am very proud of these fine young ladies."

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Five counties transplanted with turkeys

BROWNWOOD - The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department released 249 Rio Grande turkeys in five counties during late January. The turkeys, which were trapped in Schleicher County, were released on turkey restoration areas in Cooke, Colorado, Lee, Fayette, and Grayson counties.

The Rio Grande turkey is native to Texas and is found in the western two-thirds of the state, said Jim Dillard, wildlife biologist from Mineral Wells. The department continues to introduce wild turkeys throughout its historic range in areas with adequate habitat but a lack of adequate broodstock.

Since the early 1940s, more than 30,000 Rio Grande turkeys have been trapped and transplanted in Texas, he said. Since 1981, more than 7,600 birds have been transplanted from north and west-central Texas.

As a result of these transplants, many Texas counties now have turkey hunting seasons, Dillard said.

3-on-3 tourney set for Mar. 9

The Bridgeport Lions Club will sponsor the 5th Annual 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 9, 1991. The event will be held at the Bridgeport High School gym from 8 a.m. till 6 p.m.

There will be a women's division and two men's divisions, with an entry fee of \$45.00 per 4-player team. To enter, contact Robert Sivley at 817-683-4064 (work) or 817-575-4906 (home).

Era takes Area honors

The Era boys basketball team advanced to the Class A Regional Basketball Tournament to be held March 1-2 at Kilgore after taking Area Playoff honors Tuesday night.

The Hornets last Thursday defeated Alvord 56-50 in Bi-District on their flight to the State playoffs. A powerful third quarter gave Era at one time an

11-point lead, though Alvord closed the gap to 3 points with 26 seconds in the game. High scorers for Era were Eric Ceballos and Bobby Gordon with 19 and 12 points respectively.

The Area contest was played Tuesday at McKinney High School against Celeste. Era outlasted the Blue Devils, taking home a 59-54 victory.

Cy Binder and Jeff Young led the Hornets with 14 points apiece, Eric Ceballos and Bobby Gordon scored 12 each.

The Hornets kept a good lead for three quarters, before Celeste's fourth quarter attempt closed the point margin to 5 points.

Era opens Regional tournament action Friday afternoon against a tough Avery team. Game time is 2 p.m.

Fish kill investigated

by Elaine Schad

State wildlife and water commission officials are investigating what caused a complete fish kill along about a two-mile stretch of Spring Creek on both the east and west sides of Interstate 35 on the southern outskirts of Valley View.

The fish kill was first reported on Saturday to Justice of the Peace Royce Martin who contacted state officials. Biologists and chemists with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Water Commission spent a couple of days earlier this week taking samples along the stretch where several hundred fish were found dead, said Cooke County Game Warden John Welch.

Welch and game wardens from Denton and Grayson counties are also participating in the investigation. Spring Creek is one of the major tributaries that feeds the 30,000-acre Ray Roberts Lake. The lake will eventually provide water supplies to both the cities of Denton and Dallas.

Welch said there was a strong scent of ammonia in the water which could indicate the kill is not a result of natural de-oxygenation of the water that sometimes results from heavy spring rains.

Investigators first thought the contamination may be coming from the Valley View sewage disposal, which is located along that stretch of the creek, but that has been eliminated as a source since the contamination seems to have its origin well north upstream from the plant, said Martin.

Texas Water Commission inspectors are expected to visit several Cooke County dairy farms located along a stretch of Spring Creek after tests showed that animal waste was the major contributor.

Officials think that animal waste from one dairy may be the main source. That dairy, located in southern Cooke County northwest of Valley View, was expected to be visited by officials with the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, said Martin.

Among the types of fish killed were catfish, shad, crappie, bass, channel catfish and several species of rough fish such as gar and carp, said Welch. The contamination is not expected to affect the Ray Roberts Lake area itself as the contaminant should be neutralized by the running water by the time it reaches the lake located about five miles east of the site, Welch said.

Fishing Report ...

LEWISVILLE: Water slightly off color, 47 degrees, 13 inches low; black bass are slow; striped are picking up in the creeks to 7 pounds on jigs; crappie are fair in number in the mouths of creeks on minnows; white bass are schooling around the main lake points and halfway back in the coves, best baits are crappie jigs and L'il Georges; catfish are good to 40 pounds with limits on trotlines.

RAY ROBERTS: Water clear, 50 degrees, normal level; black bass are fairly good to 6 pounds on worms; crappie are good in the 2-3 pound range on minnows and jigs; catfish are fairly good on worms and stinkbait.

TEXOMA: Water clear, 49 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 4½ pounds on Sassy Shad, jigs and live bait; crappie are good to 2½ pounds to 10 fish per string on minnows and jigs; white bass are good and are running with striped; catfish are excellent to 64 pounds with live bait on trotline.

Lead poisoning blamed for waterfowl deaths

AUSTIN - Lead poisoning has been named as the cause of death for about 200 snow/blue geese found dead west of the Murphree Wildlife Management Area in Jefferson County.

Two Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists discovered the birds on Jan. 30 while recording water levels on the WMA. Each bird was found to have five to seven lead pellets in the gizzard.

The circumstances are a dry fall, controlled burn of coastal grasses and a wet winter.

"We don't want to knock burning, but burning was one of the steps," he said. "Burning the top brush allows the stalks to become available, but recent rains put the water back over the burned root stalks. The water came up to high ground where lead pellets had been deposited over the years. A goose starts digging and pulls out the lead pellet."

So far, no other species of waterfowl has been affected in this area, Jessen said.

Use of lead shot for waterfowl hunting has been prohibited in Jefferson County since 1980, but there is so much lead from past seasons it continues to kill waterfowl.

TEXAS CERTIFIED WATER BODY FISH RECORDS as of Feb. 4, 1991

Amon G. Carter Lake, largemouth bass, 8.53 pounds, 23 inches long; **Lake Arrowhead,** smallmouth buffalo, 23.50 pounds, 30 inches long, striped bass, 10.12 pounds, 29 inches long; **Lake Bridgeport,** flathead catfish, 32 pounds, 45 inches long; **Joe Pool,** green sunfish, .65 pounds, 10 inches, largemouth bass, 10.76 pounds, 24.75 inches, white crappie, 2.59 pounds, 16.75 inches; **Lake Lewisville,** channel catfish, 13.88 pounds, 29 inches, flathead catfish, 98 pounds, 54 inches, hybrid striped bass, 11.38 pounds, 23.50 inches, largemouth bass, 8.44 pounds, 23.13 inches, white bass, 3.14 pounds, 20.50 inches, white crappie, 3.50 pounds, 17 inches; **Moss Lake,** bluegill sunfish, .73 pounds, 9.75 inches; **Lake Nocona,** largemouth bass, 11 pounds, 25 inches; **Ray Roberts,** largemouth bass, 9.18 pounds, 22.50 inches, white bass, 3.12 pounds, 18 inches, white crappie, 3.09 pounds, 15.25 inches; **Red River,** hybrid striped bass, 12 pounds, 27 inches (Eddie E. Ramsey), striped bass, 40.88 pounds, 43 inches; **Texoma,** blue catfish, 116 pounds, 59 inches, hybrid striped bass, 11.34 pounds, 28.50 inches, largemouth bass, 9.50 pounds, 23.50 inches, largemouth buffalo, 41.50 pounds, 37 inches, smallmouth bass, 6.53 pounds, 22 inches, spotted bass, 4.38 pounds, 20.50 inches, striped bass, 35.12 pounds, 39 inches. (All were caught on rod and reel with the exception of the blue cat (116 pounds) caught on a trotline on Lake Texoma.)

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Farm & Ranch

January price index up

The January index of prices received by Texas farmers and ranchers increased 1 percent from last year, the highest January index on the record. The index was also 1 percent above the December average.

The All Crops Index declined 5 percent from last year as lower prices for corn, cottonseed and wheat offset higher prices for cotton, all hay, sorghum and soybeans. The index was up 3 percent from December.

The January Livestock and Livestock Products index increased 2 percent from a year ago. Texas producers were averaging higher prices for beef cattle, calves and hogs but lower prices for milk cows, lambs, sheep, eggs, milk and wool.

Sales of cattle and calves at Texas auction markets during December 1990 increased 9 percent from last year to 352 thousand head. Sales for the year totaled 5.93 million head, 4 percent less than sales a year earlier.

December hog sales declined 8 percent from last year to 23 thousand head. For 1990, sales totaled 391 thousand head, down 13 percent from the previous year.

Cattle and calves being shipped into Texas during December totaled 338,534 head, up 29 percent from a year ago. For the year, total number of cattle and calves

shipped into Texas increased 27 percent from 1989 to almost 3.30 million head.

Some 126,961 head of cattle and calves were shipped out of Texas during December. For the year, outshipments totaled 2.20 million head, 6 percent more than last year.

December inshipments of dairy cattle declined 20 percent from last year to 4,907 head, while outshipments, at 808 head, dropped 53 percent.

Texas milk production totaled 485 million pounds in December, up 7 percent from last year.

The number of milk cows totaled 396 thousand head, 2 percent more than a year ago.

Production per cow averaged 1,225 pounds during December, compared with 1,160 pounds last year.

Texas cattle feeders began the new year with 2.33 million head of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market, up 11 percent from last year.

Texas feeders placed 1.45 million head of cattle and calves on feed during the October/December 1990 quarter.

Texas feeders intend to market 1.25 million head of cattle and calves during the January/March 1991 quarter, 11 percent more than actual marketings last year.

Stockers' special diets give good gain

by Fred Causley
From a Farmer's Friend

Wheat pasture stockers on a special supplementation diet at Oklahoma State University outgained animals in a control group by slightly more than a half pound per head per day, animal researchers say.

"The work is part of OSU's new expanded wheat pasture research program," says Gerald Horn, OSU animal nutritionist. "We want to develop a small-package, self-fed energy supplement with a daily consumption target level of only two or three pounds per head."

Horn says several things are going on at once in this research with the first aim being to help balance the nutrients supplied by wheat forage.

Horn and his associates are using a ground milo/wheat midds supplement to provide extra energy to cattle on wheat pasture. In addition, they are providing monensin to improve the economics of the program and to decrease the incidence of bloat.

Supplementation also serves as a means of getting additional minerals, primarily calcium, into the animals. Another advantage is that by having the cattle conditioned to coming to a supplement, poloxalene (Bloat Guard) could easily be added in place of the monensin in the event of severe bloat problems, Horn notes.

"I don't want to give producers the idea that they can just fill their feeders and forget it. The intake of any self-fed supplement typically varies from pasture to pasture and with different groups of cattle. Excessive amounts of monensin can kill cattle, so close management is a must."

Horn adds that management practices such as feeder placement, salt sources and feeding hay or other roughages during periods of snow and ice cover are extremely important.

"One of the first questions we are asked is how do we limit intake? We are doing it with salt at four to six percent of the supplement make-up. We also use magnesium oxide at three-quarter

percent of the supplement concentration."

The researchers worked with four groups of cattle this past year. Two were control groups receiving only a commercial mineral supplement. A third group consumed an average of 2.63 lbs./head/day, containing 197 milligrams of monensin. The fourth group consumed an average of 4.24 lbs./head/day, which provided 318 milligrams.

The cattle in control groups gained an average of 1.89 pounds and 1.63 lbs./head/day, respectively. Groups three and four gained an average of 2.31 and 2.27 lbs./head/day, respectively. This amounted to an average weight gain advantage of 0.53 lbs./head/day over all the cattle.

In dollar terms, with feed costs at \$140 per ton, monensin supplemented cattle increased in profitability from \$14 to \$20 per head. These figures were based on low, moderate and high profit

potentials of wheat pasture cattle over a period from 1980 to 1989.

"This analysis did not include additional profits as a result of decreased death losses due to bloat prevention," Horn notes.

"Each one percent decrease in death loss due to feeding a bloat preventative in supplement would be worth another \$5 to \$7 a head, depending on the cost of cattle and when they died."

Horn admits this research is preliminary and is based on only one year of data, but it will be repeated again this year.

"It is a program I feel has tremendous potential for increasing the profitability of wheat pasture stocker cattle," he says.

Landowners with permits should return TPWD questionnaires

Landowners in counties receiving antlerless deer permits are reminded that deer harvest questionnaires they received with their permits should be returned to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as soon as possible.

Landowner response is needed to evaluate deer harvest regulations in those counties, said Jose Cano, wildlife biologist from Clifton. "Landowners and hunters who received permits either through the mail or in person should fill out the questionnaires and mail them as soon as possible. We need these even if no deer or turkey were killed."

Cano also said landowners who obtained hunting lease licenses need to return their record books to their local game warden.

Hay bale twine, wire are hazardous to wildlife

Farm and ranch operators who feed a considerable amount of hay to livestock during the stressful winter months should watch out for wire and twine used to wrap the bale since they can be hazardous to wildlife, especially deer.

Trey Carpenter, wildlife technician from Abilene, said deer can become entangled in wire or nylon twine and the result can be death. "I personally know of three occasions where deer have died after becoming entangled in baler's twine," he said. "In one case, a buck the rancher wanted to keep as a breeding buck had twine wrapped in his antlers. The rancher asked hunters not to harvest the buck, but later it was found dead after becoming entangled in low tree limbs."

To prevent possible hazards to wildlife, Carpenter said all twine, wire or string associated with hay bales or feed sacks should be removed and properly disposed of after the feed is put out.

New head for ASCS

Jerry D. Harris, a cotton and grain sorghum farmer in Dawson and Gaines counties, has been named to a sixth term as chairman of the Texas Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service committee, U.S. Senator Phil Gramm has announced.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter also named Mrs. Hope Huffman of McGregor to her second, one-year term on the panel and reappointed veteran ASCS committee members Dale Hunt of Garwood, D.V. Guerra Jr. of Edinburg and Keith Spears of Vernon.

The five member panel oversees activities of the ASCS organization throughout Texas, including administration of federal farm programs in Texas.

Texas ASCS employs a staff of 1,400 and supervises the distribution of more than \$1.5 billion in federal farm program benefits to the farmers and ranchers of Texas every year.

County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

Fire Blight of Pears

Pears in Cooke County are annually infected by a bacterium that causes a plant disease known as fire blight. Pears are especially susceptible to infection by the bacterium during bloom. The bacteria are spread by insects visiting overwintering cankers and blooms during pollination. Blooms die soon after infection. The bacteria spreads from the blooms to the peduncles, and then into the twigs. Larger and larger branches are infected until the entire tree is killed. Fire blight resistant varieties are the most effective method of controlling the bacterium. Orient and Kieffer are two of the more resistant selections planted in the county. Bartlett and most of the eating pears sold in grocery stores are extremely susceptible to the bacterium and can not be successfully grown. However, most varieties that are grown in Texas will, on occasion, become infected with the bacterium.

Fire blight is controlled by following a program to reduce twig infection and making applications of either copper or streptomycin sulfate at bloom. Any practice which encourages succulent twig growth will make a tree more susceptible to the bacterium. Nitrogen fertilizer should be applied only in amounts sufficient to maintain growth and not encourage excessive growth. Pruning should be limited to removing diseased limbs, or limbs that are causing structural problems. When pruning fire-blighted limbs, cuts should be made at least 6 inches below the last visible canker symptom. When irrigating, do not wet the foliage.

Copper or streptomycin sulfate pesticides are frequently used as foliar sprays during bloom and

immediately after bloom. In most cases, it will require 2-3 sprays during bloom to maintain a healthy tree.

Remove diseased twigs as soon as possible to prevent secondary spread. Fire blight of pear can be controlled by using resistant varieties, controlled pruning, proper irrigation techniques, controlled use of nitrogen and properly applied bactericides. The secret is to take the needed precautions before fire blight becomes a problem.

4-H Livestock Show

4-H members from throughout Cooke County will be exhibiting their livestock projects at the 1991 4-H Livestock Show on Saturday, March 2, at the Cooke county Fairgrounds at Gainesville.

The show will begin promptly at 9 a.m. at the County Fair Barn. 4-H members will be exhibiting Poultry, Rabbit, Dairy Goat, Sheep, Swine, Dairy and Beef projects. This recognition event is designed to recognize 4-H members for their work, time and efforts spent in raising and developing their projects. Livestock projects are an excellent opportunity for boys and girls to develop responsibility. Animals must be fed and cared for on a timely basis in this 4-H project.

4-H members need to review their rules and be conscious of their registration and check-in time with their division superintendents. A Special Production Award for each species will be awarded to the 4-H member who does the best job in a total program which includes showing, showmanship, record keeping and a quiz.

The public is invited to attend this show. A concession stand will be available at the show grounds.

Muenster FFA & 4-H Show Sunday, March 3

Sunday, March 4, is the day that has been chosen for the annual Muenster FFA and 4-H Livestock Show. The show begins at 2 p.m. in the Cooke County Show Barn.

Animals will be shown in the following order: rabbits, broilers, goats, lambs, breeding swine, market swine, Children's Pet Show, breeding heifers and steers.

All youth under eight years of age are invited to bring their pet or favorite animal to be shown in the

Children's Pet Show. There will be no competition or entry fee for this event. All who enter will receive a ribbon.

Children entering this event are encouraged to bring their animal or pet and an entry form to the east entrance of the Show Barn by 1 p.m. Sunday, March 3.

For more information, contact Glenn Debnam 759-4924, Jerry or Evelyn Sicking 759-4388 or Tom or Becky Felderhoff 759-4884.

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Audits show compliance with Beef Check-Off

Compliance with the beef checkoff program in Texas is extremely high, the Texas Beef Industry Council board of directors reported recently. It made its announcement following a series of audits conducted on both randomly selected collection sites and those suspected of failing to report or turn in checkoff funds.

"The Texas checkoff program relies on the willingness of the state's producers to collect and report checkoff dollars," Jim Schwertner of Austin, a TBIC board member, said in announcing the audit results. "The random audits show that the Texas beef producers understand and comply with the beef checkoff program."

TBIC is charged by law with collecting \$1 per head each time a bovine is sold in Texas. The money generates state-national coordinated programs of beef promotion, research and education.

The Beef Board, the producer-run organization that oversees the beef checkoff program, requires TBIC to monitor compliance through audits of collection sites. Collection sites collect and remit checkoff assessments for producers who do business with them.

Audits conducted last year of eight collection sites selected at random showed that five had complied with the program to the letter of the law, two sites had minor accounting errors that resulted in \$145 owed TBIC, and one collection site had overpaid \$7,463 in checkoff refunds. That overpayment will be refunded.

A TBIC computer program indiscriminately chose the two auction markets, two dealer-order buyers, two feedyards and two packers for auditing from all such companies doing business in Texas. Two dairy sites chosen at random will also be audited. In addition to random audits,

TBIC can also subpoena records of any producer or collection site suspected of noncompliance.

"TBIC monitors all cattle transactions in Texas through computer-cross checking, field work, reports in magazines and newspapers, and review of animal health records for exported cattle," Schwertner said. "Producers who do not comply are sent letters and contacted by phone. If they fail to remit what they owe, an audit is ordered."

To date, TBIC has audited only four collection sites for suspected noncompliance. Examination of their records showed that together these four sites owed the beef industry approximately \$51,000 in checkoff funds. Ninety percent of these delinquent checkoff dollars has been collected.

Schwertner said the results of both the random and ordered audits show that Texas producer compliance compares favorably to all other states. That includes Western states that collect checkoff dollars through mandatory brand inspection.

"Since Texas has more cattle numbers and more cattle transactions by far than any other state, Texas producers are to be congratulated for their attention to checkoff assessments," Schwertner said. "Everyone in the industry wants to make this program work. If you have any questions on how or when to report checkoff dollars, contact TBIC's collection department. They can answer questions by phone or send brochures that explain responsibilities."

The TBIC collections department's address is: 8310 Capital of Texas Hwy. N., Ste. 440, Austin, TX 78731; (512) 345-3531.

TBIC will conduct 12 more audits of randomly selected collection sites in 1991. Producers selected will be notified by letter within the next few months.

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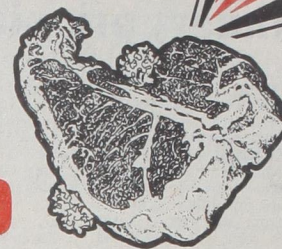


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