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Muenster opens 17th Germanfest

by Janet Felderhoff

For the 17th consecutive year Muenster is rolling out the welcome mats for visitors to the annual Germanfest. It is set for this Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The Muenster Chamber of Commerce, festival sponsors, are expecting thousands of people to come for fabulous food, fun, frolic and a wide variety of free entertainment from opening to closing each day.

"The Muenster Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome all of our visitors to the 17th Annual Germanfest," said Margie Starke, Germanfest general chairman. "We hope you enjoy it more than ever and for those of you who are attending for the first time we hope it will be such a memorable and enjoyable time that you won't forget and will make the last weekend of April a yearly time to visit our community."

Practice makes perfection, its said, and each year Germanfest becomes more polished with changes being made to add to the visitors' comfort and enjoyment. With the addition of a third stage entertainment should always be available to appeal to any taste.

The Tanz Halle, which was first introduced last year, is back by popular demand. A wooden floor under a covered tent makes this spot a favorite of those who enjoy polka and other German music. Entertainment includes a lively 3-piece band, Alpenmusikanten, with zany humor and yodeling; Bavarian Woodchoppers, an accordion band with unusual techniques; the Hot Foot Express Cloggers from Sherman; Dutch Treat; and the Moslah Shrine Band. Also several local talents will perform.

Opening ceremonies for Germanfest '92 will take place at noon Saturday in the Tanz Halle with the Frohsinn German Singing Society of Dallas.

"Fest goes will have the unique opportunity this year of being a part of the entertainment. The search is on for participants of "America's Funniest People." The "German Yodel and Texas Yell" contest will be filmed from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday and between 5 and 6 p.m. Sunday on the Miller Stage. An "Anything Goes" session is scheduled from 3 to 4 p.m. on Saturday and between 5

and 6 p.m. Sunday on the Miller Stage. All tapes will be sent to America's Funniest People Contest. "We have no idea how it's going to turn out," commented Gary Fisher, entertainment chairman.

Texas Stage entertainment will vary from performances by young students from a local dance school, to CD music and contests by Muenster's radio station KXGM Hit 106.5 to toe-tapping, partner-swinging music from popular groups including Tucson, Rumour Has It, Willie Kickit, Clear Light, Brave Combo, and Andy Serna & The Captive Hearts.

The new Miller Stage will feature music which ranges from Trinity River Swamp music by the Rotten Rubber Band of Dallas to bands playing rock, Texas rock, and blues and country. Other groups include Clear Light, Boa Kai, Sweeter Than Honey, Strict Order and Stoneleigh Purcell and the Stir Gang.

Time has been set aside on all three days of the 'Fest to zero in one new talent for Germanfest entertainment. The Dallas Banjo Band which is comprised of 30 members

will play in the noon to 2 p.m. spot Sunday on the Texas Stage. Fiddlers Two, 10 and 12 year old Austin and Coleman Smith, will hopefully make Muenster in time to entertain sometime Sunday. "They're on a real tight schedule because they are playing at a Bob Will's Festival in Turkey this weekend," said Fisher. "They've won contests all over and took first place in a World Series Fiddler's contest."

There are still spots available for new Germanfest talent during the 4 to 10 p.m. time frame on Friday and in the 12 to 2 p.m. one Sunday. "If you or a group you know of would like the kind of publicity performing at Germanfest can offer then call me at my work number, 759-4644, or contact the Chamber office, 759-2227," urges Gary Fisher. "Spots will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis and we're interested in all

types of entertainment, even a good magic act."

To the visitors interested in Arts and Crafts there will be four tents filled with booths offering an alluring array of hand-crafted items for sale. Many of the crafters will be at work on additional projects and can be observed creating their goods. According to one of the Arts and Crafts chairmen, Pat Jackson, the tents will be in two locations, two by the pool near the Texas Stage and the other two near the tennis courts. Each booth in the Arts & Crafts section has donated a door prize. Those will be given away at intervals during the Germanfest. Registration and drawings will be held at the Chamber of Commerce tent.

Roach Video of Muenster is one of the new booths to be included at the Germanfest. They will offer Germanfest videos for purchase. Personalized tapes with the purchaser's voice expressing their thoughts on Germanfest can be added to the first few minutes of the tape.

The castle area which caters to the entertainment of children will be back. Margie Starke, Chamber of Commerce secretary, noted that this Germanfest will have even more things for kids including a storyteller and face painting.

A share of the gate proceeds will go toward the purchase of a state-of-the-art bather for the Muenster Hospital. The gates are being manned by members of the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary and their recruited volunteers. They decided to take on the Germanfest gate as one of their major fund raisers.

Also proceeds from the Coors Light "Silver Bullet" Sharpshooter competition will go toward the purchase of equipment for the hospital, at the request of **Please See GERMANFEST, Pg. 3**

Candidates are low key as city election nears

Politics in Muenster is quieter this week under the shadow of Germanfest. Last week's announcement by city council candidate Pat Dennis that she was moving immediately after the election and would not accept the position if elected has left some voters wondering "what now?"

As reported in last week's **Muenster Enterprise** story, if Dennis wins the election, then resigns, the city council must fill her position by appointment or call a special election to let the citizens make the choice. Dennis is out of town this week and unavailable for further

comment.

Dennis' opponent, incumbent councilman Aubry Tuggle, would not comment on her decision nor on the election. "The city hasn't been operating as it should for about the last year," Tuggle said. "If I stay on the council I feel some changes need to be made but I'd rather not address those areas now. It would be better for the council to deal with the problems after the election."

Tuggle has served on the city council since 1966. He currently holds the position of Mayor Pro-Tem and Police Commissioner.

There are two candidates for election to alderman, place one. Joe Koesler currently holds the position. This is his first term in office. Koesler said when he started he intended to serve for two terms. If elected, this will be his last term. "Things have gone well for the last two years. We have been trying to hold costs and taxes down," he said. Koesler gave as example the city tax rate which has decreased each of the last two years. He said he couldn't offer an especially great list of qualifications. "I'm just a concerned citizen willing to thoughtfully consider the issues of city government," Koesler said. "I think I'm a better choice for the alderman's position because I know the background on some issues still facing the city on personnel and litigation."

Addressing the future, Koesler said he would like to see city financial reserves built back up, within budget restrictions, to eliminate the necessity of taking bank loans for unexpected expenses.

Koesler's opponent is Fran Voth. She is married to Jim Voth. She is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and holds an associate degree from Draughon's Business College. Voth currently works as a bookkeeper and has 24 years of bookkeeping experience.

Voth says she has no contest with the incumbent, Koesler. At the time she decided to file for election the position was open. She said she is running for place one in order to serve in the democratic form of government. "I am proud of Muenster and I want to help any way I can. I'm not tied to any special interests," she said.

"For the most part, I support the way our tax dollars are being spent," Voth stated. "Money management is a big concern of mine and I believe that a government should operate like a business with responsible spending. I want to take care of business and the Muenster citizens in the most efficient way possible."

The final position open for council election is Place Four. Arthur Hennigan is finishing his first term in that place and is the only candidate.

"I have enjoyed my job as Parks Commissioner," said Hennigan. "If I'm reappointed to that position, I will continue to work on improvements and I will appreciate a vote of confidence from the citizens."



MELINDA WALTERSCHEID, front, and Lisa Felderhoff help with Germanfest preparations Wednesday as they scrub dust from the Beta Kappa strudel booth. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Muenster School Board passes resolution against State of Texas

by Elaine Schad

The Muenster school trustees have passed a resolution saying the State of Texas has not lived up to its end of the bargain, taking away a portion of promised state education funding to school districts for the third consecutive year, officials said this week.

The resolution, approved at the board's regular April meeting, encourages the public and other Texas school districts to put the heat on Austin during the next special session on education to fully fund any education bill that is approved, said Muenster Superintendent Steve Cooper.

The Muenster School District anticipates it will not receive \$41,000 in state aid promised by the state for the 1991-1992 school year. School districts statewide will receive less funding than originally promised due to an estimated \$231 million state budget shortfall for education. The Muenster District received \$49,000 less than the state promised for the 1990-1991 school year when the state had a \$168 million shortfall, Cooper said.

"Each education bill has meant higher taxes for the local taxpayers, and they have met that," said Cooper of the resolution. "We have great concern that the state each time comes up with new commitments and promises. Then the state, once again, does not live up to its end of the bargain," Cooper said.

Despite the recent Texas Supreme Court decision rendering the present education funding system unconstitutional, Cooper said he is not optimistic that any bill that continues to rely on a property tax will provide sufficiently for education. "The bottom line, from my point of view, is that we will have problems with any plan ap-

proved if the property tax is used as a primary source," Cooper said. "There's just not enough property tax revenue for that to happen."

In other matters, the school board approved a five-year contract with the City of Muenster to purchase water and tap into a well on FM 373. The district will receive the unchlorinated water at a reduced rate. The water will be used to water the football field, officials said. The school district will be responsible for running a water line from the well to the field, officials said.

The board heard a preliminary report on some recommendations from the district's site-based management committee. Each committee on all campuses have met twice.

One proposal the committee made was to split each of the district's elementary classes in grades kindergarten through six into two sections. Four of the seven classes are now split. Cooper said the district doesn't have enough space to split the classes at this time, but the board discussed possible ways of making more space. No decision was made.

The board also:
-Heard a report that the district's special education cooperative fee may be reduced by about \$5,000

for the 1992-1993 school year due to some financial rearrangement on the part of the district.

-Rejected bids for the sale of a surplus school bus. The high bid was not satisfactory, so the board decided to keep the bus for another year and then go out for bids again.

-Briefly discussed how the district will provide for the needs of handicapped students that do not meet standard requirements for placement in the special education program.

-Approved the 1992-1993 school calendar. Classes will begin Aug. 17. The first semester will end before the Christmas break. The spring break will be set so that it will not interfere with UIL competition.

-Graduation will be May 21.
-Set May 4 for the board to canvass results from the May 2 school board election. The last day for the public to vote early will be at the end of business on April 28 at the district administration office.

-Approved a contract for 1992-1993 with the Region 11 service center for media services.

-Hired all support staff for 1992-1993.

-Discussed possible curriculum and scheduling changes for 1992-1993 in executive session, but took no action following the executive session.



SPECIAL OLYMPIC MEDALISTS, l to r, Crystal Knabe, Joe Fenton Jr., Julie Miller and Charlie Hermes. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Olympic winners at Muenster

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Gordon Pettey, teacher of Special Education and Vocational Coordinator at Muenster High School, wrote this article as a tribute to his special students, all of whom we are so proud.)

The first weekend in April will be remembered as one of the highlights of their lives. The air was filled with excitement and adventure because the special education students of Muenster High School turned serious olympians. It was the time again for the annual Special Olympics, for which 100% of the students participated.

For Julie Miller, Crystal Knabe, Joe Fenton Jr. and Charlie Hermes, it was the Special Olympics at Arlington. They had practiced long and hard over the past months and they were ready.

Leaving from the school Friday at noon, they and their coaches attended a lunch at the Bluebonnet Room at Gainesville. Also attending was Crystal's mother, Mrs. Shirley Knabe, who was a volunteer coach.

After a fine meal of their choice, the students and their coaches boarded the two large Joe Walter's vans and headed for Arlington where they checked into the Holiday Inn.

A bit of lounging was enjoyed, then they reboarded the vans and went to the football field and track where they attended opening ceremonies. All the **Please See OLYMPICS, Page 2**

Good News!

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation. Let us greet Him with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to Him. For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Am I being singled out? Muenster has city ordinances and I understand the reasoning behind them. However, has anyone else received an anonymous letter from City Hall regarding their dogs and the dog ordinance as I did. I know mine aren't the only dogs I've seen loose around town.

Has anyone else received a phone call from the City Manager regarding the usage of your own property? Is this because we're new or perhaps because of who we associate with?

No one is owning up to making the complaints about me. So, I'd like to invite you, whoever you are, to step up, shake my hand and say, "Bauer, this is my gripe."

I thought I left Dallas in Dallas.
Bob Bauer
128 Ash
Muenster, Texas 76252

Dear Editor,
Thank you so much for your recent support of Grayson County Rehabilitation Center for Children and Adults and its annual Telethon. This year's Search For The Stars '92 was a great success. Your participation was important and an integral part of the process and project. By printing the press releases sent to you regarding the event, you allowed for widespread notification of the Telethon that would otherwise have been impossible.

The support you provided is deeply appreciated and will lend to providing quality rehabilitative services to this community's disabled in the upcoming year. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,
Jerry Griffin
Board Chair and Telethon Co-chair
Honey Minshew
Telethon Co-Chair
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FROM HERITAGE FEATURES SYNDICATE • WASHINGTON, D.C.

NEA Chief's Final Bow

by Edwin Feulner

As the congressional check-kiting scandal has made only too clear, the trouble with Washington these days is that too many of the people who want to run our lives not only think they're above the law, but beyond criticism. Former National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Chairman John Frohnmayer has boldly taken this arrogance where few men have gone before.

Until his forced resignation earlier this year, Frohnmayer was responsible for approving federal grants for all sorts of artists, from classical to crackpot. From nearly day one, Frohnmayer stood at the center of the cultural storm — repeatedly giving his okay to projects that many people considered obscene, racist, and anti-religious.

When Christian groups complained about federal grants for "artists" who, for example, dumped crucifixes into jars of urine, Frohnmayer and his cronies dismissed the complainants as barely literate Bible-thumpers. When others criticized the use of federal money for "performance artists" whose performances used to be restricted to such G-String Meccas as The Block in Baltimore, or Boston's Combat Zone, the debate again was miscast as a contest between the sophisticates — defending freedom of expression — and the hayseeds.

Neither Frohnmayer, an elitist with a severe persecution complex, nor the fringe elements of the organized art crowd got the point: Most of the critics were objecting not to the trash that the cognoscenti embrace as art, but to the use of federal tax funds to support it.

Right to the end, Frohnmayer maintained that it was not the federally subsidized pornographic art that was at fault, but American right-wingers, especially those hideous church-goers who dared raise flags of protest.

While Frohnmayer and his chi-chi crowd were busy wrapping themselves in the cloak of sophisticated "tolerance," they lifted their elitism to Olympian heights. Opponents — religious or political — were continually dismissed as neanderthals or neo-Nazis. And anyone who questioned the arts community's moral right to the public purse was hushed with a "free speech" anthem.

In his farewell bow at the National Press Club, the ever-holier-than-thou Frohnmayer painted a verbal picture that would have made even Sen. Joe McCarthy blush — a picture of the rampaging right crushing American freedom underfoot and returning us to the Dark Ages.

"If the National Endowment for the Arts gets picked off," he warned, "public broadcasting is next, and after that research funds for universities, and after that research funds for science. There will be no end to it. It's the Sudetenland now, Czechoslovakia next week, and after that Poland."

If anyone on the right spewed such bilge, he would be laughed right out of polite society. Frohnmayer, on the other hand, received a thunderous ovation from the politically correct faithful.

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

Cooke County to be included in trauma system

by Elaine Schad

Cooke County officials have thrown their support behind an effort to form a 19-county regional trauma system that will provide guidelines for emergency personnel to assist in selecting the most appropriate trauma-equipped facility in time of serious injury.

Cooke County commissioners have passed a resolution supporting the planning process for a regional trauma system in Trauma Service Area E, which includes 19 Texas counties. The region is one of 22 areas being formed as part of a statewide trauma plan, said Bobby Harbin, director of the Cooke County Emergency Management Service.

"Guidelines will be in place so that everyone will know where you're supposed to go, especially when helicopters are called in," said Harbin, who said the guidelines should be very helpful to emergency personnel who are providing services to Cooke County's predominantly rural population. He said there has been problems with many emergency services taking all cases to type I trauma centers, resulting in a large expense to those facilities.

All counties involved in the effort are being asked to pass resolutions supporting the development of a regional trauma plan for this area by April 30. The plan may be in place within a year, Harbin said.

The plan will be developed by Dallas and Tarrant county medical societies and the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council. Counties included in Area E include Cooke, Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Erath, Fannin, Grayson, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant and Wise.

Local sales tax rebates are still on the upswing

State Comptroller John Sharp sent sales tax payments totaling \$89.4 million to 974 Texas cities, an 8.8-percent increase over the \$82.1 million received by cities last April. Checks to 106 Texas counties totaled another \$9.9 million, up 8.1 percent over last April's rebate of \$9.2 million.

"Overall payments to Texas cities and counties have increased each month this year, indicating slow economic improvement and a gradual increase in consumer confidence," Sharp said. All Cooke County cities except Valley View noticed an increase in the April '92 sales tax rebate payment over what they received in 1991. Muenster's check was for \$6,411.26, an increase of 48 percent. Muenster's total payments to date are \$34,912.20, which is up 5.35 percent from this time last year.

Lindsay received \$3,857.97, which is an increase of 26.38 percent. Gainesville's \$82,992.15 is up 11.91 percent. Oak Ridge was presented a \$2,819.07 check, which was an increase of 38.27 percent. Valley View cashed an April rebate check for \$1,309.70, which was 14.46 percent less than April 1991. Total of rebates to Cooke County cities was \$97,390.15, a change of 11.73 percent from last April. Cooke County's check of \$46,809.00 was down 3.7 percent.

Karl Klement Ford-Mercury wins Ford's Chairman's Award for the third time

Karl Klement Ford-Mercury, Inc. in Decatur has been awarded Ford Motor Company's top honor for customer satisfaction for the third time. The dealership will be presented the coveted "Chairman's Award" in Scottsdale, Arizona next month.

"This is an exceptional honor for our dealership and a credit to all our employees," Klement said of

the award. "To win the award at all is a great challenge and to have won it three times is a great achievement," he said.

Of the 5,340 Ford, Lincoln-Mercury and Ford Heavy Truck dealerships in America, the Chairman's Award this year is being presented to 91 Ford, 38 Lincoln-Mercury, and five Ford Heavy Truck dealers scoring highest on customer satisfaction surveys. Customers rate dealers in all areas of sales, service, technical proficiency and convenience.

"In the past year, these dealers have demonstrated an unyielding commitment to the highest standards of customer satisfaction," said Ford Chairman Harold A. "Red" Poling of Klement and the other award recipients. "Through dedication, hard work and continuous improvement of their service quality, they have distinguished themselves and their dealerships," he said.

In addition to the Chairman's Award from Ford Motor Company, Klement's Chrysler-Plymouth-Dodge-Jeep-Eagle dealership in Decatur won Chrysler Corporation's top customer service honor, The Pacesetter Award, for 1991 also. It marked the fourth year Klement had won that honor from Chrysler. Asa Johnson is general manager of Karl Klement Chrysler.

Last year the two dealerships sold more than 1,800 new cars and trucks from their two locations on U.S. 81/287 in Decatur. In December, Karl Klement Ford-Mercury, Inc. was the leading retailer of new Ford trucks in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Lindsay School Board view expansion possibilities

by Elaine Schad

Lindsay school trustees at their regular April meeting discussed the possibility of expanding the

school's gymnasium and constructing a new football field and track.

Trustees talked about possibly moving the west wall of the gym to make the gym a little larger and expand seating capacity. The board is expected to further consider the project at its May 4 meeting. The district is also considering moving the football field and adding a track. The field is located on property that has been earmarked for expansion of the St. Peter's Cemetery.

In other business, the board tabled a contract with the Sivells Bend School District to accept its high school students for the 1992-1993 school year. Since Sivells Bend has no high school, it has been contracting with Lindsay, and formerly with the Gainesville School District, to take its students as they go on to high school. The board hired Monica Johnson as an elementary gifted and talented and a reading teacher for next year.

BOWIE VFW HOSTS CHARLES FINNELL

State Rep. Charles Finnell of Holliday will speak at the District 15 meeting of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Bowie on Sunday, April 26.

V.F.W. Texas District 15 consists of 16 posts in Northwest Texas with a total of approximately 4500 members and auxiliary members.

The 10 a.m. area-wide meeting of Veterans will be held at the V.F.W. building according to Rex Price of Vernon, District 15 Commander.

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Various groups paraded around the track as each school was announced. How proud they felt.

After the ceremonies, it was Wendy's Hamburgers by unanimous choice. A very busy day finally wound down about 10 that evening when they all returned to the motels for more visiting and sleep.

Saturday morning brought hustle and bustle. A healthy breakfast was eaten around 6 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, then it was to the field by 9 a.m.

The events included 50 and 100 meter relays, 50 meter and 200 meter dash, softball throw and 50-100 meter fast walk and the running long jump. The Muenster athletes set about in earnest to gather the gold.

Charlie Hermes participated in the running long jump, the 200 meter dash and the 4x100 meter relay. He won a gold in relay, a bronze in running long jump, plus a ribbon.

Julie Miller won a gold in the 4x100 meter relay and two bronze medals for her participation in the softball throw and fast walk.

For lunch break, Pizza Hut furnished their famous dish to all participants, then the games continued.

Crystal Knabe won a bronze medal in the 50 meter run. She also participated in the softball throw, and won a 5th place ribbon.

The all-time winner was Joe Fenton Jr. He did a clean sweep by winning three first places and gathering three gold medals for his participation in the softball throw, 100 meter relay and the 100 meter fast walk.

The games ended around 4:30 p.m., but the day was not yet over. Joe Fenton and Julie Miller, both seniors, rushed back to Muenster where they slipped into their formal attire and dashed off to the Junior-Senior Prom, where they enjoyed a great dinner and then danced the evening away.

Dear Family, Neighbors, Friends, and Community,

As we reflect on the resurrection of Our Lord this Easter, our lives are filled with hope. So too, our family has been lifted up by the love and prayers of all those who have given so unselfishly of their time during this time of sorrow for our family. The Lord has directed each of you in such special ways during this time.

Our deepest thanks and love are with Joe Koesler who was there to make that first important call and minister to our Uncle Ollie. Thanks to the friends who arrived so quickly to support Mom in her deepest need - Dr. Walsh, Joan Walterscheid, Mickey Haverkamp, Father Victor, Father Camillus, Charlotte Klement, and Sug Bindel.

Dad's farm has been such a special place for him and his family. All the neighbors and family who have so generously offered to help with the harvest this year have encouraged us and filled us with peace.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit upon the music ministers shone through the uplifting music at Mass. Special thanks to Father Victor whose beautiful homily blessed all of us that day.

The outpouring of love from our community has been overwhelming. The food we received at home, cards, the memorials for Sacred Heart School, Mass intentions, and flowers have touched us and nourished us physically and spiritually. We would like to thank the Catholic Daughters for preparing and serving the meal after the service.

The Lord has blessed us with such wonderful friends. Each of us has been cheered by your love for Dad. We ask God's blessing be upon each and everyone of you.

The Urban Rohmer Family

Viola, Kathy, Alan and Connie, Sharon and Dave, Gary and Robin, Curtis, and Brian



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Lifestyle

Historic England is site of March 14 wedding



MRS. STEVEN JOHN LUKE
...nee Jenny Melissa Booth...

The wedding of Jenny Melissa Booth and Dr. Steven Luke was held in St. George's Church of Poynton, England on March 14, 1992 at 1 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of George and Marjorie Booth of Milton Keynes, England. She is a 1983 graduate of Poynton High School and a 1986 graduate of Manchester Royal Infirmary School of Nursing, and is a Registered Nurse employed at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.

The groom is a 1981 graduate of Muenster High School, a 1985 graduate of the University of North Texas and a 1989 graduate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. He is an Anesthesiology Resident at Parkland Memorial Hospital. The groom is the son of Dr. Bernard J. and Marilyn Luke of Irving and the grandson of Mrs. Anna Moffett of Irving and the late W.J. Moffett, and the late Ben and Mary Luke.

Officiating at the Church of England Marriage Service with double ring vows was Rev. Steve Mansfield. Of special significance to the place chosen is that Poynton, England in the northern countryside is the town where Jenny grew up.

Presented at the altar by her father, the bride was wearing a formal ivory floor length wedding gown designed with portrait neckline and three-quarter length sleeves, puffed at the shoulders. Her brief veil was two-tiered and caught to a satin halo band. She carried a cascade of yellow roses, white fnesia and greenery.

Attendants

The matron of honor was the bride's friend, Mrs. Joanne Gosling of Handforth, England. She wore a teal blue floor length gown and carried a bouquet of yellow roses and white fnesia.

Stuart Luke of Irving was his brother's best man.

Ushers were Dr. Robert Power of Dallas, a friend of the groom, and Neil Patrick of Carlisle, England, a friend of the bride.

Extension Homemakers plan tour

Cooke County Extension Homemakers Council met Tuesday, April 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the TU Electric Co. meeting room, with Dorothy Fisher presiding. Nancy Hoedebeck of Downard Fairplains Club gave the Inspiration. All eight member clubs were represented at Roll Call. Wilma Richardson, secretary, read minutes and Mildred Davis, treasurer, gave her report.

The Sell-o-Rama committee reported only a few tables are still available, and a waiting list has been started if cancellations occur. It was also reported \$100.37 was donated to Coins For Friendship. A \$200.00 premium was paid at the Cooke County Jr. Livestock Show.

Betty Flynn, Susan Richardson, Tommy Johnston and Lucille Lutkenhaus reported on the District meeting in Corsicana on March 17. They told that the hand-drafted porcelain doll entered by Tommy Johnston in the Cultural Arts Exhibit won a Blue Ribbon and will advance to State competition. Cooke County will host the district training meeting in January 1993.

Plans for the May 28 tour of Old City Park in Dallas were announced. The chartered bus will leave Gainesville at 8:30 a.m. The two-hour guided tour will precede lunch at Brunt Place, and this will be followed by a two-hour tour of the Arboretum. The group will return to Gainesville about 5:30 p.m.

Reservations must be turned in to Mildred Davis by May 14. If the bus is not filled by Homemaker Members reservations, it will be opened to the public.

Betty Flynn distributed membership cards. Clubs will name Delegate nominees to the State meeting in Galveston, prior to the June Council meeting. There will be no May meeting because of the bus tour.

Downard Fairplains members hosted the Fellowship time in an Easter theme.

News stories for the Lifestyle Page should be NEW news. Please have your stories of birthdays, reunions, meetings, trips, special items of children's interest, etc. ready while they are newsy and current.

Traditional wedding music was presented on the organ. The church was decorated with yellow roses and white fnesia.

Reception in England

Following the church ceremony, the bride's parents hosted a reception and seated dinner in the Bridge Hotel in Prestbury, England, for 75 guests. The reception area was decorated with yellow and white flowers.

Margaret Fisher feted on birthday

Margaret Fisher was honored on her 85th birthday with a surprise weekend-long celebration in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Ruth and Max Rumelhart of Buda, Texas.

Mrs. Fisher arrived on Friday afternoon, April 10 with Polly and Clyde Fisher, thinking they would drop her off for a visit with Ruthie while they attended meetings in Austin. Upon entering the house she was greeted by daughters Rosemary Lardner of Lititz, Pennsylvania and Jeanette Galloway of Iowa Park, and sons John C. and Butch Fisher of Muenster.

Next, the spouses entered from another room; greeting her were Michael Lardner, Max Rumelhart, Louise Fisher and Eileen Fisher. Joe Galloway was unable to attend because of the illness of his mother.

A formal dinner prepared by the hosts was served immediately so the group could attend Mass in the Buda church in Margaret's honor. After returning home, the group enjoyed old home movies from the late '40s and early '50s, made by Clyde.

Serving of a decorated, tiered carrot birthday cake, with champagne toasts to Margaret's good health, ended the evening.

After a Saturday morning breakfast of homemade bagels and fresh fruit, the group drove to Fredricksburg to be guests of Neil and Gaelyn Fisher. They led guided tours of the old and the new Catholic churches, several Sunday Houses and other interesting places in Fredricksburg. They attended a craft show at Gillespie County Fairgrounds. Picture taking at Neil and Gaelyn's country home and visiting on the big front porch brought out many stories of the Joe and John Fisher families. A trip to Luckenbach, Texas enroute home was a real glimpse into the past.

Sunday morning everyone drove to Austin's St. Ignatius Church for Mass and then walked through Zilker Park's beautiful rose garden and iris show before returning to Buda for lunch.

Sunday afternoon and evening were spent walking the countryside near the Rumelhart home, visiting and enjoying old pictures, more home movies and "remember when?" stories."

Everyone was on the way home Monday morning with promises to always celebrate Mom's birthday gloriously in the future.

Morton Museum presents 'The Way Things Were'

The Cooke County Heritage Society is pleased to announce that a traveling exhibit "The Way Things Were" is now on display at the Morton Museum of Cooke County. Courtesy of the Texas Humanities Resource Center, "The Way Things Were" is a photographic display on rural Texans and their buildings from 1850 through 1940. Consisting of 40 individually framed photographs of structures scattered across Texas, the exhibit focuses on the visions and values of Texas settlers and the purposes and perplexities of historic preservation. As the display emphasizes, "their allotted time is now our past and their buildings, our cultural heritage. Our connection with their buildings connects us also with them. It is our choice to preserve and learn from this connection, or turn our backs and forget." The traveling exhibit will be on display through the middle of May. For more information, please call the Morton Museum of Cooke County at 668-8900.

Easter guests

Guests in the Raymond Zimmerer home on Easter Sunday were Richard and Delores Zimmerer; S. Sgt. David and Belinda Zimmerer and daughters Hollie and Amber; Doug and Lisa Zimmerer and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Zimmerer and children Adam, Ashley and Nickolaus. Also visiting were Lawrence and Marie Zimmerer.

Following a wedding trip to Paris, France the couple returned to Dallas where both are employed. In July they will move to Oxford, England for a year while Steven does a residency at John Radcliffe Hospital.

Attending the wedding from Texas were Lance Cator of Dallas, who traveled with Bernard, Marilyn and Stuart Luke; and Dr. Alan and Dana Berk of Dallas - Dr. Berk is doing a three-month residency in Cardiff, Wales, presently.

Reception in Texas

A reception, catered buffet and dance hosted by the groom's parents were given in Irving on April 11 at the Airport Marriott Hotel. Guests danced to music by Teresa Anderson and Group Therapy.

An ice sculpture centered the main buffet table, with smaller tables featuring individual assortments of pick up foods. Wines, coffee and punch were served from separate tables. The four-tiered white bride's cake and the chocolate groom's cake, covered with fresh raspberries, were served from tables decorated with fresh roses.

Special guests at the wedding were the bride's parents, George and Marjorie Booth, who spent a three-week vacation in Texas and California. Other special guests were the groom's grandmother Anna

Moffett of Irving and the groom's great-aunt Josephine Dutton of Dallas.

Attending from Muenster were Tony and Leona Luke; Bill and Eileen Luke; David and Pam Fette; Don and Kathy Hartman; Cheryl Rohmer; and Tommie Sue Hess.

Also Dan and Barbara Luke of Gainesville; Harold and Pat Luke of Arlington; Al and Marianna Kuhn of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas; Dorothy Mae Denny and John Denny, both of San Antonio; Ray and Tawni Luke of Lewisville; Ben Luke and Annette Carroll of Denton; George and Sharon Luke of Carrollton; Doug and Mary King of Coppell; Mike and Carolyn Powell of Arlington; Fray and Nancy Webster of Keller; and Mrs. Tim (Gayle) Luke of Austin.

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Darren Hoenig listed in 'Who's Who'

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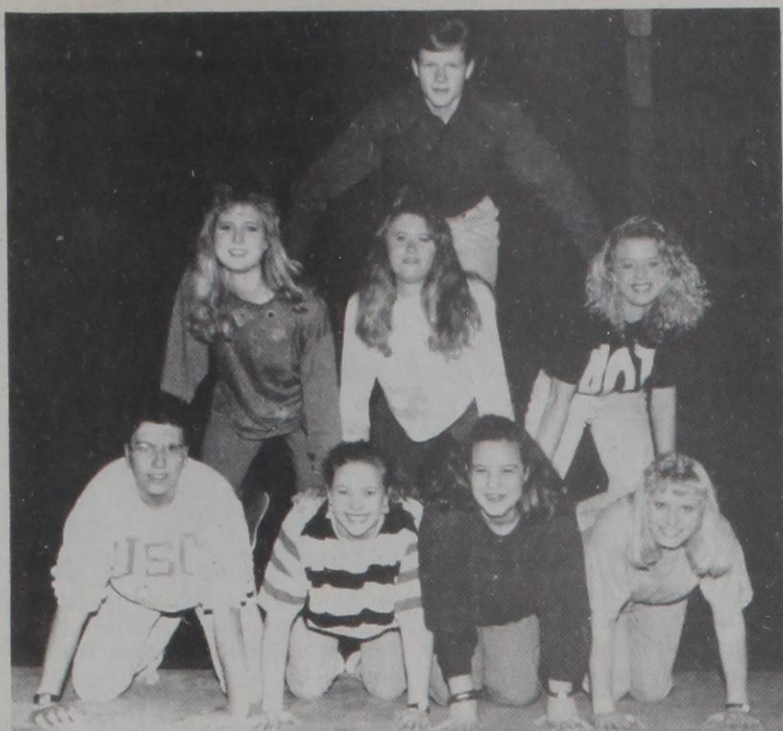
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STUDENTS from Muenster High School that advanced to Regional competition in the UIL Academic Meet are, l to r, top - Rex Huchton; middle - Leslie Klement, Joy Tisdale, Dianne Pagel; front - Daniel de la Mata, Allison Klement, Ashley Hartman and Marlene Hess.

Janie Hartman Photo

Auxiliary prepares for 'Fest

The April 14 meeting of the Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Peggy Grewing. Invocation was offered by Betty Rose Walterscheid. Secretary Brenda Riggsby read the minutes of the March meeting, followed by the treasurer's report given by Glenda Russell. She noted that the membership drive was successful so far, with 86 people responding to date.

Thank you notes were read from Drs. Cole and Tompkins regarding the Doctors Appreciation Dinner held April 4. Peggy thanked the committee for preparing and serving the dinner.

The Germanfest gate project was then discussed. Chairmen Deb Klement and Donna Biffle informed the Auxiliary that workers had been assigned to work all time slots and workers would soon receive passes, rules and schedules.

The Health Fair has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 12. Joan Walterscheid is in charge of booths and projects. Her committee consists of Terry Hess, Denise Pagel, Betty Rose Walterscheid, Betty Kralicke and Peggy Grewing. The Auxiliary will provide refreshments for the Health Fair.

Plans for the fall fundraiser were tabled until after Germanfest. Kathy Bauer is chairman.

Next meeting will be held May 28. Betty Rose Walterscheid made the motion to adjourn at 8:25; Carol Klement seconded the motion. Donna Biffle won the door prize, which was provided by Mary Hess.

St. Anne's Society opens membership drive

by Tillie Otto

St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart Parish is appealing to all ladies of the parish in an effort to invite them to become members, and, by interesting them in activities of the society, to urge them to become active members.

The St. Anne's Society meets on the first Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Community Center meeting room. St. Joseph Society members join them after the meeting for a short social. A door prize of \$1.00 is given.

Contributions to charity and other donations include \$10.00 monthly to Father Williams in India; \$15.00 monthly for altar linen

laundry; ten Mass stipends sent to a Benedictine monastery for each deceased member; one Mass stipend to Sacred Heart Church in alternate months for all living and deceased members; \$100.00 annually for altar wine; monetary Christmas gifts to both the pastors and the nuns; a fruit basket to St. Richard's Villa; a donation to both benefit picnics for the parish each year; per capita taxes paid to Catholic State League and National Catholic Women's Union.

In 1990 new window shades for Sacred Heart Grade School were paid by St. Anne's Society. In

1991, at Sister Carmelita's request, the society paid \$250.00 toward the purchase of religious books for the school library, also Bibles, tapes, and other religious articles as needed.

Since November 1985, a total of 16,265 rosaries have been handmade by members. Some of these are sent to missionaries, prisons and hospitals. In 1990, a rosary was given to every child in Sacred Heart School and the CCD classes. More rosaries were sent to St. Andrew's School in Ft. Worth, and to Gainesville State School and St. Richard's Villa. Old eyeglasses that are collected are sent to "New Eyes For The Needy."

Members host a covered dish dinner for the Benedictine nuns at the beginning of each school year, and a Christmas party at the December meeting. They sponsor a bake sale on Good Friday each year, at Fischer's and Hofbauer's.

Members emphasize that they need new mothers to join, even though it is temporarily impossible to attend all meetings. Dues are \$5.00 per year. A membership drive is planned for June, with enrollment in July. Any member or officer will welcome a phone call. Current officers are Bonnie Hess president; Julia Cunningham vice president; Bertha Knabe secretary and Tillie Otto treasurer.

Three join Catholic Church

by Barbara Fuhrmann

Three individuals joined the Catholic Church at special ceremonies during the Easter Vigil Service at 8:30 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, April 18. They are Larry Gobble, Rhonda Jo Vagher and Jerry Balthrop. Father Victor Gillespie, OSB, Father Camillus Cooney, OSB, and Father Joe Weinzapfel concelebrated the Mass.

The impressive service began outside with the blessing of the fire and lighting the Easter Candle. As the priests processed into the darkened church, the congregation lit individual candles from the Easter Candle. This was followed by the mixed choir's singing of the Exultet. The Scripture readings came next, done by Barbara Fuhrmann, Frances Bayer, Dr. Martin Kralicke, with the choir leading the Responsorial Psalm after each. The choir then sang the Gloria, which had not been sung during Lent. Juanita Bright read the Epistle and Father Victor read the Gospel and gave the homily.

After the blessing of water, the three candidates and their sponsors came forward. Together with the congregation, they renewed their baptismal promises, while holding lit candles. A sprinkling rite followed as a reminder of the waters of baptism. Since all three had been baptized in their other Christian faiths, they simply made a profession of faith in the Catholic Church. This was followed by Father Victor giving each the Sacrament of Confirmation with laying on of hands and anointing while their sponsors placed their hands on the right shoulder.

Larry's sponsor was Monte Haverkamp, Rhonda Jo's was Barbara Bayer, and Jerry's sponsor was Johnny Fisher. After each confirmation, the choir sang a line from "Spirit of the Living God." After intercessory prayers for the newly-confirmed, the congregation welcomed them by applause and the sign of peace. The three then brought up the Offertory gifts.

All three, accompanied by their sponsors, also received the Eucharist for the first time during the service as a sign of their initiation into the Church.

After Mass, the three followed the priests and servers in procession out of church and were greeted by the congregation outside. There was a reception for them in the Sacred Heart School elementary library, hosted by the Social Activities Committee.

Special thanks to the mixed choir, directed by Patti Bayer, for the service, and to Father Victor for presiding.

Registration deadline May 22

Vacation Bible School has been planned for the week of June 22 through June 26. This year's theme is "The Eucharist Makes Us One." All enrollment forms must be in by Friday, May 22.

The program is open to all children who are 4 years of age by September 1, 1992 to those who have completed the fourth grade. Children who have completed the fifth grade may volunteer as a classroom helper.

Adult volunteers are needed to assist with Bible School as teachers, teacher's aides, nursery helpers, etc. There is a list of volunteer positions on the enrollment form and volunteers can use the forms to sign up.

Enrollment forms will be available in the west vestibule of Sacred Heart Church, distributed to local school children, and printed in the May 1 edition of *The Muenster Enterprise*. After completing the form it should be returned to the box in the west vestibule of Sacred Heart church or brought to Lanie Bartush at 613 North Hickory in Muenster.

Lanie Bartush, 759-4215, and Debbie Cochran, 759-4898, have volunteered to organize Vacation Bible School and they can be contacted if further information is required. Bible School will be from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each morning.

Remember the deadline is May 22. Please, no late registrations!

Homemakers meet

Muenster Extension Homemakers members and one guest, Martha Club members were guests of Liz Moore.

Koesler for their regular meeting on April 8. After a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the hostess read a program "My Table Garden." Ann Herr gave the monthly reading.

President Lucille Lutkenhaus presided and reported on attendance at the district meeting in Corsicana in April. May 13 was set as a day for members to go to Turner Falls, Okla. in a group for the annual outing and lunch. Discussion followed on the planned chartered bus tour to Dallas city Park and Arboretum in late May. This includes all county members of Homemakers clubs.

Mrs. Lutkenhaus gave the program on "Women's Suffrage." Afterwards members were given a 24-question quiz on Texas Women prominent in Texas Government.

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THE LINDSAY GIFTED & TALENTED STUDENTS in grades 3, 4 and 5 recently placed first in the 1992 Substance Abuse Prevention Media Fair, sponsored by Region XI Education Service Center in Fort Worth. Their entry was a video entitled "Just Say No." The video now advances to state competition. The video shows alternatives to accepting drugs. It also shows what might happen when a student gives in to peer pressure and takes drugs. The members of the class wrote and starred in the video. They included, l to r, front - Brian Percy, Michael Kendall; middle - Leah Hermes, Annie Kwan, Margaret Luttmer, Jennifer Bengfort; back - Elizabeth Luttmer, Scott Arendt, Amy Arendt, Emily Zimmerer and Scott Metzler. Their instructor is Mrs. Jane Otto. *Janie Hartman Photo*

New Arrivals

Dieter

John and Ginger Dieter of Gainesville are proud to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Katie Marie. She was born on March 26, 1992 at 1:37 a.m. at Wilson N. Jones Hospital of Sherman, weighing 8 lb. 3.6 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length. Katie Marie joins a brother Christopher, age 3. Their grandparents are Rudy and Annabelle Dieter of Lindsay, and Christine Hutchins. The great-grandfather is Phillip Metzler of Lindsay. Katie's baptismal sponsors are Roger and Lisa Dieter of Gainesville.

Metzler

Karl and Kathy (Felderhoff) Metzler of Carrollton announce the birth of their son, Nathan Paul, in Trinity Medical Center of Carrollton on March 30, 1992, at 12:30 p.m., weighing 8 lb. 14 oz. and measuring 21 inches in length. Nathan joins a brother, Raymond Joseph, age 17 months; two sisters, Melissa, age 6, and Katy, age 4 years. Their grandparents are Girlie Felderhoff of Gainesville and the late A.J. Felderhoff; and Ray (Bud) and Helen Metzler of Lindsay. Great-grandparents are Albert and Catherine Kubis of Lindsay and Phillip Metzler of Gainesville.

Rigsby

The waiting is over for Mark and Karri Rigsby with the arrival of Tyler Wade on Thursday, April 16, 1992, at 5:02 a.m. in Gainesville Memorial Hospital. Tyler Wade weighed 5 lb. 13 oz. and measured 19 inches in length at his birth. He is joyfully welcomed by his grandparents, Eddie and Sherry Ramsey and Phil and Brenda Rigsby, all of Muenster; his uncle, Justin Ramsey; his aunt, Paige Rigsby; aunt and uncle, Sandy and Jeff Tempel; cousins, Cindy and Chad Tempel; great-grandparents, Melvin and Nita Ramsey of Whitesboro, Raymond and Margaret Henson of Bowie, Walter and Jane Rigsby of Mesquite and the late Joe C. and Juanita Pennington; two great-great-grandmothers, Mrs. Florence Yeager of Bartlesville, Oklahoma and Mrs. Annie Wilson of Mesquite. As a matter of coincidence, Tyler was born in the same hospital as his mother and weighed the same as his father.

Pelzel

Jim and Karen Pelzel of Oak Harbor, Washington announce the arrival of their second child, Brenna Marie, a sister for Michaelle. Brenna was born April 17, 1992 at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. She weighed 7 lb. 14 1/2 oz. and measured 19 1/2 inches in length. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Jan Mershon of Trout Creek, Montana and paternal grandparents are Carl and Eleanora Pelzel of Ennis, Texas. Great-grandparents are Joe Hoinig of Muenster, Charlotte Mershon and Virginia Laity of Montana.

4-H Club picks up litter on 82

The Muenster 4-H Club held a trash pick-up on their 2-mile stretch of Highway 82 Saturday, March 28.

They picked up a record of 66 bags. Helping were Linda and Michael Becker, Barbara and Lucas Bayer, Peggy and Kristie Lutkenhaus, Tom, Emily and Danny Felderhoff; Janet Fetsch; Jerry, Evelyn and Sherilyn Sicking. It took a total of five hours to complete the job. After the pick-up, refreshments were enjoyed.

A concerned citizen of Muenster stopped to express appreciation to the group. Some honked to give their recognition as they passed. Thanks, Muenster.



LINDSAY HIGH SCHOOL students competing in the UIL Regional Academic Meet include, l to r, front - Laura Jones, Susie Arendt, Melanie Orsburn, Christi Secrest, Denise Porter, Leslie Cler, Doug Hellinger, Greg Arendt, Darrell Hoberer; middle - Janelle Fuhrmann, Brenda Spaeth, Tanner Neidhardt, Allison Walterscheid, Tisha Krebs, Christy Mobley, Janine Sorrenson, Kelly Perrin; and back - Wylie Harris, Suzanna Hellinger, Darren Hundt and Cassandra Fuhrmann. *Janie Hartman Photo*

Muenster 4-H discusses activities

Submitted by

Sherilyn Sicking, Sr. Reporter

The Muenster 4-H Club held its meeting on April 14, 1992 with Junior President Emily Felderhoff and Junior 1st Vice President Yvonne Martin presiding at the meeting.

Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance, the 4-H motto and pledge. Junior Secretary Janet Fetsch called the roll and read the minutes.

The newsletter was highlighted with a special note about Six Flags tickets on sale to anyone for a \$6.00 savings.

Evelyn Sicking reminded 4-H'ers to send thank you notes to anyone who helped lead a project this past year. She passed out ribbons and

returned crafts which were shown at County Roundup on April 9. Any adult who has helped with a project is asked to fill out a form for use at the extension office.

The first part of the program was two method demonstrations by members who are advancing to District competition. Emily Felderhoff presented "Is Snacking Nutritious?" Sherilyn Sicking gave "Hopping through 4-H" with her rabbit. Danny Felderhoff is also going to District with "Tommy Tomato Grows Up."

Sean Herbold of the Silver Cedar 4-H Club and Sherilyn Sicking spoke to the 4-H'ers, telling them of the many opportunities and camps 4-H offers, during the second half of the

program. They are two of Cooke County's Ambassadors. They challenged the 4-H'ers to keep their feet on the ground and reach for the stars. Evelyn Sicking is the advisor.

Drinks were furnished by Jackie Henscheid. The door prize was won by Emily Felderhoff.

At the May meeting, which has been changed to **Sunday, May 17 at 4:00 p.m.** election of officers will be held. If anyone wishes to turn in their name to run for an office, please call Evelyn or Jerry at 759-4388 or Becky at 759-4884 no later than Thursday, May 7.

The meeting will be held at Sacred Heart High School, afterward, around 5:00 p.m., a covered dish supper will be held at the Sacred Heart Pavilion for all family members. Recreation will follow.

Sherman Preservation League presents '92 Tour of Homes

The Sherman Preservation League will present its annual "Sherman Past and Present" Homes Tour on Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26. The event will be held each afternoon from 1 to 5 p.m.

Homes on this year's tour are: the Birge/McKee House, 727 W. Birge; the Birge/Wolfel House, 622 W. Birge; the Settle/Storie House, 1306 N. Hopson; and the Vogt/Whitmire House, 1316 Preston.

Also open on the tour are the Preservation League's C.S. Roberts House at 915 S. Crockett; the League's Bliss/Davis House at 1028 S. Travis, and the Toney Knox Village at 1312 S. Travis, a playhouse-sized country village that is a treat for all ages.

The Sherman Garden Club will serve desserts and beverages on the veranda of the Roberts House, and popcorn and soft drinks will be available at the Toney Knox Village.

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STEPHANIE HESS of Bridgeport, daughter of Ronnie and Janet Hess, was crowned Little Miss Wise County in the Miss Wise County Pageant April 10 and 11. More than 50 girls competed for the titles of Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Wise County. The girls were judged in areas of sportswear, talent, private interview and party dress. Stephanie is 11 years old and a fifth grader at Bridgeport Middle School. She is the granddaughter of Lucille Hess and Betty and Rufus Henscheid, all of Muenster.

FHA students attend meeting

Representatives for the Muenster Chapter of Future Homemakers of America attended the 1992 State Leadership Conference, along with 5,500 members and advisors from Texas. "FHA/HERO: The Hidden Treasure" was the theme of the 1992 meeting which was held in the Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth, April 10-11.

Attending from Muenster were Ashley Hartman, Julie Walterscheid, Jill Reiter, Melinda Fleitman, Laura Vogel, Darlene Hess, Kerri Barnhill, Andrea Schoppa and Gina Pels. The group was accompanied by FHA Advisor Joni Sturm.

Members learned to motivate and develop skills for life through character development, creative and critical thinking, family communications, practical knowledge, and vocational preparation by finding and unlocking the hidden treasures in FHA/HERO. Dynamic keynote speakers and presentations by members highlighted the two-day conference. Interest sessions on

leadership skills, time management, positive self image, self defense, communications, sexually transmitted diseases and other critical teen issues were also held.

The business of the Texas Association, Future Homemakers of America, was conducted during the House of Delegates session, Friday, April 10. Recognition of the competitive events participants, and installation of the 1992-93 state officers ended the Saturday evening sessions. These officers were elected through chapter participation throughout the state, and were placed in office by a nominating committee.

The Muenster members were recognized for achieving a 100 percent class membership goal which was titled "Champions Chapter for 1991-92."

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April 27 - May 1
 Mon. - Sloppy Joes, French fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.
 Tues. - Slice Turkey Roast, creamed potatoes & gravy, corn rolls, milk.
 Wed. - Vegetable Beef Soup, choice of sandwich, lettuce, tomato, fruit, cake, milk.
 Thur. - Hamburgers, fruit, beans, brownies, milk.
 Fri. - NO SCHOOL!

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April 27 - May 1
 Mon. - Sloppy Joes, carrot and celery sticks, apples, milk.
 Tues. - Chicken Fried Steak, creamed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, scalloped apples, bread, milk.
 Wed. - Chicken Nuggets, tator tots, peas, pineapple, hot rolls, butter, milk.
 Thur. - Barbecued turkey, potato salad, baked beans, jello w/fruit, bread, milk.
 Fri. - Hamburgers, trimmings, French fries, fruit, milk.

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April 27 - May 1
 Mon. - Corny Dogs, French fries, peas, pear half, Missouri cookies, milk.
 Tues. - Tacos, grated cheese, trimmings, refried beans, cornbread, butter, apple crisp, milk.
 Wed. - Pizza, salad, corn, peaches, peanut butter cake, milk.
 Thur. - Turkey & Dressing, gravy, green beans, carrots, fruit salad, milk.
 Fri. - Hamburgers, trimmings, tater tots, ranch style beans, ice cream, milk.

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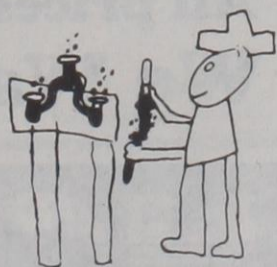
April 27-May 1
 Mon. - LUNCH: Fish, creamed potatoes, English peas, fruit bars, bread, milk. BREAKFAST: Cereal, toast, milk.
 Tues. - LUNCH: Burritos, chili, Spanish rice, corn, fruit gelatin, milk. BREAKFAST: Oatmeal, toast, juice, milk.
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 Thur. - LUNCH: Goulash, blackeyed peas, buttered broccoli, pickles, fruit cocktail, hot rolls, milk. BREAKFAST: Pancakes, juice, milk.
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LINDSAY SCHOOL MENU

April 27-May 1
 Mon. - Beef a Roni, corn, combination salad, bread, fruit, milk.
 Tues. - Vegetable Beef Soup, choice of sandwich, trimmings, crackers, brownie, milk.
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The art show, featuring works from the most talented artists of all ages, will wrap up a week-long celebration of the fine arts at CCC. Show time is from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and from 1:30 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Presentation of awards to winning artists will take place Sunday at 4:30 p.m. in the Little Theater.

"The entries this year will certainly challenge our judges," said Mary Frances VanPelt, show director and head of the CCC Art Department. "The quality of the works in every category is first rate."

Categories include paintings in oils, acrylic, watercolor and pastels; crafts, sculpture and photography.

Awards for top entries will be given in several divisions of the show that have allowed students of all ages from Kindergarten through college, as well as the general public to participate. The awards include cash, ribbons and certificates. Some of the works may be purchased by the general public, VanPelt said.

An added treat for visitors to the show will be the pop art comic characters that have been brought to life by CCC art students. VanPelt said the students have had a wonderful time working on the comic characters that she thought would be enjoyed by all age groups.

The art show, as well as other events in the Fine Arts Festival, is free to the public.

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Friday, April 24

4:30 Sonny and Norma - Muenster's brother and sister accordionists	10:00 Sonny and Norma
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9:00 Dutch Treat - Band with a full-bodied sound to keep dancers stepping out - until 12:00 closing	1:00 Dutch Treat
	3:30 Moslah Shrine Band - Great music by a 10-piece group who give all proceeds to Shrine Crippled Children's Hospitals
	8:00 Tent closes

Saturday, April 25

10:00 Sonny and Norma	11:00 Pam and Eric - Local duo, singing with guitar accompaniment
11:00 Opening Ceremonies - With the Frohsinn German Singing Society of Dallas	
2:00 Line Dancers - From Downtown Senior Center of Garland	
3:00 Frohsinn German Singing Society	
3:30 Bavarian Woodchoppers - 3-piece accordion band with unusual techniques	
8:00 Dutch Treat - Until 12:00 closing	

Sunday, April 26

11:30 Hot Foot Express Cloggers	1:00 Dutch Treat
3:30 Moslah Shrine Band	8:00 Tent closes

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Friday, April 24

4 - 10 p.m. This period held open for new Germanfest talent	12 noon - 2 p.m. Held open for new Germanfest talent
10 p.m. - 12 mid. Live music by rock group, "Strict Order"	2 - 5 p.m. Live music by Denton group, "Tucson"

Saturday, April 25

12 noon - 1 p.m. Music by CDs from The Edge, 94.5 FM	5 - 6 p.m. "America's Funniest People" (participants wanted)
1 - 4 p.m. Host for various contests	6 - 7 p.m. "Yodel and Yell" and "Anything Goes" session
"America's Funniest People" (participants wanted)	7 - 8 p.m. Master musician, "Eddie Candler"
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"Anything Goes" session 3-4 p.m. (All tapes will be sent to America's Funniest People Contest)	8 - 10 p.m. Rock band, "Strict Order"
4 - 5 p.m. Live music by "Sweeter Than Honey"	
5 - 7 p.m. Live music by Dallas group, "Rotten Rubber Band"	
7 - 9:30 p.m. Live music by Abilene group, "Clear Light"	
10 p.m. - 12 mid. Live music by Dallas group, "Boa Kai"	

Texas Stage Entertainment

Friday, April 24, sponsored by Beck's Beer

4 - 6 p.m. Held open for new Germanfest talent	12 noon - 2 p.m. Held open for new Germanfest talent
6 - 7 p.m. JoEll's School of Dance	2 - 4 p.m. Live music by group from Abilene, "Clear Light"
7 - 8 p.m. Local vocalists, "Sweeter Than Honey"	4 - 7 p.m. Nuclear polka dance group, "Brave Combo"
8 p.m. - 12 mid. Street Dance by "Tucson"	7 - 10 p.m. Street Dance by "Andy Serna & The Captive Heart Band"
Throughout evening, "CD Music Breaks," sponsored by Hit 106.5 KXGM FM	

Saturday, April 25, sponsored by Budweiser

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. "CD Music Break" by Hit 106.5 KXGM FM	12 noon - 2 p.m. Held open for new Germanfest talent
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. JoEll's School of Dance "Broadway Review"	2 - 4 p.m. Live music by group from Abilene, "Clear Light"
1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Contests by Hit 106.5 KXGM FM	4 - 7 p.m. Nuclear polka dance group, "Brave Combo"
2:30 - 4 p.m. Budweiser's North Texas Championship Arm Wrestling Contest	7 - 10 p.m. Street Dance by "Andy Serna & The Captive Heart Band"
4 - 7 p.m. Live music by Dallas band, "Rumour Has It"	
7 - 8 p.m. Local vocalists, "Sweeter Than Honey"	
8 p.m. - 12 mid. Street Dance by "Willie Kickit"	
Throughout day, all breaks sponsored by Hit 106.5 KXGM FM	

Sunday, April 26, sponsored by Miller Beer

12 noon - 2 p.m. Held open for new Germanfest talent	2 - 4 p.m. Live music by group from Abilene, "Clear Light"
4 - 7 p.m. Nuclear polka dance group, "Brave Combo"	7 - 10 p.m. Street Dance by "Andy Serna & The Captive Heart Band"

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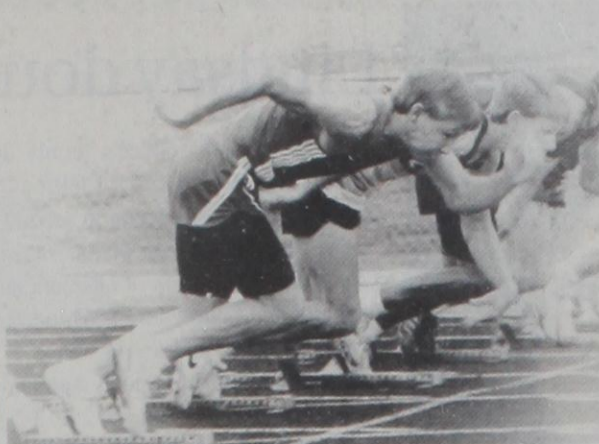


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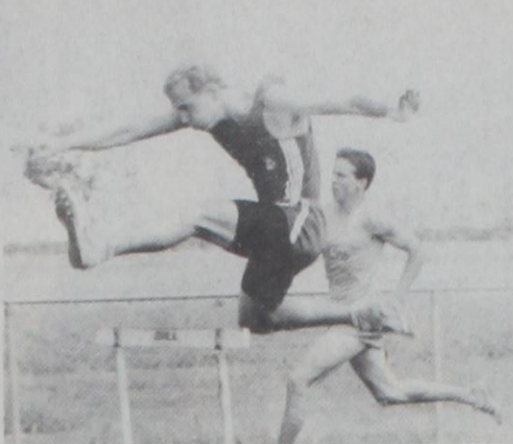
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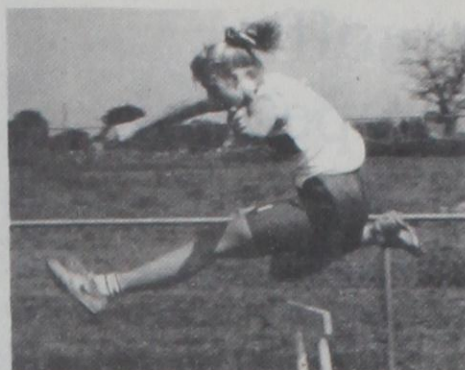
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Kenneth Walterscheid and Dan Zimmerer out of the blocks.



Ryan Sicking flying high.



Dianne Pagel - double gold in the hurdles.

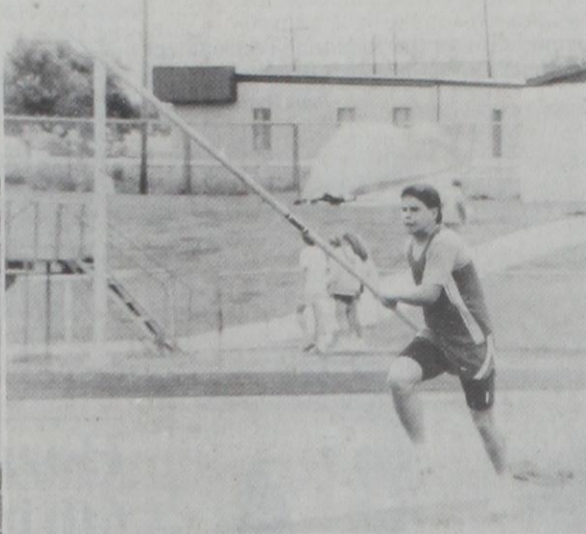
1992 District Track Meet



Theresa Kubis - Muenster jumper.



Ronnie Dieter - 200m.



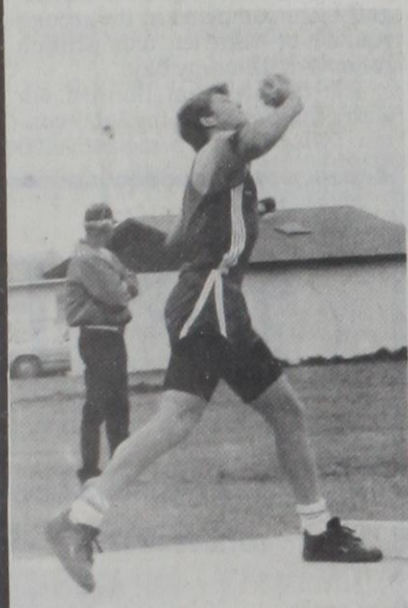
Jason Biffle takes off down the run way.



Susie Arendt prepares for landing.



Rachel Sharp - Lindsay jumper.



Michael Hacker - shot put medalist.



Knights' distance runners - Jeff Pearson,
Tanner Neidhardt and Clifford Lutkenhaus



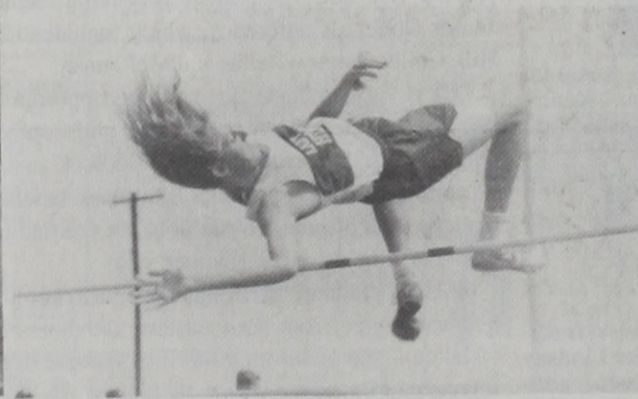
Misty Knabe - 3200m.



Becky Fleitman and Melanie Koelzer - 110m hurdles.



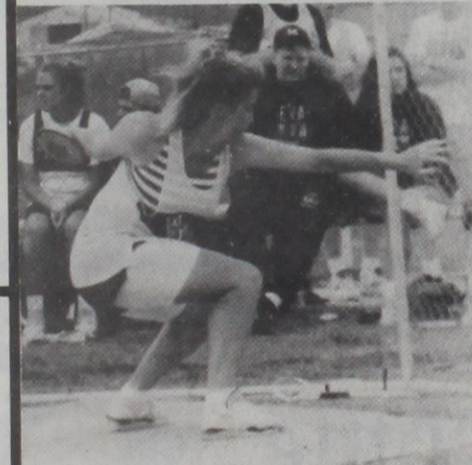
Steven Fisher - Hornet high jumper.



DaLana Walterscheid - high jump medalist.



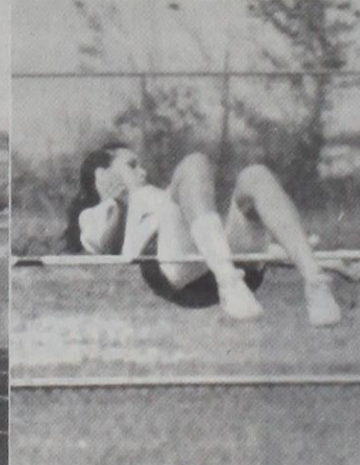
Tina Klement -
distance gold winner.



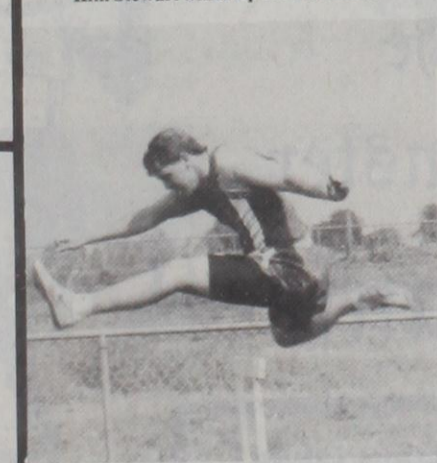
Kim Stewart winds up for the throw.



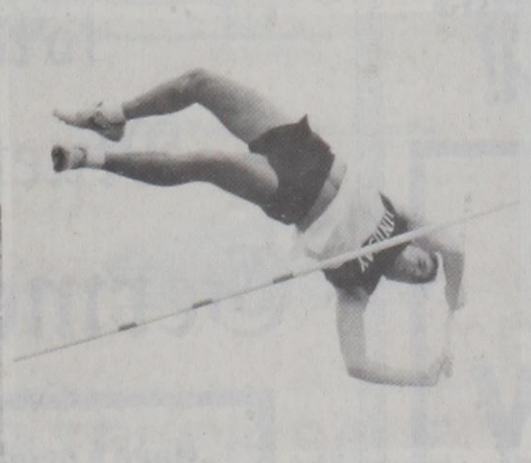
Angela Luttmmer and Denise Russell in the 100m race.



Amy Dankesreiter sets new school record.



Tony Perryman



Fred Hughes makes a clean vault.



Donnie Cos clears the hurdles.



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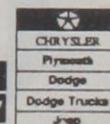
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Lady Hornet golfers win district competition

by the Golf Girls

For the fourth consecutive year, the Muenster Lady Hornet golf team received the district championship title. They completed the day with a total of 463 at the Runaway Bay Country Club in Bridgeport. For the past three years, the weather has been cold and windy. This year, there was a dramatic change. It was sunny and warm, the "perfect golf weather."

The golf team consists of seniors Jami Flusche and Kelley Wimmer; junior Lori Graham; and sophomores Brandi Grewing and Kim Stewart.

Jami Flusche was the silver medalist with a 103, letting the gold slip away by one stroke. There was a tough fight for the bronze medal between Kelley Wimmer and Brandi Grewing. Seems they both ended with a score of 118. Lori Graham completed the 18-hole course with a 123, finishing in fourth place. The "rookie" Kim Stewart finished with a 134.

Other teams playing at the district meet were Graford, Ponder, Petrolia and Alvord. The Graford team finished in second place and Ponder received third. Both Muenster and Graford will be advancing to the Regional tournament which will be played at the Maxwell Municipal Golf Course in Abilene April 27-28. The top four scores will be tallied each day with a total of 36 holes played.



LADY HORNET GOLFERS competing in the Regional Tournament are, from left, Kim Stewart, Kelley Wimmer, Jami Flusche, Lori Graham and Brandi Grewing. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Muenster tennis teams compete

GIRLS

Muenster's Lady Hornets took a full team of two singles and two double teams to the District Tennis Tournament recently.

Brandy Debnam finished on top, winning the District Championship girls' singles. After winning her match the first day, she returned the next day for the Semi-Finals, winning the match in straight sets 6-2, 6-3. In the final match, she put away her opponent 6-2, 6-2 for her second district championship and regional qualification.

Darlene Hess won her first two matches 6-0, 6-2 and 6-3, 6-3 before losing a tough third round 3-6, 3-6.

In doubles, Amy Otto and Candice Abney lost to the 3rd-place overall doubles team 1-6, 1-6.

Theresa Kubis and Danell Reiter won two matches to qualify for the semi-finals, but lost to the district champs for the second year in a row. "They played really well against good competition," commented Coach Brian Strother.

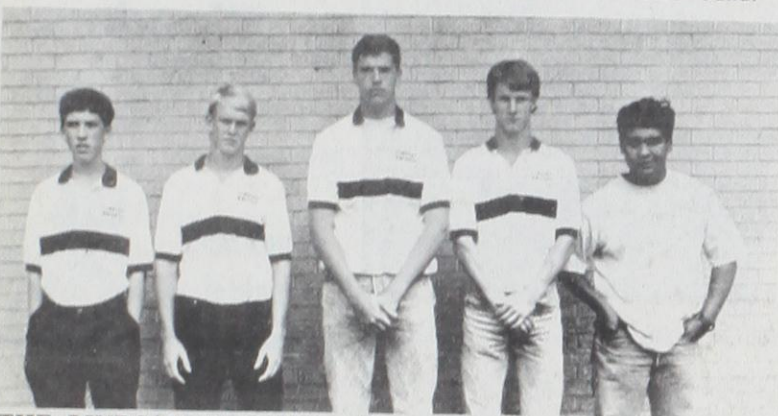
Brandy Debnam will compete at Regional April 29-30 at Abilene.

BOYS

The Muenster Hornets recently competed in the District Tennis Tournament with two doubles teams and a singles player.

Mike Gobble won the boys' singles district championship for the third consecutive year. After winning a match in the third round, he won the semi-finals 6-3, 6-2 and the final round 6-0, 6-1. Gobble qualifies for advancement to the Regional Tournament next week in Abilene.

The team of Cory Cain and Jason Huchton lost in the second round. A.J. Knabe and Eric VanSwearingen won a match, then lost in the third round.



THE LINDSAY KNIGHTS golf team will be competing at Regional next week. Members include Darren Hundt, Shane Huchton, Kenny Fleitman, Jeff Hermes and Miguel Garcia. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Lindsay Jaycees host 3rd annual golf tournament

The Lindsay Jaycees will be hosting their annual two-man scramble golf tournament on Sunday, May 3, at Gainesville Municipal Golf Course.

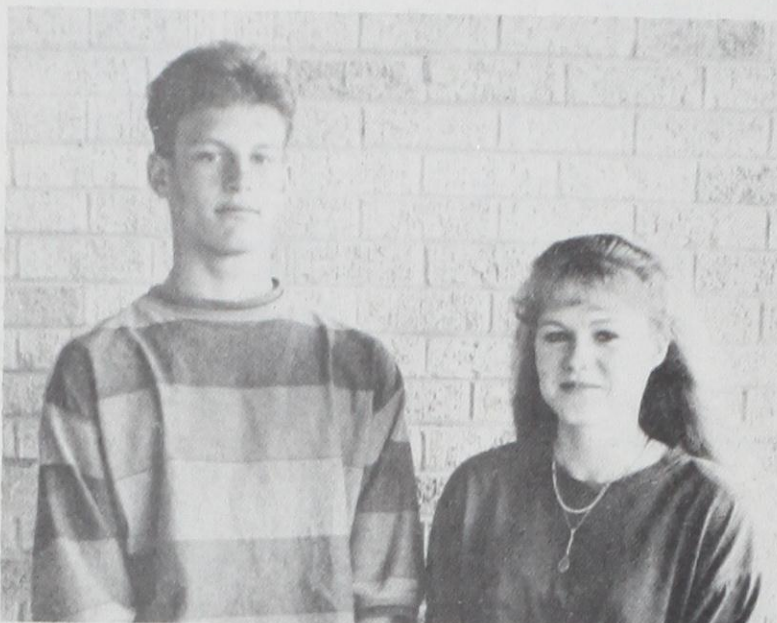
The event will kick off at 8 a.m. and participants will compete in six different flights. Entry fee is \$30 per player.

Awards to be given away at the tourney include individual trophies and golf balls for first, second and third place in each flight.

A barbecue lunch and refreshments will be served in the Lindsay Park immediately following conclusion of play, at which time all of the awards will be distributed.

All interested players need to sign up by Wednesday, April 29. The tournament is limited to the first 54 paid entries. Entry forms are available at Gainesville Municipal Golf Shop.

Anyone with questions about the tournament can contact Danny Nortman at 817-665-8297.



REGIONAL TENNIS singles representing Muenster will be Mike Gobble and Brandy Debnam. **Janie Hartman Photo**

CCC hires first baseball coach

by Elaine Schad

Dodd City baseball coach Kevin Darwin will be the head coach of the new Cooke County College baseball team, officials announced this week. Darwin, brother of former Texas Rangers and now Boston Red Sox pitcher Danny Darwin, will begin his new position around June 1, said Eddie Hadlock, CCC dean of student services. CCC trustees hired Darwin at a meeting this week.

CCC trustees in February approved the college's first intercollegiate baseball program. The program is expected to tap athletes from the North Central Texas area, said CCC President Bud Joyner. The team will begin practice this fall. The college is seeking membership in the North Texas Junior College Conference, which includes teams from Ranger, Vernon, Hill, Collin County, Dallas and McLennan.

"He is very enthusiastic about the opportunity to start the program here and is committed to our institution's philosophy of recruiting athletes while emphasizing the academic side," Hadlock said. Darwin was selected from 36 applicants for the position. Brad Bass, baseball coach at Texas Wesleyan College, was offered the position, but notified officials on Saturday that he would decline the offer, Hadlock said.

A 1982 graduate of Bonham High School, Darwin has a Bachelor of Science degree from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant, Oklahoma and is working on his Masters degree. He played baseball on scholarship for one year at Paris Junior College and on scholarship for three years at Southeastern.

Prior to his baseball coaching position at Dodd City in Fannin County, Darwin was baseball coach from 1988-1991 at Gunter, where he was named the District 19A Coach of the Year. The Gunter baseball team reached the state quarterfinals two years and the state semi-finals one year under his coaching. He also coached at Marietta, Oklahoma.



Lindsay doubles advance

Lindsay High School's tennis doubles teams of Susie Arendt/Laura Lutkenhaus and Kenny Fleitman/Jeff Hermes advanced to Regional competition after finishing in second place in the District Tournament.

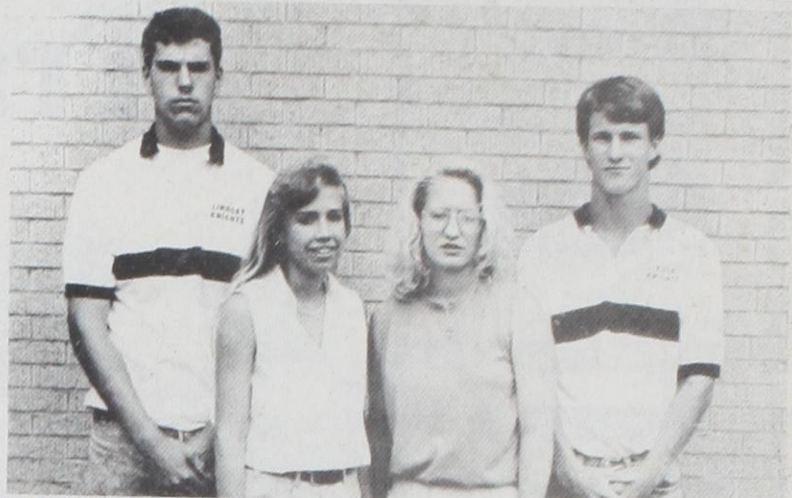
The girls began their action, defeating Adams and Monroe of Petrolia 6-1, 6-0, then Era's team of Clement and Lange 6-1, 6-0. The third round with Pennartz and Schroeder of Windthorst saw Arendt and Lutkenhaus advance to the finals with a 7-5, 6-4 score.

The championship match with David and McGill of Petrolia saw Lindsay win the first set 6-3, but fall 2-6, 3-6 to finish in second place.

In the boys' division, Lindsay won 6-0, 6-0 over Short and Bentley of Era and 6-1, 6-0 over Muenster's Knabe and VanSwearingen. In the third round, Fleitman and Hermes defeated Rogers and Fleming from Petrolia 6-2, 6-0 and advanced to the finals.

Lindsay won the first championship set 6-2, but lost the next two 4-6, 3-6 to Berend and Hoff of Windthorst, settling for second place.

Regional tennis will be held next week in Abilene.



LINDSAY TENNIS doubles teams advancing to the playoffs are, from left, Kenny Fleitman, Susie Arendt, Laura Lutkenhaus and Jeff Hermes. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Hornet golf team finishes 6th in district competition

The Muenster High School boys' golf team competed in the second round of district competition recently at Runaway Bay.

The Hornet team finished 6th with a score of 856 in the 2-day contest. Mike Gobble's score of 100 combined with his first round score of 86 earned him a 3rd place medal. Brandon Walterscheid shot a 108, with Cody Klement scoring 115, Eric VanSwearingen 115, and A.J. Knabe 124.



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Farm & Ranch

New guidelines for commercial license go into effect April 1

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry reminded Texas ranchers and farmers that they may be exempted from new guidelines for operating commercial vehicles that went into effect April 1.

These guidelines, patterned after federal regulations, include a standardized federal test instead of the state-administered chauffeur's test. This new test must be passed by individuals operating vehicles weighing 26,000 pounds or more, those hauling hazardous materials, and buses designed to transport 16 or more passengers including the driver.

"However, under the new law, farmers and ranchers, members of

their families and employees transporting goods, equipment and products within 150 miles of their operation are exempt," Perry said.

Federal law mandating standardized testing of commercial drivers was passed in October 1986 by Congress and adopted by Texas in 1989.

The U.S. Department of Transportation is considering expanding the present exemption to include farm-related businesses, such as feed stores.

If farmers or ranchers are unsure about their exemption, they should contact their local Department of Public Safety Office.

Hog producers discover newspapers clean up a mess better than straw

by Jim Tucker, Managing Editor, Farmland News

Day-old newspapers have been used for many things, from wrapping the garbage to package stuffing to a hundred-and-one other uses, but in the end the newspaper always ends up in the trash.

Taking that trash and adding value is an idea whose time has come — bedding for hog houses, dairy barns, chicken houses and other places that need an absorbent material to clean up a mess. Advantages to newspaper include:

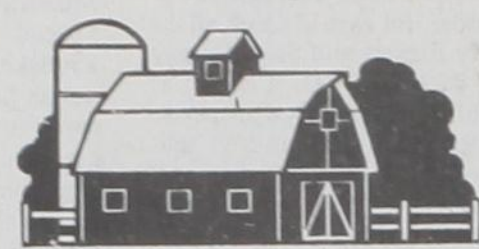
- Less dust because of lack of pollen and molds which also reduces bacterial growth that in turn cuts down on odors.
- Weed free, and also non-toxic according to research at the University of Minnesota and Penn State.
- Breaks down faster than straw, dissolves easily in lagoons and slurry systems or can be spread on cropland and disked to form humus.

George Streit, a hog producer near Bradgate, says "the reason I like the newspaper bedding is that straw is more expensive right now plus the pigs stay cleaner when they're on the paper bedding."

"Also," Streit adds, "I don't see as much liquid manure as I did when the pigs were on straw bedding."

Another hog producer who has switched over to the newspaper bedding is Rod Ahlrich. He finishes between 1,500 and 1,800 hogs a year.

"I started last June with the paper bedding," Ahlrich said, "and what I like is that it is more absorbent plus there is less dust."



My Views from the Farm

by Ed Cler

Farmers, I believe, are the only business people who must always ask the buyers of their produce how much they will pay him for it.

What are you paying for wheat today, and when told, there is no bargaining, that's it. But when the farmer is in the market for a new machine, or parts for one he is repairing, he may dicker a bit on the new machine, not a lot, none on the parts. Prices are usually stated, and that is what you must pay, and each year the prices seem to be higher than the year before.

A good example of this was made by a farmer from Emerald, Wisconsin in a letter to Farm Show. He tells of paying a bill at a feed store, where he noticed the posted price of corn was \$2.07 per bushel. This was in 1953. He then went to an auto dealership and bought a new pickup for \$1300.00, or the equivalent of the value of approximately 650 bushels of his corn.

He goes on to tell about his pricing a new GMC pickup in '92, with corn prices at \$2.00 per bushel. The cheapest price he could find, for a bare bones truck to meet his needs, was over \$14,000.00. This time it took over 6900 bushels of corn to pay for it. This farmer would like to know why he must survive on 1953 prices, when no one else does, not GMC or the UAW nor any other business that stays open.

Saturday night a week ago, many of us were rudely awakened by the sound of thunder and the clatter of hail banging on the roofs and awnings. The .8" of rain we also received was welcome, but, while there was no damage from the hail in our neighborhood west of Muenster, damage to crops, up to as much as 25% loss, was reported from areas northeast of Lindsay, where heavy rain also fell.

A lot of maize is up to a good stand, and corn is looking good in some fields. Some of the farmers are beginning to plant their hay crops. A lot of grain, damaged by late freezes and rust, has been cut and windrowed, and will be used for hay.

This last has not been a good year for the farmers.

ASCS names new director

U.S. Senator Phil Gramm has announced the appointment of Donnie G. Bowman of College Station as state executive director of the Texas Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"In these times where programs are so complicated and complex, it is extremely important to have someone in this position who understands first-hand the concerns of ranchers and farmers as they relate to government programs," Gramm said.

Bowman has extensive experience in ASCS, covering almost 40 years' service and filling a number of positions. He began as an assistant compliance supervisor in the Lamb County ASCS Office doing summer work in 1954, 1957, 1958 and 1961, advancing to county office trainee and serving as county ASCS office manager in both Dickens and Stephens counties.

He has been a program specialist in the Commodity Programs Division in the Washington ASCS office and in the Price Support Division of the Texas State ASCS Office. For 15 years, he held the position of administrative officer as well as chief of the Administrative Division in the Texas State Office. Prior to his designation as acting executive director, he was assistant to both the Texas State ASC Committee and to the state executive director. His agricultural background includes a cow-calf operation in Grimes County.

Clay County 4-H to host horse show

Clay County 4-H Horse Club of Henrietta is sponsoring an Open Youth Horse Show, Play Day and Roping on Saturday, May 2, 1992.

There will be three divisions, pee-wee, junior and senior with plaques, ribbons and a high-point trophy to be given away.

For more information call Connie Ellis at 817-538-6521 or 538-5561.

Facts for farmers

Some Cattle can be extremely finicky eaters, according to Range and Meadow Forage Management Research in Burns, Oregon. They turn up their noses if green forage contains even a few dead, brown stems called "wolf plants." Ranchers should make sure cattle graze pastures thoroughly. Otherwise, the unclean leaves and stems soon turn brown, causing cattle to avoid the plant entirely.

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County Agent's Report

— by Craig Rosenbaum

Greenbugs in Grain Sorghum

The Greenbug problem appears to be increasing throughout the county and targeting young grain sorghum. This week Alan Kunutson and I were scouting various fields throughout the county and found greenbugs in all locations. In most instances problems were high enough that grain sorghum was beginning to show damage. Both greenbugs and yellow sugarcane aphids were found in some of the fields.

Many producers have planted Biotype E greenbug resistant varieties. The resistance in the plant helps to slow damage from greenbugs but not necessarily prevents their damage entirely. As the plant becomes older it will become more tolerant to greenbugs. Producers need to check their fields and look for any physical damage appearing to the plants. This would include yellowing, leaves turning purple, or in extreme cases leaves beginning to die. Besides greenbugs, yellow sugarcane aphids cause extreme damage to sorghum plants. These aphids look like greenbugs but will be a bright lemon color. The damage is much more severe in yield reduction to grain sorghum plants. For example, research has shown that one entire leaf that is discolored will cause about a 30 percent yield loss. Even spotting of leaves from this aphid can cause a 8-10% yield loss.

Aphids are fairly easy to kill but available insecticides are limited. Most producers are using Dimethoate. This insecticide acts as a localized systemic; meaning it will remain on the plant for approximately 5-7 days. Producers should know that ethyl parathion is no longer available for purchase or use by private applicators. Only air applicators can purchase and use this pesticide. And, don't use methyl parathion in that it will burn and kill sorghum plants. Before using any insecticide be sure and read and follow all label instructions. With Dimethoate try to apply it when there is 6-8 hours without rainfall in order for the insecticide to dry on the plant. If you have any questions contact the County Extension Office or your local seed and pesticide dealer.

Wildlife: eternal alert to approaching storms

By DONALD STOTTS

No one would consider doing away with first alert sirens to warn against approaching tornadoes. Yet, many 5e-Rr find themselves in vehement disagreement over another first alert system—wildlife habitat.

Unfortunately, much of the disagreement stems from misconceptions that have caused friction where there should not be any, according to Terry Bidwell and Ron Masters, Oklahoma State University Extension range and wildlife management specialists, respectively.

One common misconception is that land use, especially agricultural endeavors, automatically affects wildlife in a negative manner. This is untrue, according to Bidwell.

Generally, all well managed, larger ranches such as

commercial cattle operations have good wildlife populations. Management of rangeland for cattle usually is conducive to management for wildlife. In fact, wildlife management specialists often utilize the raising of cattle as a tool to promote healthy wildlife populations.

Intentional spot burning is one example of how this system operates. Cattle then overgraze the small areas within a large pasture. The tallgrass community reverts back to a lower stage of plant succession, weeds mostly. But it is this weed patch that is a needed food source for such animals as quail and turkeys.

"What you end up with is a good source of food and cover for wildlife that cost next to nothing to provide," says Bidwell. "The cost was absorbed by the cattle management system."

Wildlife habitat improvement thus may not require a cash outlay, but can be accomplished by well-conceived management systems wherein both livestock and wildlife get what they need from the land. This system underscores another fallacy, consumptive and non-consumptive uses of wildlife. The traditional example of a consumptive user is people who hunt. The traditional nonconsumptive example is people who take field glasses and go on nature hikes.

"Both are legitimate uses of wildlife," says Bidwell. "However, when the total effect of mankind on wildlife is viewed, there is no such thing as a nonconsumptive user. Everything we do has an impact. Just by existing, mankind takes habitat away from wildlife either through direct or indirect activities."

People have evolved with animals. You cannot take humans out of the equation, according to Bidwell and Masters. Preservationist thinking tries to do that, but it is scientifically inaccurate.

Pharmacy Topics

from

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Researchers have produced mice that develop Alzheimer's disease, the British science journal Nature reports. Bad for the mice, but good for humans, because it will permit scientists to study the disease without experimenting on people.

New skin-like bandage seems to hasten healing from dermabrasion, says a dermatologist at Northwestern University in Chicago. Omiderm, developed in Israel, lets antibiotics in and wound fluids out.

According to a clinical study in India, 6 to 10 grams of garlic a day (about two to three cloves), given to men who had recovered from one heart attack, helped prevent another.

Sumatriptan succinate seems to knock out the pain of migraine headaches without causing drowsiness, a large-scale study found.

Deep anesthesia to protect babies from pain during surgery will also improve their chances of recovery. The New England Journal of Medicine reports. Stress of pain is more dangerous than anesthetics.

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