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Big loser in new education funding?

MISD must join County Education District

by Elaine Schad

The Muenster School District is expected to be the county's biggest loser when the new state education funding bill takes full effect, officials said.

Muenster school officials are bracing for what could be a somewhat dramatic tax rate increase for the district as all the money gets thrown into the new county educational district pot and then redistributed to all the county's school districts according to average daily attendance. "The projections are disastrous where this district is concerned," said Muenster Superintendent Steve Cooper. "What it boils down to is that all vestiges of local control have been eliminated."

Cooper encourages district residents to read the upcoming explanations of the new funding bill he has written for **The Muenster Enterprise** to help in the understanding of how the distribution of local tax funds will work. (The first article is in this issue.)

Each school district must designate one board member to serve on the new education district board. That is expected to be completed by June 24 so that the district's first meeting could be held by the end of June, said Gainesville ISD Superintendent Charlie Uselton. The Muenster School District this week selected board member Leon Klement as its representative on the county board.

The new education district is expected to be formed similar to the local school boards. There will be eight board members on the Cooke County Education District Board, with each having one vote regardless of the size of the school district, said Uselton.

According to the most recent interpretation of the law, the district will contract for the collection of all local property taxes and will then distribute tax money to each school district based on average daily attendance. Despite the fact that each district board member

will have one vote, each school district will be assessed the cost of operating the county education district board based on the size of the school district, said Uselton.

Cooke County Appraisal Chief Appraiser Ross Fry said the CCAD

will have to hustle to get a computer system in place to handle the new way of fund collection and distribution. "We'll have to program our computers, which are not big enough to handle all the software changes," said Fry. The

CCAD will have to purchase a computer just to handle the new software, he said.

The new education bill sets a three-tiered formula for setting a school district's tax rate. On the first tier, the local education

district will set a minimum district-wide tax rate of 72 cents. The second tier will revert to each local school district, where each has the option of setting a maximum rate of 45 cents. The third taxing tier allows the local districts the option of adding 5 cents to the rate for maintenance and operation. The three tiers do not take into account a district's bonded indebtedness, which the local district can add on top once the three-tiered rate is determined, said Uselton.

Stenholm staffer travels to area to aid in service

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Jayne Schoonmaker, Staff Assistant to Congressman Charles Stenholm (D-TX) will be in Graham, Gainesville, and Weatherford to continue personal assistance services in these areas of the 17th district.

"It is my belief that personal contact is the best way to do business," said Stenholm. "That's why Mrs. Schoonmaker is making the effort to travel to various points of the 17th district every month so that my constituents can talk to someone from my staff face-to-face if they so desire."

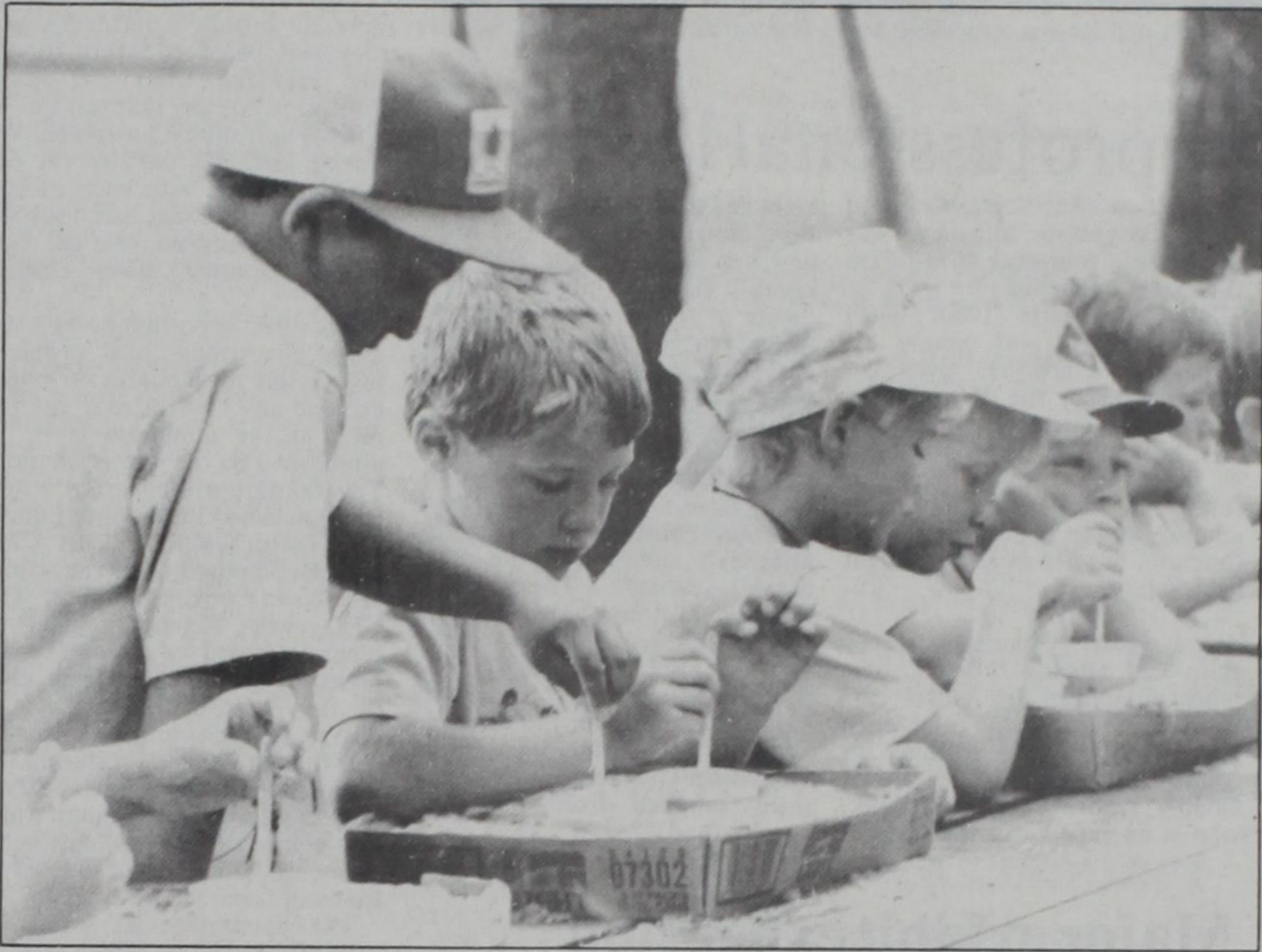
Mrs. Schoonmaker, who works in the Congressman's Stamford office, will be in Graham on Tues-

day, June 25, from 2 to 5 p.m. She will be in the conference room of the Chamber of Commerce, which is located in the American Legion Building.

On Wednesday, June 26, Mrs. Schoonmaker will be in Gainesville from 9 a.m. to noon at the Chamber of Commerce offices located at 101 South Culberson Street.

She will be in Weatherford from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on June 26, at the Courthouse Annex, located at 1112 Santa Fe Drive.

Anyone who wants to express an opinion, needs assistance with Social Security or Veteran's Administration, or wants information on military academies, is encouraged to drop by.



AT CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP, youngsters are learning to concoct a plaster mixture to make fox paws in the sand. They will next learn to discover deer tracks on nature trails and be able to pour a plaster mixture into a depression and preserve a deer hoof print. L to r are Jonathan Bayer, Jack Biffle, Keith Felderhoff and Adam Bayer.

Janie Hartman Photo

Williamson appointed to Legislative Conference

State Representative Ric Williamson (D-Weatherford) has been appointed to the Fiscal Affairs and Government Operations Committee of the Southern Legislative Conference. The term of his appointment will expire Dec. 31, 1991. The Southern Legislative Conference is one of four regional legislative groups operating under the Council of State Governments which has been in existence for more than 50 years.

The Fiscal Affairs and Government Operations Committee focuses on coordinating efforts between state legislative bodies with regard to federal fiscal policy that will impact state budgets.

"For the past two years, I have been concerned about the burden that the federal government is

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MMH Board considers rehab center

Muenster Memorial Hospital has been approached by a group interested in opening an adult substance abuse center in the south wing of the hospital. That wing was originally built for the purpose of such a center for the care of juveniles.

A special meeting of the board of directors was held Wednesday, June 19, to consider the proposal. After lengthy discussion, it was decided that a vote should not be taken on the matter until it could be investigated further.

Herman Carroll, hospital administrator, stated in an interview this week that a committee from the hospital board was to meet with the group on Thursday, June 20. The group has been in the business for some years according to Carroll.

"I'm looking at this positively," said Carroll. "We could use the space to create a fairly good revenue for the hospital." He indicated that the facility would accept adults only and that it would be a secured facility apart from the hospital's regular patients.

The hospital board will probably make a decision about the center at the regular board meeting on Wednesday, June 26. The meeting is open to the public as are all monthly board meetings which are held on the last Wednes-

day of the month in the administrator's office at 8 p.m.

Board member Sharon Felderhoff acknowledged that the board members were carefully examining the pros and cons of a substance abuse center in MMH. "We're looking at it from all angles to determine if it will benefit the hospital," she said.

"From background checking that has been done and the information that I have been able to put together, I'm not ready to consider it," stated Debbie Hess who is a board member and head of the hospital's doctor recruitment committee. "It didn't work last time and I'm not so sure that it will work this time. There are still a lot of questions about this particular group that I'm not happy with."

Hess would like to see the wing put to some other use such as offices for physicians or a satellite clinic with physicians from the Denton hospital.

"We have an OB/GYN who will be very interested in starting a practice here after the first of the year, an orthopedic doctor who is still considering us and we are seriously working on a satellite program with Denton," revealed Hess. A satellite program is basically when a hospital such as Muenster sets up a clinic that is

manned by doctors from another hospital (Denton) that are willing to come for a half day a week.

"We could have someone there five days a week if we wanted," she said. "Some possibilities are a general surgeon, ENT, oncologists - we could even set up to do outpatient chemo treatments here. Dr. Alfredo Antonetti's son is a plastic surgeon in Dallas. He has performed some surgeries here and has indicated that he is willing to come to Muenster on a monthly basis."

Debbie Hess stressed that the success of such endeavors was entirely dependent on the community because if local people weren't willing to use the facility then it was a lost cause.

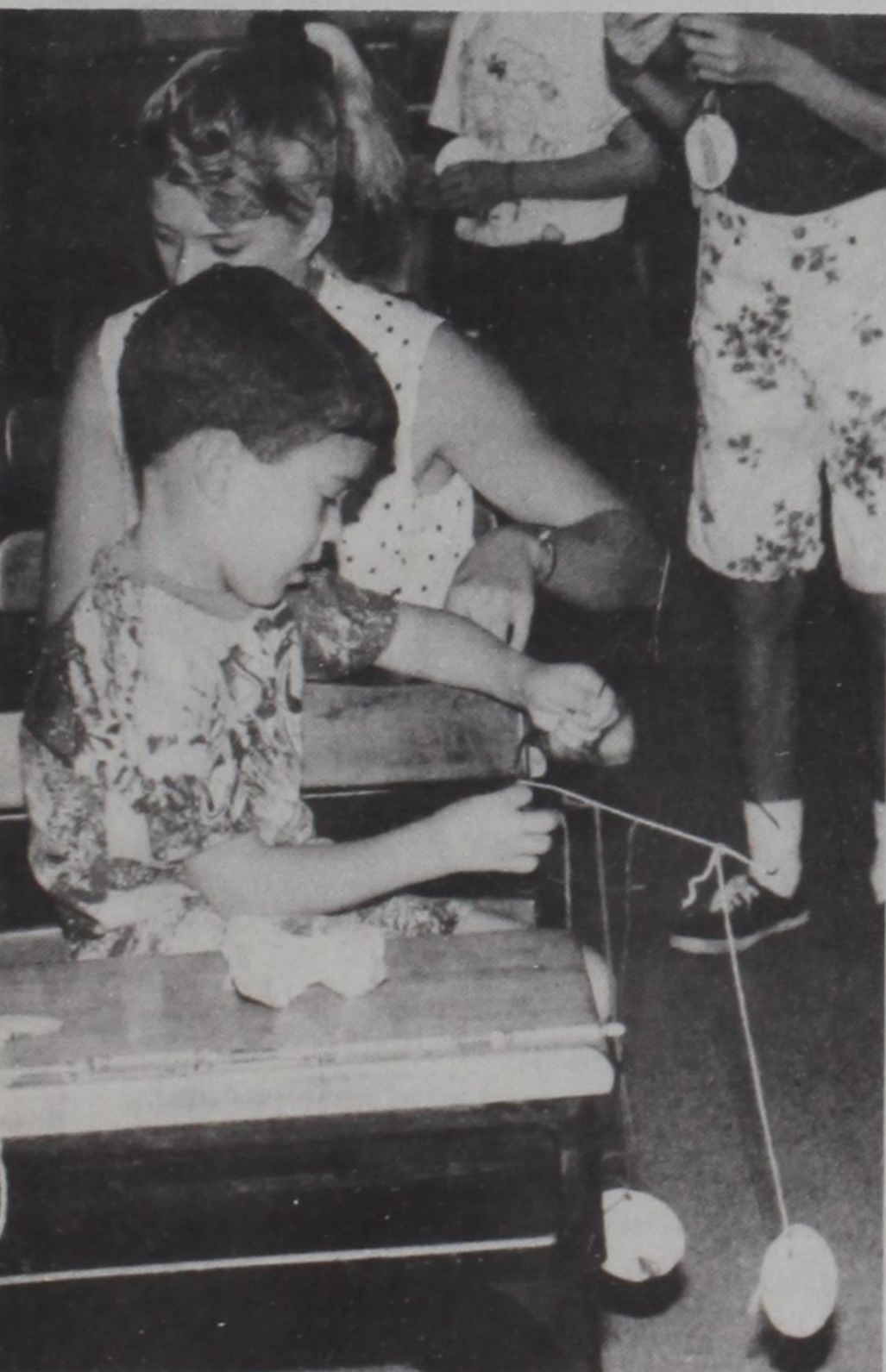
Another board member, Margie Starke, felt similarly. "The whole community needs to pull together and figure out what they want from their hospital. I feel like the community support is out there; the success of the Hospital Fair indicated that. I would like people to let me know how they feel."

"I don't feel like a drug abuse center is the answer to turning MMH into a prospering facility again and I feel like the community feels the same way. After it failed last time, why would we want to try it again?"

On another note, Chuck Bartush Jr., board member, feels that it would be an avenue to increasing the hospital's revenues. "Every means has to be considered," he remarked. "I haven't made up my mind yet. It would be foolish not to consider it. Revenue is down and this would be a chance to increase it. We have to weigh this against the affect on the community and also consider how it would affect the hospital staff. We have to weigh all of the factors."

Bartush also asked for input from the community. "Knowing how folks feel would help," he said. "We need to get as much feedback as we can from the public. There are a lot of meetings of the hospital board dealing with important issues and nobody (the public) is there. A lot of decisions for long term use of the hospital, and major decisions concerning doctors must be made. It is an important time for the hospital."

If you care about your hospital - now is the time to show it. Attend the board meetings, make your feelings known to the members that you elected, they care about your opinion. Most importantly, remember you are being asked and if don't show you care now, don't complain about the decisions that are made.



AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, Paul Wolf learns to make a mobile, following Dianne Pagel's directions. Vacation Bible School is in progress for Sacred Heart Parish.

Janie Hartman Photo

Good News!

Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver. God can multiply his favors among you so that you may always have enough of everything and even a surplus for good works.

CORINTHIANS 9: 7-8

by Elaine Schad

The Muenster School Board has approved a \$5,600 bid from Wayne Ashlock for roofing repairs to the district's workshop.

The job is expected to be completed this summer. Trustees approved the low bid during the board's regular June meeting.

The board took care of a host of items during a lengthy meeting. The 1991-1992 school calendar was approved, with students set to go back to school on Aug. 19.

There will be a teacher preparation day on Aug. 16, with the first semester ending before Christmas. The school year will be starting earlier in most places across the state with the new law which adds five instructional days to the school calendar.

Superintendent Steve Cooper updated the board on the financial status of the district and projec-

tions for the end of the fiscal year in August. Despite budget constraints implemented during the 1990-1991 school year, the district remains in good financial shape. If everything remains as present, the district could end the fiscal year with a small surplus due to additional money received from the state due to an increase in enrollment for the past year, Cooper said.

Projections for the coming school year are less certain with the new education funding bill, said Cooper. Next year's budget will still include some state-mandated raises as teachers advance on a 10-step ladder system. A new state law also provides that all district employees be given five days of sick leave and also select one day as a personal leave day. That formerly had been true of just professional staff.

In other business, the board:

-Extended the contracts of Principals Jerry Metzler and Gwen Trubenbach through the 1992-1993 school year.

-Accepted the resignation of recently hired counselor Kelly Kiker who will be unable to take the position because she must relocate to another area.

-Hired Anna Baxter as a special education aide, Dana Hamric as a high school math teacher and Davelyn Neihardt as a business teacher.

-Approved the bid of \$2,500 from Carlstead Co. of Buda, Tex., for the district to sell a used 1984 GMC bus.

-Approved the district's bus insurance premium through the Texas Farm Bureau.

-Approved about 48 transfer requests, mostly of students who are already attending school in the

district.

-Gave the high school principal authorization to appoint a staff member as a liaison to work with parents and sponsors who organize the prom each year. The annual prom is not a school activity, but a parent requested the school appoint someone who could help with informing upcoming parents of guidelines so there will be a continuity in organizing the prom.

-Approved the purchase of two cold water fountains, one for the gym foyer and another for the band hall.

-Approved additional telephone extension units so the school will have intercom access to the band hall, elementary teacher workroom, woodshop and agriculture building.

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Report on 72nd regular Legislative Session

by Ric Williamson,
State Representative

This is the first in a series of articles on legislative activity during the recently concluded Regular Session of the Legislature. Many areas were covered during the recently completed Legislative Session including the State Budget, Education, Insurance Reform, Ethics Reform, Overcrowded County Jails, Crime, the Environment, Redistricting and Horse Racing. In this article, I will discuss the Budget and Insurance Reform.

Without a doubt, the most important job facing any Legislature is the adoption of the state's two-year budget. Normally, the end of a regular session is dominated by the budget conference, in which the House and Senate struggle to reach agreement on the state's spending priorities.

County attorney: Moving up the professional ladder

(The following information is one of a series of spots on discovering Cooke Co. government, brought to you by the Cooke County Extension Program Council)

Researched by Ron Melugin
The elective Cooke County office with the highest degree of turnover is probably the office of county attorney. The county attorney typically prosecutes misdemeanor cases at the county court level, represents the county in civil actions, and after several years, moves on to the more lucrative private law practice or on to higher public office. Since the creation of the county attorney's office in 1866, Cooke County has had 28 men and one woman (Janelle Haverkamp) serve as county attorney.

Numerous county attorneys have used this office as a stepping stone to a higher office. Carroll Sullivan and Bill Sullivan were both former county attorneys who were later elected to the Texas Legislature. Jerry Woodlock, 235th State District Judge, is a former county attorney. Ewing Thomason, county attorney, from Era from 1902 to 1905, had a distinguished public career as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, Mayor of El Paso, United States Congressman, and federal district judge.

D. August Boto moved his wife, Cindy, and their two sons, Lucas and Matthew, near Era from Dallas in 1989 when the county commissioners' court appointed him county attorney. Boto, a

Comptroller John Sharp is leading an effort to identify possible savings in the state budget.

Comptroller Sharp's suggestions on how to streamline Texas state government are due July 1. About the same time, a blue-ribbon panel chaired by former Governor John Connally will make recommendations on how to improve the fairness and stability of the Texas tax system.

The Capitol in July promises to be hot in more ways than one. Legislators will have 30 days to write a spending plan that encompasses such diverse needs as public and higher education, highways and human services. Some of the proposals to cut spending will be controversial, and looming over the debate will be the prospect of a major tax increase.

It's too early to predict what the auditors will find. Only one thing is certain: what happens in Austin over the next few months will affect the lives and pocketbooks of virtually every Texas family.

The massive insurance reform bill, which passed both the House and Senate by overwhelming margins, is one of the session's most complex and far-reaching bills. It will have a noticeable im-

act on insurance companies, businesses and consumers.

The legislation is intended to make the insurance industry in Texas more stable while at the same time bringing a higher degree of competitiveness to the rate-making process. The bill contains the following changes which will affect insurance consumers:

- The state-funded consumer advocacy office is beefed up, with new authority to intervene in matters affecting all types of insurance, including the right to appeal decisions of the Texas Board of Insurance. The office is also required to develop a consumer bill of rights that insurers will have to distribute to their customers.

- The rate-making system is changed to encourage competition, with insurance companies having greater flexibility in how they set their prices.

- Policy forms and certificates must be written in plain, easily understandable language.

- Car owners will have to show proof of insurance coverage when they renew their vehicle registration, have their cars inspected, or get a new driver's license. The penalties for failure to have

ment for patrol cars. As a result, Boto canceled his previous order and used \$5,200 from the "hot check" fund to purchase three "state of the art" video cameras which are portable, easy to use, and don't interfere with the patrolman's vision. The local Texas highway patrol unit, the Cooke County Sheriff's Department, and the Gainesville police, each now have one of these cameras, courtesy of the county attorney's office and the "hot check" writers. These video cameras are invaluable in providing evidence for DWI cases, and they also are a form of video protection for officers in filming suspects stopped on the road. In addition, the Muenster Police Department has some radio equipment supplied from the "hot check" fund.

Baylor Law School graduate and former corporate attorney, was elected to a four-year term in the 1990 general election.

Since the early 1980s when Chuck Bartush was county attorney, state law has given the county attorney the discretionary power of levying a service charge on "hot check" cases processed by the office. Money from this fund can be spent on items relating to the county attorney's function, but not as a supplement to his salary.

Last year, County Attorney Boto had already ordered some video equipment for patrol cars from the "hot check" fund when he participated in a seminar for county attorneys taught by Brazos County Attorney Jim Kuboviak, who is an expert on video equip-

Major exhibit expansion planned at state aquarium

CORPUS CHRISTI - The Texas State Aquarium, the country's first such facility to focus on the Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea, will celebrate its first year anniversary this July.

The Aquarium's mission of fostering a deeper public understanding and appreciation of the ocean environment has been well received; the Aquarium

hosted its 500,000th visitor after nine months of operation.

"SeaCom: The Talk of the Sea" will replace "The Inside Story" in the Aquarium's Special Exhibits Gallery. Hands-on opportunities await the visitor, as the underwater world of marine communication is revealed. The components of this exciting exhibit include **Body Language**, a display that focuses on behavioral signals, such as postures, dances and territorial patrols of fishes. **Signs in the Sea**, another component of the SeaCom, examines how color works as a great communicator and miscommunicator in the ocean. Color attracts mates, defines territories, and serves as a warning that the bearers are poisonous, venomous, or simply distasteful. **Undersea Call** focuses on the communications of marine animals. Marine animals make sounds to find their way, find food, and find each other.

Admissions fees are \$7 for adults (18 years and older), \$4 for children (4 to 17 years), \$5 for senior citizens (60 years and older) and active duty military. Admission is free for children 3 years and under.

For more information on the Texas State Aquarium, call 512-881-1300 or 1-800-477-GULF.

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pointing on our state budget. My appointment to the Fiscal Affairs and Government Operations Committee will give me a forum from which to express this concern to the United States Congress," Williamson commented.

With this appointment, Williamson now serves on four separate regional and national committees of legislators.

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-Approved Leon Klement as the district's representative to the new Cooke County Education District.

-Approved a contract with the Region 11 service center to provide computer software services for 1991-1992.

-Approved the Muenster State Bank as the district's bank depository through 1993.

-Approved the board's legal liability insurance through the Texas Association of School Boards.

-Approved new vocational course offerings for 1991-1992 including a new landscaping design course. Also to be added in the industrial arts department will be courses in manufacturing systems and manufacturing designs.

auto liability coverage are also enhanced.

•Insurance companies won't be allowed to cancel or non-renew most types of commercial or personal insurance on a purely arbitrary basis. The new standards also prohibit insurers from non-renewing auto policies only because of age.

•Strict requirements for prompt payment of legitimate claims are put into the law. Insurers must notify policyholders whether they are accepting or rejecting a claim

within 15 business days of receiving the necessary paperwork. If the claim is accepted, payment must be made within five business days. There are substantial financial penalties if claims are not paid on time.

•The Department of Insurance is required to maintain a toll-free telephone number to give consumers information about complaints against specific insurance companies. Major insurance companies will also have to offer toll-free hotlines.

•An Insurance Fraud Unit is created within the newly-organized Department of Insurance to conduct criminal investigations of fraudulent insurance acts.

Next time I will discuss other important legislation coming out of the 72nd Regular Legislative Session. I encourage your comments about state government and you may reach me through my Weatherford office at P.O. Box 1179, Weatherford, Texas 76086, or my Austin office at P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Texas 78769.

New school finance system and its impact locally explained

by Steve Cooper,
MISD Superintendent

There has been some concern and question locally concerning the new legislative mandates on school finance. I would like to attempt, in the next few weeks, to communicate, what I know, to the taxpayers in Muenster School District.

I had written earlier articles that were not entirely accurate because they were based on information I was receiving from the Texas Education Agency that was not as reliable as it should have been. We receive periodic updates on the new legislation with each update clarifying issues that had not been previously resolved. We are currently operating under Update No. 6.

The most important point I can make concerning local property taxes is that local boards no longer exercise any control over the tax rate, at the minimum level, as established by the new legislation. This tax rate will be set by a new creation called the County Education District (CED). This CED will be composed of all the school districts in Cooke County (8). The CED will function under a separate board of trustees comprised of one member from each of the eight component school districts in the county. This board will function primarily during the summer months and it will be their duty to set a tax rate, county wide, that will generate tax money pooled by the CED to be disbursed to the component school districts.

The minimum tax rate for 1991-92 is \$.72. This rate is scheduled by law to increase to \$1.00 by 1994-95. These rates are mandated by the legislature. Local school boards as well as CED boards have absolutely no choice

in establishing a tax rate. They must follow state law.

The job that falls on the CED's shoulder is to determine what rate has to be set to generate enough tax money from locally appraised property to meet the amount of money the state says your CED must raise. The state sets this amount by using their estimate of what the property in the CED is worth and multiplying that by \$.72. The state's estimate is almost always higher than the local appraisal district's, this causes a higher rate, than the \$.72, to be levied locally. In addition, the CED's board will have to determine a tax that will take into account the historical collection percentages for each component district. Finally, there will be an election (statewide) on August 10 so taxpayers may decide to vote on having the CED give specified exemptions above and beyond what the law currently calls for. If these exemptions pass this will cause the tax rate to be inflated even more.

Once again, it's important to understand that your local school board and even this CED board have no control over the tax rate the CED must set. The state determines all of this ahead of time according to the figures generated by the State Property Tax Board and those established by the new legislation. School boards generally feel as helpless and incensed as the taxpayer because board members are taxpayers themselves. The CED is mandated to set a county tax rate high enough to generate enough tax money to meet the requirements of the SPTB and legislature. This rate is the minimum rate allowable. Once it is established, county schools will then qualify to receive state funds.

This article has dealt with the minimum or lowest level of taxation in the new law (Tier 1). Next week I will discuss the other levels of taxation the new bill addresses and projected tax rates for the county for the coming year.

As always, I am available to answer any questions that I can, and if I can't I'll try to get the answer. Please come by or call anytime. I would be glad to discuss the changes in school finance in any format - one on one or with a group. In the meantime, I would suggest that you call or write your representatives in Austin. They are: Ric Williamson, State Representative, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Tex. 78768-2910, Phone 512-463-0738; and Steve Carraker, State Senator, 322 E. California, Suite 201, Gainesville, Tex. 76240, Phone 512-463-0130.



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PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 42 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the newly created county education districts to hold elections to exempt from ad valorem taxation a percentage of the market value of the residence homestead of a married or unmarried adult. The percentage exempted could not exceed 20% of such market value, and the amount exempted could not be less than \$5,000. The amendment would also authorize county education districts to hold elections to exempt from ad valorem taxation not less than \$3,000 of the market value of the residence homestead of a disabled person or a person sixty-five years of age or older. Finally, the amendment would authorize elections in county education districts for the taxation of certain tangible personal property exempted from ad valorem taxation by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow the voters of a county education district to adopt certain exemptions from the district's ad valorem taxation for residence homesteads and to provide for the taxation of certain tangible personal property."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 5 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to pass general laws authorizing Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board or its successor to issue and sell up to \$300 million of general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students. The maximum net effective interest rate to be borne by the bonds would be set by law. The amendment would also authorize the legislature to provide for the investment of bond proceeds and to establish an interest and sinking fund to pay the bonds and provide for the investment of such fund. Bonds authorized under this amendment would be paid from the first money coming into the treasury in each fiscal year that is not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, less any amount in an interest and sinking fund established at the end of the preceding year that is pledged to the payment of the bonds or interest.

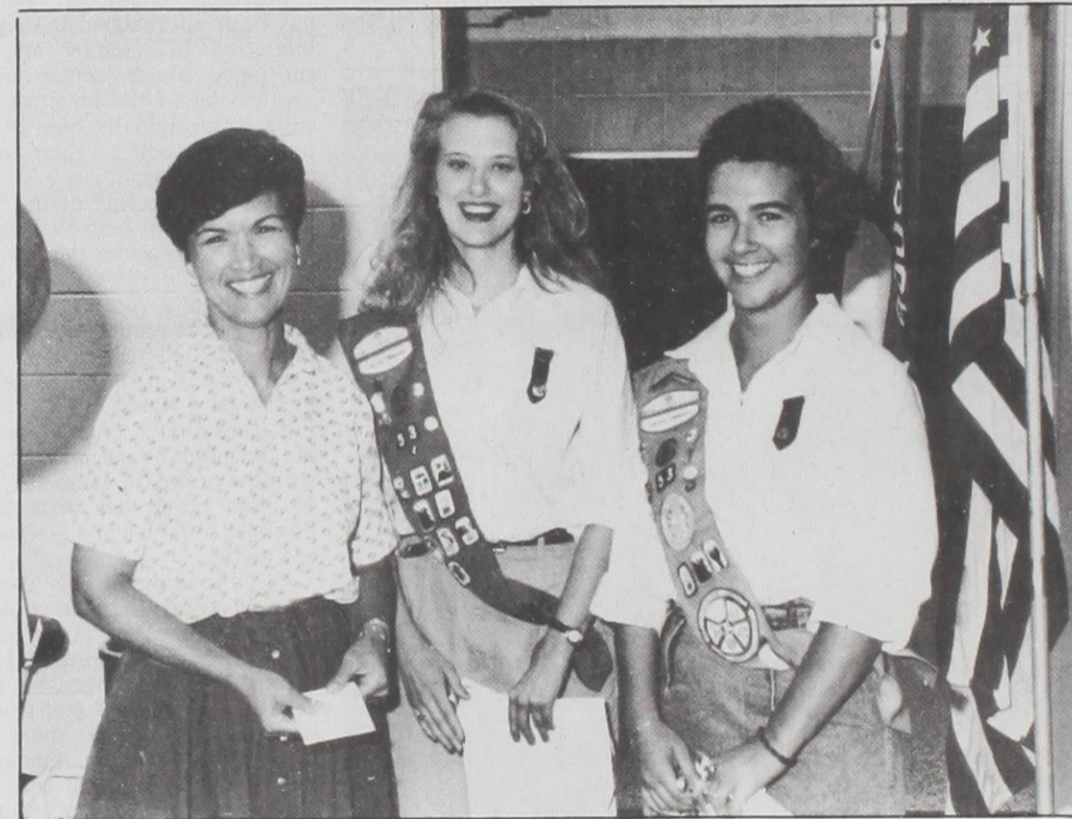
The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds to provide educational loans to students."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 10 de agosto de 1991. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

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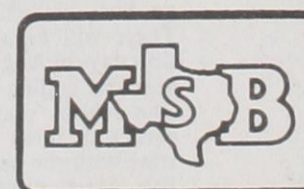
Congratulations!



Kristen Klement and Robin Greathouse receive Girl Scouting's highest award, the Gold Award, from Jeanne Greathouse, Troop Leader, Troop 53.

Muenster State Bank congratulates Robin Greathouse and Kristen Klement on their recent reception of the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting. We acknowledge and appreciate your talent and hard work and the fine example you give to the youth of this area.

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Weinzapfels gather in Alsace, France

On May 24, David and Juanita Weinzapfel Bright departed for a reunion of the Weinzapfel-Weinzapfen family held in Ungersheim, a small village of 1,400 residents in the Alsace region of France.

Antoine and Annette Weinzapfen and their son Claude of Ensisheim (a neighboring city of 8,000) were the instigators, motivators, promoters and primary hosts of this whole wonderful event. Coordinating the mammoth effort in the U.S. were brothers Wilfred and Harold Weinzapfel and their wives, Betty and Roselle, of Indiana.

Leaving DFW with Msgr. Thomas Weinzapfel and Ronald Weinzapfel of Dallas, the Brights flew to Chicago where they joined more than 50 members of the Weinzapfel clan from Indiana, North Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania, California and Arizona.

The interlude at the Chicago airport provided the first of many exciting experiences. Though all present were of the Weinzapfel lineage, the far majority were strangers to each other. Consequently, the layover there became a mini-reunion in itself as new acquaintances and relations were made; and established ties were renewed. It was truly a merry crowd that boarded the plane for Zurich.

Arriving in Zurich on Saturday morning, May 25, the group was met by members of the European branch of the family with a tour bus which remained with them throughout their stay. Culminating the all-day scenic drive from Zurich to Ungersheim in Alsace, a champagne and cake welcoming reception was held at the City Hall. But first there was a photo session of the group on the front steps of the city hall beneath flags of Alsace, Ungersheim, France and the United States.

Mr. Jean Claude Mensch, Mayor of Ungersheim, delivered a cordial welcome address and read a

declaration granting each of the visitors honorary citizenship. The formal document was accepted by Msgr. Weinzapfel on behalf of all the visiting relationship. The area representative to the French Parliament in Paris was also on hand to extend a hearty welcome and good wishes for a joyful reunion.

At this point, the weary but excited visitors were taken to the homes of their host families for sumptuous meals and a very welcome night's rest in a bed. The Brights and Msgr. Weinzapfel were guests in the beautiful home of Monique and Bernard Herrscher.

Sunday, May 26, was the day of the reunion. More than 300 Weinzapfel-Weinzapfen gathered at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Ungersheim for a High Mass complete with magnificent organ music and enthusiastic singing. Msgr. Thomas Weinzapfel was celebrant, with the pastor of St. Michael's delivering the homily in Alsace. Before and after Mass, descendants swarmed around Weinzapfen grave stones in the walled cemetery surrounding the church. The oldest stone is that of John Baptist Weinzapfen, dating in the mid-1800s, though documented research has traced the family to 1585.

From the church, the 300-plus Weinzapfel relationship migrated to a large community hall where photographs were made of the entire assemblage. Wine from the Weinzapfen winery in Soultz was the beverage of the day and flowed freely through the four-course dinner that lasted from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Between courses and after-dinner, people circulated, studying the family trees and old photographs posted on standing bulletin boards and on all the walls around the hall. Mutual interests were discovered and addresses exchanged. Language differences posed few problems though only a few of the Alsacians spoke English and even fewer Americans could communicate in French, German

or Alsatian. Virtually all Weinzapfen reside within the Alsace region of France, so today they are French. Over the course of history, the Alsace area has alternately been held by Switzerland, Germany and France, with one generation being one nationality while the next would be another. This accounts for their fluency in both German and French and their tenacious clinging to the Alsatian language. At 8 p.m. Sunday evening, another four-course dinner was served with appropriate wines accompanying each course. The party ended at midnight only to be resumed on a smaller scale in the homes of several host families.

From May 27 to June 3, the American visitors enjoyed sight-seeing tours, throughout the area and in the cities of Alsace and Switzerland where the earliest generations of Weinzapfels were known to have lived. Of special interest was a plaque in the restraining wall along the edge of a plateau on which the Bern Cathedral was built. The inscription on the plaque states that in 1645 (before the restraining wall was built), a priest and his horse fell off the cliff, landing in trees 160 feet below. The horse died but the man survived with only a broken arm and leg. The priest's name was Theobald Weinzapfen. The plaque was installed to honor the love and providence of the Almighty Father in Heaven who wrought this miracle.

Other than Bern, the only major cities visited were Strasbourg and Heidelberg. The remainder of the time was devoted to beautiful Alsace and her charming villages. Visits to an outdoor museum of reconstructed ancient buildings (much like Williamsburg in Virginia and Old Town in Dallas) magnificent castles and monasteries, and a visit to the Weinzapfel Family Winery highlighted a week rich in Alsatian culture, international and family history. The Brights returned to Muenster late evening on June 3, 1991.



MORE THAN 50 Weinzapfel relatives from the U.S. are shown after they arrived in Alsace, France to join more than 300 other members of the clan for a weekend reunion. The Americans remained most of week to enjoy tours of the area.

Mary Katherine Wolf dies at age 85



MARY K. WOLF

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Mary Katherine Wolf, 85, on Sunday, June 16 in St. Mary's Catholic Church at 2 p.m., with Father Nicholas Fuhrmann OSB officiating and Father Stephen Eckart OSB and Father Victor Gillespie OSB assisting. She died Thursday, June 13, 1991 in Gainesville Memorial Hospital.

Grandchildren took part in the liturgy of the funeral Mass. A special touch was added by presenting carnations at the altar in memory of deceased members of Mary Wolf's family: Randy Wolf placed a carnation for her husband, Adam; Chisam Wolf carried the carnation for her son, Ed; and Gina Arendt for her grandchild, Anton Arendt.

Offertory gifts were brought to the altar by grandchildren Dwayne Hermes and Pat Zimmerer.

Lectors were granddaughters Sharla Hermes, Danelle Wolf and Margie Klement. Music for the service was presented by Virginia Krahl on the organ, Mildred Lawson on the accordion and the Angels of Mercy choir of St. Mary's Church. Songs were "Hosea," "Come Unto Me," "Amazing Grace," "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman," and "Without Clouds."

Mass servers were grandsons Greg Wolf and Kevin Wolf and great-grandsons Brad Wolf and Eric Miller.

Eucharistic Ministers were Adam Wolf, Georgia Wolf, Frances Bayer and Buster Bezner. Pallbearers were grandchildren

Larry Wolf, Darlene Miller, Janet Cunningham, Chris Wolf, Adam Arendt, Dennis Hermes, Kelly Kiesel, and Gayle Wolf.

Burial was in Rest Haven Memorial Park directed by Vernie Keel Funeral Home.

Preceding the funeral service, a vigil was held in St. Mary's Church on Saturday night at 8 p.m.

Mary (Schroeder) Wolf was born on Nov. 29, 1905 in Tours, Texas, the daughter of William and Frances (Wimmer) Schroeder. She married Adam Wolf on April 22, 1925 in Windthorst. He

preceded her in death on Sept. 3, 1969. A member of St. Mary's Church and of St. Mary's Altar Society, she was also a seamstress at Lorch Westway until her retirement.

Survivors included two daughters and sons-in-law Mary and Paul Arendt of Lindsay; JoAnn and Walter Hermes of Gainesville; and four sons and daughters-in-law Lee and Betty Wolf of Gainesville; Adam and Alma Wolf of Muenster; Walter and Georgia Wolf of Gainesville; Johnny Wolf of Wimberly; and a daughter-in-law Eunice Wolf of Gainesville.

Also two brothers Bill Schroeder of Windthorst and Anton Schroeder of Robstown; four sisters, Sr. Tarcisia Schroeder of San Antonio and Sr. Anacletus Schroeder of Morilton, Arkansas; Agnes Lindeman of Windthorst and Dorothy Bockholt of Robstown. There are also 35 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, Adam, Mary Wolf was preceded in death by a son, Ed Wolf on Nov. 18, 1988 and a grandson, Anton Arendt in 1963.

Coming from out-of-town to attend the funeral were Sister Anacletus Schroeder of Morilton, Ark., Agnes Lindeman of Windthorst, Billy and Mary Schroeder, Mrs. Ben Schroeder, Bertha Wolf, Sylvester Wolf, Fronie Vieth, Lucille Schroeder, all of Windthorst; and Robert Knabe of Muenster; and many other friends and relatives from Dallas, Windthorst, Lindsay and Muenster.

St. Thomas Church celebrates 100

by Elaine Schad

St. Thomas Church in Pilot Point will celebrate 100 years as a Catholic community during a two-day celebration June 22 and 23.

The parish of about 325 Catholic families, located in eastern Denton county, shares a rich history with their neighboring parishes in Cooke County. This is especially true with the parish origin, as the German Catholic parishes of Pilot Point, Muenster and Lindsay share common founders who pushed toward Texas during the late 1800s seeking a better life.

Seeing the need for their own parish, some of the Catholic citizens of Pilot Point invited the Flusche brothers to the town to assist in forming a parish community. The Flusches, including Anton, August and Emil, were responsible for beginning Catholic parishes in Westphalia, Iowa in 1872; Westphalia, Kansas in 1880; Olpe, Kansas in 1885; and Muenster, Texas in 1889. The Pilot Point parish was established in 1891, a year before the Flusches went on to establish Lindsay in Cooke County.

The centennial celebration will feature a number of special activities, ranging from an ap-



ST. THOMAS CHURCH

pearance of the Denton Side Street Circus to entertain the children to a "100 Years of Fashion" style show, as ladies of the parish take visitors on a parade of history featuring attire representing various time periods.

On June 22, there will be a centennial parade at 4 p.m.

followed by a hamburger supper and dance. On Sunday, June 23, the parish will host a centennial dinner at noon, following morning services, with an afternoon of entertainment and activities.

For more information about the St. Thomas Centennial, call 686-2088 or 686-2436.

Lindsay City Council discusses expansion of wastewater treatment plant at June meeting

by Elaine Schad

With the city's wastewater treatment plant operating at 90 percent capacity, Lindsay city officials are beginning preliminary discussions about the possibility of adding an estimated \$200,000 expansion to the city's wastewater treatment facility, officials said.

During its regular June meeting, council members authorized Mayor Doyle Cogburn to begin preparation work on requesting a low-interest loan through the Texas Water Development Board. The city will also look into the feasibility of possibly linking into the sewer system of the City of Gainesville. Information on both items is expected to be presented to the council at its July 1 meeting.

Tim Morris of Morris Engineering told the council the Texas Water Commission is expected to renew the city's 30-90 permit. With the plant operating at 90 percent capacity, however, state law mandates that the city begin drawing up plans for an expansion of the system, he said.

An expansion to the plant could extend the treatment capacity from 66,000 to 90,000 gallons, which could be large enough to supply the city's needs through the year 2015, Morris estimated.

In an unrelated matter, the council authorized Morris to draw up bid specifications so that bids could be let sometime in July for two street projects. One project includes repair work to a 300-foot

stretch of Elizabeth and the second includes between 700-800 feet of repair and reconstructions work to Circle Drive. The projects are expected to be completed sometime in the fall.

Council members heard a request from Steve Bell, president of the planning and zoning commission, that the Lindsay School District is requesting a special use permit to place a 50-by-16 foot mobile home on the school campus to be used as a temporary classroom for 1991-1992. The council told Bell the district must supply the city with a floor plan and send a letter notifying adjacent property owners of the request. If approved, the permit would probably be for one year. The council is expected to take action on the request at its July 1 meeting.

In other business, the council: -Heard a report from Bell that the city has received a preliminary draft of proposed new subdivision regulations drawn up by the Texoma Council of Governments. The city and planning and zoning members held a workshop this month on the revisions.

-Approved a salary increase for City Secretary Wilbert Block from \$300 to \$400 per month.

-Discussed the city's tall grass ordinance. Letters of warning will be sent to violators. The Council also discussed an ordinance which would ban burning in the city, but no action was taken.

-The council authorized the mayor to take sealed bids for the sale of the city's police car and police department equipment. Officials said selling the items does not mean the city has decided against reviving the department in the future. The city is still waiting for the completion of a written policy manual for the police department and reviving the department is not being discussed at the present time, officials said.



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CCC summer enrollment drops slightly

by Elaine Schad

Cooke County College has experienced a drop in enrollment for the first summer session compared to last year, officials said.

Final enrollment figures following late registration indicate that 1,210 students are attending CCC this summer at all campuses in Gainesville, Lewisville and Corinth. That compares to 1,277 who attended last summer's first session, said Eddie Hadlock, dean of instruction.

The drop is attributed to several factors, said Hadlock. Due to a loss in some state funds which caused budget restrictions, the college required that at least 15 students register for a class in order for it to be offered, an increase from 10 students set last summer. CCC did not offer classes in Denton, where about 30 students attended classes last summer, he said.

In other business during their regular June meeting, CCC trustees accepted the resignation of longtime music instructor Glenn Wilson. Wilson is retiring after 35 years as an educator in the music field with both the college and Gainesville High School. The board also accepted the resignation of cosmetology instructor Mattie Van Deaver who is also retiring.

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Nuptials solemnized in June 15 ceremony



MRS. BRET THOMAS WALTERScheid
...nee Kimberly Ann Hess...

The wedding of Kimberly Ann Hess, daughter of Dennis and Kathy Hess, and Bret Thomas Walterscheid, son of Denis and Della Walterscheid, was held in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, June 15, 1991, at 5 p.m. with Father Victor Gillespie, OSB, officiating at the Nuptial Mass and double-ring ceremony.

The bride is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Hess and Mrs. Clara Walterscheid and the late Paul Walterscheid. The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Walterscheid and Mrs. Ida Mae Herr and the late Frank Herr, all of Muenster.

In a setting created by blue pew bows down the center aisle, arrangements of white gladioli tied with blue satin bows, and tall, tiered floor candelabra with lighted candles, the bride was escorted to the altar and given in marriage by

her father, Dennis Hess.

For her wedding, she chose a nostalgic gown of white bridal satin featuring an elegant design with Queen Anne lace neckline embroidered with sequins and pearls, and heavily re-embroidered bodice enhanced with matching appliques, meeting the low basque waistline. Sleeves were shirred and puffed at the shoulders with sequins and pearls; then tapered to the wrists, closing with tiny covered buttons. The keyhole back neckline was set off by draping pearl strands. The full skirt was highlighted with lace motifs and a sweeping semi-cathedral-length train accented with a bow in back.

Her illusion veil was shoulder-length and accented with rhinestones; tiny white flowers and pearl sprays were draped delicately at one side.

She carried a cascading bouquet

of lilies and white roses, stephanotis and silver leaves.

ATTENDANTS

Maid of honor was Julie Hess of Muenster, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Deanna Hellman, bride's cousin, Michelle Monday, bride's cousin, and Laura Hess, a friend of the bride. They wore matching gowns, designed with fitted bodice of shimmering multi-colored tapestry of silver, blue and pink, distinctively detailed with sweetheart neckline and dropped waist. Puffed shirred sleeves were of royal blue taffeta. The gathered skirt was also of royal blue taffeta and featured a high-low hemline.

Jessica Walterscheid, groom's niece, was flower girl and Jeffrey Walterscheid, groom's nephew, was ring bearer.

Keith Hennigan of Muenster, a friend of the groom, was best man. Brian Hess, brother of the bride, and Shawn Flusche and Damian Hellman, both friends of the groom, were groomsmen.

Ushers were friends of the groom, Darren Voth, Neal Flusche, Rick Sandmann and Ron Trubenbach.

Ushers were Joshua Walterscheid, groom's nephew, and Corey Anderle.

Danna Hamric and Darla Bindel, friends of the bride, gave the Liturgical Readings selected by the couple. Kristi Bierschenk, bride's cousin, read the Petitions and Offertory Prayers.

Wedding music was beautifully presented by Ruth Felderhoff, organist; Anne Poole, keyboard; Denise Bayer and Diane Grewing, guitarists; Jenny and Kelley Wimmer and Emily Klement, vocalists; and Mike Abney, trumpet.

Selections as guests assembled and during Mass included "I Fall In Love Again," "The Wedding Song," "The Rose," and "Only A

Shadow." "Ave Maria" was played on the organ and keyboard. Processional music included "Cavatina" and "Trumpet Voluntary." The recessional was "Trumpet Tune."

The ceremony was videotaped by the bride's cousin, Jeff Walterscheid.

RECEPTION

A formal reception, buffet dinner and dance were held in the Sacred Heart Community Center, hosted by parents of the bride and groom, with catering by Rohmer's Restaurant.

Friends of the bride, Stephanie Bynum and Judy Trubenbach, presided at the guest book.

Both the bride's white angel food cake and the groom's chocolate cake were made by the groom's sister, Debby Rice of Gainesville. Denise Fuhrmann and Darlene Bartush, also groom's sisters, assisted. Cake servers were Stephanie Bierschenk, bride's cousin, and Mandy Rice, Jessica Bartush and Megan Bartush, nieces of the groom.

The main table was covered with white lace over white, and held a pair of silver candelabra with blue candles. A satin heart and white satin appliqued doves provided the background. Guest tables were covered with white cloths, and held floral arrangements and crystal candleholders with tapered blue candles.

The couple will be at home in Gainesville upon return from a wedding trip to Colorado.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Muenster High School and is attending Texas Woman's University. She is employed by Hess Furniture Co. The groom is a 1985 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and is a machinist employed by GTE Valente.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents in their home on Sunday, June 9. A shower was given by her bridesmaids for friends on June 7 and a bridal display shower for family was hosted by Tara Walterscheid, Deanna Hellman and Julie Hess on June 8.

3 area women receive degrees from TWU

The office of admissions and registration at Texas Woman's University has announced that almost 1,000 students received degrees during spring commencement exercises, which represented the largest number of students graduating at any one time in TWU's history.

Local persons receiving degrees included: Elaine Schilling of Muenster who earned a Bachelor degree in Dental Hygiene. She is the wife of Dale Schilling and the daughter of Julian and Carrie Walterscheid. Elaine's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Walterscheid and Jake and Freck Schilling.

Danna Rae Hamric of Montague earned a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Mathematics and a minor in Government. She holds a secondary certification in Math. Her parents are Dan and Fay Hamric. Grandparents Bertha Hamric and Lois Cook reside in Muenster. Also attending graduation ceremonies were her sister Lisa Hamric, brother Bob Hamric, and friend Brian Hess.

Earning a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Sociology and a minor in English was Jerri Lavonne Kelley Phillips. Her parents are Jerry and Gayle Kelley of Forestburg. Jerri is now married to Robert Phillips III.

TWU held three ceremonies in Denton for students who were grouped by colleges and schools. The exercises were staged in the Margo Jones Performance Hall, and receptions were held for the graduates and their families in Hubbard Hall.

During the first ceremony for graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Roberta Nutt, TWU professor of psychology, discussed "Women's Roles, Mental Health and TWU." Students who received degrees during the second ceremony (candidates from the College of Nursing, the College of Health Sciences, the School of Library and Information Studies and the

School of Occupational Therapy) were challenged by Dr. Carolyn Gunning, dean of the TWU College of Nursing, to understand "The Value of Quality." Candidates in the TWU College of Education and Human Ecology and the School of Physical Therapy listened to Dr. C. Sue McCullough, associate professor of psychology, who told them to "Leave a Trail."

JAM activities continue

On Wednesday, June 26, J.A.M. (Jesus Alive in Muenster) will be having a hamburger cookout at the home of Dave and Wanda Flusche. Anyone interested in attending should meet at the Sacred Heart Community Center at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday. Everyone will then caravan to Dave and Wanda's for the food, fellowship, and of course, fun. Everyone is not only encouraged to bring themselves, but a friend and an appetite as well. For more information contact Emily Klement at 759-4554.

Home Hospice hosts memorial service Sunday

An Interfaith Memorial Service will be held by Home Hospice of Cooke County on Sunday, June 23, at 2:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 214 S. Denton St., Gainesville.

Themed "Home Hospice remembers those we love," the service extends an invitation to all who have lost a loved one. Sponsors add, "Please feel free to invite family and friends who would benefit from this service."

Let's Party!

World-famous astrologist Madam Zonell has once again contacted *The Enterprise* with her predictions. She foretells that anyone who attends MMH Auxiliary meeting on Thursday, June 27, will help make an impact on the Muenster social scene.

Due to the approach of Mars, Venus and Jupiter, Madam Zonell's look into the future was cut short - so everyone is urged to attend the Auxiliary meeting to hear the rest and to zero in on innovative social ideas. See you in the south wing of the hospital June 27 at 7:30 p.m.!

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tion Center in Austin. This is the final achievement in a series of twelve courses, six pertaining to "Design Production" and six to "Management." Florists, having completed the courses, must then take written, design and oral examinations to be designated "Texas Master Florist." They are then entitled to use the professional initials TMF after their names.

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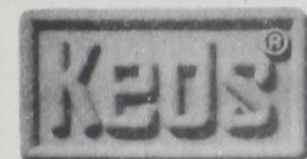
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Russ Linn reunion has 65 guests

The reunion to observe the 101st birthday of Russ Linn drew about 65 relatives from a wide area on Saturday, June 8, held at the Pavilion of Muenster City Park. He and his sister, Ida Linn Parker, and many cousins had a memorable time.

Honoring Russ Linn, relatives and descendants of his parents, Jefferson Davis Linn and Sarah Alice Emery Linn, gathered from El Monte, Chula Vista and Glendale, California; Oklahoma City, Ardmore and McMinville, Oklahoma; Bellvue, San Antonio; Ft. Worth; Dallas; Plano; Sweeney; Rockwall; Gainesville; Garland; Krum, Denton, Kingman, Arizona and Stephenville, Texas.

The bountiful meal featured barbecued beef furnished by Russ Linn and covered dishes and desserts brought by everyone.

Many friends from years back stopped by to see them, including Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lutkenhaus, Leona Haverkamp Luke and Leroy Sicking. Christine Linn Smith said the guests were favorably impressed with the beauty of the park and pool.

Personal

Lt. James Bright, USMC, is home for a few days' visit with his parents, David and Juanita Bright, enroute from Camp Pendleton, California to Quantico, Virginia for reassignment.

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MRS. DARREN PRICE CHEANEY
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A traditional double ring ceremony united Llorie Wynette Neal and Darren Price Cheaney in Matrimony on Saturday, June 15, 1991 at 7 p.m. with the bride's grandfather, Rev. Ernest Conrad, officiating in Whaley United Methodist Church of Gainesville.

The bride is the daughter of Don and Marcia Neal and Dennis and Karel Calvert all of Gainesville.

The groom is the son of Hal and Shirley Cheaney of Marysville.

Given in marriage by Don Neal and Karel Calvert, the bride was wearing a long formal white satin wedding gown designed with off-shoulder effect, beaded bodice and sweeping cathedral train. Her brief illusion veil was caught to a halo of tiny beaded silk flowers. She carried a bouquet of fresh white lilies.

ATTENDANTS
Carrie Colvin of Denton was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Amy Canary, Tammy Parsons and Cheryl Shauf. They wore floor length dresses of royal blue and carried fresh mauve lilies.

Melissa Parsons was the flower girl and David Hardin was ring bearer.

Ron Dangelmayr of Muenster was the best man. Groomsmen were Darrell Herr, Randy Miller and Duane Haverkamp all of Muenster.

Ushers were Chad Cheaney, groom's brother, and Brandon Neal, bride's brother, who both were also candlelighters.

Wedding music was presented by Annetta Earle, organist, and Brandon Neal, bride's brother, and Randy and Ronnie Hardin

and Keri Kennedy, vocalists, who sang "Forever Is As Far As I'll Go," "Vows Go Unbroken," "Evergreen," "Wind Beneath My Wings," "The Lord's Prayer," and "Bridal Prayer."

Church decorations included a pair of altar candelabra with white candles, and the Unity candle lit by the couple with two smaller tapers which were lit first by parents of the bride and groom.

Alternating bows of royal blue and white marked center aisle pews.

Reception assistants and those who served the wedding cake were Brett Drake, Mary Houston, Beth Hale, Pauline Conrad and Tammy Bryant.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Gainesville High School and attended Cooke County College. She is employed by Tom Thumb/Page.

The groom is a 1986 graduate of Muenster High School and is employed by Poly Pipe Industries, Inc.

When they return from a wedding trip to Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic, the couple will reside in Gainesville.

Hoedebecks gather for reunion June 9

Descendants of Fred and Anna Schumacher Hoedebeck gathered Sunday, June 9 in the Muenster VFW Hall for their annual reunion.

All seven of the remaining 18 children of Fred and Anna were present for the reunion. They were Frances Reiter of St. Richard's Villa, Leo Hoedebeck of Gainesville, Alfred Hoedebeck of Irving, Philomena and John Howell of Houston, Father Paul Hoedebeck of Paris, Arkansas; Joe and Lillie Hoedebeck of San Diego, Calif.; and Gene and Elsie Hoedebeck of Muenster, and sister-in-law Willie Hoedebeck of Denison.

Frances Reiter had the distinction of the oldest relative attending and the most descendants present. Coming the greatest distance were Joe and Lillie Hoedebeck and their daughter and son-in-law Betty and Larry Dearinger all of San Diego, Calif.

Others came from La Mesa, Calif.; Madill, Oklahoma; Tishomingo, Okla.; Paris, Ark.; Houston, Hereford, Plano, Coppell, Irving, Callisburg, Gainesville, Lindsay, and Muenster.

Jacksons celebrate golden wedding

The golden wedding anniversary of Dora and Hugh "Cotton" Jackson was attended by their children, spouses and grandchildren, some coming from a distance, a number of relatives and about 200 friends, and was especially graced by attendance of Dora's 90 year old father J.M. Weinzapfel. It is quite rare that a daughter can have a parent present at her own golden wedding.

In addition, parents of the goldenweds are the late Arthur and Leona Jackson of Azle and the late Julia Weinzapfel. The Hugh Jacksons, formerly residents of Muenster, lived in Fort Worth many years and are now retired in Azle.

Attending were their children, the spouses, and grandchildren Joe Arthur and Dorcas Jackson and children Matt Lewis, Hester and J.R. Jackson; Carmen and

Jim Hoselton and children Stephen, Michael (and his wife Lisa) and Joe Hoselton; Jerry and Barbara Jackson and son Cody Jackson; Anita and Ray Cox and children J.J., Michelle and Jacob Cox; Julie Estill and sons James and Robert Estill, and a friend Amy; Janie Jackson; and a friend Rocky Engblad; Thomas Jackson and children Chad Roberts; and Summer Jackson and her mater-

nal grandmother, Marlene Sonderlin; Toni Turner and her son, Mark.

Many floral arrangements were placed about the reception area. The anniversary table held the decorated anniversary cake, the punch service and a silver urn filled with fresh flowers.

Another table held an assortment of fruits and vegetables for dips, various sandwiches and a watermelon basket of fresh fruits.

A carved wooden family crest made by Henry Weinzapfel, was displayed on the wall behind the table. The 50th anniversary plates used were the same as those used by Julia and J.M. Weinzapfel on their golden wedding day. Gold glitter was sprinkled on the white tablecloth.

A memorabilia table held pictures of family gatherings and weddings, the Jacksons' wedding license, the original wedding pictures, (the bridesmaid was Juanita Weinzapfel Bright).

The Jacksons' daughters took turns at the guest book table. A footed crystal compote held satin bags of potpourri made by daughter Carmen for all the guests. The lace table cover was an original wedding gift.

Entertainment included a video prepared by son-in-law Jim Hoselton, showing a collection of views of special events, through the years up to the present. The goldenweds gave a copy of the video program to each of their children.

Among guests were relatives and friends from Muenster; also J.M. Weinzapfel's sisters, Margaret Rasch of Houston and Alice Hemmi of Scotland. Other guests were from Wichita Falls, Henrietta, Houston, Denton, Dallas, Abilene, Midland, Rio Vista, Bridgeport, Colorado and Alaska.

Ryan Gehrig is recipient of Scouting scholarship



RYAN GEHRIG

Ryan Gehrig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gehrig and member of Troop 664, Boy Scouts of America, has been selected to receive the George W. Pirtle Eagle Scout Scholarship of \$1,000 from the South Central Region Trust Fund.

George W. Pirtle was a dedicated Scouter, recipient of the Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope and Silver Buffalo Awards, and was an ardent supporter of education. It was his wish to recognize the achievement by young men of the Eagle Rank for special excellence.

The three winners from the five state region were given an expense paid trip to attend the Regional

Biennial meeting in New Orleans, La. where these awards were presented this year. Ryan was prevented from attending because of graduation from Subiaco Academy the same night. He received the first place award at a formal presentation made at the Longhorn Council Executive Board meeting held in Ft. Worth at the Ridgela Country Club on May 21, 1991.

Attending the dinner and presentation with Ryan were his parents, James and Cynthia Gehrig.

Life in Spirit seminar begins Sun., June 23

The Sacred Heart Prayer Group is offering a "Life In The Spirit Seminar" to all members of Sacred Heart Parish and surrounding area parishes. The seminar is also open to non-parishioners and anyone who is seeking a deeper walk with the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

Local and guest speakers, discussion groups, prayer and music form the main elements of a seminar.

The schedule and speakers are as follows: Sunday, June 23, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., S.H. Cafeteria. Speakers include David Nystrom of Sacred Heart Parish of Muenster; Peter Hyde of St. Mary's Parish of Gainesville; Mary, Henry and Louis Constancio, Sam and Carlotta Reigner of St. John Newman Parish of Lubbock; Jeanne Greathouse of Sacred Heart Parish of Muenster. Please bring a sack lunch. Cold drinks will be provided.

Schedule
Sunday, June 23, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., S.H. Cafeteria.
Sunday, June 30, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., S.H. Cafeteria, Speaker Ricky Walterscheid
Thursday, July 11, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., S.H. Cafeteria, Speaker Father Gary Geurtz, St. Joseph's Church, Rhineland, Texas.



PATRICIA HERR

Pat Herr is A&M grad

Patricia Herr, daughter of Richard and Anna Herr, is a graduate of Texas A&M University, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and a Writing Specialization, in commencement exercises on May 10. She is employed by the University.

Special out-of-town guests at the ceremony were her parents, Richard and Anna; also Dianna and Steve Klement and children Lori and LeAnn; John Herr; Robin Greathouse; Anne and Waylen Poole and son Scott; Rex Huchton; and Janel Flusche all of Muenster. Also Jack and Anita Davis of Pampa; Victor Schmidkofer of Lindsay; and Elsa Lynn Cook of Plano. Also attending were Todd Davis; Tiffany Cook; Eve Rickenbacker and Jim Herr.



VALERIE FUHRMANN

Fuhrmann is Nimitz grad

Valerie Fuhrmann, daughter of Jim and Carol Fuhrmann of Irving and granddaughter of Mrs. Ed Pels and Val Fuhrmann, both of Muenster, graduated on June 1 from Nimitz High School in ceremonies held at Texas Stadium. She was in a class of 323 receiving diplomas.

She was a four-year member and officer of the Student Council; a member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society, National Thespian Society, Junior Historians, and Junior Statesmen of America.

She was named Who's Who in Theatre Arts; performed and directed many plays; was chairman on the senior prom committee; was a two-year member of Search; she received a scholarship from the Dallas Chapter, Ex-Students Association of Texas Tech.

Valerie Fuhrmann will attend Texas Tech in the fall, majoring in architecture.

Attending the graduation ceremony were Gene Pels; Val Fuhrmann of Muenster; Dee, Troy and Toby Eberhart of Lindsay; Nanci, Richard, Dana and Brian Lautenslager of The Colony; Beverly and Stephanie Stevens of Valley View.

Joining them later at home were Laura, Kevin, Jared, Jeffrey and Marissa Pels of Coppell; and a number of friends.

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Cost for inside and outside on regular cars will be \$10; on vans and suburbans \$15; and for outside only \$5. The funds will be used to help pay for camp fees and uniforms. For more information call 759-4522.

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St. Peter's Church is site for Nuptials

Carla Hoenig became the bride of Ronald Petrasek in a Nuptial Mass with double ring rites in St. Peter's Church of Lindsay on May 18, 1991, officiated by the bride's uncle, Msgr. Hubert Neu at 11 a.m.

The bride is the daughter of Raymond and Cecilia Hoenig of Gainesville. She is a 1983 graduate of Lindsay High School and a 1988 graduate of the University of North Texas and is an employment specialist employed by Service Merchandise.

The groom is the son of Joseph and Regina Petrasek of Luzerne, Pennsylvania. He is a 1979 graduate of Bishop O'Reilly High School in Kingston, Pa. and a 1984 graduate of Spring Garden College in Philadelphia and is employed by Texas Instruments as a manufacturing engineer.

The couple chose St. Peter's Church because Lindsay is the bride's hometown.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was wearing a white satin

and Sposabella lace wedding gown designed with high neck collar, fitted basque waist with lace motifs with beads, pearls and sequins. Leg-o-mutton sleeves were puffy at the shoulders and fitted at the wrist. The full ballgown-styled skirt was accented with Sposabella lace trim, seed pearls and sequins. A back view of the dress featured a draped pearl strand effect at the neckline, and a bow at the waist resembling an old fashioned bustle. The full skirt flowed into a cathedral length train.

She carried a cascading bouquet of cymbidium orchids, roses, baby's breath, larkspur, gypsophila, stephanotis, ivy and bell flowers.

ATTENDANTS

Gretchen Hoenig of Gainesville was her sister's maid of honor. Collette Bayer of Muenster, bride's sister, and Maureen Petrasek of Luzerne, Pa., groom's sister, were bridesmaids. They wore blush bridal satin dresses, sweeping to tea length, featuring jewel neckline, bodice covered with chantilly lace over satin sweetheart lining, highlighted with a sash of matching satin and a large satin bow at the back waistline. Each carried a single long-stemmed rose of antique rose color, with baby's breath and blush ribbons.

Joseph Petrasek of Martinsburg, West Virginia was his brother's best man. John Still, a friend of the couple, and Mike Crossland, friend of the groom, both of Dallas were groomsmen.

Ushers were Aaron Hoenig and John Hoenig, bride's brothers.

Readings for the liturgy were given by Aaron Hoenig and Joe Petrasek. Offertory gifts were presented by James and Ann Bayer, bride's godparents and Bernard Petrasek, groom's godfather. Eucharistic Ministers were Kitie Hermes, Sonnie Block and Rudy Dieter.

Wedding music included organ and vocal solos by Stephen V. Bonin: "Song of Ruth;" "Love;" "On Eagle's Wings;" and "Hail Mary."

Altar flowers included white gladioli and roses of the bride's chosen colors on the main altar, and greenery with votive candles on the Communion rail.

RECEPTION

A dinner reception followed in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Gainesville.

Jill Fuhrmann and Lisa Rohmer escorted guests.

Betty Rose Walterscheid created the bride's and groom's cakes which were served by Nancy Dobbs, Bridgette Anderle and Diane Sicking.

The couple is at home in Garland since returning from a wedding trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the Holiday Inn in Gainesville. A bridal shower on April 7 was given by Ann Bayer, Janet Bayer, Sharon Bayer and Sandra Richeson. A beautiful assortment of homemade pastries and punch were served by the hostesses in the James Bayer home.

Out-of-state guests at the wedding included Joseph and Regina Petrasek; Maureen Petrasek; Bernard Petrasek; and Eleanor Verazin all from Pennsylvania. Also Joseph, Rose, Alyssa and Meredith Petrasek from West Virginia; Paul McNaughton of North Carolina; Jim and Sharon Bayer and Desire' of Oklahoma.

Family affair planned for June 3-on-3 tourney

"Bring your family to enjoy a hamburger supper while watching the excitement of a 3-on-3 basketball tournament," invite Sacred Heart Student Council members. They are sponsoring the tournament on Friday and Saturday, June 21 and 22 at 6 p.m. in the school gym. Hamburgers and other refreshments will be available.

Late registrations will be accepted at the door on Friday. A \$20 registration fee per team will be charged. Teams consist of three members and one substitute. Divisions include adult male, adult female, student male, and student female.

Proceeds from the event will go toward the student council's summer camp expenses at TCU.

Noelle is honor student

Texas A&M University of College Station has released its list of honor students for the 1991 spring semester recognizing more than 2,500 students for outstanding academic performance. Noelle Hesse of Muenster was among students achieving the designation of Distinguished Student.

Student's list are recognized for earning a 3.25 to 3.74 grade point ratio. They must also be enrolled for at least 15 hours and have no grade lower than a C.

Noelle is the daughter of Tom and Lucille Hesse. She is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

Students on the Distinguished

Register June 29 for Red Cross swim lessons!

Registration for Red Cross Swim lessons in Muenster will be held on Saturday, June 29 from 9-11 a.m. at the Muenster City Pool. Director Jeannine Flusche asks that swim suits be worn to

registration as testing will be done to determine placement. Classes will be held the week of July 8-12 and July 15-19. Ladies and Swimmers classes will be held at 9 a.m. of the second week.



JAYNA JAE BIFFLE

Celebrations mark Jayna's 5th birthday!

Jayna Jae Biffle's fifth birthday was observed with two events, the first with family and friends on May 26, the second with her Sacred Heart Pre-School classmates. She shares her actual May 27 birthday with her Aunt Judy Trubench.

On May 26 at Lake Texoma Big Mineral Camp she had a Ballerina birthday cake. Joining Jayna Jae and her parents Jimbo and Donna Biffle and her brother Jack were Deb, Claude, Ashley and Aaron Klement; Pat, Boobie and Darren Walterscheid; and Shelly Montgomery; Carla, Doyle and Stevie Rae Klement; Sharon and Billy Don Wolf; and Monte, Sherie, Derek, Nathan and Kelsey Haverkamp.

Joining them later were Grandma Lulu Hess; Aunt Linda Grewing and sons Jon, Ken and Matthew; Uncle Howard Hess and children Willie, Waylan, Tanya and Jacob; cousins Shawna, Darrell and Mackenzie Herr. She also received many telephone calls and birthday cards.

On May 27 her SH Preschool class had a year-end field trip along with Jayna's "Celebration of Life." All enjoyed going to the Gainesville Zoo and later having a fried chicken lunch at Muenster City Park. There they played and made "Kick the Can Ice Cream" served with cup cakes made by her mother and decorated by Jayna and Jack.

Her mother read about Jayna's five years of life as she walked around the circle of months and lit a candle at the end of each year. Pictures and movies were made.

That evening Jimbo, Donna and Jack hosted a barbecue supper for the two birthday girls, Jayna and Judy. Present were Jimmy Jack and Collette Biffle, Ron Trubench and Cindy Biffle. T-ball, birthday cake, ice cream and the Happy Birthday song added to the fun.

Walterscheid All-American SMU scholar

Vicki Walterscheid, daughter of Raymond and Peggy Walterscheid of Muenster, and a graduate of Sacred Heart High School, has been named an All-American Scholar at Southern Methodist University, as announced by the United States Achievement Academy.

The program was established to offer recognition to superior students who excel in academics, earning a 3.3 or better grade point average.

Vicki Walterscheid was nominated for the national award by Mr. Wisneski, faculty member. Her name will be included in the All-American Scholar Directory, to be published nationally.

Family Reunions

Walterscheid

The John and Katherine Walterscheid Family Reunion will be held in the Muenster City Park Pavilion on Sunday, June 23 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Covered dishes, drinks and lawn chairs should be brought by those attending.

Stoffels

The Stoffels family reunion will be held on Sunday, June 23 at noon in the Lindsay City Park Pavilion, with a covered dish feast.

Hoenig

Descendants of Aloys and Anna Hoenig family reunion is scheduled for Saturday, July 6 beginning at 2:00 p.m. under the Pavilion of Muenster City Park. There will be a covered dish supper. Don't forget lawn chairs.

Schmitz

The Theodore and Pauline Schmitz family reunion will be held at the Muenster City Park Pavilion on Sunday, July 14 beginning at 11:00 a.m. Bring covered dishes, drinks and lawn chairs.

Hess

A reunion of descendants of Frank and Mary Hess will be held on Sunday, July 21 at Muenster City Park Pavilion. All are reminded to bring food for the noon meal and evening meal. The reunion will continue from 11:30 a.m. until 7 p.m.

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4-H Pet Show held at Frontier Manor

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Aussie the dog, Sable the ferret, Gold Fish the goldfish, Stretch the wiener dog, Cutie Pie the lamb, and Salt the kitten and many others were all entered in the 4-H Pet Show held annually at the Frontier Manor Care Center.

4-H'ers and their animals lined up at 9:30 Friday morning and showed their animals as Louis Stephenson introduced them to the audience. Darrin Alred of KGAF interviewed 4-H'ers in the live broadcast of the show. Station Manager Tom Carson provided each participant with two tickets to the International Wildlife Park in Grand Prairie.

Certificates were awarded for Most Unusual Pet, Ugliest Pet, Most Creative Costume, Best Showmanship, Friendliest Pet and Best of Show. All 32 4-H'ers received a participation ribbon.

The annual Pet Show is a community service event for Frontier Manor residents. 4-H'ers, their parents, and their pets spend time with the residents. The pets this year included rabbits, chickens, fish, a lamb, a macaw, a guinea pig, a ferret and the traditional dogs and cats.

Several 4-H Clubs were represented at the Pet Show this year. From the Silver Cedar 4-H Club were: Bonnie Brooks and her dog Sandy; Greg Brooks who showed his dog

Sooner and rabbit Joy; Mark Brooks entered his kitten Salt; Jordan Jarvis displayed his kitten; and Virginia Jarvis her pet.

Representing the Muenster Club were: Heath Bayer and cat Jake; Lucas Bayer and his lamb Cutie Pie; Betty Balthrop showed her dog Tina; and Yvonne Martin and her cat Precious.

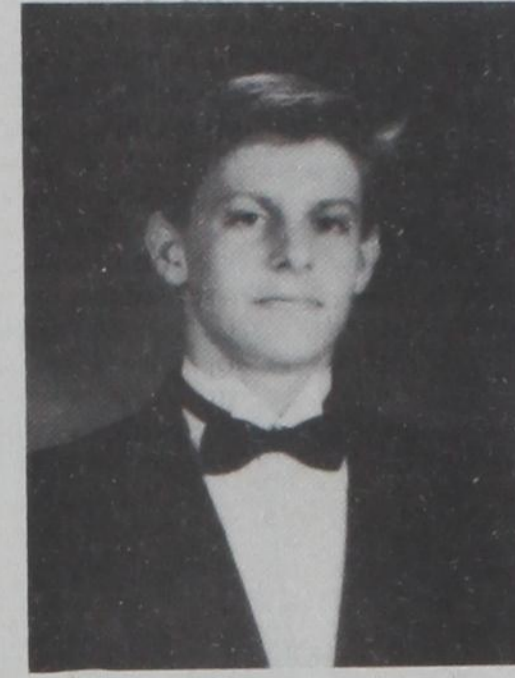
From the Red River 4-H Club came: Sara Jeffries and Chick the chicken; Carrie Laster and Pupper the dog; Rachel Laster and Miss Kitty the cat; Michael Morgan and cat Dot; Margaret Morgan with Penelope the cat; Alicia Riddles and her dog Stretch; Brooke Spencer (a special guest) and her cat Cydney; Jedd Trice and his chicken Lucky; Laci Trice and dog Sugar Bear; and Tanya Chase showed her cats FiFi and Precious and her dog Booter.

The Lindsay Junior Club was represented by: Amanda Hellingner and her rabbit Martha; Garret Hellingner and his dog Rusty; Samuel Hellingner showed George his bird; Leah Hermes brought her dog Duchess; Jennifer Hoberer and her cat Hot Rod; Robert Lutkenhaus showed Fluffy and Friskie and Ben the dog; Karlee O'Dell and her dog Aussie; Amanda Schad and Lester the dog; Diana Schad with Gussie the cat; Molly Trammell showed Jenny her dog; and Sadie Trammell showed her dog Bitzy.

Prairie Endres from the Era 4-H Club brought Gold Fish the goldfish. Bo Smith of the Emerald Rider's 4-H Club showed four pets: Alexis his dog; Arkie the guinea pig, Banana the macaw and his ferret, Sable.

Laura Lutkenhaus of the Lindsay Senior 4-H Club brought her 4-week-old kitten, Sandlefoot.

Linda Harper showed her dog Missy. Linda is from the Valley View 4-H Club.



RYAN GEHRIG

Ryan Gehrig is Subiaco grad

Ryan Gehrig, son of James and Cynthia Gehrig, was one of 41 seniors of the graduating class of 1991 to take part in commencement ceremonies at Subiaco Academy on May 18.

Following the Graduation Farewell Mass, friends, family and the student body filled the inner court of the Abbey to witness commencement.

Ryan was among the scholars awarded honors for achievements during the 1990-1991 school year. He received a medal for excellence in business education, and certificates for achievements in Christian Doctrine Grade 12, Physics, and participation in religious activities.

Relatives and friends attending Ryan's graduation were his parents, James and Cynthia; his sisters Joanna and Karen; his brothers Jason, Lucien and Mark; his grandparents Herman and Alma Stoffels and Josephine and Arnold Schilling; his godparents Mark Stoffels of Shreveport, La. and Janel Stoffels of Denton; aunts, uncles and cousins Joe, Dianne and Amber Bedolla of Sherman; Monica, Kody and Kirk Haverkamp of Watauga; Yvonne Ambrose and Jennifer, Duncan and Jon; Pam, Glen and Debra Dangelmayr; Donna, Russell and Cheryl Simmons of Denton; Chad Simmons of Subiaco Academy; Chuck, June, Stephen, Jackie and Daniel Bartush; and friends Jon Schilling; Chris and Jennifer Walter.

Michael Gehrig was unable to attend his brother's graduation because he was one of six students representing Subiaco Academy in the State Math contest in Little Rock, Ark.

Ryan Gehrig, a graduate of Sacred Heart Grade School in Muenster, will attend Texas A&M University this fall.

JAM news shows busy summer

A group of JAM members (Jesus Is Alive in Muenster) impressed the management of All-Star Lanes in Gainesville on June 12, with their bowling abilities. Adult leaders attending were Jane Monday, Wanda Flusche, Emily Klement, and Pam Fette. Several FLAME members also joined the group.

JAM is open to all high school students from Muenster. The organization is not restricted to members of Sacred Heart Church. The whole community is invited, and all will receive a warm welcome.

The summer will be filled with a lot of activities - Six Flags trip; Rangers game; hamburger cookouts; and an evening retreat.

FLAME (Faith, Love, Action, Membership, Evangelism) is a group of young adults who are committed to serving the JAM group and other ministries of the Church. They spread the Good News of Jesus through this program, also by giving retreats for other communities surrounding Muenster. They have presented programs for RENEW and will be giving the Junior High of Muenster a retreat this summer. Several are college students who started as JAM members several years ago after attending Antioch weekend.

For more information about joining JAM or the FLAME program, call Emily Klement 759-4554.

Schedule of Coming Events
June 26 - Hamburger cookout at Dave Flusche home. Meet at SH Community Center at 7 p.m. Fee of \$2.00.
July 10 - Six Flags trip. Leave from SH Community Center at 12:30 p.m.



WAYNE and BEVERLY FRASER and Dan and Judy Phillips of Dallas are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Cara Lee Fraser and Kary Jordan Phillips, also of Dallas. The wedding is set for July 6, 1991 at 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Episcopal Church in Dallas. Father Patrick Douthitt, pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Tulsa, will officiate. The bride-elect is a granddaughter of Marian Fritz of Tulsa, and Marie Fraser of San Antonio. The future-groom is a grandson of Al and Dorothy Yosten of Muenster. The bride-elect is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School in Dallas and a graduate of Mrs. Wade's School of Fashion in Dallas. She is employed at DMDA in Dallas as a receptionist. The future-groom is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School in Dallas. He is employed at Central Garden and Pet Supply in Dallas as a Customer Service Rep. The couple will reside in Carrollton.

Junior High students visit Washington, D.C.

On June 4, eight students from Muenster Jr. High School left the rural surroundings of home to visit the nation's capital. Those students participating were Chrissy Yetter, Chris Muller, Sabrina Truebenbach, Karrie Barnhill, Laura Vogel, Cory Cain, Jason Huchton and Jimmy Fisher. Sponsoring the trip were Tim Ratliff and Ruth Barnhill.

The first day in Washington D.C. the students visited the National Geographic Society, Hard Rock Cafe, the Pentagon, and were taken on a brief tour of the city showing them many of the sites they would visit later in the week. The second day started with a visit to Arlington National Cemetery where Karrie Barnhill participated in a wreath laying ceremony at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. After visiting the cemetery, the students were taken to Capitol Hill where they had the opportunity to see the Capitol building, the Supreme Court building, and the Library of Congress. Ford's Theatre and the National Archives were next on

the sightseeing stops to allow the students to see where President Lincoln was assassinated and to see the original copies of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

The third day was the longest day of the trip as the students toured the capital city for 15 hours. During the day they saw the White House, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Vietnam War Memorial, Museum of American History, Museum of Natural History, and the National Air and Space Museum. After dinner the sightseers were taken on an evening tour of the Iwo Jima Marine Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Kennedy Center, and the Lincoln Memorial. The final day of the trip saw the students touring Mount Vernon (home of George Washington), the National Cathedral and the National Zoo.

Those who went on the trip commented that they greatly enjoyed the chance to see the nation's capital and experience all the history the city offered.

Sr. Mary Lin Koesler receives nursing award

A former Muenster resident, Sister Mary Lin Koesler, an RN at Memorial Hospital in Floresville, was presented with the Excellence in Community Hospital Practice Award. She received the award in May during National Hospital Week, and was also named Nurse of the Year.

The criteria for the award is set by Memorial Care Management Services. Besides the professional requirement, the selected recipient must promote the image of nursing through professional pride and dedication.

Mrs. Frank Chilek, Director of Nursing Services, singled Sr. Mary Lin out for her deep commitment to her work. In part, Mrs. Chilek said of her when presenting the award, "She is recognized in the

community as the 'one who saved my life' or 'helped my family' when in the ER or hospital. People come up to her in grocery stores and ask if she remembers them and the circumstances concerning their need of care; they thank her for her care and concern.

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Sr. Mary Lin is the former Elfrieda Koesler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfons Koesler Sr.

Country Tidings by Ruth Smith

Maurine Boothe, 94, dies
Funeral services for Mrs. Maurine Boothe, 94, were held Saturday, June 15, 1991, in the Seydler-Hill Funeral Home Chapel in Gonzales, Texas.

Rev. Bob Allen, pastor of the First United Methodist in Gonzales, officiated.

Interment was in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Gonzales under the direction of the Seydler-Hill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Boothe passed away Thursday, June 13, 1991, in the Trinity Lutheran Home in Shiner, Texas where she had resided for 9 1/2 years.

Mrs. Boothe was born Feb. 15, 1897 in West, Texas. Her parents were H.H. Ingraham and Lucy Jamison Ingraham of West, Texas. Mrs. Boothe and William H. Boothe were married Jan. 16, 1921. He preceded her in death Feb. 12, 1948.

She is survived by four children, Mrs. Maurine Boothe Griggs of Muenster, William and James Lee Boothe of Gonzales and Mrs. Sussane Boothe Wilison of San Jose, California; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were her grandsons. Mrs. Boothe had been a member

of the United Methodist Church for 71 years.

She was a school teacher and had taught in the Gonzales School System for 33 years. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association. Her life was dedicated to education and teaching. She encouraged all of her family to go to school and earn degrees, as well as other young people.

Her daughter, Mrs. Maurine Griggs, has been attending her bedside. She left here Tuesday, June 11. Her family here - Rube Griggs, Dave and Marsha Griggs and Casey - attended the funeral.

News of the sick
Word has been received that Miss Kathryn Fortenberry had the misfortune of falling and breaking her hip Friday. At this writing, she is in the Denton Regional Hospital, Room 449. Cards may be sent to the hospital.

Mrs. Mary Settle, 819 N. Commerce St., Gainesville, fell Sunday and broke her hip. She is in the Gainesville Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Virginia Lynch has gone to Tyler to be with her daughter, Lisa Pickens, who had surgery in the Tyler Hospital Monday. Mrs. Pickens and her family live in Grand Saline.

New great-grandson for Christians
Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Christian are proud to announce the arrival of their great-grandson. He was born in the Harris Hospital in Fort Worth Friday, June 14, 1991, at 3 p.m.

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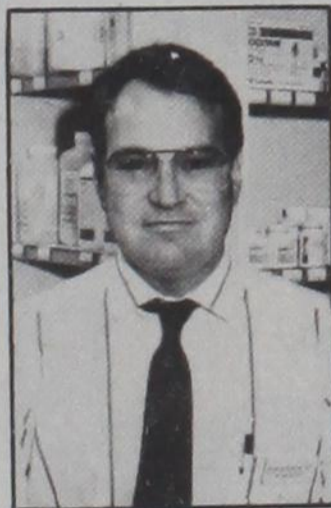
Increased fiber in the diet may cut the incidence of kidney stones in those at risk, say researchers at the Camp Hill Medical Center, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Doctor's supervision is recommended.

To treat baldness, doctors use balloons to gradually stretch hair-bearing portions of the scalp so they can cover hairless areas. Newer procedure, reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association, stretches the skin during surgery to avoid big "bumps."

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His name is Cade Ilon. His parents are Kevin and Ronda Christian and he has a brother, Casey. His grandparents are Jimmy and Sandy Christian of Springtown. His great-grandparents are Mrs. Eula Grace Cain of Muenster and Mr. and Mrs. Tip Christian.

Rickey and Jodi Christian and children, Hanna and Ryan, of Springtown visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Christian from Monday to Wednesday.

Mike and Debbie Christian and children Tara, Tess and Austin of Stephenville visited their grandparents, the Christians, during the weekend. Miss Donna Christian of Dumas was also a visitor of the Christians.

The C.H. Christians spent Father's Day in Springtown with Jimmy and Sandy Christian and their children.

Many attend White reunion
A dinner and reunion of the White family and also honoring the children of Bill White was held June 9, 1991 at the Ross Point Community Center. Those honored were Tom and Anita White, son and daughter, and granddaughters Mandy and Carli, all of Fresno, California.

Others attending were Geneva White of Alvord; J.Y. and Agnes Brandon; Fannie Ewing; Stanley Brandon; Bill and Eva Adcock, all of Rosston; Jesse and Myrtle Wilson; Charles and Beverly Fleitman, all of Gainesville; Wayne and Margie Wilson; Alene Krunk, all of Decatur.

Personal
Mrs. Gladys Balthrop accompanied Jeff and Ann Balthrop and children and her mother to the home of James and Billie Balthrop and family at Gainesville for dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Josephine Berry and Mrs. Odessa Berry met J.C. and Dorothy Barr of Nocona at the Center in Muenster for lunch. Then they all visited Mrs. Vena Settle who resides in St. Richard's Villa in Muenster and Mrs. Christine Hughes.

Gene and Cindy Furgerson of Gainesville visited Miss Lois Bewley and Clyde Saturday morning.

Odessa and Jack Berry visited Dorothy and J.C. Barr in Nocona Thursday afternoon. The Barrs will be moving to Houston soon.

Katie and Johnnie Cook of Thackerville, Oklahoma and their granddaughter, Allison Cooke, of Newport Beach, California visited Odessa and Jack Berry Sunday.

Laura Belle and Ted Jackson and Jackie and Joe Phillips were in Bowie Saturday afternoon.

Laura and Ted Jackson attended church Sunday, then had lunch with Jewel and Carroll Dill.

Mrs. Paula Barber and children of Wichita Falls spent Saturday and the night with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth.

Mrs. Carolyn Wood and Mrs. Margaret O'Brien of Wichita Falls and Mrs. Tayna Bolton and two girls of Lewisville visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth Sunday afternoon.

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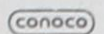
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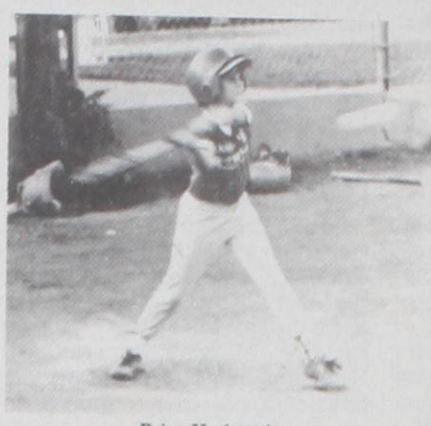
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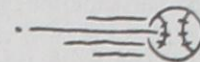
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Greg Flusche at bat, Jeremy Walterscheid at hindcatch, with Dave Flusche Jr. officiating.

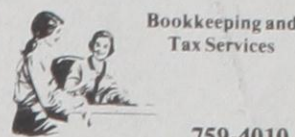


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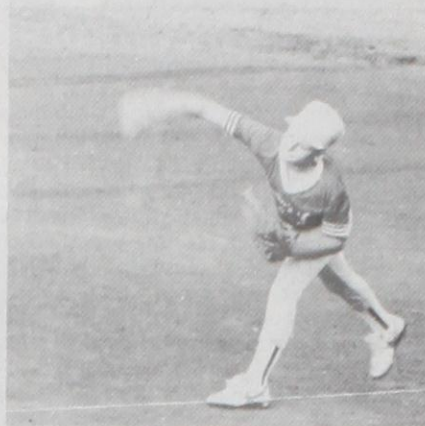
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Jack Biffle stops the ball, Justin Hess is ready to assist.



Jeff Wilde.



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Coach Terry Walterscheid watches the ball in play as Tyler Walterscheid races for home.



Jana Trubenbach

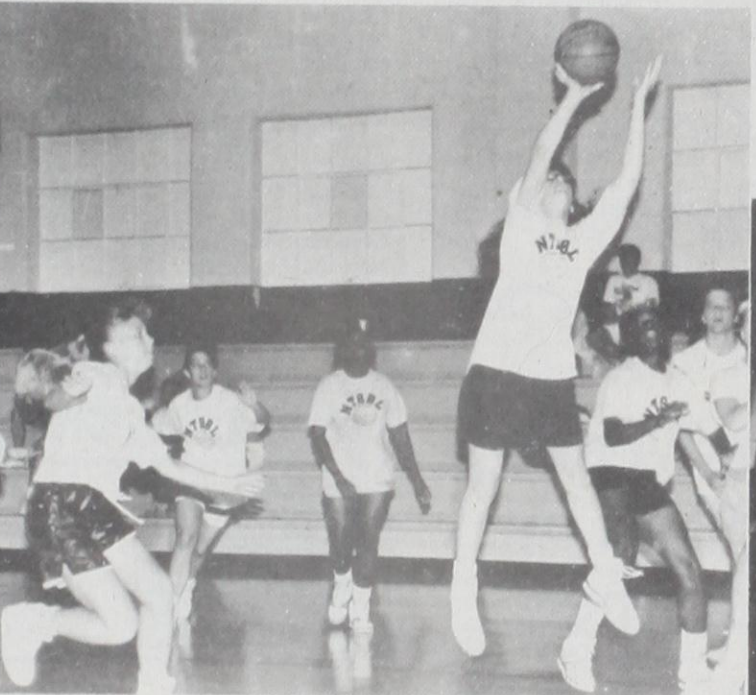


Ricky Endres

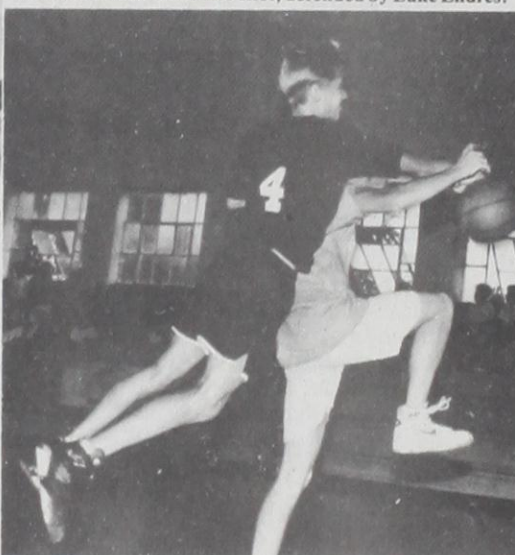


Daniel Bartush slides into first, defended by Luke Endres.

Photos by Janie Hartman, Dave Fette, and Mike Pagel



Jessica Fuhrmann scores an easy basket. Also pictured is Susie Arendt, left.



Era's Barry Gordon hammers his opponent on a drive to the basket.



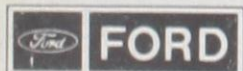
DaLana Endres lags out a single.



Danelle Reiter shoots over Jessica Fuhrmann, left, and Debbie Fangman.



Brian Knabe, left, brother Cory Knabe and Kenny Fleitman await a rebound.



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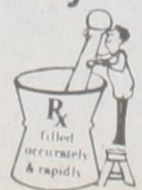
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Through Week 3...

Yellow remains undefeated

by Mike Pagel
SAINT JO - Before this game ever started, it seemed as if the odds of the yellow team winning were stacked against them. The absence of two key players left Yellow short against perhaps the tallest team in the women's league, the Gray team. The match-ups on paper didn't seem feasible for the Yellow team because their lack of height would have been a huge disadvantage against the Gray's Gina Janaway (Era) and Debbie Fangman (Lindsay), both of whom are six-footers with powerful inside games. On Monday night, the yellow team proved why it is important to play the game on hardwood instead of on paper as they went on to defeat the Gray team 40-38. With the win, Yellow stayed undefeated through the first three weeks of the season. The Gray team's loss was their first. They are now 2-1.
 The Gray Team jumped out to an early lead after the first of four of Jessica Fuhrmann's (Lindsay) 3-pointers ripped the net only seconds after the opening tip.

Yellow battled back though to take a lead late in the first half that they would maintain to the final buzzer. A patient ball-control offense headed by Muenster's Danelle Reiter extinguished any hopes of a Gray comeback. Lindsay's Laura Lutkenhaus and Susie Arendt, Muenster's Cindy Culp and Reiter, and Gainesville's Cheri Johnson and Karen Fields (two 3-pointers) all made positive contributions toward the Yellow victory. Next week's game for the women's NTSBL will be held at Sacred Heart on Monday evening.
 Other scores from Monday night were:

Orange	40, Blue 22
Green	40, Red 35
Teal	41, Black 38
Standings through Week 3	
Yellow	3-0
Black	2-1
Gray	2-1
Teal	2-1
Red	1-2
Orange	1-2
Green	1-2
Blue	0-3



GRAY'S Kenny Fleitman of Lindsay shoots a jumpshot over Yellow's Brian Knabe as teammate Ronnie Dieter looks on. Yellow won the game 59-57. *Mike Pagel Photo*

Rewards contributed by Game Thief Committee

AUSTIN - An Operation Game Thief call that led to 146 violators being charged with fishing violations in North Texas highlighted the six-month period ending March 31, OGT committee members were told during a semi-annual meeting April 24 here.
 In the spring of 1990 a concerned citizen called the OGT hotline (1-800-792-GAME) about fishing violations at Lake Texoma. By its conclusion last fall, 986 cases were filed against 146 violators for the sale and purchase of white and striped bass, exceeding the limit of striped bass, possession of under-sized striped bass and the purchase and sale of paddlefish, an endangered species in Texas. The courts assessed \$150,000 in fines.
 For the six-month period of Oct. 1-March 31, the hotline received 912 calls, said Wayne Chappell, OGT coordinator. Seventy-three of those calls resulted in 1,203 cases being filed against 274 violators. The courts assessed fines of \$178,140.
 The committee approved rewards of \$5,175 for the 32 callers requesting a reward. Chappell said the caller from the Lake Texoma case did not request a

reward (about 65 percent of all callers do not request a reward), but the committee decided if that person would have, the reward would have been \$2,000, the largest reward in the program's history.
 "Cases made as a result of these callers included not only deer and fish violations, but illegal possession of nongame birds, such as hawks; possession of live alligators; illegally killing turkey and quail; and trapping sandhill cranes," Chappell said. "It also included illegally taking shrimp and oysters; illegal possession of fur-bearing animals (raccoons); and illegally taking ducks.
 OGT is funded entirely by tax-deductible contributions from private sources, such as sportsman's groups, corporations and concerned individuals.

Live music, entertainment benefit MDA

The Muenster Budweiser Bass Club and the Gainesville VFW will host a dance Friday, July 12, at 8 p.m. to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Proceeds from the \$5.00 cover charge will go directly to assist in MDA's Cooke County patient services program.
 The dance will be held at the Gainesville VFW located on Hwy. 77 North in Gainesville. Andy Serina and the Captive Hearts Band will be performing live.
 For information about the dance, or to make reservations, please call the Gainesville VFW at 817-665-9054.
 Money raised through the dance helps provide orthopedic appliances (i.e. wheelchairs, walkers, braces), diagnostic examinations, genetic counseling, clinic visits, camps, research programs and public health education all at no cost to the patient or their families.

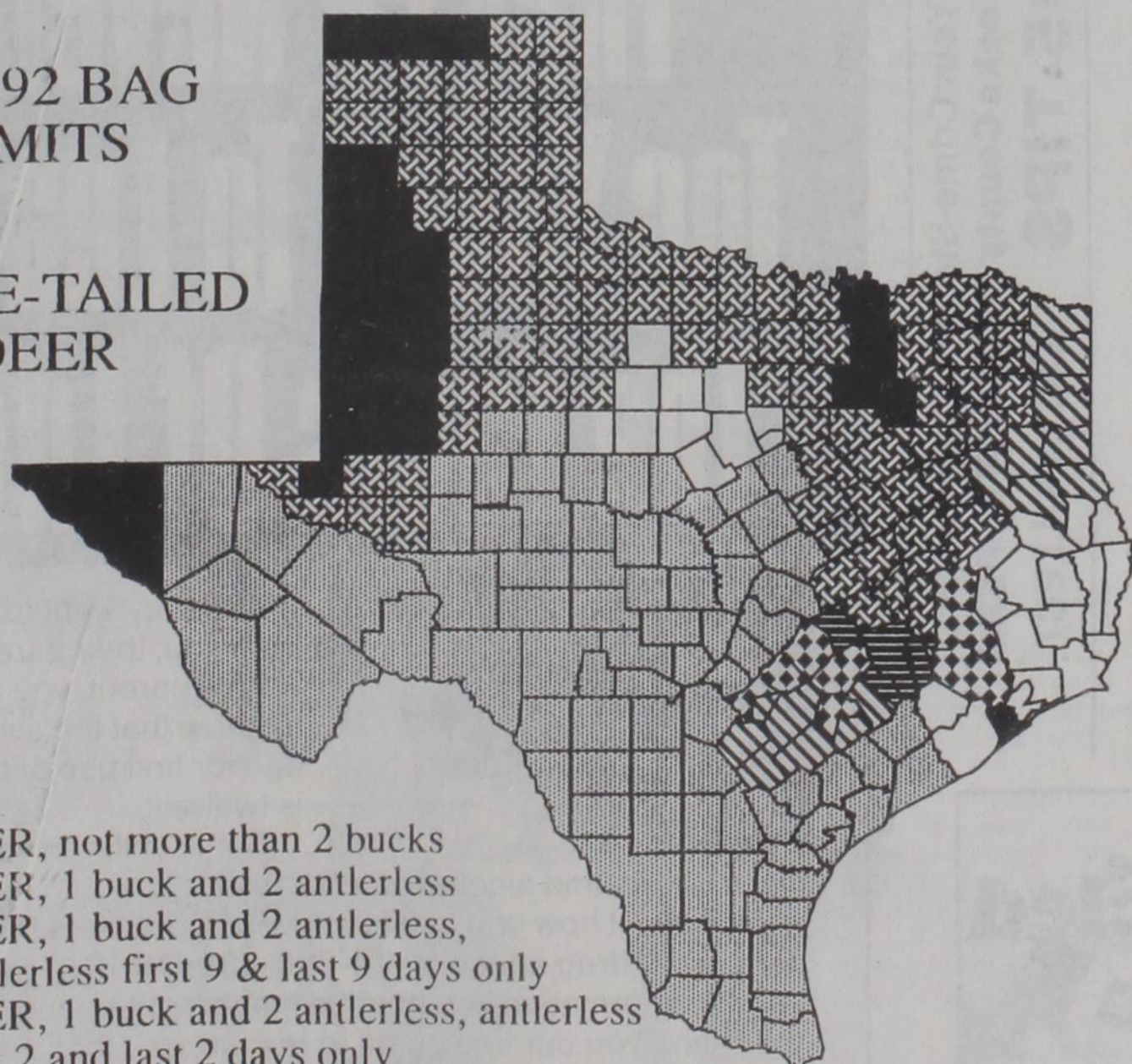
Deer fawns, others should be left alone

AUSTIN - With each spring comes deer fawns and other newborn animals, and with that comes the urge by many Texans to take home these animals for fear that they have been abandoned by their mothers.
 Besides being illegal to handle most wildlife except during legal game seasons, newborns are almost never abandoned.
 "Every year, during late spring and early summer, fawns are found by people in rural areas, and thinking the fawns have been abandoned by their mothers, the well-intentioned individuals take the fawns home with them to try to bottle feed and raise," said David Rideout, a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department technical guidance biologist from College Station. "They often end up calling the local game warden, park ranger or biologist wanting to find out what to do.

Unless the doe is known to have been killed for certain, the fawn should be left where it is found, "no matter how cute and appealing it may be," he said. "It is perfectly normal for the doe to leave her young fawn in grassy, weedy areas while she's off feeding. The doe returns occasionally to check on the fawn and allow it to nurse. Because of the mother doe's insistence and the fawn's natural instinct to lay still at this early age, people are able to walk right up to fawns."
 David Palmer, director of field operations for TPWD's law enforcement division, said it is a violation of the law to handle wildlife species. It also is illegal to possess wildlife unless it's legally taken during a legal, open season. Anyone violating this law could be charged with a Class C Parks and Wildlife Code misdemeanor, and

would be subject to a fine of up to \$500.
 If someone finds an animal that's wounded or hurt, they should contact the local game warden and/or a rehabilitator who is authorized to handle wildlife, he said. If an animal is not injured it should be left alone.
 Rideout said all wildlife should be left in their natural environment. Trying to treat them as pets inevitably results in unfavorable consequences for the animal and sometimes for people associated with wildlife that loses its fear of humans.
 "It is illegal to keep wild animals in confinement, except under special permitting procedures," Rideout said. "It is best for all concerned to leave them in the wild."

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Sports

Basketball roster

SUMMER LEAGUE GIRLS TEAMS

Team 1 (Red) - Cheryl Hacker, Shirley Henscheid, Jennifer Walter, Vickie Bayer, Tonya Knabe, Misty Knabe, Stacy Gieb, Kim McKown.

Team 2 (Gray) - Debbie Fangman, Gail Lange, Gina Janaway, Christy Barthold, Elizabeth McClung, Turay Ward, Jennifer Neil, Jessica Fuhrmann.

Team 3 (Orange) - Leslie Klement, Carrie Cowling, Christa Vaughan, Jessica Haynie, Kristi Bierschen, Diane Pagel, Allison Walterscheid, Stephanie Sandmann, Meredith Bowman.

Team 4 (Teal) - Stephanie Tatum, Christie Secrest, Janelle Fuhrmann, Tisha Krebs, Deanna Allred, Nickie Dunn, Stephanie Grewing, Jennifer Fuhrmann, Sabrina Fuhrmann.

Team 5 (Green) - Karri Partain, Joy Tisdale, Marlene Hess, Darlene Hess, Mary Kubicek, Shynn Blackwelds, Renae Cannon, Kelly Baker.

Team 6 (Yellow) - Cindy Culp, Danelle Reiter, Candise Abney, Cheri Johnson, Karen Fields, Susie Arendt, Suzanna Hellinger, Laura Lutkenhaus.

Team 7 (Black) - Lisa Glenn, Crystal Trail, Tonia McCollum, Amy Otto, DaLana Walterscheid, Theresa Kubis, April Truebenbach, Christy Yosten.

Team 8 (Blue) - Janelle Hellinger, Sally Adams, Cody Smith, Lindsay Powell, Sherry Hess, Sabrina Truebenbach, Kim Stewart, Amy Fisher.

SUMMER LEAGUE BOYS TEAMS

Team 1 (Red) - Patrick Corcoran, Wylie Harris, Travis Huchton, Darren Bindel, Kody Truebenbach, Mike Hacker, Brandon Harrison, Chad Pegus, Joseph Bedowitz.

Team 2 (Gray) - James Redman, James Daugherty, Gary Rains, Kenny Fleitman, Ronnie Dieter, Fred Hughes, Aaron Berres, Neil Berres.

Team 3 (Orange) - Jarrod Collins, Brad Hammack, Chad Carter, Tanner Neidhardt, Will Thompson, George Lutkenhaus, Garrett Johnson, Dale Snow, Mark Reinhart.

Team 4 (Teal) - Doug Hennigan, Jay Hennigan, Cody Klement, Greg Fuller, Jeff Hermes, John Hoening, Shane Huchton, Monty Renfro, Jay Snow.

Team 5 (Green) - Todd Hudson, Shane Dunn, Chris Sampson, Zach Nicholas, Jason Willford, Damon Scott, A.J. Knabe, Eric VanSwearingen, Jeff Walterscheid.

Team 6 (Yellow) - Steven Day, Danny Baggett, Kirk Mills, Brian Knabe, Cory Knabe, Jason Hofbauer, Rodney Vogel, Todd Reiter.

Team 7 (Black) - Steven Fisher, Ryan Sicking, Barry Gordon, Kurt Shore, Steven Wolf, Kyle Sandmann, Keith Webb, Greg Arendt, Brandon Walterscheid.

Team 8 (Blue) - Steven Nasche, Kelly Bayer, Weldon Bayer, Matthew Thompson, Chris Cannon, Tim Hennessey, Jeremy Tipps, Troy Shivers.

Sports Reports...

T-BALL RESULTS
Thursday, June 13
 Red Hawks 17, Sky Sharks 17 (tie)
 Yellowjackets 18, Rad. Dudes 6
Tuesday, June 18
 Rockets 18, Red Hawks 17
 Blue Angels 25, Sky Sharks 14

GIRLS SOFTBALL
Thursday, June 13
 Muenster #1 20, Muenster #3 10
 Muenster #2 15, Nocona 5
Friday, June 14
 Muenster #1 12, Rangerettes 7
Tuesday, June 18
 Saint Jo 23, Muenster #2 18

LITTLE LEAGUE
Friday, June 14
 Fischer's 18, Bayer's 4

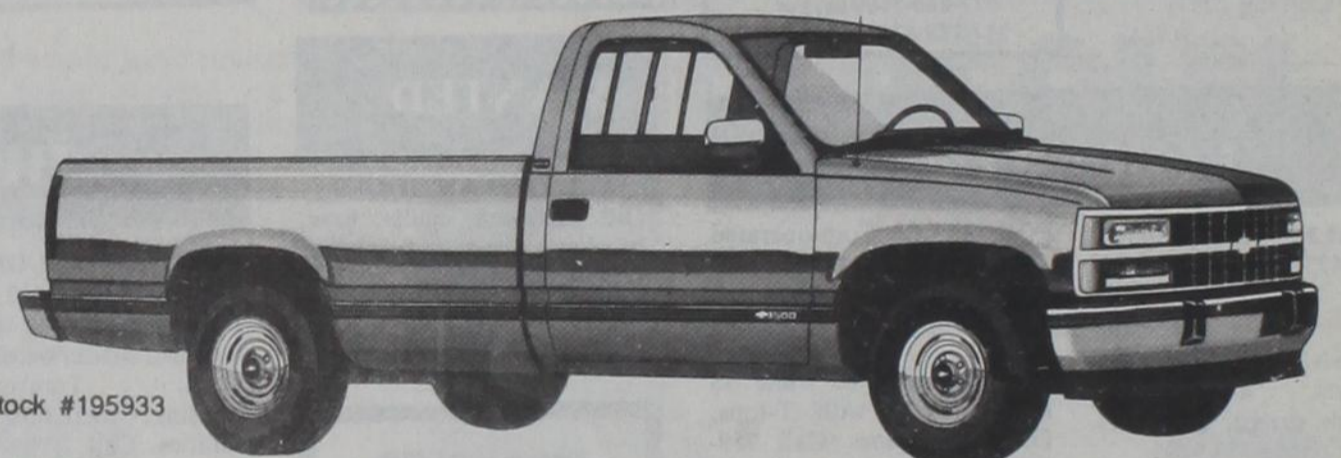
BOYS NTSBL
Tuesday, June 18
 Blue 61, Orange 58
 Red 80, Green 32
 Teal 56, Black 47
 Yellow 59, Gray 57

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Being an irregular tract or parcel of land lying in the watershed of Elm Creek and situated in the John W. Littleton Survey, Abstract No. 586, Cooke County, Texas. Said tract is a part of the "1st tract" containing 117 acres of land that was conveyed by John Fette and wife Anna Fette to M.J. Kleiss by Warranty Deed, dated November 29, 1923 and recorded in Volume 146, page 483 of the Deed Records of said Cooke County. The tract herein being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a point in the North boundary line of said M.J. Kleiss 117 acre tract, said point is in the center of a county road and bears N. 89°-31' E., 30 feet from the Northwest corner of said Kleiss 117 acre tract and also N. 01°-51' W., 37 feet from a steel pipe that was set in the ground in the South line of said county road during this survey;

Thence S. 01°-51' E., along a line through said Kleiss 117 acre tract, 30 feet from and parallel with the West boundary line of said Kleiss 117 acre tract, a distance of 337.0 feet, to a point as witnessed by a steel pipe that was set in the ground during this survey;

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Thence N. 01°-51' W., continuing along a line through said M.J. Kleiss 117 acre tract, a distance of 297.8 feet, to a point in the South right-of-way line of U.S. and State Highway No. 82, said point is witnessed by a steel pipe that was set in the ground during this survey;

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Thence N. 69°-48' W., continuing with the South right-of-way line of said Highway No. 82, a distance of 104.7 feet, to the point of intersection of said right-of-way line with the center of the county road, said point is also in the North boundary line of said Kleiss 117 acre tract;

Thence S. 89°-31' W., with the North boundary line of said Kleiss 117 acre tract, along the center of the county road, a distance of 296.5 feet, to the place of beginning, containing 3.047 acres of land.

All interested persons are invited to attend and to speak and/or present evidence for or against the designation.

The hearing is set for Monday, July 1, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the City of Muenster, Cooke County, Texas.

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Hay stored when wet...

Potential disaster!

When the temperature of stored, wet hay rises beyond 150 degrees, chain reactions can prompt smoldering within the inner stack. The process then can erupt into all-out combustion.

Some suggestions for checking stored hay and for responding to a situation that's heating up rapidly can help prevent a disaster on the farm.

If a producer thinks he has some hay with potential for trouble, he should check it regularly.

Use of any kind of accurate thermometer that can be inserted into the inner stack can help a producer gauge the situation. If it's not possible to measure temperature with an instrument, a long rod used as a probe can help.

The rod, such as a sucker rod, should be driven into the inner stack where highest heating will occur, and it should be left for 15 to 20 minutes. If it's too hot to handle when pulled out, the temperature inside the stack probably is above 120 degrees.

Caution is the best advice from that point. A few bales can be pulled out carefully to try to determine if a hot spot exists. But sudden exposure to plenty of oxygen can increase chances of spontaneous combustion if hay temperature is within the danger zone.

If smoldering hay is discovered, a rural fire department should be called. A firefighting unit always should be standing by if a decision is made to start moving hay.

Bales from around the outside of the smoldering area should be moved first to save them from combustion. Then, only after all safety precautions are taken, carefully start pulling heated bales out of the stack. Extreme caution is important to avoid getting a tractor and driver trapped if smoldering hay flashes into a fire. Hosing down a stack of smoldering hay isn't very practical, because getting that close isn't safe. Also, enough water probably won't reach deep into the stack where the heat is highest.

Beware in barns

A hot topic around the farm this summer could be an early season hay crop that was baled too wet and has heated up during storage.

Stacking wet hay tightly can increase chances of spontaneous combustion, which can burn the hay, a storage facility and everything.

Baling hay with more than 20 percent moisture is risky, and results can be unpredictable.

The sequence of activity within stacked, wet hay that can result in fire is hard to imagine when observing the outside bales. But trouble can be brewing within inner bales.

Hay stored at more than 20 percent moisture contains air that can reach 90 to 100 percent relative humidity. It also can maintain temperatures more than 100 degrees. That situation favors mold development, and heat generated by the activity of mold organisms increases the hay temperature even more.

At temperatures between 110 and 150 degrees, mold development is likely. When the temperature rises higher than 150 degrees, chemical reactions start occurring more rapidly. At 175 degrees, all microorganisms die. Once the temperature passes 195 degrees, a very rapid rise beyond 500 degrees is possible. The table is set for spontaneous combustion.

Avoiding heating problems begins at baling time. Hay shouldn't be baled at moisture higher than about 20 percent. Sixteen percent should be the upper limit for hay going into large round or large square bales.

The difference is due to the amount of mass packed in the middle of the bale. Large bales retain internal heat much longer than small bales.

If there's any possibility the moisture level in windrowed hay is too high, a producer can check the first bales with an electronic forage moisture tester, or he can check the brittleness of the stems by hand. He should consider all aspects of the situation he's facing in deciding when to bale.

Large bales known to have high moisture content shouldn't be packed tightly in an indoor storage area until two or three weeks after baling. Air flow around bales during that period of highest heating action helps keep temperatures from rising into the problem zone.

Small square bales tied at more than 18 percent moisture also should be exposed to drying conditions for a few days before storage.

Different kinds of hay also retain or release moisture differently and the density of the hay packed into the bale makes the difference.

The best way to avoid seeing next winter's feed supply go up in smoke is waiting until hay has dried sufficiently before baling. Better quality forage for livestock and minimal chances of spontaneous combustion can make it worth the wait.



EARLIER THIS SEASON, Ron Dangelmayr picked up hay bales for Harold Bindel. More pictures will be included in next week's special Ag issue in the Muenster Enterprise. Watch for it! Janie Hartman Photo

News from the Texas Farm Bureau

Agriculture Did Well...The Regular Session of the 72nd Texas Legislature ended at midnight on Monday, May 27. Texas farmers and ranchers and rural Texas fared well considering what could have been the case had some of the bills become law. The environmental groups were very active but almost all of this proposed legislation wasn't passed. What was not killed was amended. All of the bills that were worked on during the session are not listed but highlights of the session that involves agriculture is listed.

It's always been said by groups like the Farm Bureau that "the fewer new laws we get the better off we are." If that is true, people are better off now than they were at the close of the regular session two years ago.

Animal Rights/Animal Welfare... One of the biggest victories for animal agriculture was the passage of SB 114. This change in the Texas Penal Code to punish those who interfere with animal production and/or animals used in research becomes law on Sept. 1, 1991 without the Governor's signature.

Clear Title/Central Notification... HB 2456 would have established a central notification system for agricultural liens instead of the current direct notification system. The bill died in the House Committee on Agriculture and Livestock. This is the fourth consecutive session that this proposed change was fought off.

Choose your herbicide for weeds with care

Wheat producers have a selection of different types of herbicides for controlling weeds on fallow land after harvest. Choosing the best one will take some studying.

The kinds of weeds growing on a field should be the main consideration in choosing a herbicide.

Other factors, such as subsequent cropping plans, susceptible crops in adjoining areas or soil type, also can be important.

Before spraying a herbicide, a producer should understand the characteristics of the different contact herbicides or translocated herbicides available for summer weed control on wheat land.

The contact herbicide, paraquat, is sold under the trade names of Gramoxone Super and Cyclone. Because paraquat is a contact herbicide, it won't kill perennial weeds that can resprout from roots or rhizomes or larger annual weeds that can send up shoots from below where the stem is killed.

Paraquat should be used primarily to kill small annual weeds. It is important to use adequate spray volume to get good coverage of all weed foliage and to use a surfactant as directed on the label.

Several translocated herbicides are available for broadleaf weed control. The ones commonly used in wheat producing areas include 2,4-D, MCPA, Tordon, Banvel and Roundup. 2,4-D and MCPA have very short residual time in the soil. Residual from Banvel and Tordon used at normal rates should be at a low enough level by wheat planting time not to injure wheat seedlings.

Roundup also can be used for grass control. So, if both grasses and broadleaf weeds are problems, Landmaster, which is a

Storage of Toxic Materials... SB 405 would have established severe penalties for those who have toxic materials that might affect wildlife if any wildlife was exposed to such materials.

Young Farmer and Rancher Endowment Program... HB 1826 will become law setting up a fund that will loan interest-free money to young farmers. Funding for the loan program will be generated with an additional annual fee of \$5 for farm license tag.

Stolen Horses... HB 1965 would have set up a horse inspection program to be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture whereby all horses sold at auction and/or slaughter plants would be inspected. The bill did not pass, but the subject is expected to be studied by an interim committee.

HB 2553 clarifies that livestock carriers holding Railroad Commission ag permits regardless of who directs, controls or pays for the transportation. The bill passed.

SB 196 would have transferred the Agriculture Linked Deposit program from the Texas Department of Agriculture to the Texas Department of Commerce, and changed its purpose from strictly agriculture to rural economic development. The bill failed.

HB 2495 would have revised the terms of those serving on the Agriculture Diversification Board, doubled the Agriculture Linked Deposit Program, raised the loan to process and market agricultural

County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

Crops Tour

On Friday, June 28, a Crops Tour will be held in Cooke County on Soybeans, Grain Sorghum, and Corn. The wet spring has allowed for some very desirable early growth on these crops and producers should be able to view a lot of variation in varieties along with various management practices and weed and grass control.

The tour will be conducted in two phases. Soybeans will be the focus at the morning session and Grain Sorghum and Corn will be the focus of the afternoon session. The tour will begin at 8 a.m. at the Soybean Variety Demonstration located on the Selby Farms on Highway 51 approximately one-half mile south of the 922 and Highway 51 intersection at Era. Some 14 early season variety group 3 and 4 beans were established at this location.

At 10 a.m. the tour will be at the Hartman Farms located on FM 373 approximately two miles south of Muenster at the intersection of County Road 310. The Hartman location also has a large number of early season Soybean varieties and for producers with weed and grass problems, there will be a special session on Herbicides at the Herbicide Plots located at the Hartman location.

The tour will begin again at 1 p.m. at the Grain Sorghum Demonstration located next to the Cooke County Electric Co-op on Highway 82 near Muenster. Some 30 Grain Sorghum varieties are at this location along with Soybeans and Sunflowers.

At 2:30 p.m. the tour will go to the Chris Hundt Farm for Corn results. The Hundt Corn Demonstration is located north of Lindsay. Take FM 1199 north of Lindsay and go north of Sycamore Lake on County Road 407.

The last stop on the tour will be at 3:30 p.m. at the Rudy Zimmerer Corn Demonstration located in the bottom below Rudy Zimmerer's house on County Road 438 southwest of Lindsay. Producers needing additional information as to location can contact Craig Rosenbaum at the County Extension Office.

Travis Miller, Extension Agronomist from Texas A&M, will be on the tour along with various Seed Company and Ag Industry representatives to answer questions concerning various production phases and variety specifics. Producers are invited to attend any or all of the sessions.

4-H and FFA Steer Validation set for June 26

Members of 4-H and FFA who plan to exhibit steers at the major livestock shows (including the State Fair of Texas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and Houston) must have their steers validated June 26 at the Gainesville Livestock Auction.

The steer validation includes nose printing, tagging and photographs to be submitted to a central state location. The time for the Steer Validation will be 8 to 10 a.m. This time is a change from previous years.

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Submitted by SCS office

Now is the time for farmers to implement their Farm Bill conservation plans if they haven't already started. That's the word from Richard Connett, district conservationist with the USDA Soil Conservation Service (SCS) in Gainesville.

SCS assisted in developing Farm Bill conservation plans for virtually every Cooke County producer who requested one. Nationwide, plans have been developed on about 135 million acres and have been fully implemented on 54 million acres.

"Cooke County land users have made a good move by developing plans on their highly erodible fields," said Connett. "Now they should apply the conservation practices in their plans according to schedule in order to remain eligible for USDA farm program benefits."

Approximately 350 plans have been developed in Cooke County

to address the needs of highly erodible cropland. Now, those plans must be fully implemented by December 31, 1994 to retain program eligibility. The SCS and the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation district can provide technical assistance to help producers carry out their plans.

"We've had tremendous cooperation from farmers throughout the county," said Connett. "Farmers are aware of erosion problems on their land and have these plans to deal with them. Now it's time to put these proven practices on the land."

Major conservation practices to be applied in Cooke County include conservation cropping systems, crop residue use and conservation tillage.

Producers with questions about carrying out Farm Bill conservation plans can come by the SCS office at 4504A Highway 82 West in Gainesville or call 668-7794.

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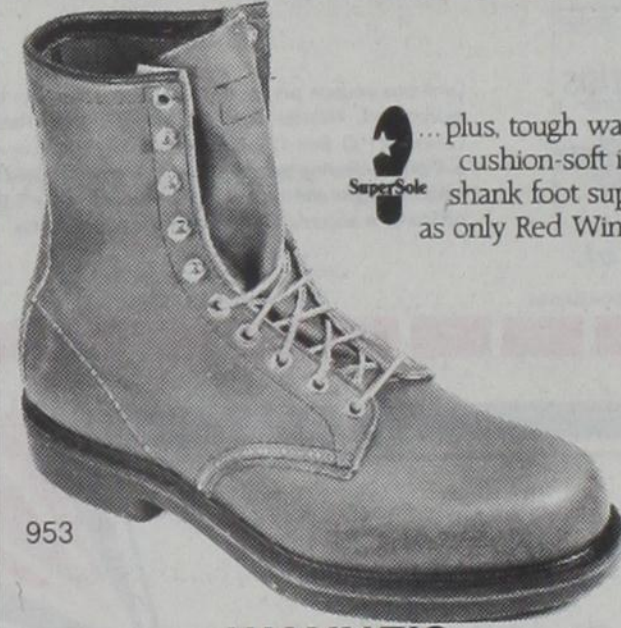
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