

# JENSTER RPRISE

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# 1996 Germanfest proves profitable for community

by Janet Felderhoff
1996 was a very good year
for most participants in the
annual Germanfest. Although
the Muenster Chamber of
Commerce spent more money
than ever putting on the event,
they also made more than
previous years.

Total income from the 1996
Germanfest was \$181,097.73
and the expense total was
\$111,058.84. That left a net
profit of \$70,038.89.
Income for the Chamber
from the weekend's events has
been broken down as follows:
Gate: \$95,876.00
Concessions: \$19,180.00
Bike Rally: \$3,672.00
Fun Run: \$3,452.00
Rides: \$2,671.44
Misc. & Advertising: \$20690.75
Beer: \$31,955.54
Arts & Crafts: \$3,600.00
Funds raised through
Germanfest are used to run the
Chamber office. The Chamber
stays active and promotes
tourism in a number of ways.
Brochures have been published
detailing a variety of
interesting facts about
Muenster. Requests for

information on Muenster are answered with mail—outs containing all available information. Yearly projects sponsored by the Chamber are the Christmas Lighting Contest, downtown Christmas decorating, Christmas parade, Christkindlmarkt, and numerous other events. These activities and mail-outs bring people into Muenster. That usually means sales to people from outside the community which brings in more sales tax dollars from outside Muenster. This helps keep local tax rates down.

Even the money paid out on Germanfest is kept within the local community when possible. Whether it is money for printing brochures, miscellaneous items from the lumber yard or variety store, or for labor paid to keep Germanfest grounds clean during the weekend — as much as possible is paid to local people.

Although many are not aware of it, the Chamber pays for the extra security hired that weekend. This includes



# Dave Flusche Sr. appointed fire marshall

### Hamric honored ipon retirement

# Bishop urges '96 SH graduates to expand their minds and skills

by Janet Felderhoff
Graduation formalities for
the Sacred Heart Class of 1996
were held in Sacred Heart
Catholic Church at 6 p.m.
Thursday, May 30. The
graduates proceeded to the
front of church as "Pomp and
Circumstance" was played by
Ruth Felderhoff.
Class members include
Brandon Joel Bayer, Heath
Wade Bayer, Michael Joseph
Becker, Karri Jo Endres,
Nicole Marie Endres, Scott
Michael Frost, Toby Karl Hess,
Ekaterina Alexandrovna
Ivanova, John Anthony
Klement, James Colby
Langley, Joseph Ernest
Martin, Jacob Ray McCoy,
Joseph Ronald McCoy, Wendy
Allison Pels, Lonnie Scott
Poole, Sanicha Sriprayoonskul,
Jeanna Marlene Trammell,
and Christina Bannon Yetter.
Concelebrating Mass were
Most Reverend Bishop Joseph
P. Delaney, Reverend David
Bellinghausen, and Reverend
Frowin Schoech. Scott Poole
gave the First Reading, Wendy
Pels read the Repsonsorial
Psalms, and Jake McCoy gave
the Second Reading. General
Intercessions were given by
John Klement, Chrissy Yetter,
and Joseph McCoy. Colby
Langley and Heath Bayer
presented the Offertory gifts.
During the Homily Bishop
Delaney spoke of the mixed
emotions of the occasion. It was
a bittersweet day for the
teachers who were seeing the
results of their teaching, but
having to say good-bye to
students they had watched
grow through the years.
Parents he said were also here
with mixed feelings. To them it
must be a day tinged with
sadness as they watched the
infant they held in their arms
for the first time it seemed only
yesterday, now grown up.
To the graduates Bishop
Delaney said, "A whole new



Diplomas earned by the 1996 seniors were conferred by Bishop Delaney, Father David Bellinghausen and Principal Jack Murdock. Ms. Jo Bedowitz and Mrs. Linda Ellender, senior class sponsors, performed the traditional turning of the rings and moving of tassels.

The beaming graduates exited church to "Chariots of Fire".



TATE REPRESENTATIVE Peggy Hamric of District 126, Jorthwest Harris County, presents a "Commission as Admiral n the Texas Navy," signed by Governor Bush, to Dan Hamric at is retirement reception.

Dave Fette Photo

### MISD finishes successful year; begins '97 plans

by Steve Cooper
MISD Superintendent
MISD has just finished
another year and all
preliminary test results
indicate it has been a most
successful year. Many factors
contribute to a school's success.
Those factors include:
encouraging parents, students
that will work, and dedicated
teachers. There will be more
information later in the
summer regarding the state's
confirmation of MISD's
academic ranking for the 1995'96 school year.
Questions have come up
lately regarding the
preliminary tax notices being
received. A close scrutiny
indicates a tax rate projection

for MISD for next year of \$1.40 plus. Please disregard the projected tax rate. It is simply an estimate based on gross property values. MISD's current tax rate is \$1.12 and the 1996-'97 tax rate won't be set until sometime in late August or early September. The maximum a school district can increase taxes is 8 centsgoing beyond that leads to a rollback situation. So, disregard the tax rate projection on your notices; it is not reliable.

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A special thanks to Endres Motor Company for providing MISD with a driver education car. They have been a good supporter of our driver education program and have

always responded to meet the needs of our students taking driver education. They go "above and beyond the call of duty." Once again, thanks.

Muenster High School is making plans for the new school year. The high school schedule is being finalized. A zero period is being considered for several classes. One in particular has great potential for this type of scheduling. Computer Aided Drafting classes fit well into this type of scheduling zero hour means a class from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. - times will be adjusted somewhat).

CAD skills are much in demand in the work area as more and more employers are

looking for students with this type of background. One of the original reasons for having the CAD classes in a Tech Prep setting was to open the class to students in other school districts, but there was always a conflict because of their class schedules. If MHS can go to a zero hour it will open the class to students in other districts and students from Sacred Heart would be most welcome if there were any interested.

This zero period is still in the planning stage and its final implementation will depend on the student interest it generates. We're asking those that might be interested to call our high school principal, Bob Chisam, at 759-2281.

### Muenster Telephone Co. receives high rankings

in November of 1995. 357 customers, approximately 10% of the total telephone service subscribers, were randomly selected. Nine out of ten customers reported that they have not had a problem with their phone service in the last six months.

With the communications industry growing and new competitors entering the expanding market, Muenster Telephone Corporation

recognized the importance of assessing the value of their current services and the future needs of their customers. SDS was chosen to conduct the survey because they are known to provide reliable information representative of a total customer base. Results shown are at least 90 percent predictable when applied to the entire customer base.

Survey participants rated the company on a number of areas including such topics as customer service, fees and services offered, consumer awareness, and office hours. While the survey was conducted primarily for telephone service, Muenster Telephone Corporation is associated with many other services. The most recent service offered through Muenster Telephone Corporation is the North Texas

Information Network: local Internet access in North Texas. Through North Texas Communications Company, the parent company of Muenster Telephone Corporation, cable television service is provided to Muenster and Valley View. DirecTV digital satellite programs and equipment is offered in Cooke and Montague Counties and cellular telephone service is offered throughout North Texas, through Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems.

Over the years, Muenster Telephone Corporation has sought to bring the latest in telecommunications to its customer. They have delivered services much earlier than many other telephone companies in rural areas. Investing in digital switching, fiber optic cable, touch tone dialing and single party lines

was their way of showing their commitment to providing the high quality service their customers deserve.

Mr. Fuhrman expresses his gratitude to those anonymous customers who took the time to share their feelings. "The results of this survey showed us that our customers appreciate the hard work we have done over the years. We are pleased to learn of their preferences for products and services which we feel will enhance their satisfaction with the company." Such products include Long Distance Service, Wireless Local Service, High Speed Data Service (ISDN), Expanded Local Calling Areas, etc. "All of these new products and services are being examined or implemented so that we may continue to offer North Texas the finest in communication services."

# County earns safety award at institute

Cooke County has been awarded a 1995 Safety Award by the Texas Association of Counties (TAC), which administers a Worker's Compensation self-insurance pool for counties and other local governments.

The award was received May 23 by Bob Harbin of Cooke County at the Texas Association of Counties' County Management Institute in Austin.

Austin.

The award was earned for their record of involvement and commitment to safety in the workplace, as well as for

controlling their Workers' Compensation claims.
The honor means that Cooke County, which participates in the counties' pool through TAC, is obtaining substantial savings for their taxpayers as a result of their TAC Worker's Comp coverage. Premiums are reduced for public entities that have lowered their claims rates.

Compensation published by the State of Texas.

To qualify for this honor, the entity must have a safety program rated in the top 15 governmental entities that collectively self-insure their workers' Compensation in this pool. Only 52 entities were honored this year.

These programs are evaluated by the Texas Association of Counties Safety Specialists who work with each pool member to develop loss control and safety programs.

In the evaluation of the program, the following criteria are considered:

• Safety program elements

Safety program elements in place;
Activity and success of program in the 1995 calendar year;
Support for the program by the upper management, governing board or commission that directs the operations of the entity;
Recent loss history; and Improvement in the safety program since 1994.
The TAC Safety Awards are presented annually.

# Muenster gives away free compost bins

Where are all the environmentally-minded citizens of Muenster - city and surrounding area? Not all compost bins are spoken for. They are FREE. Recycling is smart - be a part of it.

The City of Muenster will give away 100 FREE compost bins and educational materials to area citizens who attend one of two composting educational events. The first event, a one-hour composting seminar, will be held on Tuesday, June 11. The seminar will be held at the Muenster ISD Auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m. The

seminar will cover techniques and demonstrations on backyard composting. Master Composter Carol Roberts from the Red River Ecology Center will conduct the seminar.

The second event will be a compost bin distribution event on Monday, June 17. This distribution event will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Muenster City Hall Conference Room. Citizens can come to City Hall and receive a free compost bin and composting educational materials. Master Composter Carol Roberts from the Red River Ecology Center will be on hand to discuss backyard composting techniques and answer questions.

Citizens may pre-register for these composting educational events by calling Muenster City Administrator Stephen Broyles at 759-2236.

Backyard composting is an easy way for citizens to recycle yard wastes such as grass clippings and leaves. As the trend toward "pay-as-youthrow" for trash processing spreads, citizens will save

money as they reduce the amount of trash which is put "on the curb." Additional savings will accrue as citizens reduce the purchase of lawn and garden fertilizers by using home-produced compost as a soil amendment.

This composting educational program is made possible through the Texoma Council of Governments Environmental Program, the Red River Ecology Center, and grant moneys from the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

### **Police** Log

- MAY 1996
  Report of accident
  Unlock motor vehicle
  Report of animal bite
  Assist at funeral
  Report of disturbance
   Report of suspicious

- 2 Report of theft
  1 DWI arrest and transport
  to Cooke County Jail
  1 Report of assault
  1 Report of burglary
  2 Expired driver's license
  1 Failure to show proof of
  financial responsibility

- Minor in possession
  Expired license plate
  Disorderly conduct
  Under 21 possession of

### Open container by driver Ran stop sign Speeding - school zone

The year '96 has been, to say the least, different from most in so far as rain is concerned. Farming, to most, has been easier in some respects. Farmers have been able to work all of the land - the usually wet spots were never too wet to be tilled along with the rest.

But the dry weather has taken its toll in a number of ways. Grazing of winter crops has been very limited, if any. Some crops such as milo, and sudan grasses planted for summer grazing have not received enough moisture to germinate all of the seed, so that some fields have only scattered plants growing. The balance of the seeds, if not spoiled before rain falls, will be too far behind.

Most dairy farmers, with good stands of summer grazing up and looking good, are still waiting for more growth before turning their herds into the fields.

Saturday's rain - near 1 1/2" EMMER BY Ed Cler EMMER E

From My Side of the Fence

should help, but a good soaker would be welcome.

The grain harvest, somewhat limited, is in full swing. One farmer told me their wheat was making from 15 to 45 bushels per acre with fair quality, most testing 57-58.

After Saturday's welcome, but wildly wind-driven rain, I expected to see the ripened grain blown and beaten to the ground, but all I have seen is standing well.

Pasture grasses also suffer from the drought. Our renter had moved his cattle from the pasture where they wintered, to the south pasture that had lain idle till late April, but lack of moisture limited its regrowth and he has moved them back to the north side of the road again.

It is hoped that more rain will come our way and the stockmen and the dairy farmers will soon be able to stop the heavy feeding of hay and enjoy seeing their herds in plentiful pastures.

Dealing with Norbert's illness and death has not been easy. It is hard to lose someone that you love and depend on. However, there have been so many people who have gone out of their way to help us, so we would like to take this opportunity to send them a special "Thanks."

• To Father David and Father Frowin for taking care of Norbert's spiritual needs and for their many visits to the hospital.

• To Dr. Edd Advincula for his wonderful care, and his faithful kindness and support.

• To Muenster Memorial Hospital and staff, especially the nurses who took such good care of

• To all of our dear family and friends, for their verwhelming show of love and concern by their Mass offerings, prayers, visits to the hospital and to the house, food brought to the house and to the Hall, cards, phone calls, flowers and contributions to the memorials of Norbert.

• To everyone who took part in the funeral

service - the pallbearers, singers, musician, readers, eucharistic ministers and servers.

• To McCoy Funeral Home for their wonderful care and concern

To the VFW Post 6205 for honoring Norbert

with the color guard.
• To the Catholic Daughters for their hard work in preparing the funeral dinner, and to the KCs for the use of the Hall.

We thank God for the time that we had with Norbert and we thank Him for the friends that are helping us through this difficult time. God bless each one of you.



Sincerely, Mary Ann Susan and Neal Sandra and Kevin

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# **EVENTS CALENDAR**

#### To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY! Thursday, June 13

Sunday, June 16

Monday, June 17

Wednesday, June 12 C of C Breakfast Meeting 7:30 a.m., The Center

Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., S.N.A.P. Center Tuesday, June 18

Wednesday, June 19

MMH Board Meeting 8 p.m

Cooke County Cub Scout Day Camp Muenster City Park

Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., S.N.A.P. Center

Muenster Historical Commission, 8 a.m., Sisters Soda Shop Muenster ISD Board Meeting

Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m. S.N.A.P. Center

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#### Local sophomores attend seminar

Two local high school phomores, Laura Klement, ughter of Andrew and Emily ement, representing Sacred art High School, and Emily iderhoff, daughter of Tom de Becky Felderhoff, presenting Muenster High hool, recently attended the ugh O'Brian Youth undation (HOBY) North was Leadership Seminariey joined more than 218 her young leaders presenting as many high hools from throughout Texas ay 31-June 2 in Dallas.

"Laura Klement was the class presentative to the Student uncil for the Sophomore is; a member of Red in other processing as the student council esident for the term 1996-97. She is learning to set

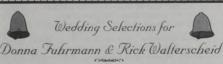
type, part-time at the Muenster Enterprise.

Emily Felderhoff is a member of the Student Council at Muenster High School; a member of the FHA at Muenster High School and active in the 4-H Club. She is a member of the basketball team and runs track.

HOBY Leadership Seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues and their leadership potential. The foundation was established by the popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer.



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### Have you heard about Muenster's mystery lake?

by: Janie Hartman
Reports have come in to
Muenster from visitors and out
of towners the past weeks of a
dried up lake near Muenster
that has uncovered ruins of an
ancient village.
Visitors have driven to
Muenster asking directions to
"The Lake" only to find that no
one in this town knows of any
such lake. Things have been
dry, by not enough to dry up a
lake. Besides, most of Cooke
County lakes were built as the
Soil Conservation Lakes in the
late 1950's and late 1960's.
Muenster's Chamber of
Commerce also received phone
calls, one from a metroplex
resident who wanted to drive to
Muenster to see the ruins after
his daughter read about it in a

Las Vegas, Nevada newspaper. It even had a picture!

Two possibilities of a lake with ruins came up as an investigation began to solve this mystery. First, a conservation lake near Rosston was built on a site of an old cavalry fort, maybe the lake was drained and some walls were uncovered. The other was that maybe the Red River went down and the ruins of the Old Spanish Fort were found. Neither were very logical.

Then some remembered a CBS News Report that aired nationally. Since Muenster's Bill Hamer and Muenster Livestock Auction were part of the news story, a local resident taped the report about "the

drought and the people trying to scratch out a living from it". The story began with a rancher burning needles off his prickly pear cactus to feed his cattle.

rancher transfer of the prickly pear cactus to feed his cattle.

Then "In North Texas ranchers are selling off cattle because pastures are drying up". The camera then records an auction at Muenster commenting, "Today with the drought, sellers can expect less than half of what a steer could have brought two years ago. The song of the sell barn has become a sad one." ranhandle to the Gulf.

The report concludes with video coverage of a Mexican auction at Muenster commenting, Today with the drought, sellers can expect less than half of what a steer could have brought two years ago. The song of the sell barn has become a sad one."

Bill Hamer is then seen saying "It's just going to be a bad economic situation for ome time to come."

The report goes on telling of Muenster.

the billions of dollars lost, Agricultural Commissioner Rick Perry commenting on the drought, an extension agent commenting on cotton and "forest fires" from the Panhandle to the Gulf.

### Plan for Muenster's future now! by Stephen D. Broyles, City Manager

What should Muenster's priorities be when dealing with limited funds? Street repairs? New streets? Water line replacements? Water line enhancements? Park enhancements? What improvements or additions are wanted? These are some of the questions the City Council is facing as it gears up for creating a Master Plan for the City of Muenster and for preparing next year's budget.

The City Council wants to learn your ideas on the future of Muenster. A Public Hearing

will be held at 7:30 pm in the City Hall meeting room on Tuesday, June 25. This is your opportunity to propose positive ideas of what improvements, additions or priorities you want to see at Muenster in the next 5-, 10-,15-, or 20 years from now.

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The City Council will discuss your ideas during the Master Plan Workshop scheduled for 7:30pm till midnight on Friday, June 28 and on Saturday, June 29 from 9:30am till noon and 1:00 to 6:00 pm.

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to the great victory at the Battle of San Jacinto.

The Second Texas Navy forced Mexico to abandon its re-invasion plans and maintained the sovereignty of the young Republic of Texas on the high seas until Texas joined the United States in 1845 and the Second Texas Navy was absorbed into the United States in 1845 and the Second Texas Navy was absorbed into the United States in 1845 and the Second Texas Navy was absorbed into the United States in 1845 and the Second Texas Navy was established in 1958 by Governor Price Daniel to memorialize the story of the hardships and savage fighting of those small Texas fleets and to remember the valor of those seamen who helped create and defend the Lone Star State.

Other gifts presented to Dan Hamric were a portable gas grill and an apron from the school children of Montague School and their teachers; and a plaque in appreciation from the Montague ISD, for eleven years as Superintendent, 1985 to 1996.

Hamric also spent ten years teaching in Muenster ISD, was

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### Low-interest loans to area businesses now available

It has been announced that small businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in 20 Texas counties are eligible to apply for low-interest loans to help recover from agriculture damages. Counties include Cooke, Montague and Grayson. These loans do not include small family farms!

Gramm said the areas were designated as eligible for disaster assistance by the Small Business Administration due to agriculture damages caused by drought conditions, unseasonably cool

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Security: \$11,505.24

Supplies: \$3,126.18

Sanitation: \$7,337.53

Liquor License: \$354.50

Miscellaneous: \$3,878.07.

"A Rain Out Fund is being established for the Germanfest because most expenses are due before we ever make any revenue form Germanfest," said Margie Starke, Chamber of Commerce secretary.

This year the Chamber is making a \$5,000 donation to the Muenster Jaycees' Park Fund.

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temperatures and an early freeze which occurred from August 1 - Dec. 31, 1995.
The closing date for loan applications is Jan. 6, 1997.
The program covers small businesses which are without credit elsewhere. The interest rate available is 4 percent with a maximum of 30 years allowed for repayment.

The Small Business Administration provides these loans to small businesses which have sustained substantial economic injury resulting from natural disasters.

Further details may be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free number, 1-800-366-6303.

Notice!

M/Sgt. Retired Joe Hoyt of Muenster participated in Memorial Day services at Sacred Heart Cemetery on Sunday, May 26 to join in the tribute. His name was inadvertently omitted in last week's account of the memorial service. Also missed was Tim Hess, who assisted with preparation of the evening's dinner in the VFW Hall.

#### Retha Bond to offer art lessons

Gainesville artist, Retha Bond will offer private art lessons this summer. Interested persons may inquire at Sanders Jewelry in Gainesville or call Retha's home at 817-665-1670.

# This year the Chamber is making a \$5,000 donation to the Muenster Jaycees' Park Fund. Money generated by the Muenster Germanfest benefits the community in various ways, some obvious, some much less so. Many non-profit groups have their main fund raiser during that weekend. Many who had never heard of Muenster now know it as the town where they ran in a fun run, rode in a bike rally, or went to a big Germanfest celebration. Thank You!



Muenster State Bank sends best wishes of sincere appreciation to Urban Endres on the occasion of his retirement from the North Central Texas College Board of Trustees. Urban has given tirelessly and selflessly of his time and talent to our community in many, many ways. His years of service to the City of Muenster as mayor and the Muenster Independent School District as president are greatly appreciated.



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#### Muller-Herr reunion held 17 years

The annual Muller-Herr reunion, held for the first time in 1979, brought together 110 relatives during this Memorial Day weekend in Muenster. It, as always, meant a joyful time of visiting and meeting lots of new forces.

new faces.

During this past year, the first generation of the organizers was ended through the deaths of former Muenster

residents, Adolph (Shorty)
Herr of Arlington and
Margaret Hennigan of
Oklahoma. The Muller-Herr
reunion now consists of second,
third and even fourth
generation members who are
dedicated to continuing the
Memorial Day weekend to keep
in touch with far-away kin.

A bountiful meal of barbecue
and refreshments was served

### Mary Haverkamp dies June 4

Mass of Christian Burial will
be held Friday, June 7 at 10:00
a.m. in Sacred Heart Church
for Mary Haverkamp 89, who
died Tuesday, June 4 in

Gainesville Memorial Hospital.
Funeral arrangements were
incomplete at press time. The
obituary, liturgy and photo will
be printed in next week's
Muenster Enterprise.

### Relatives and friends attend Hilda Reiter funeral from distance

Among relatives and friends who attended the funeral of Hilda Reiter were Jackie and Mary Reiter of Lancaster; Donald Reiter of Hayward, CA; Dolores Reiter of Dallas; Dora Erwin of Thrall, TX and Joni Olivia and Hannah Erwin of Thrall; Staci Martin of Burleson; Robert and Nikki Creel of Dallas; Stan and Judy Fredrick of Dallas; Tricia Reiter and Johnny Rutterman

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on Sunday at the pavilion of Muenster City Park compliments of Andy, Jerry (Gerald), and Julian Stelzer. All families brought covered dishes, making up an outstanding meal and enjoyable day. Emmet

During the afternoon volleyball, swimming, and

reminiscing and picture-taking, and the park playground were enjoyed.

Helen and Gerald Stelzer came from Somerset, California; Doris DeRossett came from East Colotha, Florida; Jim and Martha Herr

came from Conway, Arkansas
Others came from Post
Lubbock, Mineral Wells
Arlington, Sherman
Friendswood, Ft. Worth
Dallas, Denton, Krum
Gainesville, Lindsay and
Muenster; all signed the gues
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### Sacred Heart Parish

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### Lifestyle





### Gary and Caroline Hess honored on 60th

Honored by their children, andchildren, greatandchildren and a large isembly of relatives, eighbors and friends, Gary id Caroline Hess celebrated e sixtieth anniversary of eir wedding on Sunday, May is, 1996.

The religious observance was ild in Sacred Heart Church ith a Mass of Thanksgiving at 1):30 a.m. The social servance was an all-day and rening celebration at the site the original wedding, aroline's old home place. She as the daughter of John and atie (Gremminger) Knabe. The mass on Sunday was lebrated by Father David ellinghausen OSB. Mass rivers were grandsons atthew Nasche, Luke Endres d Noah Hess. Readings from the Old and New Testaments ere given by Sondra Hess and ngelo Nasche, Jr. esponsorial Psalm was given in Nicole Endres. Offertory fts were presented at the tar by Jesse Coker, Lilly asche, Hannah Hess and rystal Hess. All are andchildren.

Eucharistic Ministers were laude and Mary Bayer, Peggy

Walterscheid, Toni Hess, Steven Nasche and Dorothy Hartman.
Sacred Music was presented by Mary Endres, Linda Flusche, organist, Karen Davis and Mary Lin Knabe. Selections included "Wherever You Go" at Communion. Since the celebration fell on Pentecost Sunday, other music followed the regular Sunday service.

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Ushers were Jerry Hess and his son Glenn and Gene Hess and his son, Gary.

The original wedding nuptial Mass was officiated by the late Father Frowin Koerdt OSB on Tuesday, May 14, 1936, in Sacred Heart Church at 8:00 a.m. Wedding attendants were Caroline's sister Martha (Knabe) Sicking and Gary's brother, now the late Albert Hess.

RECEPTION

The celebration party was held at the original wedding reception site at Caroline's old home place, the John Knabe farm, now owned by LaVerna and Angelo Nasche.

Sixtieth wedding anniversary activities began with a prayer led by Jerry Hess preceding a noon meat catered by Doyle and Debbie Hess, and served from the garage. A flag

ceremony, directed by Shirley Knabe and Boy Scouts was held at 1:45 p.m.

The afternoon was spent visiting and reminiscing, with favorite traditional wagon rides, volleyball, tetherball, dominoes, cards, and miscellaneous other games.

At 2:00 p.m. John Nasche directed baseball games and Herbie Knabe arranged for games of horseshoes.

An evening meal was served from 5:00 to 6:00 catered by Doyle and Debbie Hess. Then a program followed at 6:45 p.m. directed by Mark Nasche.

Open House welcomed friends from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Cake and punch were served indoors. John Nasche read a poem in tribute to his grandparents, preceding a dance, just like at the original wedding; it was held west of the house, with music by Jack Leverette and Lorie Earhart.

Greeters at the signature book were daughters-in-law and granddaughters who sat throughout the day, registering about 400 guests who were each given program books and name tags.

The anniversary cakes were baked by Betty Rose Walterscheid: a three tiered white and pink bride's cake

**Baptisms** 

and a chocolate groom's cake.
Cakes were cut by Mary
Endres and Betty Rose.
The porch was decorated
with pink bells. Tables were
covered with pink and held
floral arrangements in pink
and white. Pictures and photos
of each child of Gary and
Caroline, with their families
were displayed, with a
wedding picture of the honored
couple; also pictures of
parents, grandparents, family
members; and a history of the
home place, which is 100 years
old this summer.
Gary and Caroline Hess are
the parents of 13 children:
James, LaVerna Nasche, Jerry,
Leon, Frankie, Quintin, Dale,
Dwayne, Doyle, Gene, Chris,
Mary Endres and Gloria Coker.
There are 43 grandchildren
and 25 great-grandchildren.
For several years Caroline
owned a Dress Shop "Home of
Fashions" and also worked at
St. Richard' Villa for some
time. Gary is a retired farmer,
a Charlais Breeder and worked
in the oil field profession.

Guests who attended from a
distance came from: Farmers
Branch, Arlington, Wichita
Falls, Dallas, Pilot Point,
Bedford, Ft. Worth, Argyle,
Denton, Stephenville, Houston,
Sealy, Sherman, Combine and
Lewisville.

Koehler and son Kyle, Ann Wilson and son Matthew and Sherri Daniels.

After the ceremony all had brunch at the Randy Bayer home. Pictures were made and gifts were opened.

Uncle Dwayne Koehler joined the family later in the evening after playing in a softball tournament; also Justin Chadwell who had been to a youth retreat.

Most of the guests remained at the Bayer home for a hamburger supper.

Christopher's special cake made by his grandmother Betty Rose held an angel baby figurine and the inscription "Bless Christopher Douglas Forever More."

News of Sick

Albert Bauer is feeling much better now after his two month battle with pneumonia and a fungus in his lungs. He is now well enough and has been accepted by M.D. Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston. His appointment is set for Thursday, June 6. He will then spend the weekend and return home on Monday, June 10. Cards can reach him at Route 1, Box 252, LaFeria, Texas 78559.



### Emerald Riders meet and elect new officers

by Sarah Hess Secretary
The Cooke County 4-H horse
club, the Emerald Riders, met
on May 19, 1996 at the NCTC
Equine Center at 4:00 p.m. The
meeting began at 4:25 p.m.
with Prairie Endres, President,
as the officer presiding. Sam
Grassman led the U.S. Pledge
and Krystal Kirby led the 4-H
Motto and Pledge.
Sarah Hess, Secretary, read
the Minutes from the last
meeting, which were approved
as read.

Old Business discussed was
the upcoming horse show on
May 25. We discussed the rules
and the cost. It was pointed out
that parent involvement was
needed. Also discussed was the
District horse show on June 10;
in Athens, Texas.

New Business was election of
officers for next year. The
results are as follows:
President, Sarah Hess; 1st
Vice-president, Tara Boyd;
3rd Vice-president Rachel
Goin; Secretary/Reporter,
Diana Schad; Treasurer, Sam
Grassman; Council Delegate,
Kim Kuykendall; and Alternate
Delegate, Emelia Endres.
These new officers will begin
their duties in September.

Tammie Lively and Craig
Rosenbaum, both County
Extension Office in Ganiesville
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### Kalyn and Barney celebrate 2nd birthday







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June 7 and 8, 1996

	FRIDAY
3:00 P.M.	Team Registration
	Begins
	Tent Set-up Begins
5:00 P.M.	Team Captain
	Meeting
5:15 P.M.	Survivor Lap
	Registration
6:00 р.м.	Opening Ceremonies
	and Survivor Lap
	Entertainment &
	Games throughout
	the event

10:00 P.

Games Continue

5:30 p.m. Closing Ceremony & Awards Presentation

6:00 p.m. All participants are invited onto the track for the

Final Lap of 1996 Relay For Life

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G	ames Continue

If not, you can help!



# Christopher Douglas Walterscheid, son of Douglas and Leigh Walterscheid and brother to Traci was baptized at 8:30 a.m. on June 2, in St. Francis Catholic Church of Grapevine. Father Baltosar Szarka was celebrant. Uncle Ronnie Walterscheid of Muenster and Catherine Wilson a family friend from Grapevine were sponsors. Christopher wore the same baptismal dress that was worn by his father, God-father and Uncle John. It was made by his paternal grandmother and great-grandmother over 33 years ago. He was also wrapped in the same white blanket as they were. A gift from the God-mother was a gold chain and medal of Saint Christopher pin a gift from his God-father. Attending the Baptism from Muenster were his grandparents Jerry and Betty Rose Walterscheid, Uncle John and Aunt Dana, Anne, Sara, and Abby Walterscheid, Great-Grandmother Margaret Kupper and Great-Grandparents Frank and Ramona Bayer. Others attending were his other Grandparents Frank and Ramona Bayer. Others attending were his other Grandparents Randy and Marilyn Bayer of Ronoak, Aunt Cheryl Chadwill and children Staci and Michael, Aunt Diane 24 Hour Customer Service Line. These days, it seems almost impossible to take care of all the things you need to during "normal" business hours. At TU Electric we know just how busy you are. That's why our cus-

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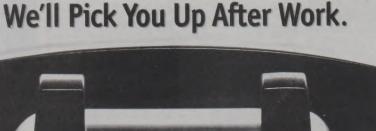


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# 1996 Local College Graduates



ERIC DANKESREITER

#### Eric Dankesreiter is law school graduate

law school graduate

On May 11, 1996, Eric
Dankesreiter graduated from
the Texas Tech University
School of Law in Lubbock,
Texas with a Doctorate of
Jurisprudence. In 1989, Eric
graduated from Muenster
Public High School, and in
1993 he graduated from Texas
Tech University with a
Bachelor of Arts in Political
Science and a minor in Public
Relations. In addition to
endless hours of reading during
law school, Eric worked for a
Lubbock attorney. He also was
campaign treasurer and
political advisor when that
attorney ran for a seat in the
Texas Senate.

One hundred sixty-seven
graduating law students took
part in the Hooding Ceremony
at the Lubbock Municipal
Auditorium. The Dean of the
law school, W. Frank Newton,
welcomed family and friends to
the ceremony. Brigadier
General Walter B. Huffman of
Washington D.C., who is also a
graduate of Texas Tech
University School of Law, gave
the main address to the
graduating law students.
Huffman said his military
career allowed him to practice
law with and against graduates
of every other law school in the
country, and his education
from Texas Tech had been as
good as or better than any he
had encountered. After the
Hooding Ceremony, a reception
was held at the Merket Alumni
Center.

Attending Eric's graduation
were his wife, Cheramie, his

Hooding Ceremony, a reception was held at the Merket Alumni Center.

Attending Eric's graduation were his wife, Cheramie, his parents Tom and Rosemary Dankesreiter, his wife's parents Damien and Lou Moster, his brother Tommy Joe, his sister Amy and, his sister and brother-in-law, Dana and John Walterscheid, and his nieces Anne, Sara and Abby Walterscheid. Also attending were his grandmother Theresa Hermes of Lindsay, and uncle Ralph Hermes of Gainesville. Many family and friends also sent best wishes.

Eric is now preparing to take the Texas State Bar Exam, which is a three day exam covering most of the subjects covered in law school and some not covered in law school. The Bar Exam is July 31 - August 2, but results are not available until November. When he passes, he will become licensed to practice law in the State of Texas. After the Bar Exam, Eric and Cheramie will move to Lewisville where Eric will work for Cary Wigington and Associates, P.C. Cheramie will finish her degree in Early Childhood Education at the University of North Texas.

While working with Cary Wigington, Eric will practice in

University of North Texas.
While working with Cary
Wigington, Eric will practice in
all areas of the law, but he
intends to focus on business
law, real estate, wills, estate
planning, and complex
litigation.



LEIGH ANN HOENIG

Leigh Ann Hoenig graduates in Denton

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Leigh Ann Hoenig, daughter of David and Sandra Hoenig, is a recent graduate of Ryan High School in Denton. She was an honor graduate with a 3.5 grade point out of a possible 4.0. She plans to attend UNT this fall. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tony Hoenig of Muenster and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sloan of Nocona. Attending the graduation on May 24, were her parents and brother John Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Caplinger and Cyle of Denton, Mrs. Karen Hoenig and sons Ryan and Darrin of Denton, and Mrs. and Mrs. Alvin Hoenig of Arlington.



KELLEY JEAN WIMMER Kelley Jean Wimmer graduates from TWU

graduates from TWU
Kelley Jean Wimmer
graduated cum laude from
Texas Woman's University on
May 11, 1996 with a Bachelor
of Science degree in Dental
Hygiene. Attending
commencement at Margo Jones
Hall were her parents Ray and
Kaye Wimmer, Jenny and
Steve Corcoran, and Jami
Flusche.
The pinning ceremony within
the dental hygiene department
was held on May 9 with a
banquet. Attending were Ray
and Kaye Wimmer, Jenny
Corcoran, grandparents
Lawrence and Irene Wimmer,
Willie and Margie Wimmer,
Jami Flusche, and Leslie
Eddleman.
Kelley graduated from

Jami Flusche, and Leslie Eddleman.

Kelley graduated from Muenster High School in 1992. She has been consistently on the Dean's List, is a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society, Omega Rho Alpha, Camma Beta Phi Society, Alpha Lambda Delta, Phi Eta Sigma (all academic honor societies) and the National Dean's List.

Kelley is also the

#### Ryan Gehrig earns BS degree May 10

Ryan Gehrig received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biomedical Science from Texas A&M University, College Station. He participated in spring commencement ceremonies on Friday, May 10,



RYAN GEHRIG

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1996 held in G. Rollie White
Coliseum at 7:30 p.m.
Ryan is the son of Jim and
Cindy Gehrig and graduated
from Subiaco Academy in 1991.
He plans to attend graduate
school this fall pursuing a
Master Degree in Health Care
Administration. He and his
brother Michael are working
this summer as counselors at
Camp Sweeney, a camp for
diabetic children.
A party was hosted in
College Station by his parents.
Those attending were his
parents; siblings Lucien,
Joanna, Karen and Mark of
Muenster, Jason of Ft. Worth,
and Michael of College Station,
grandfather Herman Stoffels;
Aunt Sally Stoffels of Austin;
Muenster friends Brian Hess,
Jason Endres, Raymond
Stewart, Kody Truebenbach;
and many of Ryan's college
friends.



KAREN HACKER

#### Karen Hacker is NCTC graduate

NCTC graduate

Karen Hacker, graduate of the ADN program at North Central Texas College, participated in a pinning ceremony along with 38 fellow students on May 11, signifying completion of the R.N. program. She is presently employed at Tender Loving Care Home Health in Gainesville, where she plans to continue employment.

Karen and her husband Allin Hacker have resided in Muenster for nine years. She is also the proud working mother

of Kimberly Scruggs, Bryan Dumas and Kasey Hacker. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Mullens of Gainesville and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Paul Hacker of Muenster the late Paul Hacker, all of whom have been supportive through her professional endeavors.

#### Dangelmayr, Schneider graduate magna cum laude at UNT

Leslie Dangelmayr and Joy Schneider, both of Muenster, are graduates of the University of North Texas with Bachelor of Science degrees and majors in Accounting. They graduated Magna Cum Laude with overall Grade Point Averages above 3.9 in a possible 4.0, and participated in the graduation ceremonies held on May 11 at the Coliseum of UNT.

Both have been very active in various honor societies. They have been consistently named on the Dean's List, including this Spring semester when both maintained perfect 4.0 grade point averages. They were active in Beta Alpha Psi, an Accounting honor fraternity, and are members of Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, Golden Key Honor Society, and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Chi Honor Society, and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

Leslie Dangelmayr and Joy Schneider will take the CPA examination in November, and have received scholarships for CPA Review courses that they will take this summer.

Attending the graduation ceremony were Leslie's husband Chris Dangelmayr and their daughter Kalyn; parents Robert and Gloria Klement; sisters and brother Melody and husband Greg Rohmer, Justin and Shelley Klement and friend Joe Bob Lee; grandparents Frank and Lucille Zimmerer; parents-inlaw Paul and Patsy Dangelmayr; and friend Kyle Walterscheid.

Joy Schneider's guests were her mother and grandparents who came from Iowa to attend, along with her daughter Jonna, and Dwayne Brawner.

A reception and party honored both graduates at Chris and Leslie's home, for family and friends. A buffet meal of smoked brisket and elegant trimmings was served, followed by dessert of a decorated cake.



KELLY LAMKIN

#### Kelly Lamkin earns BSW degree from TWU

Three cousins are joyfully elebrating their graduations

celebrating their graduations this summer. Kelly Lynn Lamkin joins them. Kelly daughter of Harvey and Mary Lamkin and granddaughter of Mrs. Gen Pels and the late Ed Pels, graduated from Texas Woman's University on May 11, 1996. She earned a BSW degree, with a major in Sociology/Psychology. Attending graduation ceremonies in Margo Jones Hall at 9 a.m. were Kelly's parents and her brother Eddie Lamkin, Donna Biffle and Nickie Moseley. In the evening a party and reception were held at the Lamkin home for family and friends. Kelly is employed at Sandy Oaks Group Home in Denton. She is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

#### Valerie Fuhrmann is Texas Tech graduate

Valerie Fuhrmann, daughter of Jim and Carol Fuhrmann, graduated from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, May 11, 1996, with (5 year) Bachelor of Architecture degree, Cum Laude and second highest in class (salutatorian), commencement at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Activities include: member of the Tau Sigma Delta Honor Society for Architecture and



VALERIE FUHRMANN

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Allied Arts and 1995-96
secretary of same; involved in
AIAS (American Institute of
Architecture Students) and
habitat for Humanity; visited
San Francisco and Chicago
through annual Spring break
Architour trips; participated in
Forum, annual AIAS national
convention, in Buffalo/Toronto
in 1992 and Portland, OR in
1995.
Graduation was attended by

1995.
Graduation was attended by parents and sister Susette Fuhrmann of Irving.
Valerie is the granddaughter of Gen Pels and Val Fuhrmann.

### Brandi Fuhrmann

graduates May 11
Brandi Leigh Fuhrmann, daughter of Tom and Gloria Fuhrmann of Sulphur Springs, graduated on May 11 from the

University of North Texas wit a MA in Speech-Languag Pathology. Her overall GP for her Master's degree was 3.8. While attending UN Brandi was a member of the Golden Key National Hone Society and the National Hone Society and the National Hone Student Speech-Language Hearing Association.

Brandi has recently passe the national certification example for the Field and is employed Bowie Speech and Hearing Fort Worth, Texas, where shwill be working with aduspeech rehabilitation at the Osteopathic Medical Center Texas.

Attending the Commencement were her parents, sister Jennifer Dixe and son Daniel, an Grandparents Gene an Gladys Gieb of Muenster, TX.

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#### Darla Ann Wood graduates in Arkansas

graduates in Arkansas

Darla Ann Wood of Fayetteville, AR, daughter of the late Meinrad and Ann Mae Stoffels, graduated of May 11, 1996, from the University of Arkansas in Fayettville. She received Bachelor of Arts degree, with Psychology major. She is employed by Fayetteville MHMR Services.

Attending the ceremonie were her brother and sister-ir law Nick and Bonnie Stoffel and her sister and brother-in law Sara and Ray Long an their children Jeff, Ray, Jr and Krystle all of Gainesville Also Darla's husband Dou Wood and daughter Megal Wood of Fayetteville.



DARLA ANN WOOD

### Thank You

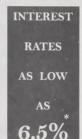
We wish to thank all the wonderful people that shared our grief and supported us during the last illness and death of our mother.

Our thanks go to Dr. Kralicke, nurses and staff of St. Richard's, the clergy, the KCs, the CDA, McCoy's and all who contributed their prayers, cards, flowers, food, Masses and other donations and deeds



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### eens welcomed to NCTC ine arts training class

Award winning artist, Valery 11th, will instruct an art 11ss, Fine Art Training, 11ss, Fine Art

We are thrilled to have an ist of this caliber interested sharing her skills with the uth of Cooke County," Kay body of NCTC commented lass size will be kept small that Mrs. Smith can give idents individual attention. In this class I will acentrate on helping teens ake their drawings and intings more realistic," ith said. "This is always the st request from young issts."

### VCTC Class takes teens to unique areas of county

NCTC, along with John (etzler, will be offering a class ew to the NCTC Collegiate een line-up this year. Exploring Our Surroundings' ill be an exciting, fun-filled, Iventure-packed class where udents will get to launch a ocket, study water quality, camine fossil and rock rmation, and engage in many her activities. Exploring Our urroundings is offered for rades 7 - 9. The class is slated r 9 a.m. to 12 noon, the week June 17-21.

"Earth science classes are

ades 7 - 9. The class is slated r 9 a.m. to 12 noon, the week June 17-21.

"Earth science classes are st conducted outdoors where udents get to experience first and the effect Mother Nature as on our surroundings," ated John Metzler. "We will taking a look at our planet 17th, from above, on the 17dee, and below the surface. ace earth is quite intriguing. ach day we will travel to fferent areas of the county to udy a unique feature."

The week will begin with udents building a rocket, ten launching an aerial pography will be mapped and tes selected to visit on cound. The students will also 11d wind meters to gauge sed and wind direction.

"We will be visiting a rock arry where part of the area as been turned into a pond ocked with fish," Metzler uid. "Here we will analyze the ater and see how limestone ck has affected the water in 1800 the 1800 th

"Each person has his/her own artistic style. Style is like a person's personal fingerprint. No two are alike. With training, students can enhance their personal style." Smith emphasized. "With a small class and 30 hours of training I will be able to take each student from the level they are presently at, and move forward from there.

Smith is no stranger to teaching youth art. She has taught art at St. Mary's School in Gainesville and performed her student teaching at McNair elementary and Denton High, both in Denton. She is presently employed as an art teacher for Denton High School.

Smith graduated Summa Cum Laude from TWU in May 1996, with a degree in art education.

#### Wiesmann clan gathers in Southlake

On Tuesday, May 28, relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.I. Wiesmann in Southlake, Texas for a buffet dinner to welcome Raymond Wiesmann of Reedley, California. In attendance were Sister Ann Theodore Wiesmann and Sister Miriam Dorothy Lueb of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Fleitman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Klement and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hoyt all of Muenster and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown of Fort Worth.



AWARD-WINNING ARTIST Aaron Smith on how to make a painting more realistic. Smit will be instructing a two-week art course through NCTC Summer Youth Program. The class is slated for 8:30-11:30 a.n. the weeks of June 17-21 and June 24-28. For more information Smith's art class or other classes offered this summer, contact the college at 668-4272.

Courtesy Photo

# Country Tidings by Ruth Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hudspeth have returned from a few days vacation. They were accompanied by their daughter and son-in-law Carolyn and Raymond Wood of Wichita Falls. They spent one night in Albuquerque, NM with Donnie and Bob Martin. Donnie is the daughter of Emma and Clyde Hudspeth who owned and operated the store at Prairie Point years ago. They went to Flagstaff, Ariz. where they visited friends. They went to the Grand Canyon and other points of interest. They say our own country looks pretty good compared with some areas stricken with the drought.

The Hutson family held their reunion at the Chamber of Commerce building in Saint Jo Sunday. About 40 people

The Hutson tanks, their reunion at the Chamber of Commerce building in Saint Jo Sunday. About 40 people attended. The reunion is held every two years. W.C. and Mary Ruth Hutson of Southlake visited Kenneth and Mozelle Hutson during the weekend.

weekend.

Jewel and Carroll Dill
visited Laura Belle and Ted
Jackson Sunday night.

Mrs. Juanita Greanead and Mrs. Bobbie Wylie visited Mr. and Mrs. Rob Gayler in Alvord Saturday evening. James and Billie Balthrop and grandson of Gainesville visited Mrs. Gladys Balthrop Sunday evening.

Gladys Balthrop Sunday evening.
Fred Christian of Stephenville spent Thursday night with his parents Tip and Ruth Christian.
Miss Lois Bewley and Clyde were in Gainesville Friday.
We have received about one inch of rain in our area last week of which everyone was very grateful. I am living in hope and believe it will rain. I wonder when we pray for rain - if when we see and hear it falling, if we think to thank our God.

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### Lehnertz granddaughter pictured in book feature

Megan Katie Wooley, ten year old daughter of Carla and Steve Wooley of Shreveport, LA and granddaughter of Leona and Earl Lehnertz of Bossier City, LA, has been pictured in a book showing interesting and historical places in the Shreveport-Bossier City area.

The book by Neil Johnson, a Louissians native, photographer and author since 1980, captured with his camera many interesting and historic places and activities. For his book he chose people representative of certain

activities. Among those selected was Megan Katie Wooley, who was holding a large crawfish in each hand. A copy of the book was sent to President Clinton for his autograph. The president graciously complied and returned the book to the author, Neil Johnson who is displaying it on his own desk. Mr. Johnson's works have appeared in Audubon, National Geographic World, Time and other magazines. He has also written several children's books.

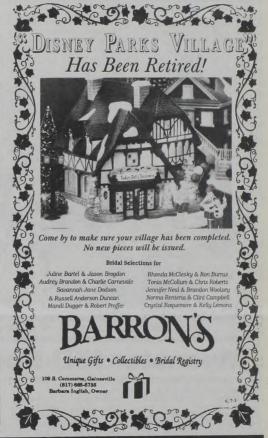
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### **New Arrivals**

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Ted and Carrie Walterscheid of Haslet, Texas announce the birth of a daughter, Deann Rose Walterscheid on May 13, 1996 at 1:55 p.m. in Baylor Medical Center of Grapevine. She weighed 9 lb. 1 oz. and measured 21 inches long. Grandparents are Denis and Della Walterscheid of Muenster and Bubba and Janet Mills of Batesville, Mississippi. Deanna Rose joins siblings Dustin age 14, and Diedre age 11.

Krahl

Damian and Lucy Krahl
joyfully announce the birth of
a son on Friday, May 31, 1996,
at 2:37 p.m. They have named
him Travis Martin Krahl. He
was born at Columbia Medical
Center in Sherman. Travis
weighed 8 lb. 9 oz. and
measured 21 inches long. He is
also welcomed by a two year
old sister, Lucinda Marie
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Martin and Nancy Krahl of
Valley View and Joe and Marie
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### **School News**



### SH Kindergarten holds graduation

Sacred Heart Kindergarten, fourteen children almost dancing for joy, and their proud teacher, Miss Cindy Lee held the graduation ceremony on Tuesday, May 28, 1996, in Sacred Heart Community Center at 7 p.m.

They are Sunni Jo Bayer, Stephen Davis, Kara Felderhoff, Nicholas Flusche, Richard Grewing, Heather Harrison, Nolan Hartman, Clay Knabe, Kristina Koesler, Colby Richey, Paige Rigsby, Tyler Rohmer, Lauren Sepanski and Joshua Yosten.

They graduated with a salute

Sepanski and Joshua Yosten.

They graduated with a salute to Disney. Dressed as Mouseketeers, the class sang some of their favorite songs from Disney movies and the original Mickey Mouse Club. Wearing costumes just like the performers in that long-ago TV program, of white T-shirts, names printed on in block letters, real "Mickey Mouse" ears, girls in blue skirts, boys in uniform pants, the class

marched on-stage in delightful precision to the Mickey Mouse Club March.

Like the old familiar program, the boys and girls introduced themselves with a rhythm song in the background.

Beginning with "A Whole New World" from The Little Mermaid, then continuing with "Hakuna Matata" from The Lion King, snapping their fingers to "Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dah" from Song of the South, "Heigh Ho" from Snow White, they paraphrased with



996 SACRED HEART PRESCHOOL CLASS

### "Moving On" ceremony for SH Preschool

Community Center on May 28 at 7 p.m.

The children gave a delightful performance to 'a large audience of families, relatives and friends. Father Frowin Schoech OSB opened the program with the Invocation. Marching to piano music by Ruth Felderhoff "March of the Wooden Soldiers" the preschoolers came on stage.

Following a welcome greeting, the audience was invited to stand and join the preschoolers in the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of Allegiance and singing of America." All the crowd then sat back to be entertained by the class as they sang and performed hand and body movements to some of their favorite songs about sea creatures: "Baby Beluga," "I'm A Little Dolphin." "The Crocodile," and "Bullfrogs and Butterflies."

"Moving On" certificates were presented by Principal Jack Murdock to the following children who are looking forward to entering

Kindergarten in the fall: Ryan Bartush, Beverly Bayer, Brandon Bindel, Natalie Endres, Kaitlyn Felderhoff, Kirk Felderhoff, Mackenzie Herr, Tanner Herr, Joe Hesse, Mitchell Hesse, Lisa Miller, Kalyssa Pollard, Sam Sparkman, Ben Walterscheid, Samantha Wimmer, and Alex York.

Certificates of attendance for the school year were presented to the eight children who are eligible age-wise for another year of preschool: Jacob Bayer, Scott Endres, Haley

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### Register for Red Cross Swim essons June 29

eannine Flusche, local Red oss Swim Lesson rdinator, has announced it registration for swim sons will be held on arday, June 29 from 9 to 11 a. To participate a child 1st have completed idergarten. All registering 3 required to wear a imsuit since they will be ted to determine placement. This year a \$5 charge per ident is asked to cover cost of

materials. Those not registering on June 29 will be charged a late fee of \$10 per student. This is the first year (except for late registration) that Muenster Red Cross Swim lessons will require a fee.

### Competitive swimming offered at Muenster pool

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the long length of the pool. All four competitive swim strokes ering lessons in competitive rim laps at the Muenster pool ring June and July. The isses are from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays.

Classes are open to any age long as the person can swim

# Boating safety campaign blankets Texas

By the close of the Memorial Day Weekend, nearly 23,000 boats and over 89,000 people had been checked by state game wardens as Texas' largest ever boating safety enforcement effort moved into full swing.

Excessive use of alcohol has been identified as a contributing factor in many boating related accidents, according to TPWD statistics. And, wardens, state troopers and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) agents were keying in on suspected BWI (Boating While Intoxicated) violations over the Memorial Day Weekend. It appears most Texans recognize the dangers involved, too, as only 31 BWI cases were filed during the three-day effort out of over 89,000 people who were contacted.

In addition, during Memorial Day Weekend, saturation patrols filed 1,631 water safety cases and 648 other cases, assisted 511 boaters and reported 40 boating accidents, none of which resulted in a fatality.

Among the more interesting events observed by game wardens over the Memorial Day Weekend include:

• High winds and low water levels at most Texas lakes kept activity below normal for the holiday weekend. Although its not known whether the wind had anything to do with one angler having hooked himself in the nose with a fishing lure, it did not prevent him being transported to the hospital via his personal helicopter.

• A 33-year-old male was found unconscious floating next to his personal watercraft. The

subject had head injuries and it is suspected he was jumping boat wakes and hit his head on the craft's handle bars.

Approximately 68,000 people were on the Guadalupe River for the holiday weekend. River wardens arrested nine people on outstanding warrants, made three drug cases and checked approximately 28,000 people.

At Medina Lake, a three-year-old was operating and playing with a golf cart and drove into the lake. The child managed to jump off the cart before it hit the water, without being injured.

#### Ranch Roundup to be held in Wichita Falls

The 16th Annual Texas Ranch Roundup draws crowds yearly of over 17,000. It will be held at the Wichita County Mounted Patrol Arena on FM 369 in Wichita Falls on Aug. 16 and 17. The two-night arena events and day-long contests will delight even the most modest cowboy fan. Arena events begin at 7:30 p.m. each night, with the contests held on Saturday, starting at 10:30 a.m.

For more information, call 817-322-0771.



RAY ROBERTS: Water clear; normal level; 72 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are good on minnows, spinners and worms; crappie are good on small minnows and red and white jigs fished around brush and heavy cover; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with minnows, chicken liver and prepared baits.

TEXOMA: Water fairly clear; lake level 616.49; 73 degrees; black bass are good on spinners, Rat-L-Traps and buzz baits fished early and on lizards and worms fished later on; striped and white bass are very good on extra large live shiners and shad and on Cocahoe Minnows and glow Sassy Shad fished in 15 to 35 feet of water; crappie are good on minnows and red and purple and pumpkinseed head jigs fished in 10 to 20 feet of water with fish still in the shallows at the Hagerman Refuge and Willis Bridge; catfish are good on ghost minnows, shrimp, stink bait, frozen shad and shad sides fished at Loe's Highprort Marina, the lighthouse and in 15 to 20 feet of water in other coves.



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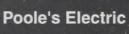


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Over the next few months, the Y-ME web page will add new service that include an Ask the Expert service, and on-line support groups for patients and spouses.

The web address is http://www.y\_me.org. Anyone who would like to offer suggestions of topics to be included on Y-ME's page cane e-mail them to Michelle Melin, YMEONE@AOL.COM.

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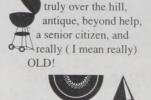
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### **Farm & Ranch**



### Local rains a blessing but not enough to end drought

The rain Saturday morning was a blessing to local farmers and ranchers, as was the added oost Monday night. Muenster officially recorded 1.12 inches Saturday, then added .17. Some rural rain gauges showed as much as 1.5 inches and .4 thowers.

as much as to history as showers.

The much needed rain still wasn't nearly enough to break the area drought that has been roing on for the past 10 nonths.

The rain hit Cooke County as

strong thunder storms with gusting winds. Muenster was spared, this time, from hail, higher winds, flash flooding and tornadoes, where some areas of the state weren't as fortunate.

The showers will assist the dry pastures and give the corn, milo, and hay fields a small boost. Farmers were able to take a day off from the fields Saturday, to make quick repairs to equipment and continue with the local harvest.

### Drought impact on ag in the billions of dollars

obs depend on agriculture and gribusiness. Precipitation statewide has anged from 68 percent of ormal to 12% during the 'ebruary to April reporting eriod. This is a critical rowing period for wheat and or building soil moisture eserves for spring-planted rops and pastures.

The conditions of only 6 ercent of the range and asture land in Texas is rated ood and 62 percent is rated oor to very poor. About 71% of exas: 157 million acres of gricultural land are in angeland and permanent asture.

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Adding to the farmers' woes ave been high winds, further amaging growing plants, soil and pasture conditions.

Grain producers are very isceptible to the weather. The heat grain loss in Texas is timated at \$319 million and azing losses is pegged at \$39 illion. The statewide conomic loss from wheat is en about \$1.1 billion.

If the current situation intinues, an estimated 40% of righum could be lost, with oducers losing \$256 million, orn producers could see a 20% ss or \$203 million statewide.

Cattle producers are getting trouble from several directions. The 1995 Texas calf crop had been estimated at 5.5 million head, but because of market prices and drought conditions only about 10% were retained as potential breeding herd replacements. The rest were sold as stocker or feeder cattle, putting another strain on the already-weak cattle market. Producers could see a \$330 million loss in feeder calf sales, \$90 million in cull cow sales, and a \$374 million added feed cost for beef cows in 1996. Additionally, corn and wheat prices were at record highs and supplies were low. Hay supplies were low. Hay supplies are tight and will get even tighter as summer and the hay growing season wears on. Cattlemen who keep their livestock, will be paying an estimated cost of \$1.25 per day to keep a 1,100 pound lactating cow.

Texas dairymen have experienced nearly \$38 million in increased feed cost since the fall of 1995 as a result of the drought-related increases in grain and hay prices, with a projected feed cost doubled by the end of 1996 if the drought continues.







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**County Agent's Report** 

WHEAT HARVEST-BETTER THAN EARLIER PREDICTIONS

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Bach year Cooke County farmers
plant some 38,000 acres of wheat,
10,000 acres of oats, and various
other small grains over the county
for grazing and harvest. During
the growing season of 1995-96, our
area, along with much of the state,
experienced some very negative climatic conditions that resulted in
plant stresses.

The dry fall and winter caused
very little plant growth and therefore, we saw limited grazing for
stocker cattle. Cooke County annually accounts for some 15,000
stocker cattle grazed on small
grains. This fall grazing was limitted and therefore, gains were minimal. These low gains coupled with
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This spring we had two severe cold spells that caused some freezing to small grain plants and loss of plant tillers. These drought and cold periods during the fall and winter gave producers a bleak outlook for their wheat harvest. However, reports from throughout the county from local farmers and grain elevators show a better picture than we had earlier anticipated. During the week we visited with several producers and mills throughout the county and most seem extremely pleased with this year's crop in Cooke County.

Greg Selby, with Selby Farms at Era, reported yields better than he had anticipated with an average of approximately 30 bushels on his milo ground. Some of his fields have produced as high as in the 40's and Greg says he can't complain about the market for his grain this year. Selby Farms are located in the south part of the county.

William Hermes, who farms near the Hood Community, tells me that he has had a pretty good harvest this year and the weather has been very cooperative. William says his yields have been from 15 to 27 bushels per acre on his wheat. He feels that the winter kill and the fact that most of his wheat was on milo and hay ground contributed some to the low end of his yields. He had ample fertilizer, however, the lack of moisture prevented a lot of the stubble from decaying and converting to nutrients for the crops. William was very pleased with the recent rains and its potential benefit to the county milo crop

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Clinton Bayer, with J.H. Bayer & Sons near the Hays Community, says that their wheat yields have been excellent this year. They had some 200 acres lost completely to hail this spring, but the remaining acreage has produced from 35 to 59 bushels per acre this year. Test weights have also been going from 58 to 63 pounds. Most of their harvested wheat has been soft wheat. Bayers have also been harvesting oats which are averaging about 65 bushels per acre. In the Myra Community, we visited with Kenneth Sicking who has completed harvest of wheat and oats. Kenneth expressed that they had as good a crop as they have experienced in the past five years averaging roughly 30 bushes of wheat per acre and 60 bushels of oats per acre. The dry spring eliminated much of the disease problem that had been experienced in the past. Kenneth also expressed the need for additional rains for milo and sudan crops to make this year complete.

Most of the mills in the county wheat harvest.

Mike Graves, with Hudspeth, Inc. at Era, said the quality of this year's wheat crop is better that it

### What does an inch of rain mean?

An inch of rainfall equal 27,154 gallons (a layer of water one inch deep over one acre), or acre inch of water.

According to data gathered in 15 Panhandle and Plains counties of Texas, with each inch of rain, the value of corn increases \$26.50 per acre, or an increase of 700 pounds or about 12 bushels.

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That inch of rain also generates an extra 10 bushels of wheat, or \$25 per acre. Grain sorghum production increases by \$16.87 or 500 pounds, and cotton yield goes up by 100 pounds, or \$37.50.

have averaged 10 to 40 bushels per acre on wheat. The lowest yields that he has seen this year were four bushels per acre on a wheat field that received severe hail damage. Ronnie says he has seen the wildest price swings ever in the wheat market. But, we're still receiving historic highs and the overall price is good. Ronnie feels some 80 percent of the harvest is complete in and around Muenster and overall harvest has been better than expected. He still feels we have not seen a banner year due to the hail, drought, freeze and other environmental factors.

Larry Hennigan, with Tony's Seed and Feed at Gainesville and Muenster, feels that the overall quality of this year's crop is better than in recent years due to the dry weather and no cheat and ryegrass problems. Test weight for the most part on wheat that Tony's has received has been in the 58 to 60 pound range and Larry said that very little wheat has been below 56 pounds.

Tim Gilbert, Cooke County FSA

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Tim Gilbert, Cooke County FSA
Office Manager, feels like many of
the producers and elevators in that
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And, just a reminder from Tim to all farmers to be sure and call for an appointment as soon as possible in order to sign up for the "Freedom to Farm" Program. Cut off date for sign-up is July 12. Tim said dates are getting limited so call now for an appointment.

### Emergency farm loan applications now accepted

Applications are being accepted at the local Farm Service Agency office (formerly ASCS) for emergency farm loans for losses caused recently by Mother Nature.

Cooke, Montaque and Clay counties are three of the twenty counties in Texas picked for the loan.

Farmers MAY BE eligibility for loans. To begin with, you must be "UNABLE TO OBTAIN CREDIT" from private commercial lenders. This means signed forms from county banks refusing you a loan. Next "a farmer must have suffered at LEAST 30 PERCENT LOSS OF PRODUCTION.

Another drawback is you have to put up you land, equipment and maybe more for collateral, to get the loan.

Be warned, if you go in for a government loan, ask questions before filling out the two inch stack of government paperwork to be sure you really are eligible.

#### State can't sue over mad cow talk

Over mad cow talk

Despite urging from Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, attorney general Dan Morales says he can't use a new state law to sue vegetarian Howard Lyman over remarks about "mad cow disease" on Oprah Winfrey's TV show in April.

The 1995 False Disparagement of perishable Food Products Law allows agricultural producers to sue people who falsely disparage food products.

On the show Lyman said the cattle disease "will make AIDS look like the common cold." Some in the beef industry blamed the show for a drop in cattle prices the day it aired.

Mad cow disease has not been found in the U.S. and afflicts one in a million person worldwide.

Morales said the new law contains no section that would allow the state to act on behalf of the individual producers.



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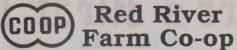
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