

Muenster announces top two Class of 1996 graduates



MUENSTER HIGH SCHOOL's top students Hollie Fuhrmann and Matt Chisam.
Janie Hartman Photo

Muenster High School has announced that Matt Chisam has been named Valedictorian and Hollie Fuhrmann has been named Salutatorian of the 1996 graduating class.

Matt, the son of Bob and Judi Chisam, has distinguished himself with a grade point average of 6.82 out of 7. Matt has been involved with academic UIL, representing Muenster High School in debate and literary criticism. He had been a member of the Honor Society for three years and is senior class vice-president. An All-State football player, Matt has been featured on Channel 12 as their scholar athlete of the month. Matt has also lettered in basketball, track, and golf.

As an accomplished trumpet player, Matt has been a band member for four years and has

entered many band competitions. He has been selected by his classmates as Most Courteous, Most Friendly, and Most Likely To Succeed. He was also selected by the faculty for Who's Who honors in Industrial Arts, Band, and was named Most Athletic Boy.

Matt's career goal is to become a pilot and officer in the United States Air Force. Matt has been accepted by the United States Air Force Academy and will join the class of 2000 in June. He has also been awarded the Valedictorian Scholarship, as well as the Texas Independent College and University Scholarship, Air Force ROTC Scholarship, and the Wal-Mart Scholarship.

Hollie Fuhrmann is the

daughter of Ron and Pat Fuhrmann. Hollie's grade point average is 6.79. She has been a member of the Honor Society for three years and is Secretary/Treasurer this year. Hollie is vice-president of the Student Council and is also vice-president of FHA.

Athletics have been a big part of Hollie's high school career. She lettered and advanced to state in Cross Country, earned all-district honors in basketball, and qualified in regional track.

Hollie has been voted by her peers as Best Dressed, Campus Favorite, Most Friendly, Most Courteous, Hornet Beauty, and Most Likely to Succeed, as well as being selected the 1995-96 Homecoming Queen. She was awarded Who's Who in Math and AP English, and was the Lady Hustling Hornet winner.

Hollie has competed in Academic UIL in the following areas: Feature Writing, Math, and Literary Criticism, and has been a regional qualifier in Editorial Writing and Calculator Skills.

Hollie's honors also include receiving the Muenster Kiwanis Scholarship and the Texas Independent Colleges and University Scholarship. She will be attending University of North Texas in the fall.

Graduation ceremonies for the 1996 MISD seniors will be held tonight (May 24) at 7:30 p.m. in the new gymnasium. District Court Judge Mike McSpadden is the guest speaker for the event. He has been featured in *Texas Monthly* magazine and appeared in the *Today Show*.

Sacred Heart seniors celebrate achievements

by Janet Felderhoff
After years of studying and working together members of the Sacred Heart Class of 1996 met at The Center Restaurant on Monday, May 20 to be honored for their senior year achievements. Senior Class President Michael Becker welcomed parents, teachers and friends to the annual Senior Awards Banquet.

Father David Bellinghausen, OSB led the invocation. Principal Jack Murdock served as Master of Ceremonies for the evening's presentations.

Earning the title of Class Valedictorian was Karri Jo Endres. Nicole Marie Endres was named as Salutatorian. Each was presented a trophy in honor of the accomplishment.

Karri was the recipient of several scholarships from the state of Texas; Baylor University; Our Lady of the Lake University; ACU; Independent Colleges and Universities; and the Tandy Technology Scholarship for top two percent. Also Kathy Bauer presented Karri with a \$500 scholarship on behalf of the Muenster Beta Kappa Sorority.

Nicole's scholarship offers were from Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas and from the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals as a Commended Scholar in recognition of academic

excellence in the 1996 All State Academic Excellence Program. Also from the Muenster Kiwanis, a \$500 scholarship.

Jamie Neighbors of NCTC presented a \$500 scholarship to Wendy Pels. The Walterscheid Memorial Scholarship was presented to Brandon Bayer by Sylvan Walterscheid. Michael Becker received the West Texas A & M University scholarship and also the National Honor Society Certificate of Merit and the Principal's Leadership Award.

Chrissy Yetter was presented the Voice of Democracy award and a plaque for the Community Service award. The Cooke County Youth Fair Award went to Heath Bayer.

Mr. and Miss Sacred Heart is an annual honor awarded to the two students in the graduating class thought to best represent the ideals of Sacred Heart School. They are selected by a vote of the high school faculty. This year's representatives are Michael Becker and Karri Endres.

The faculty also nominated seniors for their outstanding achievement in academic subjects. Receiving recognition for academic excellence were: Brandon Bayer - Computer Science, Civics, and Journalism I; Michael Becker - Spanish II and Religion; Karri Endres - Advanced English IV and

Physics; Nicole Endres - Physics; Toby Hess - English IV; John Klement - Economics and Life Skills; Joey Martin - Earth Science; Wendy Pels - Journalism II, Advanced Math, and Advanced Biology; Jeanna Trammell - Theater Arts; and Chrissy Yetter - Journalism I.

Special certificates were awarded to foreign exchange students. Ekaterina Ivanova was honored for her work in Advanced Math and Sanicha Sriprayoonskul for Business Math.

Certificates or medal were awarded to Michael Becker and Brandon Bayer as Password Champions; to Jake McCoy and Joseph McCoy as Password runner-ups; TAPPS Competition Art awards to Colby Langley and Heath Bayer.

Each senior class member was recognized for their participation in any of the following: Senior class officer, cheerleading, yearbook, dance team, athletics, and Student Council.

A fun part of the evening was watching a "Remember When" video prepared by Wayne and Melissa Becker.

Following the presentation of awards Mr. Murdock gave to the seniors guidelines that his wife had written and given to their children when they left home. Father David closed the evening with a benediction.



SACRED HEART SENIORS earning class awards included, left to right seated, Toby Hess, Chrissy Yetter, Michael Becker; back, Wendy Pels, Joey Martin, Karri Endres, John Klement, Nicole Endres, Ekaterina Ivanova, Jeanna Trammell, and Brandon Bayer.
Dave Fette Photo

Notable month wins Endres board's ovation

by Janet Felderhoff
Financial statistics showed that several record highs were exceeded during the month of April for Muenster Memorial Hospital. Inpatient, outpatient and Home Health were each outstanding for April income.

Operating revenue was \$374,199.00 and operating expense was \$254,817.00 leaving the total operating revenue at \$119,382.00. Tax related revenue for the month was \$5,067.00 and tax related expenditure was \$365.00. That left a net non-operating revenue of \$4,702.00 for April. The total revenue for April was

\$124,084.00, a record high for the hospital.

MMH Board President Don Flusche praised Endres saying, "You did an outstanding job! The board members then gave Endres a standing ovation for a job well done "in turning this thing around."

Mr. Endres administered the oath of office to re-elected board members Chas Bayer, Duane Knabe, and Don Flusche for three-year terms and Lora Hennigan for a one-year term. Werner Becker, Jr. will also serve a one-year term, but was not present for the meeting.

Officers were elected to serve for the year. Don Flusche is president, Jerry Hess, vice-president, and Chas Bayer, secretary.

In other business the MMH board authorized Jack Endres, Don Flusche, Jerry Hess, and Chas Bayer to sign Muenster Memorial Hospital checks. This was to ensure that someone would be available to sign checks even if the hospital administrator and president of the board are out of town.

Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m. in the administrator's office.

MISD officers repeat

by Dave Fette
Officers of the Muenster Independent School District Board of Trustees were re-elected by acclamation Thursday night, May 16 at the regular school board meeting. Leon Klement continues as president. Cliff Sicking and Annette Anderle are vice-president and secretary, respectively. The other trustees continuing in office include Tom Hartman, Harold Bindel, Peggy Lutkenhaus, and Tom Flusche.

The highlight of Steve Cooper's superintendent's report concerned the recent high rating for MISD by the Texas Education Agency. Please see related story in this issue. Cooper also said that the speaker for tonight's (May 24) high school graduation exercise will be Judge McSpadden from Houston. MISD teacher Mary Dangelmayr said McSpadden was a close family acquaintance who has been very active in speaking to Houston students and conducting field trips through the court and jail systems. Judge McSpadden has also appeared on the *Today Show* and been featured in *Texas Monthly* magazine.

Cooper covered other items including:

- Plans for use of the football field for the Relay for Life in June may have to be slightly adjusted because turf work is in progress.
- North Texas Education Network (NTEN) courses will include Spanish and certain dual credit courses from North Central Texas College. Cooper asked for understanding and patience in working the bugs out of the system. He said NCTC Psychology course this past year was particularly well received by the students who took it. Problems with instructor delivery and student interaction are being worked on.

The school board discussed the issue of Internet access. Cooper and computer instructor Jerry Eckart believe it necessary to introduce technology that will be prevalent when students go to college. But, some board members and teachers were concerned about objectionable material available on the Internet and the real need for the service compared to other resources and instruction. The issue is being studied.

In reporting on financial

projections for the next year, Steve Cooper complimented the new Tax Appraisal District Chief Appraiser, Will Presson. "This is the first time in six years to have the preliminary report on time," Cooper said. "The property tax income projections look good and we should be able to keep the same tax rate."

Teacher pay raises for MISD will total \$33,728.00 in the 1996-97 year under the state mandated system.

MISD has in excess of 80 students requesting transfer into the district for 1996-97, many of them coming from the Gainesville district. By comparison, there were 58 transfers six years ago when Cooper became superintendent.

The 1996-97 school calendar revision was approved. There will be 180 days of instruction and five days of teacher in-service.

Texas Education Agency praises local TAAS scores

by Steve Cooper, MISD Superintendent

MISD recently received its yearly publication from the Texas Education Agency call Snapshots. Snapshots is a booklet that compares every school district in the state in 87 different categories, from TAAS scores to tax rates. MISD traditionally ranks in the highest echelons of the state in this yearly comparison. That is true again for this year's publication. MISD averaged 93.5% for all tests taken under the TAAS an above average wealth

comparisons, this was the highest in the county when comparing schools that have grades 9-12. Another category, college tests, finds MISD testing 87.5% of its senior class (the closest in the county was 20 percentage points less) for the SAT with a 917 average. To have an average score that high with that percentage taking is outstanding. Operational expenditures per pupil were \$3844 which was well below the state average of over \$4000 per pupil and second lowest in the county. Instructional expenditures per pupil was a mere \$2408 per pupil, an excellent return on educational costs. MISD ranked the lowest in the county (comparing schools that have a 9-12 grade) in state aid per pupil. MISD receives \$1800 per pupil. One reason for MISD getting less state funds is because we are considered

district. The average wealth state wide is approximately \$178,000 per pupil. To give our readers a specific comparison, Lindsay ISD has a total taxable value (according to Snapshots) of \$106,607 per pupil - MISD's taxable value is \$190,710 - Lindsay ISD receives \$2861 per pupil in state aid - the more state aid you receive the less you have to make up in local taxes to reach the adjusted basic allotment which is the amount of money the state pays each school district. MISD still enjoys one of the lowest tax rates in the state and the second lowest in the county among schools that have grades 9-12.

Snapshots is another avenue used to identify excellent schools in the state. MISD has received verification from another source that it is producing positive results in an efficient manner.

Good News!

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Memorial donation at Library honors Joe and Bettie Luke

Presentation of a donation of \$25,000 was made by Norman and Evelyn Luke of Houston to Muenster Public Library on Tuesday, May 21, when the first installment of a \$100,000 pledge was paid by the couple to honor his parents, Joe and Bettie Luke. She was particularly involved with Muenster Public Library for many years, having joined the staff in 1960. From 1964 until her death in 1974, she was head librarian.

The check was presented to Daryl Ferber, chairman of the Library Board, by Urban Endres because Norman and Evelyn Luke were unable to attend at this time. In addition, the Lukes have committed additional funds to match contributions made by individuals, "Friends of the Library" and local organizations until a total of \$100,000 is matched.

After presentation, Endres recalled that this community has watched the library grow, from its humble beginning as a Book Club in the home of Mrs. J.M. Weinzapfel in 1959 to its move to City Hall the same year, and gain status of a beginning library. In 1965, it moved again to a house owned by the Lukes on Fourth Street and was subsequently adopted by the City of Muenster. Joe got involved with the library too and built book shelves and made other improvements to make the facilities functional.

Steady growth ensued. With support of the City Council the Library moved to its present location. Continued growth emphasized the need for more space and facilities. The first step toward that end came with the acquisition by "Friends of the Library" of land

on which the new library is proposed to be built. Muenster citizens and friends everywhere have an opportunity to make this possible through their meaningful contributions to help a new library become a reality. Endres also noted that Norman and Evelyn Luke expressed appreciation to the City Council for support of this endeavor; and they offered sincere thanks for the dedication of the volunteer staff through the years. They are due much credit for bringing outstanding service to the community.

The community joins the Library Board in recognizing Norman and Evelyn Luke for their memorial to his mother, Bettie Luke, Librarian, and to both of his parents for their involvement in providing opportunities for learning for young and old.



URBAN ENDRES, representing Norman and Evelyn Luke, presents a donation to Muenster Public Library board chairman Daryl Ferber. Librarian Pat Weaver displays a photo of Bettie Luke, in who's memory the donation is being made. Janie Hartman photo

Arthur Hennigan retires from Council

by Daryl Ferber
"No one council member has more power than others; it takes all working together to accomplish the city's needs" - this was stressed by Arthur Hennigan in an interview.



ARTHUR HENNIGAN

Hennigan was a Muenster City Council member for 6 years, retiring this last election. He served as commissioner of Parks and Library for two years in which much needed work of leveling was done on the park grounds, with help from volunteers. Creek banks were also cleared and cleaned for a more usable area. He met with south town owners to arrange the first agreement for use of their land for Germanfest. He said the owners have been very good about the use of their property.

For four years he was Police and Fire commissioner, and had praise for the police department and the volunteers in the fire department.

"I know people often thought I was stingy," he continued, "but I always wanted value for the money spent and accountability for each dollar. I always tried to vote my conscience, after exploring and studying the problems, as any council member does."

During the Korean Conflict, Hennigan served 4 years in the Navy Submarine Division. Tours of duty lasted up to 3 months at a time with no outside communication. "Muenster has been fortunate to have good volunteers helping with many activities through the years, and organizations that contribute financing for needed projects - often without recognition." He added, "Muenster is a good town to live in."

A discipline policy was another project undertaken by the council while he was a member. Because of health problems, Hennigan has had to retire from GTE where he was a machinist and plant manager. Other past activities included

serving on Texoma Council of Governments, draft board and 3 terms as Commander, as well as other offices for the VFW. While his three children were growing up, they enjoyed hunting and fishing together.

It is only fitting that Saint Jo has selected Memorial Day weekend as the date of their Pioneer Days celebration. The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce has scheduled a Memorial Day service at 9:30 a.m. to begin Saturday's activities. It will be followed by a wide variety of fun-filled activities for young and old alike. There will be a softball tournament and a sand volleyball tournament running all day. There are also art and quilt shows.

One of the highlights of Saint Jo's Pioneer Days celebration

will be Mule Jumping. For the past two years, this event has yielded large crowds of spectators. "Butch" Geurin of Saint Jo has agreed to coordinate this year's contest in which awards will be given for the top three jumpers of each class. These classes are based on mule size. The small mules jump against other small mules and the larger, taller mules jump against each other. There will be mules from north Texas and southern Oklahoma entering this year's jumping contest.

If you haven't attended this contest, you really should. The mules, if they have a notion, can stand "flat footed" and jump heights up to and sometimes over six feet. Their owners, holding them on a leash, "encourage" them to jump the pole. The audience really gets involved in each mule's jump as sighs of disappointment can be heard when a mule hits a pole or applause goes out for the mule which easily springs over the needed heights. It's a fun contest for the audience and contestants alike. Following the mule jumping contest is an auction.

Saturday evening there will be a Ranch Rodeo and a free street dance. Sunday afternoon the Art Show and the Quilt Show will still be open to the public.

So make plans now to attend Saint Jo's ninth annual Pioneer Days on Saturday, May 25 and be on the square at 2:00 p.m. for the Mule Jumping.

For more information or to enter any of the sports events or other contests, contact the Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce at 817-995-2188.



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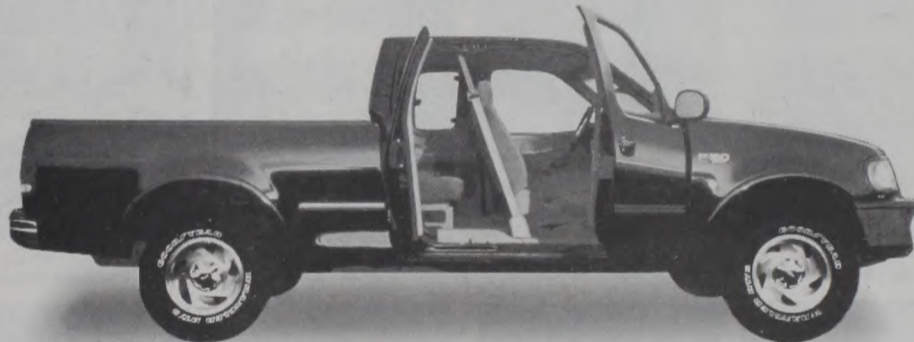
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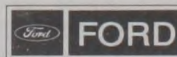
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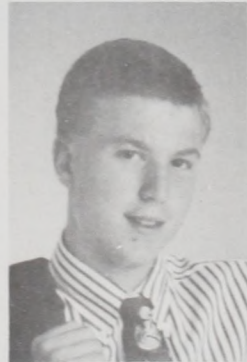
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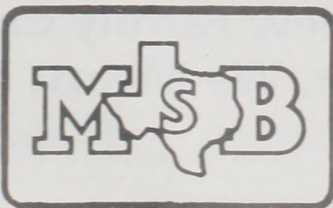
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Margaret Hennigan dies in Oklahoma at 94

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Margaret Evelyn Hennigan, age 94 on Tuesday, May 7, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. in St. William Catholic Church in Durant, OK, officiated by Father Norbert Karava.

Mrs. Hennigan died on May 1, 1996 in Durant at the Medical Center of Southwestern Oklahoma. She was born on July 15, 1902 in Muenster to John B. and Barbara Rohmer Herr. She received her earlier education in Muenster, but spent most of her life in Bryan County, OK. She married Richard Hennigan in Muenster on Feb. 9, 1925. They became parents of ten children. A loving mother, devoted wife and homemaker, she was a member of St. William's Catholic church and was active in the Altar Society.



MARGARET HENNIGAN

Survivors include three sons and four daughters-in-law Paul and Jdine Hennigan of Oak View, OK; Kenneth and Charlotte Hennigan of Millerville, Maryland; John and Cherie Hennigan of Vacaville, CA. Also five daughters and sons-in-law Margie and Charles Miller of Durant, OK; Aurelia and George Robinson of New Caney, TX; Dorothy and Marvin Beisley of Ketchum, OK; Evelyn and Bob Tolley of Erwin, Tennessee; and Mary Jenney of Oxnard, CA. Also two daughters-in-law Bonnie Hennigan of Las Vegas, Nevada and Cora Hennigan of San Jose, CA. There are 44 grandchildren, 65 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband Richard; two sons David and Clifford; two grandsons Paul Yenney, Jr. and David Richard Hennigan, Jr.; granddaughter Ann Hennigan; and one great-great-grandson. Also by her parents John B. and Barbara Rohmer Herr; eight sisters Clara Bengfort, Mary Schnitker, Franziska Herr, Angeline Muller, Bertha Schnitker,

Catherine Corcoran, Rosie Miller and Bertha Elizabeth Herr; and seven brothers Frank, Joe, Theo, Adolph, Paul, Bill and Leo Herr.

During the Mass of Christian Burial, Readings from the Old and New Testaments were given by her sons Paul Hennigan and Kenneth Hennigan. The eulogies were given by her nephew Henry Hennigan of Bartlesville, OK and a daughter-in-law Charlotte Hennigan of Millerville, Maryland.

Interment was at Highland Cemetery of Durant, OK. Pallbearers were grandsons, Tandy Robinson, Bill Beisley, Steve Floyd, and great-grandson Jason Earles; and granddaughters Jennifer Hennigan, Patty Beisley, Cynthia Tolley and Kathleen Ostbey.

Local relatives attending were Barbara and Tommy Felderhoff, Billy Joe and Terese Miller, Herb and Dolores Miller, Mary Lee and Larry Hennigan, Arthur Hennigan, all of Muenster; Ted and Cindy Miller of Sherman and Vivian Kasperek of Lindsay.



WORK IS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE in the building of the new Forestburg School. The community lost their school to fire last August and immediately began plans to rebuild. The 1996 graduation will be held this Saturday in the incomplete cafeteria of the new school. At right, the archway saved from the old building found a new home inside the new cafeteria. Plans stand firm to dedicate the new school on Aug. 2, the one-year anniversary of the loss of "the Alamo on the Hill."

Janie Hartman Photo



VFW will observe 50th

The VFW Post 6205 will observe its 50th anniversary on Sunday May 26, with attendance at Mass at 8 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church; procession to the cemetery for

memorial services; happy hour at the Post Home at 4:30 p.m.; steak dinner at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Tickets at the door will be \$7.00; in advance \$6.00.

Remember ... your vote counts!

Older Texans, 60 years of age and older, have an opportunity to elect their own representative to the Sixth Texas Silver-Haired Legislature. Election day has been scheduled statewide for Tuesday, May 28. Polling sites, opened from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., will be located at the Area Agency on Aging Texoma, the Sherman Senior Center, the Denison Senior Center, the Bonham Senior Center, and the Stanford House in Gainesville.

There are 116 members of the TSHL elected every two years to represent 28 designated regions of the State. They meet in Austin during the month of September in even-numbered years, prior to the convening of the Texas State Legislature, to debate issues which impact older citizens of Texas. Priority issues will be identified and drafted into resolutions to present to the Texas Legislature in January, 1997, for legislative consideration.

The success of the first five TSHLs speaks for itself! Texas legislators recognize the value of the informed member of the TSHL and frequently call on them to attend hearing and committee meeting and to provide testimony on vital issues. Approximately 70% of the issues which the TSHL have adopted have been addressed by the Texas Legislature. Two major resolutions presented by Texoma TSHL representatives have become law during previous sessions, including the Options for Independent Living Bill proposed by Hilda Ramsay, and the Source Tax

bill (Texans Protective Act) proposed by Mary Ethyl Praetz.

Three incumbents will run in Cooke, Grayson and Fannin Counties. They are Edward F. "Kit" Carson of Valley View, Mrs. Florence Keahey of Bonham, and Mrs. Hazel Wright of Sherman.

Mr. Kit Carson was previously Cooke County School Superintendent and was instrumental in the implementation of the first senior transportation program in Cooke County. He currently serves as president of the Cooke County Taxpayers Association and has served as president of the Valley View Senior Citizens Organization.

Mrs. Florence Keahey is currently serving her sixth term as the treasurer of Fannin County. A lifelong resident of Fannin County, she is a charter member of the D. Rowlett Chapter of the

Daughters of the Republic of Texas, a member of the Bonham Woman's Club, the Iris Society, a past president of the Ivanhoe Community Club, and long time member of the Democratic Woman's Club of Fannin County.

Mrs. Hazel Wright was previously employed by the General Telephone Company prior to her retirement. She is an active member of the Communication Workers of America and received an appreciation award for 31 years of service with the CWA in 1989. She is an active member in the American Business Woman's Association, and League of Women Voters and serves as a volunteer in the WHO (We Help Ourselves) Program, an educational program coordinated by MHMR to enhance awareness of child abuse. She has served for 10 years as the Legislative Director for the

Communication Workers of America - Local 6171. She serves on the Medicare Beneficiary Advisory Committee and the Sherman Crisis Center Board.

All three candidates participate actively on the Texoma Regional Advisory Council on Aging of the Texoma Council of Governments.

Ms. Jimmie Charlyne Elliot is the sole candidate for the regional "at-large" position. Formerly a school librarian for 37 years for the Sherman ISD, she maintains affiliations with TSTA, NEA, Grayson County Retired Teachers, Texas Library Association, Ladies Auxiliary of VFW #2772, and has served in leadership positions for the Sherman Education Association and the Grayson County Teachers Credit Union. She was recognized by the Sherman Ex-Students Association in 1995 as an Outstanding teacher.

Huge Primary turnout pays off for area Republicans

Record turnout in two North Texas Counties paid off for the local GOP parties. Congressman Joe Barton presented a \$500 check each to the Republican Party Chairpersons for Montague and Cooke Counties as a reward for their accomplishments in building their local parties.

In the March 12 primary, the two counties quadrupled their voter turnout over the prior primary election.

Barton presented a \$500 check to Chairman Tom Green of the Montague Republican party and to Chairman Pat Peale of the Cooke County GOP.

"The Republican party is growing rapidly across Texas," said Barton, "but this kind of explosive growth is exceptional. I thought something ought to be done to recognize these achievements. I know how difficult it is to raise funds for local county party offices, so I thought that this would be something that would be appreciated."

In Montague County, the Republican turnout was 143 voters in 1994 but grew to 490 Republican voters in 1996 -- an increase of 343 percent. In Cooke County, the Republican turnout was 1061 voters in 1994 and shot up to 4911 in 1996 -- an increase of 462 percent.

City swimming pool opens

by Stephen D. Broyles

The swimming pool opens Saturday, May 25. Pool hours are 1 p.m. through 7 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. Each Monday is Ladies Day at the pool from 1 p.m. through 7 p.m. Entrance fees for the pool are \$1.50 per person. Pool parties may be arranged by calling the swimming pool at 759-4393.

The fee for pool parties is \$30 per hour for 2 lifeguards. If the party is large and requires additional lifeguards, additional fees will be added accordingly.

During the winter months, the swimming pool area underwent renovations: a new pool deck; new steps and

railing were added in the shallow end; the pool was painted with racing stripes; the ladders were repaired and a safety feature added to the top rung of each ladder; and the surface of the slide into the deep part of the pool was smoothed and repaired.

Come on out and enjoy swimming this summer!!

Increases noted for May sales tax rebates

Texas cities and counties received \$196.8 million in May sales tax rebates. "Sales in Texas continue to clock along a good pace," remarked John Sharp, State Comptroller of Public Accounts. "City rebates were up slightly from last year's, while county payments were down. This apparent reduction really reflects large audit collection that inflated

county allocations during this same period last year."

Muenster's May sales tax rebate check for \$13,959.36 showed a 13.50 percent increase over that of a year ago. Total payments to date in 1996, \$56,808.38 are up 1.65 percent from the total last May.

Gainesville received \$266,021.43 in May rebates.

That was up 42.91 percent from May 1995. Lindsay also saw an increase of 7.31 percent with a payment of \$6,080.82.

Oak Ridge and Valley View both had decreases in May rebate checks compared to May 1995. Oak Ridge's \$3,517.91 payment was a 13.94 percent decrease. Valley View's \$2,656.79 check was a drop of 38.78 percent.

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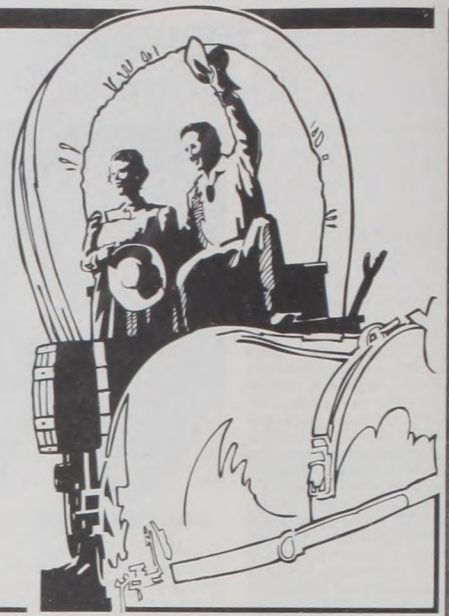
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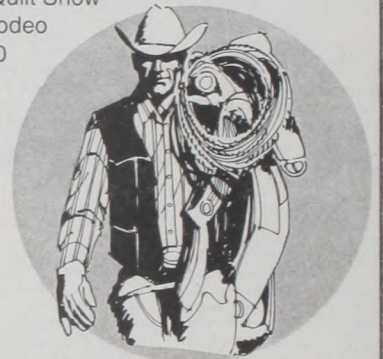
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MMH nurses complete trauma course

Pat Wimmer, RN, Trauma Coordinator and Linda Walterscheid, RN, staff nurses at Muenster Memorial Hospital have successfully completed the Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC) sponsored by the Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC) sponsored by the Trauma Services Department held May through May 11, 1996.

Trauma is a major threat to the immediate and often long-term health of individuals. The Emergency Nurses Association responded to the needs of trauma patients by developing the TNCC as a means for standardizing the principles of nursing, care, improving the quality of care, and ultimately maximizing patient outcomes.

Two conceptual underpinnings of the new TNCC are that the information, both in terms of cognitive knowledge and psychomotor skills, is core-level knowledge and secondly, the six-phase nursing process assessment, nursing diagnosis, outcome

identification, planning, implementation, and evaluation) is the standard of trauma nursing. Recognizing that patients present with problems which require collaborative intervention from other trauma disciplines, the TNCC serves as the standard for the discipline of nursing.

After analyzing the impact of trauma in the United States and the potential for positive contributions by professional nurses in the care of the trauma patient, the Emergency Nurses Association has formulated the following belief statements:

1. The optimal care of the trauma patient is best accomplished within a framework in which all members of the trauma team use a systematic, standardized approach to the care of the injured patient.

2. Emergency nurses are essential members of the trauma team. Morbidity and mortality of trauma patients

can be significantly reduced by educating nurses to provide competent trauma care.

3. The Emergency Nurses Association and its constituents have the responsibility to facilitate trauma-related, continuing education opportunities for nurses who provide care to trauma patients.

The 3-day Trauma Nursing Core Course was designed to provide the learner with cognitive knowledge and psychomotor skills. Lectures and psychomotor skill stations were presented by verified TNCC Instructors. Evaluation of the learner includes (1) a written multiple choice examination designed to assess their acquisition of content presented and (2) performance at psychomotor skill stations designed to evaluate acquisition of important skills.

The Emergency Nurses Association believes that the knowledge and psychomotor skills as identified in the Trauma Nursing Core Course will assist professional nurses to systematically assist the trauma patient and to intervene or to assist with interventions in a manner that will decrease the current mortality and morbidity associated with trauma.



PAT WIMMER, RN, right, and Linda Walterscheid, RN, MMH staff nurses, recently completed a Trauma Nursing Core Course. Janie Hartman Photo

Brunch to honor Hospice volunteers

All volunteers of Home Hospice Light Up A Life are invited to an appreciation brunch Tuesday, June 4 at the home of Patti and Joe Wallace. For directions contact Denise Pearse at 726-3251. The event will be from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Pearse and Angela Antonetti (759-2512) are co-chairmen of the event.

Sheaff is honored in contest



RACHEL CAROLYN WRIGHT of Sanger will marry Dr. Stanley Dale Brandon of Rosston on Saturday, June 29, 1996 at the First Baptist Church in Sanger. Parents of the bride-elect are J.L. and Shirlene Wright of Sanger. Parents of the prospective groom are Mrs. Agnes Brandon of Rosston and the late J.Y. Brandon. Miss Wright is a 1990 graduate of Sanger High School. She attended Cooke County College and then transferred to Texas Woman's University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and an Early Childhood Endorsement in May 1995. Rachel is currently employed by the Pilot Point ISD where she teaches Kindergarten. Dr. Brandon is a 1980 graduate of Era High School. He attended Cooke County College where he received an Associate of Science degree in 1984. He then transferred to Wayland Baptist University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree with a Major in Chemistry and Biology in 1986. After working at the University of North Texas, he entered the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine where he received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1994. He is currently self-employed for Brandon's Veterinary Services.

Mary Ann Sheaff of Denton, daughter of Helen Yosten of Muenster, a student in the Department of Communications and Fine Arts of North Central Texas College, was honored when the 1996 Awards Ceremony was held for the annual creative writing contest. She received first place honors for her entry "The Legacy" in the Jack Joyce Memorial Essay division for NCTC students.

Top entry prizes, cash and achievement certificates were presented in the Little Theater at the Gainesville campus on April 25, 1996. Entries will be published in the 1997 edition of the April Perennial, NCTC's annual literary magazine.

Mary Ann Sheaff is a 1969 graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

Fleitmans announce adoption of twin boys

Jerry and Billie Fleitman are proud to announce the adoption of twins. Their adoption of David Sean Fleitman and Daniel Shane Fleitman was culminated on May 14, 1996. The twins have lived in the Fleitman home as foster children since June 15, 1994. They were born May 22, 1993.

David and Daniel join a sister Dobe. Grandparents are Aileen Dyer and Bruno and Bertha Fleitman, all of Muenster.

The Fleitmans expressed appreciation for everyone in Muenster who offered support and prayers during the period prior to this blessed event.

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The Family of Gary and Caroline Hess will host an Open House honoring them on their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, May 26, 1996 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. for visiting and a platform dance at the home of Angelo & LaVerna Nasche. Come help us celebrate! (Just bring your lawn chairs) Your presence is your gift



Thank You

The family of V.J. Patel acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expressions of sympathy from the Muenster community. Thank you for the donations, plants, flowers and food. We are deeply grateful for the support and concern.

A special thanks to Rev. Frowin Schoech and his friends at Sacred Heart Church; to all the nurses, doctors and staff at Muenster Memorial Hospital; the Pagel family, Mary Lou Hess, Gloria Becker and Kristi Schneider; and to all the teachers at Muenster ISD for their loving support for Dolly and Kim.

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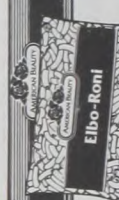
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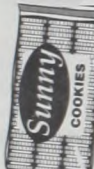
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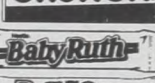
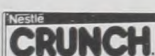
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Surprise "shower" honors Fleitman family

Friends and family of Jerry and Billie Fleitman surprised them with a shower on Sunday, May 19. The event was held under the pavilion in the Muenster park to celebrate the adoption of three year old twin boys David and Daniel. May 14 was the day their adoption was finalized.

Hosting the shower were Michaelann Rigler, Pam Dangelmayr, Kathy Bauer, Debbie Hess, and Mary Endres. "Cowpokes" was the

theme carried out in party decorations. Two decorated cakes, cookies and punch were served to guests.

Attending besides the honorees, Jerry, Billie, Daniel and David, were the twins' sister Dobe; foster sisters Symmetric Jackson and Destiny Morgan; grandparents Bruno and Bertha Fleitman and Aileen Dyer, all of Muenster; aunt Sara Lester; and cousins Kelly and Kevin Cox.

New Arrivals

Eddleman

Coy and Leslie Eddleman of Denton announce with joy the birth of their first child, a son, on May 14, 1996 weighing 8 lb. 7 oz. and measuring 21 1/2 inches in length, at Trinity Medical Center. They have named him Cooper Derec Eddleman. Grandparents are Frank and Dyan Hess and the late Ruth Hess of Muenster, and Judy Eddleman of Denton and Archie Eddleman of Justin.

Martin

Tom and Renee (Wilde) Martin of Spring Valley California, announce the birth of a daughter, Carly Jean Martin, on May 21, 1996, at 8 p.m., weighing 5 lb. 14 oz. and measuring 18 inches long. She joins Meagan and Steven at home. Grandparents are Roy and Marcy Wilde of Muenster and Arnold and Jean Martin of Spring Valley, CA.

Flusche

With joy and gratitude, Philip and Brenda Flusche announce the birth of a son, Kevin Joseph Flusche, in Muenster Memorial Hospital on May 14, 1996, at 1:53 a.m. weighing 6 lb. 15 oz. and measuring 20.5 inches in length. He joins Jacqueline, Nicholas, and Adria at home. Grandparents are James and Sally Flusche of Decatur and Martin and Nancy Krahl of Valley View.

Great-grandmothers are Regina Flusche of Lindsay, Ethel Kammerdiener and Elizabeth Krahl, both of Gainesville. The infant was Carefitted to Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas on the day of birth, and was dismissed to return home on May 19. He is now making good progress and recovery. His mother Brenda was dismissed from Muenster Memorial Hospital on May 16.

Taylor turns two

A birthday party was held for Taylor Renee Felderhoff on her second birthday, Sunday, April 28. Her parents, Terry and Kristi Felderhoff hosted the event in their home.

After a hamburger lunch Taylor opened gifts. Cake and ice cream were also served.

Guests included Taylor's grandparents Kenneth and Marilyn Bierschenk and Frank and Eleanor Felderhoff; great-grandmother Clara Walterscheid; uncles, aunts and cousins: Damian, Deanna, Jordanne, Eric, and Emily Hellman; Michael Bierschenk; Stephanie Bierschenk; Ruff, Patty, Hollie, Sean, and Ryan Fuhrmann; Dale, Marilyn, Kelly, Lisa, Derek, and Travis Felderhoff; Mark, Terry, and Eric Felderhoff.

Taylor's grandma Bierschenk also has the same birthday as Taylor.



TAYLOR R. FELDERHOFF

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road. Frank Sicking, formerly of Muenster, now of Seligman, Arizona, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sicking, is employed on a ranch. He came upon two mountain lions in a patch of oak brush, while he was riding his horse; but he had no gun, so he started heaving rocks. Luckily one rock hit a vital spot on the animal's head. The mountain lion measured 5 ft. and one inch. Frank Sicking got a bounty of \$100 from the county and the ranchers association. In an effort to rid Cooke County of wolves which are reportedly preying on

livestock, The Cooke County Commissioners Court set a bounty of \$3.00 for grown wolves and \$1.00 each for pups. Father Francis Zimmerman, Captain and Chaplain in the Army is home on terminal leave and joins Muenster VFW Post #6205.

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THE COOKE COUNTY HERITAGE SOCIETY's 18th annual Fun Auction held on May 10 was a great success. Angela Antonetti, president of the Heritage Society, received the Volunteer of the Year Award. In the raffle, Queenie Walterscheid of Muenster won the limited edition angel; Jim Milloway, the gift basket; Linda Draper, the chocolate pot, 6 cups and saucers, creamer and sugar; Ray King, the Glenlivet Scotch Whiskey Swing Stand; and Mary Alexander, an ice chest with beer and golf balls. Funds from the auction go to support programs at the Morton Museum of Cooke County. For more information, call 668-8900.

Courtesy Photo

Jacqueline is 9!

by Kathy Bauer
For the second year in a row Jacqueline celebrated her birthday late! This year she spent May 11, her actual birthday, at UNT with her family watching Mom cross the stage. She opened family presents and made birthday wishes over breakfast muffins and later en-

joyed dinner out with her family.

On Saturday, the 18th friends came and helped her celebrate with a REAL party! Guests arrived promptly and were challenged to completely chalk the driveway of the Bauer's house. A challenge they failed to meet, surprisingly. Later everyone enjoyed lunch of submarine sandwiches, cake and ice cream. Freckles the Clown appeared during lunch and kept the party and laughs going.

Gifts and cards were opened, shared, and put aside as water guns and balloons appeared. The party moved out of doors again where everyone had a wonderfully wet time.

The party ended much too soon for the children and almost too late to revive poor Freckles in time to meet prior commitments! Happy Birthday Jacqueline, hope the 10th is half as much fun and celebrated on time!



JACQUELINE BAUER

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1996 Local College Graduates



STEVAN NASCHE

Nasche among grads of Benedictine College

Stevan Dale Nasche of Muenster was among the 156 students who graduated from Benedictine College on May 11. Nasche majored in Youth Ministry and Religious Studies, and also minored in Psychology at Benedictine, receiving a bachelor of arts degree. While a student at the College, he was active in the following campus organizations: Ravens Respect Life, Hunger Coalition, Senior Class secretary, Student Government, Resident Assistant, Dorm Council, Campus Ministry, Varsity Golf, and Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree member and Deputy Grand Knight. Nasche is the son of Angelo and LaVerna Nasche of Muenster. He is a 1992 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and attends Sacred Heart Church. Nasche's future plans include working with young adults as a Youth Minister, Youth Director or as a Director of Religious Education.

Laura Lutkenhaus completes program

Laura Lutkenhaus, daughter of Walter and Kathleen Lutkenhaus was honored at Texas Woman's University during a Candlelight Ceremony on April 27, 1996, presented by the School of Occupational Therapy of TWU. The Candlelight Ceremony honors TWU Occupational Therapy students who will be transferring to the TWU Presbyterian Hospital Campus in Dallas for the 1996-'97 Fall and Spring semesters, to complete senior level courses in Occupational Therapy. Occupational Therapy is a health and rehabilitative profession designed to help people regain and build skills that are important for health, well-being, security and happiness. Laura Lutkenhaus is a 1992 graduate of Lindsay High School. She received an Associate of Science Degree from North Central Texas College in December, 1994. She applied and was accepted into the Occupational Therapy Program at TWU in the Spring of 1995. Attending the Candlelight Ceremony on April 27 with Laura were her parents, Walter and Kathleen Lutkenhaus and Jimmy Fisher.

Marlene Ann Hess, Texas Tech graduate

Marlene Ann Hess received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Studies, with a Minor in Political Science from Texas Tech University in Lubbock on May 11, 1996. She held an overall GPA 3.78 and a major GPA of 4.0.

During her student years at Texas Tech activities included: President, National Residence Hall Honorary, University Interscholastic League events judge, High Riders (Service Organization), University Singers, Texas Tech Goin' Band, Tech Tutor, H.O.S.T.S. Mentor, Sunday School Teacher.

Honors and awards included: Dean's List (each semester), Golden Key National Honor Society, Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science Honor Fraternity), Communication Studies Academic Achievement Award; Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma (Freshman Academic Honor Fraternities), Outstanding Undergraduate for the Dept. of Communication Studies.

Marlene is the daughter of Earl and Mary Ann Hess, and the granddaughter of Cecilia Hermes of Lindsay, who also had a great-grandson, Leslie Cler participate in the same ceremony.

They attended, along with Marlene's sisters Darlene Hess, and Alethea Morris; brother and sister-in-law Jerry and Rhonda Brawner; uncles Patrick Hermes and William Hermes; aunts Marcella Zimmerer and Mary Evelyn Hermes.



MARLENE HESS

Old woman graduates despite handicaps

by Kathy Bauer

Well, not old really, I did make it before the big four-O, in addition to being a wife, mother, daughter-in-law, teacher, volunteer, employee, pet owner, etc. etc.

Graduation with a Master of Science degree in Applied Economics at the prestigious University of North Texas is considerably different than the intimate one last year from Texas Woman's University. As you might guess the number of graduates is vastly different, 1900 graduated from UNT this year! Another major difference is that really cool hood that goes around your neck, chokes you and makes your back sweat. But hey, we earned that misery, and none of us would trade it!

The day was long - Convocation began at 12:30, we had to line up at 11:45, and thankfully my graduation ceremony began at 2:30, the last one began at 4:30. It was fine for the graduates, we were excited and spent hours trying to figure out how the hood went on and what all of the unusual colors stood for. (Gold, by the way, represents a Masters of Science degree. The inside colors in the hood represent the school, green and white for UNT.)

For the guests in the stands, it had to be a terribly long day. Many hours sitting on hard bleachers, starving just to see



KATHY BAUER

one person you cared about graduate, and several hundred others you didn't care about, is not my idea of an exciting time. However, there were many people who did just that.

It was just one more sacrifice for my family - who has sacrificed much for me during the past five years. I pursued a dream and finally it is almost a reality. They have endured much for my sake. Thanks guys, I appreciate it.

Maybe here would be a good place to mention the guys. My parents are Lloyd and Kathleen Raney of Non, OK. My husband, and Mr. Mom Bob and daughters, Andrea, Raney and Jacqueline. Perhaps my biggest fan, my mother-in-law, Bertha Bauer of Albany, NY.

graduate were his wife, parents, and mother and father-in-law, Clinton and Debbie Endres, and Mrs. Edward Endres. James completed his clinical affiliation at Charlton Methodist Hospital in Duncanville, TX. He is currently employed by X-ray Xpress of Texas.

Brad McDaniel graduates with honors

Brad McDaniel, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDaniel of Muenster, graduated with honors in commencement ceremonies Saturday, May 11. He is a 1991 graduate of Muenster High School; and the grandson of Mrs. Wanda Meredith of Wichita Falls and the late Q.R. Meredith.

At Texas Tech he was a member of Theta Chi, national social fraternity, and Alpha Sigma Beta, national restaurant, hotel and institutional management fraternity. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management. After graduation he moved to Carrollton, where he is employed as a management trainee with Papadoux Seafood Restaurant in Irving.

Attending the commencement ceremonies were his parents, Robert and Judy McDaniel; his fiancée



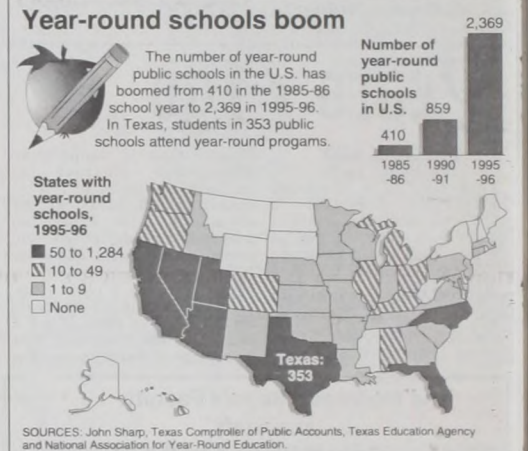
BRAD MCDANIEL

My Green of Plano; his grandmother, Mrs. Wanda Meredith of Wichita Falls; his sister and brother-in-law Meredith and Bradley Smith of Lubbock; two aunts, Mrs. Marsha Richardson of Wichita Falls and Nita Inman of Dallas; and cousin Janie Inman of Dallas.

Reunion

The annual Muller-Herr reunion will be held the traditional Memorial Day weekend, Sunday, May 26 at noon at Muenster City Park with a cookout. Please bring folding chairs, and a covered dish for dinner.

Keeping an eye on Texas



OFFICER RECOGNITION - Texas Tech University College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Dean Sam Curl, right, recognizes Allison Klement at an end-of-the-year banquet for her service as Student Agricultural Council treasurer during the 1995-96 school year. Allison is the daughter of Andy and Emily Klement of Muenster. Courtesy Photo



JAMES HENNIGAN
James Hennigan is Midwestern graduate

On Saturday, May 11, 1996, James Hennigan received an Associate Degree of Applied Science in Radiography from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. Attending the 73rd commencement were his wife Angela Hennigan, his parents Donald and Sandra Hennigan, and his brother Jay Hennigan.

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Muenster Junior High students recognized

Muenster Junior High's Awards Banquet was held Monday, May 13, at the Sacred Heart Community Center.

Raeagan Koesler, 8th grade class president, opened the evening with a welcome. Father Frowin Schoech said the invocation followed by the response by 7th grade class president, Kacie Garcia. Principal Bob Chisam introduced the Master of Ceremonies, Rose Hudspeth, president of the Muenster PTO. A catered chicken fried steak meal was enjoyed by all.

Bob Chisam announced academic and regular honor roll awards, and perfect attendance awards.

Also recognized were class officers and favorites, UIL participants and special essay and other contest winners.

Rose Hudspeth handed out PATS awards from the PTO, and Kay Perry recognized her PALS students. The band members were identified by Pat Dietz, and the cheerleaders by Joni Sturm.

Coaches Randy Tankersley, Jerry Eckart, Ted Heers and Kent Josselet recognized the boys and girls athletes. The 1995-96 Stingers won district in football, basketball, cross country and 8th grade track.

Mr. Chisam made his final remarks, thanking teachers and parents for the help and support in getting Muenster ISD their 2nd exemplary rating.

Door prizes were drawn before closing the event. Bob Chisam won the teacher door prize. Students winning gift certificates to local participating merchants were Heather Hess, Jason Lutkenhaus, Ashley Klement, Dianna Britain, Shawn Dittfurth, Grant Hartman, Mitch Endres, and Ike Perry.

Also the drawing for the 6th grade quilt raffle was held. Janel Lutkenhaus Harding of Denton won the quilt.

To end the ceremonies, 6th grade class president Mitch Endres said the benediction.



WOODWORKING CLASS MEMBERS taking part in race car competition Tuesday afternoon were, from left, back row - Jason Lutkenhaus, Issac Perry, Danny Felderhoff, John Flusche, Justin Fleitman, Bryan Miller, Darren Hennigan, Jim Stoffels; middle - Nick Silmon, Randy Grewing, Jeff Klement, Brian Johnson, Craig Hartman, Angel Hernandez, Josh Luke, Toby Chapman; front - Brandon Klement, Doug Knabe, Barry Escobedo, Casey Walterscheid. *Janie Hartman Photo*

MISD race car rev up for finals

Students of the eighth grade woodworking class at Muenster have just completed a jet car project, which consists of building a carbon dioxide powered miniature car and sending it streaking across the gym floor.

The assignment begins with designing the vehicle within specifications of a racing car. The first step is to make a sketch of the creation and after approval make two more drawings resulting in a full scale three-view sketch of the car.

The drawing is transferred to a Styrofoam blank and then cut along the lines to make the car's body and further trimming produces the desired shape. This object becomes a pattern, its measured specifications to be followed in cutting out a piece of white pine. Next, the car is trimmed to the desired shape and holes are drilled for two axles and the carbon dioxide motor. The car must weigh 75 to 100 grams before painting. Then plastic wheels are mounted and the painting is finished.

Finally students come to the thrill of the project, a double elimination race before envious younger students to determine whose car was the champ.

This year's winner was Darren Hennigan, 2nd place finisher was Randy Grewing, while Bryan Miller came in 3rd.

MISD report cards ready on May 31

MISD report cards will be mailed on Friday, May 31 at 3:30 p.m. If you wish to pick them up, you can do so between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 31.

MISD elects new Student Council

Nineteen Muenster High School students were officially installed as officers and members of the school's Student Council for 1996-97 during an assembly May 20 in the high school auditorium.

Next year's officers are Jonathan Otto, President; Brandi Lutkenhaus, Vice-President; Emily Felderhoff, Secretary; Dolly Patel, Reporter; and Lucas Hartman, Parliamentarian. Members-at-Large include seniors, Rudy Hellman and Holly Mullins; juniors, Valerie Erwin, Michael Grewing, Joyce Hacker, Stephanie Huchton, Telisha Reid, Leigh Ann Reiter,

Kristine Hartman, Bryan Hudspeth, and Kim Sturm; and sophomore Stephanie Bierschenk. Freshman class representatives are Allison Endres and Casey Walterscheid.

Sophomores through seniors earned their memberships in the Student Council by completing ten pre-approved service hour requirements. Tasks varied widely this year and included some painting, picking up trash, and helping with school-sponsored activities. Then the candidates for office and the freshman representatives filed petitions to run for their positions that were signed by registered student voters, designed their

campaign posters, and presented campaign speeches in a student assembly. Elections were May 2.

After the installation ceremony, the retiring and the new student council members were treated to refreshments. Then the new members met to set their meeting schedule for next year and to consider future projects. The Spring Book Fair, the group's fundraiser, netted about \$350 and provided over \$300 in free books for the Muenster ISD Library. Members of the 1995-'96 and 1996-'97 Student Council and the sponsors sincerely appreciate everyone's support of the Book Fair each year.



MARY SKINNER, left, and Kacie Garcia supply background music prior to the MISD Junior High Awards Banquet. *Janie Hartman Photo*

Lindsay High honors students at banquet

Lindsay High School recognized their students on Thursday, May 16 in the Centennial Hall at the annual awards banquet.

Christine Fuhrmann made the introduction and Rudy Zimmerer, school board president, welcomed everyone. After the invocation by Garrett Hellinger, the meal was served.

Recognition of students began with Craig Hertel introducing participants of the One Act Play and Speaking and Writing events in the UIL Academic Meets. "We go to events and people know us - There's Lindsay," commented Hertel. "I feel privileged that I'm a teacher here. We have something special at Lindsay." He gave the students a challenge to "keep doing it." And it is not always easy to keep going up. Hertel reviewed Lindsay's district, regional and state competition and how they won regional six years in a row and earned over 100 points the past five years at state. Lindsay brought home five state championships this year from Austin - CX Debate, Ready Writing, Literary Criticism, Literary Criticism

Team and the Current Events Team.

Next Coach Larry Spruiell introduced the Cross country participants, the girls 21-10 bi-district championship team, and the girls track team. The mile relay state qualifying team members were each awarded a certificate from UIL.

Coach Jodie Stringer told of the "no trophy" year for the boys varsity basketball. "It was a tough year, but wins and losses aren't the most important thing," Stringer also introduced tennis participants.

Coach Charles Meurer bragged on the Knights' 12-1 football season of seven shutouts and 360-53 scoring. Of the seniors Meurer said, "These guys accomplished a lot of things, but leave these awards at school and go on with your life and become successful."

After recognizing the district champion boys track team and presenting UIL certificates to the state qualifiers, Meurer made a special presentation to Linus Fuhrmann for four years of coaching at Lindsay.

Participants of other UIL events were recognized by teachers Don Allen, Elizabeth Fleitman, Troy Edes, Carol Hyatt, and Mary Holland.

Tom Fluker introduced the golf teams and Annie Kwan, state qualifier in music. Sonya Block named the 60 girls participating in drill team, pep club, and cheerleading.

Superintendent Gilbert Hermes presented plaques to outgoing board members Andy Bezner and Susan Metzler.

Hermes and Principal Will Steger then presented awards to students.

Matthew Murrell closed the program with the benediction.



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30 receive First Communion at St. Peter's

First Holy Communion was celebrated at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay on Sunday April 14, 1996 at the 10 a.m. Mass by Rev. Eugene Luke and 30 children of the second grade CCD classes.

The Communion banner, designed by Pam Hoberer, showed the theme "Body of Christ, Blood of Christ" with a gold chalice, surrounded by wheat and grapes on a dark blue background.

The altar was decorated with white floral arrangements. Easter lilies and ivy enhanced the front of the altar and pulpit area. The side communion rails held 30 votive candles with a cross and lamb for each child.

Preceding the Entrance procession, the Freshman class placed a white carnation at the altar for their adopted 2nd grader making his/her First Communion as the choir sang "Come As A Child."

As the communicants entered the church, the Freshman class sang "Children of the Lord." The Entrance procession gifts were presented at the altar by Adam Kasperek, who carried the basket of bread and grapes; Allison Hundt and Elizabeth Klement, chrysanthemum plants which were gifts to their teachers; Sarah Reed and Diane Knauf, baptismal candles; Adam Koelzer, Good Shepherd picture; Jason Metzler, picture of Jesus and the children; Jose Velasquez, Holy Bible; and Emerald Otto, a pink carnation of thanks for the Freshman Class.

The First Reading was given by Kristopher Creed; the Responsorial Psalm by Michelle Rauschuber; and the Second Reading by Mallory Block.

The Rev. Eugene Luke read the Gospel and gave the Homily. He reminded the children they have God's energy in their lives through the sacraments. He told them that they should have a real focus on the Body and Blood of Christ - their life source from God. Following the Homily, each communicant was recognized and the class recited the Apostle's Creed and renewed their baptismal vows.

Prayers of the Faithful were read by Tanner Henry, Matthew Eberhart, Erin Wyrick, Stephanie Metzler, Timothy Otto and Bradley Arend.

The choir sang "A Gift From Your Children" as the Offertory gifts were presented by Megan Benton, Ashley Ferguson, Gary Anderle, Aaron Krahl, Patrick Bayer and Jeramey Hinkle.

The Sign of Peace was extended to the faithful by John Mosman, Chad Dieter, Dustin McCrory, and Kevin Neu. Valerie Huchton led the traditional children's prayer before Communion.

Muenster Public Library announces next reading program

The Children's Reading Program will begin for the summer at Muenster Public Library on Thursday, May 30. Children are urged to come in, sign up for the program, and receive record forms. Prizes will be offered to those reading the most books, and the traditional ice cream cone certificate will be given to all children-readers. This year's theme is Ready, Set, Read.

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During the reception of the Holy Eucharist by the First Communicants and the congregation, the choir sang "Receive Our Prayer," "Come to My Heart," and Portrait of Jesus.

After Communion, Clint Williams led the Prayer of Thanksgiving and then the children gathered at the altar to sing "His Banner Over Me" with hand gestures to affirm their belief that Christ is always watching over them.

Assisting during Mass were Eucharistic Ministers Kevin Block, Gene Pelzel, Phyllis Schad and Leon Fleitman. Ushers included Bill Metzler, Frank Sandmann, Walter Lutkenhaus and Leroy Neu.

Members of the Choir were Shawn Arendt, Barbara Bezner, Skipper Bezner, Krista Bower, Ann Cogburn, Roger Dieter, Betsy Fleitman, Judy Hoberer, Danny Nortman and Martha Tepera.

Mass Servers were Mark Neu, Ryan Kasperek, John Eberhart and Jonathan Krahl; all brothers of First Communicants.

Religion teachers were Sister Teresa Hereford, CCD Coordinator, Pam Hoberer and Kathleen Lutkenhaus.

Members of the 1996 First Holy Communion Class at St. Peter's are: Gary Anderle, Bradley Arend, Patrick Bayer, Megan Benton, Mallory Block, Kristopher Creed, Chad Dieter, Matthew Eberhart, Ashley Ferguson, Tanner Henry, Jeramey Hinkle, Valerie Huchton, Allison Hundt, Adam Kasperek, Elizabeth Klement, Diane Knauf, Adam Koelzer, Aaron Krahl, Jason Metzler, Stephanie Metzler, John Mosman, Dustin McCrory, Kevin Neu, Emerald Otto, Timothy Otto, Michelle Rauschuber, Sarah Reed, Jose Velasquez, Clint Williams, and Erin Wyrick.



1996 FIRST COMMUNICANTS OF ST. PETER'S PARISH

Sacred Heart First Communion celebrations

SARAH ANNE WHITECOTTON

Sarah Anne Whitecotton, daughter of David and Helen Whitecotton, was honored on her First Holy Communion Day when a dinner was held Sunday evening in the home of her maternal grandparents, Norbert and Ella Mae Rohmer.

The dining table centerpiece was a beautiful First Communion cake, decorated with grapes, wheat and the Communion Cup.

Attending were the honoree and her brothers Thomas, Michael, and Mark and their parents; the grandparents Norbert and Ella Mae Rohmer; the godfather and uncle Gene Rohmer; and cousins Bobby Rohmer and Johnathan Rohmer; and Jeanie, Lisa, John Mosman; Barbara Mosman aunt and godmother; Monica, Chelsea, Kelly Laux; Carol, Cathy, and Travis Weatherhead.

DONALD J. DICKERSON
Donald Joshua Dickerson, son of Rocky and Roberta Dickerson was a member of the class of 46 First Communicants

of Sacred Heart Parish on Sunday, April 21. They received First Eucharist during the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Donald was honored by his parents during a special dinner in their home after Mass.

Guests included an aunt and godmother Lou Moster. Cards were sent to Donald from his other godparent, Karen Moster. Donald also opened and displayed gifts from his parents, sisters, brothers and others, and his grandparents. Gifts were blessed at the CCD Mass on April 24.

CHAD JOSEPH HESS

To honor Chad Joseph Hess, son of Clarence and Kelly Hess on his First Communion Day, Sunday, April 21, his maternal grandmother, Edna Klement entertained in her home with a noon dinner following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church.

A cross-shaped cake, with a Precious Moments little boy First Communicant figurine, and Bible for decoration, served as family dinner table centerpiece.

Chad's Grandma Klement prepared a meal of his favorite foods. Guests were his parents, his brother Brandon, his sisters Kristin and Brooke; and his Uncle James and Aunt Karlyn Martin.

Chad wore a beautiful white First Communion jacket also worn by his uncles, Karl Klement, Kirk Klement, and his brother, Brandon. The jacket is more than 30 years old.

FRED ELLIS

Diane and Rodger Ellis honored their son, Fred Ellis, on his First Holy Communion Day, April 21, when he received First Eucharist in Sacred Heart Church during the Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m.

Fred was accompanied to church by his parents, his sister Bridget and his grandparents Fred and Ethel Hennigan, to witness the important milestone in his life.

After mass they returned home for family dinner and enjoyed spending the rest of the day together.

KATHERINE ENDRES

Jan and Danny Endres honored their daughter, Katherine Endres on her First Holy Communion Day, April 21, with a family gathering and dinner in their home following Mass in Sacred Heart Church at 10:30 a.m.

A hamburger lunch was followed by desserts of strawberry cake for Katie and German sweet chocolate cake for her godfather, with whom she shared the day to celebrate his birthday.

Guests included the honoree's grandparents Bill and Ethel Metzler and Urban and Jane Endres; godparents Charles and Dorothy Garrett of Fort Worth and her brothers and sister.

Katie expressed pleasure in having such wonderful people in her life. She received very special gifts from all of her guests.

DUSTIN WIMMER

WHITNEY WIMMER
Cousins Dustin Wimmer, son of Dave and Jill Reiter, and Whitney Wimmer, daughter of Wayne and Tammy Wimmer,

were the honored ones when they shared the celebration as family members gathered to observe their First Communion Day, April 21. The Wayne Wimmers hosted a dinner in their home, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church.

Whitney and Dustin cut and served their shared cake. It was decorated by Betty Rose Walterscheid with a chalice in the center and a little First Communion boy and girl figurine on either side.

Guests included the grandparents, Annie and Gertie Wimmer and Virgil and Joaline Henscheid; the great-grandmother Elizabeth Mollenkopf; special guest, Follen Frowin Schoech; Whitney's brothers and sister, Wes, Calvin and Samantha; and other relatives: Colynda Hartman, Angel, Mattie, and Alex Sicking; Bart Henscheid; Tracy Henscheid; Lonnie, Valerie, Brad and Chad Henscheid; Janet, Kevin and Robyn Hermes; Chubby Reiter; Hugh and Genevieve Tarleton; and Ronnie Wimmer.

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With every passing day of sunny, windy weather, area farmers and ranchers become more concerned that their crops and pastures will not survive the season.

Thousands of agricultural businessmen throughout the state have been hit by the recent dry spell.

Drought is nothing new to Texas. The state has seen low rain periods during the 1930s, the 1950s, 1973-'74, 1979-'80, 1984 and 1988.

The current drought started in June '93 after 3 years of above normal rains. The wet years were the result of El Niño, warm ocean currents off Peru that changed wind patterns and drove more rain storms across the southern United States. But the currents cooled, creating a La Niña, shifting wind patterns with fewer storms from the Gulf and the Pacific.

Texas has two rainy seasons March through June and September through November. If weather patterns change, they usually change at the beginning of each rainy season, but weather forecasters don't hold much hope for a rainy finish to spring. Once you get wet, you stay wet. Once you get dry, you stay dry!

The lack of rainfall hasn't hit like the Dust Bowl Days of the 1930s, but curtailed grass growth has caused many ranchers to reduce their herd size or feed hay. None of Texas' range or pasture is ranked "exceptional" or even "good." Most are ranked "poor" or "very poor."

Texas ranchers are optimistic. Many believed rain and higher cattle prices were just around the corner, so they kept their herds. When the rain didn't come, hay was fed.

The price of a 1,000 pound round bale of coastal Bermuda grass hay is currently about

\$70, more than double the \$30 last Fall. To keep a cow, the average rancher is spending \$2.90 per day for feed and labor. To recoup the cost, the rancher would have to receive about \$180 for each calf, which is unrealistic with the current market.

Ranchers who sold cattle last Fall lost money, needing 70¢ a pound to break even, losing about \$150 a head. Some cattlemen seeing green pastures in March and April, put out cattle to eliminate feed costs. If the pastures had warm-season grass varieties, more harm was done than good. Once grazed, the young grasses come back weaker and can't make up for the lost growth the rest of the season.

Also gone are the normal winter wheat yields. The wheat began to head out on schedule in early April, but the heads were small and the plants lacked leaves. The leaves conduct photosynthesis and provide the energy to create large kernels and large heads. No amount of rain will turn the crop around at this stage in its growth. Central Texas growers may harvest 25 to 50 percent of normal yields and with the above normal wheat prices, the loss is even harder to take. This year's losses could also affect next year's wheat crop, since seed wheat yields will also be reduced.

Corn growers were hit double this season. After planting in February, their crops were killed by freezing temperatures. Thousands of acres had to be replanted. Some farmers switched to grain sorghum, which requires less moisture. State-wide growers are predicted to plant 3.5 million acres of sorghum this year, up 30% from 1995. Corn production is down 2% to about 2.15 million acres in Texas.



THE HEAVENS opened up and gave some local farmers and ranchers a shower Tuesday evening. All and any moisture is welcomed as drought conditions continue in the area, threatening crops and pastures.

Janie Hartman Photo

Oprah sets record straight on beef safety

Thanks to the work of cattle producers across the nation, Oprah Winfrey set the record straight on the issue of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy on her April 23 show.

Winfrey first discussed BSE and other food safety issues on her April 16 show. The show featured Dr. Gary Weber of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to offer facts on BSE and beef safety. However, in the final show, most of Weber's comments were edited out and anti-beef activists dominated most of the show. The April 16 show was "irresponsible, biased and unfair," said Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers President Chauncey O.

Thompson Jr.

Many other cattle producers also contacted Winfrey about the biased nature of the show. Winfrey said letters, faxes, phone calls and e-mail responses about food safety were "overwhelming." As a result, Winfrey offered to clear up unanswered questions and invited Weber back on the show on April 23.

Weber and Iowa cattle farmer Connie Greig appeared on the April 23 show to answer questions about BSE and to reassure Oprah viewers that cattle producers are concerned about food safety and are committed to protecting consumers.

Wheat harvest estimates down

Texas wheat producers expect to harvest 55 million bushels this year, 27 percent less than both the 1995 and 1994 crops.

The Texas Agricultural Statistics Service says a survey shows planted acreage for the 1996 crop is estimated at 6 million acres, up 3% from last season.

Producers in the Blacklands expect to harvest nine million bushels, down 14 percent from last year. Planted acres were increased 4% but dry conditions have plagued the region.

An estimate placed the '96 winter crop in Texas at 36% of normal, compared with 63 percent last year.

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Klement relative weds in Florida

Sara Fortin Ramming became the bride of Joseph Taylor King on March 30 in a double-ring ceremony at King Ranch, Bradenton, FL. The bride is the daughter of Jo Anne and David Klement, Muenster native, and the granddaughter of Mrs. Ollie Klement of Muenster and the late J.A. Klement. The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. King of Bradenton.

The Rev. Tom Fuller, pastor of Braden River United Methodist Church, presided at the ceremony held under the towering oak trees of the groom's family home on the banks of the Braden River. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant sheath gown of duponi silk designed by her and tailored by the groom's cousin, Julie King. She carried a bouquet of mixed spring flowers.

Matron of honor was Lauren Wilson Feikema of Guam, long-time friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Marti King Beukema of Palmetto, FL., sister of the groom; Ann Woody of Asheville, N.C., and Meisha Wilson of Atlanta, friends of the bride.

Best man was Ben King of Bradenton, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Max Ramming of Atlanta, brother of the bride; Mike Beukema of Palmetto, brother-in-law of the groom, and Chris Domin of Atlanta, friend of the groom.

As the ceremony ended near dusk, the 175 guests moved to another area of the lawn where a catered dinner was served at tables arranged under oak trees festooned with twinkling lights and outlined by torches. A fierce thunderstorm

interrupted the festivities, however, and guests crowded into the hosts' spacious home where the celebration continued in a slightly less romantic but much more "intimate" setting. Most agreed that it would be a wedding they would remember for a long time.

The couple honeymooned in St. Lucia, West Indies, and are at home in Bradenton. The bride is a social worker with

the Manatee County (FL) public school system and the groom is a self-employed architect.

Klement family members attending the ceremony were Ollie Klement and Sug Bindel of Muenster; Joan and Dick Schleicher of Fort Worth; Jerry and Carole Klement of Temple; Kurt Klement of Dallas and Beth Pannenberg of Jacksonville, FL.



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AUSTIN KILLIAN

Austin & Dino celebrate 3rd birthday

Austin Scott Killian celebrated his third birthday on Sunday, May 19, at home in The Colony with friends and family. He had a Big Dinosaur Party with lots of games including: pin the tail on the Dino; a Dino-bone dig; and a piñata filled with candy and dinosaurs. Guests enjoyed a dinosaur cake made by his Aunt Janie.

Guests included Keith and Kelsey Hermes; Kaileigh, Tyler and Mandy Hess; Mason and Matthew Moreland; Stephanie and Elizabeth Zwinggi; Andrew and Timmy Holder, and Julia Griswold who came from Houston to celebrate with her cousin.

Family attending were Butch and Eileen Fisher, Janie Fisher, Tonya Hess, Steven Fisher, and Pam and Mike Griswold.

First Communion held at St. John's in Valley View

Eight children from St. John's Catholic Church in Valley View received their First Communion during a special liturgy on April 21.

Rev. Harry Fisher was celebrant. The children receiving the Eucharist for the first time included Emily Bayer, daughter of Janet and Chris Bayer; Taylor Franks, daughter of Pam and Roy Franks; Albert Luna, son of Rosalba and Epifanio Luna; Dacy King, daughter of Mark and Daisy King; Katie Metzler, daughter of Kathy and Karl Metzler; Aaron Rauschuber, son of Dianne and Don Rauschuber; Maria Rico, daughter of Martino and Paulino Rico; and Ryan Zimmerer, son of Jackie and Albert Zimmerer.

The children walked in procession to the entrance hymn, "They'll Know We Are Christians." Janet Bayer gave the First Reading and Daisy

King gave the Second Reading followed by the homily by Father Fisher. The children then participated in a candle lighting ceremony during which they renewed their Baptismal promises.

The children brought gifts during the Offertory symbolic of their faith journey to be important day. They received the Eucharist accompanied by their parents. Father Fisher then enrolled the children into the Holy Scapular Society. The children then walked in procession out of church to the recessional hymn "Alleluia."

Preparing the children for the sacrament was Lidia Mendoza. Eucharistic ministers for the service were Albert Zimmerer and Karl Metzler. Acolytes were Adam Zimmerer, Melissa Metzler and Christin Bayer. Usher was Jimmy Prescher. Organist was Kay Neu.



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