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Commissioners appoint Duncan county judge

by Janet Felderhoff

After a week filled with controversy Cooke County has a new county judge. Russell "Rusty" Duncan was appointed by Commissioners Court on Wednesday to fill the unexpired term of Paul Hesse who died suddenly June 6. There are about 18 months remaining on the term.

It took six days and three sessions of Commissioners Court for a decision to be reached. During Friday and Tuesday's sessions Richard Brown and Phil Young cast their votes for Byron Berry while Jerry Lewis and Virgil Hess supported Duncan.

When the court reconvened Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. Brown noted that he felt that they had the best two candidates and that he would like to see them concentrate on Berry and Duncan. Virgil Hess then placed Russell Duncan's name in nomination and Jerry Lewis made the second. When the vote was taken Brown and Young surprised many by voting for Duncan.

Asked why he changed his vote Precinct #1 Commissioner Young said, "Basically I've been in contact with my constituents and the people across this county and that's what seemed judicious and that's the way I voted. I'm not in here voting for myself. I'm voting for the people of this county."

Regarding his decision Precinct #2 Commissioner Brown said, "We were deadlocked yesterday and I had no reason to believe that we would not be deadlocked today. I did it out of respect for Paul Hesse and I did it for the good of Cooke County. There was no point in continuing to prolong this thing and drag it out. I felt like we had the best two candidates. I could be happy with either one of them so just decided to put the good of the county first and elect Russell Duncan."

The one reservation Brown said he has was whether Duncan could devote enough time to the job while continuing his private law practice. "He assures me that he can and so he deserves a try to see if he can or not," Brown said. "It's going to be hard on him. Paul Hesse devoted a lot of time to his job and Russell being an attorney will make it easier, but there's still going to be a lot of time and I hope that he can handle it."

Hess confirmed his surprise at his fellow commissioners' change of vote. "I think the man is as close to Paul Hesse as we can get," he said of Duncan. "His age is about the same as Paul's when he went into office, Paul and Dorothy were married 26 years and he's been married 33 years. He's a Eucharistic Chalice in his church which is the same as a

Eucharistic Minister in our church, which is what Paul was."

Duncan expressed some surprise at the appointment. "I was minding my own business when all of this started," he laughed. Duncan said that he was sorry that it was necessary to have to appoint a new judge.

The first time he had any idea that someone wanted him to seek the position was from James Hess who talked to him back at church. Duncan said he laughed and said that wasn't him. "Then through a series of conversations through the next week things started falling in place and I took a different look at it," he explained. "I really do

appreciate the support of the people of Muenster. I've been told that I have a lot of people there that have supported me and I have a lot of friends there and I'm real proud of that support."

When Virgil Hess first asked Duncan to take the job he turned Hess down. Duncan said Hess asked him to take his time and think about it. That's when the phone calls and office visits encouraging him to run began. After a week Duncan made up his mind and with the approval of his family and office staff he made the decision to try for the appointment.

"I'm glad they finally got

together," Duncan remarked. "This is a small area and we know each other and we don't need all these division lines. I hope with a little time it'll all kind of calm down. I hope to see the commissioners work together. I don't like to see barriers between people. Someone said that we don't have any natural problems, all ours are man-made and the older I get the more I realize that there is some truth to that. If I can make a difference in that I'm going to try to."

Duncan has no plans at present to run for the position. "I want to see how the job and I get along and see what people think — they may not want me

to run and I may not want to run," he reflected. "I don't want to think that far ahead. I want to look at what's happening right now and take of what's at hand."

Scheduling was the biggest difficulty that Duncan anticipates in holding the judge's position and running a law practice. He said that the two prior judges devoted full time to the job because they weren't in practice and were at the courthouse. Other attorneys have been county judge and continued a practice, he said. "I don't want to just waste time and be hanging around so I'll do what I need to Please See JUDGE, Page 3

Commissioners deadlocked over judge until Wednesday

by Janet Felderhoff

Six Cooke County residents were interested enough in assuming the position of county judge to submit their application to Commissioners Court for consideration Friday, June 13. Judge Paul Hesse died suddenly June 6 with about 18 months remaining on his term. By law the term is filled by the other members of the Commissioners Court appointing a successor.

Commissioners though could not come to an agreement on any of the candidates and recessed until Tuesday, June 17 at 10 a.m. when they hoped to reach a decision. Tuesday's outcome was the same as Friday's and the Court recessed until 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 18.

After Tuesday's deadlock vote, Commissioner Richard Brown suggested that each commissioner return from the recess with either another candidate in mind or an alternative proposal to suggest. "At some point in time we're going to have to come up with some solution for breaking our deadlock," remarked Brown. "It's time that we move on and hopefully we can find a way

that we can all agree as to who the next county judge will be."

Applicants were Byron Berry, Thomas Larry Claxton, Russell Duncan, Ray Russell, Holly Stark, and Cindy Stormer.

Numbers were drawn for the order in which applicants would be interviewed. They were given the option of being interviewed in front of the public in Commissioners Court or in executive session. Berry, Duncan, and Stark were the only ones who were present to be interviewed and each opted for a public interview. County citizens filled the courtroom in anticipation of the appointment.

In his opening remarks Friday Berry said, "None of us want to be here today. I'd really like to pay some homage to Judge Paul Hesse for what he did." Berry noted that he was happy that the interviews were being done in open forum because listening to the people is what it's all about. "The fact is there is such a full house today means a lot," he said. "It really states that there are some people who care about See COURTHOUSE, Page 2



District Judge Jerry Woodlock, at left, administers the oath of office to Russell "Rusty" Duncan at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 18. Duncan was unanimously appointed Wednesday morning by Commissioners

Court to complete the 18 months remaining on Judge Paul Hesse's term. A trial scheduled for Thursday morning necessitated the prompt ceremony. Dave Fetta Photo

Two new coaches hired ... Chisam resigns as MISD principal

The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees met at their monthly meeting, Thursday, June 12, and accepted the resignation of Principal Bob Chisam. Chisam held the position for three years. The search has begun for a new principal.

The board also hired two coaches to replace Donny Vernon and Blair Kellner. Gordon Martin and Jeff Teague will coach and teach when the 1997-98 school year begins.

Also in executive session, the board submitted an offer to the Reiter estate for the possible expansion of school property. In regular session the board

approved and discussed accounts payable for May and the minutes of the last meeting.

Cooper gave the Superintendent's report which began with the progress of the plan to enlarge the concession stand in the gym. He noted that the original plan, to move a large water heater and extend the room to the south, was not feasible, with the last estimate at \$5000. Cooper suggested that the same system be used as in the old gym, with a portable "bar" set up in the southwest corner of the foyer, maybe for serving

drinks. Jim Endres noted that the coke cooler is on wheels. Cooper said he's still working on it.

Mr. Cooper asked if anyone would be interested in serving on the Texas Association of School Boards in Austin. No one showed interest.

Football season next year will have a weak gate. "We are eagerly awaiting a change in our district after next year, but it may not change," noted Cooper.

The district had to buy a new hot water heater in the cafeteria to replace the 50 year old one and a 8-9 year old washing machine in the gym.

Cooper noted that Eric Miller, Bryan Hudspeth and Michael Boydston are working on campus for the summer.

The superintendent will attend a summer conference in Austin this month.

Cooper noted state increases in teachers pay (see related story)

In old business, discussion continued on the building plans with the last option, 6A, being a new high school and expanded cafeteria. Cooper suggested an on site workshop for the board. Neil Huchton said he would like to walk through the campus and get a better picture of the options.

Roofing cost estimates were given for the high school. The roof was put on in 1975, with other buildings being restored later. It was also noted that the elementary roof "is shot", and in desperate need of repair.

In new business, informative items included:

The depository contract bid was sent to the Muenster State Bank. Cooper will send bids also to the two Gainesville Banks. The future new Muenster bank was not interested this year.

"I was told that if we didn't have transfers, we wouldn't have to build. Not true." See SCHOOL EXPANSION, P. 2

Chamber of Commerce asks for community's joint efforts in fundraising meeting June 24

by Margie Starke

The Chamber of Commerce has set a "Germanfest Fundraising" meeting for Tuesday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the Muenster Telephone meeting room. You must enter through the northeast door on the north side of the building. This meeting is open to all individuals, organizations and business people of the community. The Chamber asks that the Jaycees, Kiwanis, Beta Kappa, Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Alumni, Muenster Hospital Auxiliary, Boy Scouts and Gainesville Optimist have at least two representatives from their clubs present at this meeting.

Germanfest 1997 will go down in the history book as the least profitable in its 22 years of existence. With the Chamber's expenses being \$96,892.83 and income of \$69,873.99, this left the Chamber with a loss of \$27,018.84 and, I dare to say, the only one actually losing money. The \$60,000 rain-out fund that had accumulated over the last five years will take care of the loss and fund the Chamber office with some major cuts

to the budget.

Although Germanfest is sponsored by the Chamber, it is a community event and, without the many organizations and the many volunteers, this event would never have been as successful as it has all these years. The community will feel the loss of revenues from this year's Fest, whether it be the Chamber not having funds for their needs or the Jaycees lacking funds for completion of the new ballfields and for many other worthwhile causes they so readily support, it will affect the community in many areas. The Kiwanis, Beta Kappa and Knights of Columbus will be short on funds used for scholarships, love funds, baseball and T-ball teams and many other projects they fund. The Boy Scouts are noted for their strong leadership training and their funds will fall short of what they will need to fund their training programs. Sacred Heart Alumni shortage in funds will affect education, since money they make during Germanfest is used to purchase computers or other educational items.

So, without a Germanfest, the community will suffer tremendously and the Chamber does not want to see this happen, because it would surely mean a giant step backwards.

A Chamber of Commerce is of utmost importance in a community, with their main goal being to promote the community as a whole, and in what better way can this be done than showing off our German heritage, our friendly Texas hospitality and community unity than at the annual Germanfest?

The Germanfest will continue, and the \$25,000 needed to start the 1998 Fest will be raised, with the support of the organizations, businesses and volunteers (one-half of \$25,000 has been promised by various businesses). Please show your support by attending the meeting on Tuesday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Muenster Telephone office. Please, bring copies of your event calendars and any fundraising ideas.

Sunday is Homecoming Day at Sacred Heart Parish!

Preparations for the 1997 traditional Homecoming Day, Bazaar, all-day Picnic and two big Auctions are in full swing for the event to be held Sunday, June 22, at the Sacred Heart Community Center.

People in the area are familiar with the bountiful feast and the menu of the dinner that begins at 11 a.m. The promise of this treat includes fried chicken, German smoked sausage and sauerkraut, squash casserole, spaghetti salad, fruit salad, new potatoes, dinner rolls, homemade pies, coffee and iced tea. Meal tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12.

The popular Silent Auction begins at noon and the big Live Auction at 5:30 p.m., both indoors for air-conditioned comfort.

There will be two guns offered as prizes in a special raffle.

Families are requested to donate pies for the dinner, cakes for the Cake Walk and sweets for the Sweet Shop.

A Snack Shop will be open afternoons and evenings. The message from sponsors and many, many volunteers is, "Fun, food and fellowship are offered. So, bring the family and enjoy the day. See you there!"



Muenster City Park once again is the location of the Cub Scout Day Camp being held this week. One of the favorite activities is the firing range, Matthew Abney of Pack 664 takes aim. Photo by Janie Hartman

Texas Legislature raises teachers' pay

As a result of late hour negotiations between key legislators in the House and Senate Joint Conference Committee on House Bill 4 and HJR 4 and members of the Texas State Teachers Association, Texas teachers, including those at Muenster ISD, will be getting pay increases next year ranging from \$1,000 to possibly as much as \$2,400.

The pay raise proposals were included in a tax relief package that would provide a \$10,000 increase in homestead exemptions for local school property taxes should voters support the exemptions in a special election August 9. This

would allow voters a \$15,000 school tax homestead exemption as opposed to the current \$5,000.

The total pay package for teachers raises the state minimum salary schedule by 6.5 percent over the biennium and would increase salaries up to \$1,460 the second year, including the step credited for experience.

TSTA President Richard Kouri said the struggle to get due recognition for teachers this year was made more uncertain by the original proposal to completely overhaul the tax system and public education funding.

"The two original tax

proposals before the House and Senate actually froze teachers' salaries for the next two years," Kouri said. "That was totally unacceptable given the fact that two years ago Senate Bill 1 promised teachers automatic pay increases when additional state funds were available for education."

Under the current bill, 76,000 Texas teachers will automatically receive pay increases over the next two years. Teachers who are in districts that pay above the minimum salary schedule will be asking local school boards to place some of the \$1.8 billion in new education money into salaries to stay competitive in teacher recruitment and retention.

Kouri had high praise for legislators who pushed hard to find the money for teachers, including Rep. Paul Sadler of Henderson, Rep. Mark Stiles of Beaumont, House Speaker Pete Laney of Hale Center, Rep. Scott Hochberg of Houston, Rep. Rob Junell of San Angelo, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, Sen. Ken Armbrister of Victoria, Sen. Teel Bivins of Amarillo, and Sen. Bill Ratliff of Mt. Pleasant.

Rep. Mark Stiles, a member of the Conference Committee, thanked TSTA for its perseverance in lobbying throughout the session. "I'm proud to have worked with TSTA's team these past four years to raise teacher pay in Texas by 25 percent," Stiles said, "but we are still below the national average."

Texas ranks 36th in national rankings in teacher pay.

NCTC spring Dean's List announced

The North Central Texas College Dean's List has been recently announced for the 1997 Spring semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, an NCTC student must have a 3.5 to 3.99 GPA and be enrolled with 12 or more hours of college-level classes.

Included were: Amy Leah Binder, Tiffany Ashley Fisher, Jamie Lee Hellman, and Andrea Lee Klement.

COURTHOUSE

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what goes on in county government."

Berry indicated that he had been considering the position for some time. When Judge Hesse announced that he was running for state office, Berry was approached by some people to put his name in the hat to run for county judge. A poll conducted by the Republican Party in the county at that time indicated that Berry was the best man for the job.

There are two phases to the county judge position, the legal phase and the other is the business or administrative side, said Berry. He noted that the nature of his business is working with people who know how to bring big businesses to Cooke County.

Besides being an attorney, Berry is a CPA. He worked with a number of companies, some very large. Commissioner Richard Brown asked if he was familiar with budgets since the Court was now in its budget cycle and the county judge would need to be good with numbers and able to work with budgets. Berry responded that he'd been through many budget cycles and many different types of budgets. "I don't think I'd have any problem scaling down to the county level, as far as dealing with smaller numbers," he noted. Many people had told him that they wanted a business man in the county judge position, not an attorney.

One thing Berry said that he would do if appointed is to make county government more accessible to the people by conducting some night court, especially for probate cases. Another thing would be to see about having a hotline on the

Internet which people could use to access their county officials.

Russell "Rusty" Duncan has been practicing law for 31 years, about 20 of those in Cooke County. "I'm not political," remarked Duncan. "I've never run for office and have never offered myself for office before. My main interest is seeing that a good job is done, probably along the lines of Paul Hesse. I appreciate the way he conducted the probate court. You have people there that lost a family member, usually it's a spouse, and they need to be treated courteously and with dignity. There are a lot of probate courts in this area where it's just like you're a criminal defendant when you go in."

Duncan is the sole practitioner in his law firm, but he said that he has a staff of three and a half and each has their own specialty and they keep things going for him. They agreed to work out things so that Duncan would have time to do what he needed to do as county judge, said Duncan. "I'm not a person who believes in having meetings just to have meetings," said Duncan. "You can waste a lot of time having meetings. Time is valuable and let's get to the business and get it done, listen to people and keep things moving."

Brown remarked on the long hours that Judge Hesse spent working at the courthouse and wondered if Mr. Duncan could follow that. "I'm not going to be here every minute of the day but I am just across the street," explained Duncan. "I think if you organize things, you have

courts at certain times and you set hearings at certain times, you don't have to just be in the office to be available."

Holly Stark is currently the assistant county attorney. In her opening remarks she stated that she had worked closely with Paul Hesse and that they were friends. She felt that she was the best candidate for the job because she had worked closely with Commissioners Court since taking the assistant county attorney job in October 1995.

Ms. Stark said that she understands what the practice incurs and that she is called upon to give legal advice to the Commissioners Court. There are a large number of mental and juveniles cases for the size of the county, she noted. "I don't have a problem making decisions," said Stark. "I would listen to both sides and make a very integrity based decision on the issues."

After the interviews were complete, Commissioners went into Executive Session to discuss the candidates. When they returned Virgil Hess nominated Russell Duncan and Jerry Lewis made the second. When the vote was taken it was 2-2 with Republican commissioners Brown and Phil Young casting the opposing votes.

Brown then made a motion to appoint Byron Berry to the position. Young made the second on the motion. That vote resulted in a 2-2 stalemate with Democratic commissioners Lewis and Hess opposing the appointment. Both Berry and Duncan indicated that they are Republicans.

SCHOOL EXPANSION

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Cooper noted that the transfer count raise is low compared to the district's growth. Transfers fluctuate through the years. In 1990-91, MISD had 60 transfers, in 1996-97 there were 77. Concerning the question of charging transfer fees, "Fees will generate some income, but may run some transfers off and loose some of the income," Cooper continued, "There are two ways to generate income - increase students or increase taxes."

The anticipated state revenue for the district estimated a \$120,000 possible increase next year, "but nobody knows yet what may happen." Budget estimated increases included: mandated teacher raises - \$70,000; administration - \$4,685; lunchroom - \$1,874; Secretary - \$2,418; aides - \$2,564; custodians - \$600; also cheerleader sponsors - \$1000; workers comp. - \$1000; Health insurance - \$5000; Special Ed - \$870; CCAD - \$3000; lunch room - \$500; and bus payment, \$16,000 for a total of \$132,541. Subtract \$157,000 estimate in state revenue and that leaves a balance of \$24,549 to take care of all the other little things, Cooper pointed out.

The Cooke County tax district has MISD appraisal value at \$98 million, soon to hit \$100 million. There could be an eight percent increase on the value of taxable property. The board then went over the budget worksheet, which is not yet finalized. It was noted that a one cent tax raise now would generate \$8500, but that will change as the value from the tax appraiser changes. The district can raise taxes up to eight cents without a roll back.

Lunchroom prices were discussed. Present prices are adults-\$1.50, High school-\$1.10, and elementary .80 for lunches and .50 for breakfast. A price comparison with other county schools was shown and it was suggested a possible

increase of \$1.25 for high school and \$1.00 for elementary. Someone noted that not one high school girl will eat in the lunchroom. It was suggested that more variety and possibly a full salad bar be offered.

Changes in the discipline plan for next year were noted for the student hand book, including 1) shirts and blouses should be buttoned where chest and bellies are not shown. Also no short blouses that show the midriff when arms are raised. 2) absences - if a student need to be excused, the principal may exempt if the parent asked ahead of time and the principal sees just reason, 3) defined and explained more in detail the restrictions of T-shirt logo. 4) At graduation, boys wear ties, dark pants and dark shoes. Girls wear dresses, hose and sandals.

Principal's reports - Bob Chisam reported that of the 18 graduating students, \$32,000 were awarded in scholarships and grants and the majority were college bound. "That's real positive. It shows the quality of education here."

Elementary principal Gwen Trubenbach, reported the success of kindergarten graduation and junior Olympics with lots of parent support. She also reported on a convention she recently attended. Mrs. Trubenbach also congratulated the teachers and the job they are doing.

The elementary teachers made request for a Content Mastery teacher that could aid teachers with special students. Kristi Schneider was spokesperson for the teachers. "As you already know the class sizes are slowly increasing in

number and more and more children are coming from split families and with that comes emotional problems. Teaching this type of child requires more time. These children could receive individual help in advance of a lesson or as a review with a CMC teacher. Hiring this type of teacher would enable us to continue striving for the exemplary rating we all work so hard for each year."

Six other teachers were present and all voiced their support. The school would need a full time teacher that would be available at any time whenever a student needs help.

Discussion of the student survey continued. Of the 399 sent out, only 142 were returned. Mr. Cooper is preparing a report for the newspaper.

The board then moved to action items, beginning with the discussion of the phone system payment. After a mix-up with the salesman on price, Cooper recommended to the board to pay the bill. AT&T is giving the school a \$2500 software update for the misunderstanding. The board voted to make the payment.

The board voted in favor of the computer service agreement with region XI.

The board voted to pour a slab on the north side of the Vo-ag classroom where a fence in area, 30'x45' now stands. This will help clear the sidewalk area in front of the band hall. Unfinished projects were obstructing students.

1997-98 STATE MINIMUM SALARY SCHEDULE

YEARS EXP.	1996-97	1997-98	% RAISE	\$ RAISE
	MINIMUM	MINIMUM	INCL. STEP	INCL. STEP
		(5.4% INCR.)	INCREASE	INCREASE
0	\$19,950	\$21,030		
1	\$20,490	\$21,600	8.27%	\$1,650
2	\$21,030	\$22,170	8.20%	\$1,680
3	\$21,570	\$22,730	8.08%	\$1,700
4	\$22,110	\$23,290	10.99%	\$2,370
5	\$23,840	\$25,130	10.66%	\$2,420
6	\$24,980	\$26,330	10.44%	\$2,490
7	\$26,040	\$27,450	9.89%	\$2,470
8	\$27,040	\$28,500	9.45%	\$2,460
9	\$27,980	\$29,490	9.06%	\$2,450
10	\$28,870	\$30,430	8.76%	\$2,450
11	\$29,720	\$31,320	8.49%	\$2,450
12	\$30,520	\$32,170	8.24%	\$2,450
13	\$31,270	\$32,960	7.99%	\$2,440
14	\$31,980	\$33,710	7.80%	\$2,440
15	\$32,650	\$34,410	7.60%	\$2,430
16	\$33,290	\$35,090	7.47%	\$2,440
17	\$33,890	\$35,720	7.30%	\$2,430
18	\$34,460	\$36,320	7.17%	\$2,430
19	\$35,000	\$36,890	7.05%	\$2,430
20	\$35,510	\$37,430	6.94%	\$2,430
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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

Sunday, June 22	Monday, June 23	Tuesday, June 24	Wednesday, June 25	Thursday, June 26	Friday, June 27	Saturday, June 28
SH Parish Picnic, serving dinner from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.	Fischer's vs. Mariners, 6:30 Tops & Teams vs. Fina, 8:15	Germanfest Fundraising Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Muenster Tel. Meeting Room T-Ball: Yellow vs. Blue, 5:30 Teal vs. Green, 6:30 Orange vs. Red, 7:30 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	4-H/FFA Show Steer Validation Gainesville Livestock Comm., 8-10 a.m. Diamondbacks vs. M. Drilling, 6:30 Jaycees vs. Forestburg, 8:15 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	T-Ball: Blue vs. Red, 5:30 Yellow vs. Green, 6:30 Teal vs. Orange, 7:30 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Muenster Museum Open, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Mariners vs. Fina, 6:30 Tops & Teams vs. Fischer's, 8:15	KC Barbecue benefiting Muenster Youth
					A&M Retreat for High School Students of Muenster, KC Hall	
Sunday, June 29	Monday, June 30	Tuesday, July 1	Wednesday, July 2	Thursday, July 3	Friday, July 4	Saturday, July 5
St. Peter's Homecoming Picnic, Dinner served 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Centennial Hall	Cow/Calf Clinic, 6:30 p.m., Cooke Co. Fairgrounds Fischer's vs. Forestburg, 6:30 Mariners vs. Diamondbacks, 8:15	T-Ball: Yellow vs. Orange, 5:30 Teal vs. Red, 6:30 Blue vs. Green, 7:30 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Tops & Teams vs. Jaycees, 6:30 Fina vs. M. Drilling, 8:15 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	C of C Board Meeting, 5 p.m.	INDEPENDENCE DAY	
					Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	

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Ben Martinez dies June 16

Ben Martinez, a long-time resident of Rotan, Texas, now of Muenster, passed away Monday, June 16, 1997 following heart surgery at Methodist Hospital in Dallas. Mass of Christian Burial was held in St. Mark's Catholic Church of Denton, 2800 Pennsylvania Ave. at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 19. A Rosary Service was held in DeBerry Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. Burial was in Roselawn Cemetery in Denton.



Ben Martinez

Surviving Ben Martinez are his wife, Lupe Martinez and seven children: Rebecca Fette, George Martinez, Rachel Clarke, Cristina McCullars, John Martinez, David Martinez, and Lisa Martinez. There are eleven grandchildren.

He was a loving, selfless, enduring and precious father, grandfather, brother and good friend. His family said of him:

"The love he had for his family and friends was bound by no limits. He was a source of tremendous strength for us and will remain so."



Muenster VFW Post 6205 wishes to recognize its members who took part in the formal military funeral service for Paul Hesse. This photo, made on Memorial Day 1997, shows some of the men. The VFW Post 6205 honored their late Post Commander by forming the honor guard for the funeral of Cooke County Judge Paul Hesse at Sacred Heart Church and Sacred Heart Cemetery on Monday, June 9, 1997. Leading the procession from church to cemetery were the Color Guard, as follows, Don Hess and Steve Yosten, Flag Bearers; James Hess and Pat Knabe, Color Bearers. The Rifle Squad included Johnny Rohmer, Don Eckart, Gilbert Hess, Ben Hesse, Willie Fisher, Melvin Luke, Virgil Henschel, with Arthur Bayer, Sergeant-at-Arms. At the gravesite, the 21-Gun Salute was given. Ronnie Weinzapfel played "Taps." In addition to many members of Post 6205, others also present were members of Gainesville Post 1922 Gilbert Bindel, Joe Hoyt, J.W. Trisler and Jodie Shotwell. Also from Denton VFW was Bill McCord and from Sherman VFW was Doyle Sloan. Johnny Rohmer, who will succeed Paul Hesse as Post Commander, presented the U.S. Flag to Hesse's widow, Dorothy Hesse. Courtesy Photo

Sheriff Compton guest speaker at police academy graduation July 3

The Texoma Regional Police Academy will be holding the Graduation Ceremony for the 3rd Basic Night Police Training School on Thursday, July 3, 1997. The ceremony will be held at the Silver Wings Building (Grayson County Airport), 4501 Dinn, Denison, Texas, at 7:00 p.m.

The 3rd Basic Night Police Training School consists of 640 hours of intense training for potential peace officers. Each graduate of the Basic Police Training School must pass a comprehensive state examination that is administered by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) in order to become certified peace officers. Texoma Regional Police Academy is sponsored by Grayson County College and certified by TCLEOSE.

The guest speaker for the ceremony will be Sheriff Mike Compton, Cooke County Sheriff's Department, Gainesville, Texas.



Tired of throwing your weight around?
Exercise

Pauline Smith dies at 68

Pauline June Smith, 68, of Myra died on June 16, 1997 in Denton Regional Medical Center. The funeral was held Thursday, June 19, at 2 p.m. with services in Myra Baptist Church, officiated by Rev. Charles Howard, pastor. Burial in Reed Cemetery was directed by Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Smith; she was a homemaker and a member of Myra Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband; one son, Sammy Smith of Myra; two daughters, Linda Johnson of Era and Dorothy Selder of Gainesville; and seven grandchildren. Also, three sisters, Edna J. McCulley and Tina P. Heilman, both of Myra, and Sammie Kaye Ellis of Mead, Oklahoma; two brothers, Charles R. Heilman of Lindsay and Kenny R. Heilman of El Paso.

Pauline June Smith was born in Elfin, Kansas on May 30, 1929 to O.T. and Pauline O. Ullman Heilman. She was the wife of Haskell "Hack" Carroll

MISD names Teachers of the Year

Two teachers at MISD were honored by their peers at close of school ceremonies, named particularly for their special attributes.

In Muenster Elementary School, Leigh Hale, fifth grade and Special Education teacher, with nine years experience in her special field, was chosen by her fellow teachers as "Teacher of the Year". She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from TWU. Her peers say "She is truly concerned for each of her students." "She is always willing to give a helping hand to fellow teachers." "She takes time to pray for her students, and asks others to pray for them too." "She is a good friend and a good teacher."

Leigh Hale's philosophy is evidenced by her belief that the difference between instructing and teaching is how much a student learns. Students learn more through experience than just being given information. She tries to allow each child to touch, move, see, hear, smell, or taste almost everything she expects them to learn.

Her favorite food is "Anything spicy!" Her hobbies include sports, gardening, Scouts, working and playing with the family. Leigh Hale and her husband, Joel are parents of five children and have one grandchild.

JoAnn Pagel was named "Secondary Teacher of the Year for 1996-1997" by her fellow teachers in Muenster High School. She has been a teacher in MISD for seventeen years, having started there in the 1980-1981 school year. Presently she is teaching seventh grade English, seventh grade literature, and eighth grade English. She has been

active and supportive in many phases of her students' academic and athletic projects and activities. She has helped them sponsor extra-curricular projects. One that comes to mind particularly was an eminently successful "Jump Rope For Heart" campaign, when her charges collected a large sum for that charity.

Her fellow-teachers have said: "JoAnn Pagel is not a passive person. She moves about the classroom and

monitors the events taking place in the classroom." "She believes she can make a significant difference in the lives of the students she teaches." "She is able to provide all the love and goodwill necessary to give every child a chance to succeed."

Jo Ann Pagel and her husband John are parents of four children. They have two daughters-in-law and two grandchildren.

Valley View news briefs ...

Chamber meets June 11

Valley View's Chamber of Commerce held its June meeting on June 11. Ray Leatherwood presided with Beverly Kelley reading the minutes and giving the treasurer's report. Denise Pearce gave a report on the welcome packets and the Beautify Committee. Plans are being made to participate in the City Fall Festival and co-host the 50th anniversary for Sloan's Grocery.

The Chamber will hold their banquet June 26 at the Holiday Inn.

Valley View initiates Yard of the Week

Valley View recently began a Yard of the Week program. Every two weeks the award will be presented. First winners were: East, George and Kitty Silk; North, Shellie and Kevin Brule; and South, Robert and Julie Row.

The second group of Yard of the Week winners have been named. They are: North, Velma Hudspeth; South, Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Little; East, Sloan Fortenberry.

Valley View's first clean-up a success

The City of Valley View held its first clean up last week. Twenty volunteers trimmed trees, hauled trash and brush, painted curbs, cleaned the square, mowed, hauled appliances and assisted residents.

The group hauled 126 loads of brush and trash contributing over 600 volunteer hours. All workers and residents enjoyed a hamburger lunch served on the square Saturday.

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do at the courthouse and try to get some established hours here and then be across the street where I can come over as needed," Duncan said. "I believe in organization and I think that you can organize things. You can probate on a certain day at a certain time ... I value time so I try to use the most of it that I can in the best way I can. I don't think it'll be a problem, but we'll work on it."

"I think the world of Rusty," remarked Byron Berry after the vote. "He and I being the outsiders more or less, just due to the type of practice that we have we're both neutral parties. We don't do criminal law, we don't do divorce laws so we're not in the courthouse that much. I think that he's going to add to the Republican Party. I think he's going to get involved from talks I've had with him. He hasn't been involved in the past and getting him involved is going to

be a plus." Berry added that he would not be less involved because of the decision. "I didn't come seeking the job so I don't feel like I've lost anything. I feel like there are some good things come out of the give and take that went on," he said. He was also happy to see the good turn out and said he hoped it sparked some interest in county government.

Russell Duncan was sworn in as county judge at 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 18 by District Judge Jerry Woodlock. Many courthouse employees and officials attended the ceremony which was held in the District courtroom.

"I appreciate all of you being here," said Judge Duncan after taking the oath of office. "It's been a very trying week, but I really appreciate your helping me to reach this position. I'm looking forward to working with the courthouse staff — my door will always be open. Thank-you for being here."

Guaranty National Bank to open Muenster Banking Center

GAINESVILLE, TX, JUNE 19 - Riley C. Peveo, Chairman of the Board of Guaranty National Bank, today announced plans to open a full service banking office in Muenster.

"GNB already has many valued customers and stockholders in the Muenster area," Peveo noted, "and we believe this market offers excellent potential for growth. Our Board of Directors and employees are very excited about the plans for a Muenster office."

Jimmy Jack Biffle, a Muenster native and one of the bank's directors, has long urged the board to open an office in Muenster, where he believes the bank can offer excellent service and see its business grow. "GNB brings to the table the ability to bank both large and small relationships by loaning money to help local businesses grow and prosper."

"GNB Muenster Banking Center" will be located at 1000 Division Street on the south side of Highway 82. The office will open in August, and will include a drive-up ATM for 24-hour cash withdrawals.

Other services will include a full range of loan products, including agricultural, business, real estate, residential, auto and consumer loans.

"We're in the business of lending money," stated President Ray Nichols. "Agriculture and real estate loans are a

big part of our business. We've got lots of ways to loan money, and we hope to show the Muenster area how GNB can help with its borrowing needs."

Besides loans, the Muenster Banking Center will offer interest bearing checking accounts as well as basic checking accounts and savings accounts.

"Our HiYield*Plus money market accounts and CDs at competitive rates are excellent risk-free investments," noted Annette Walterscheid. Walterscheid is one of the GNB employees who will manage the Muenster Banking Center.

GNB also offers overdraft protection and credit cards, as well as the new "Guaranty Card." The Guaranty Card is free, and works like a check anywhere the VISA logo is displayed.

Another convenience is GNB's Telenet*Plus, a free telephone service that offers checking account and loan information 24 hours a day.

With the opening of the Muenster Banking Center, GNB will have three locations in Cooke County and two in Denton County. Its other offices are in Gainesville, Valley View, Sanger and The Colony.

Guaranty National Bank is a subsidiary of GNB Bancshares, Inc., an independently-owned bank holding company located in Gainesville, Texas.

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Opinion/Editorial

Letters to the Editor

Dear David,
Now that the 75th Legislature's regular session has come to a close and is behind me, I wanted to write and send my congratulations on the 60-year anniversary of The Muenster Enterprise.

You must be very proud of your father, R.N. Fette, for the wonderful legacy he left the people of Muenster. His courage to start up a newspaper on a shoestring budget and no experience is inspiring to us all. You have followed in his footsteps and continued to make us proud of the Fette name.

Thank you for your contributions to the community. I wish you godspeed.

Sincerely,
Charles Fennell,
68th District

Letter to the Editor,
In reference to the article on Paul Hesse's funeral and life story. Paul was a graduate of Sacred Heart High School with the class of 1955, not 1950 as stated. I am proud to say he was one of my classmates and a special friend. We were the first class to graduate from the new High School building. Also, I know that Paul was the President of the Catholic State League for a couple of years.

Other graduates of the Sacred Heart Class of '55 were Sylvan Walterscheid, Theresa M. (Felderhoff) Walterscheid, Georgia (Hartman) Wolf, Cecelia (Zimmerer) Novacek, Rosina (Hess) Schmidtkofer, Clara (Streng) Brown, Margaret M. Schad, Frances (Knabe) Bayer, Dennis Hofbauer, Danny Owen, Carl Walterscheid, Allen D. Eberhart, Larry Hennigan, and of course Paul Hesse.

Frances Bayer
S.H. Class of 1955
Muenster, Texas 76252



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



BUDGET AGREEMENT GLASS IS HALF FULL

All government — indeed, every human benefit and enjoyment, every virtue and every prudent act — is founded on compromise and barter —
Edmund Burke

The budget agreement Congress approved in May represents a classic illustration of Burke's observation. I was a less-than-enthusiastic supporter of the agreement because, like the proverbial half-empty glass, it leaves something to be desired. At the end of the negotiation process, the executive branch and members of Congress on both sides of the aisle achieved some (not all) of their objectives.

I voted for this agreement despite my reservations because, if its assumptions are correct, it will lead to balanced budget in five years. We have to keep our eye on the goal of achieving a balanced budget, and the agreement focuses on that over-arching principle.

The agreement outlines \$85 billion in net tax cuts which should include: a phased-in, \$500-per-child tax credit for families, a phase-out of income limits for IRA deductions and the creation of new IRAs that don't have tax-free deductions, but do allow tax-free withdrawals, cuts in inheritance taxes and capital gains taxes and education tax credits for college.

In addition, the following provisions were agreed to:

- An estimated \$16 billion for expanded health coverage for needy children
- \$10 billion to restore some benefits to immigrants
- Increased spending on schools and the environment
- A projected \$115 billion savings in Medicare spending to keep the program solvent for another decade

The agreement does not cut government spending as much as I would have liked. And I am committed to providing Americans with significantly more tax relief that this measure allows. But it does give us the opportunity to provide some tax relief for working families.

I suspect that I wasn't the only member of Congress who voted for this measure primarily because it offers a real chance of balancing the federal budget by the year 2002. I continue to believe that deficit spending robs this country of its life's blood, mortgaging future generations to pay for what we want to do today. Balancing the budget remains a critical necessity.

That said, Texans need to understand some pertinent facts about this budget agreement. It doesn't cut spending, it limits the growth of spending. The savings necessary to balance the budget will come largely in projected savings from reducing the growth of entitlement programs. And, most important, the books are not yet closed.

A budget resolution is a measure that sets only general targets for spending and revenue. It describes the size of the pie and a rough outline of how it's to be sliced. Specific tax and spending legislation remains to be written. That will be the hard part. When that process begins, my priorities will remain the same: a child tax credit, significant capital gains tax cuts, expansion of IRAs and the eventual elimination of the death tax. This budget gives us an opening to pursue those objectives.

From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Making a silk purse out of a sow's ear may be a tricky venture, but making a beautiful chair out of an old neglected rocker can be an equally arduous task.

An old rocking chair, that had seen better days, sat on the porch of the old Cler home, and I can still picture my Dad relaxing in it as he sat with the summer breeze blowing over the porch.

Later, my brother Ray often did the same thing, but the chair only became more weathered and ugly as time passed. Its finish had deteriorated with time, and someone had once painted it white but most of the white had peeled off, three spindles were broken, and after Ray's passing I was looking it over, and asked what should we do with it. I was advised to discard it with the rest of the things that were going in the trash heap.

For some reason I just couldn't see throwing it away, so I brought it home and it sat in our storeroom almost a year before our son Tony, who is in the business of refinishing furniture, especially antiques,

took it to his shop in Denton.

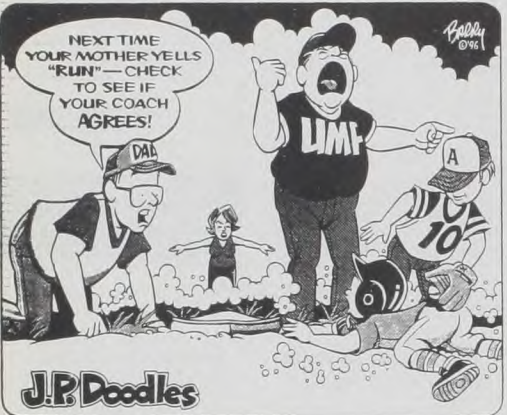
Well, I didn't see it again for several months. Tony had stripped it, sanded it to the bare wood, and the broken spindles were replaced, but it sat in a corner, just a bundle of parts waiting to be re-assembled, glued, and refinished, while he was too busy with custom work to bother with it.

About the time Aileen and I had forgotten the old chair, Tony carried it into the house one night when I was home alone.

I almost fell out of my chair when I first saw the finished rocker. It is beautifully done and solid as a rock and we are very proud of Tony's work.

He was able to bring out the grain of the American Chestnut wood it is made of, and he said a lady who deals in antiques had offered to buy it. After he told her it belonged to his parents, she informed him that the old chair was made in the early 1850s.

After seeing the wonderful job Tony did re-doing this chair, I can understand why he is swamped with work at his shop.



FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, the citizens of Muenster take great pride in their German heritage and in celebrating historical moments,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Westphalia are celebrating their one-hundred-twenty-fifth anniversary of the St. Boniface Church and the town of Westphalia. Their celebration includes tours of the German colonies, special music, tours of the Flusche house and pioneer village, jubilee Mass and parade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Henry Weinzapfel, Mayor, proclaim July 4-6, 1997 Founders' Day Celebration in honor of our ancestors and their contributions to the City of Muenster. I encourage citizens of Muenster to visit this area during this period, and to pause and remember the hardships, excellent planning and cooperation of the city's founding families, which have resulted in making Muenster an outstanding community in which to live!

Attest:
Micallee Matson, City Secretary
Henry Weinzapfel, Mayor

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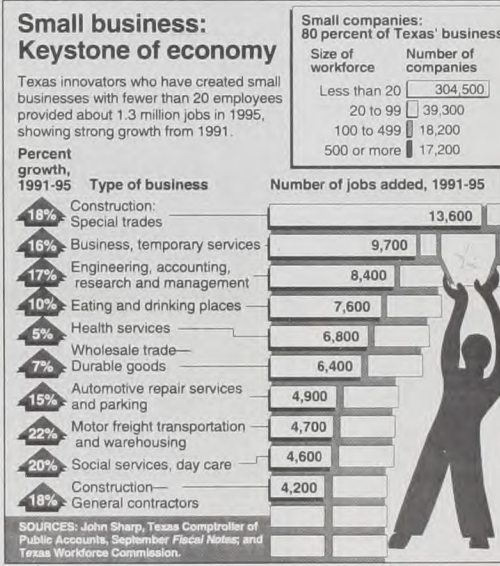
Words cannot adequately convey our heartfelt appreciation to all for your prayers and thoughtful deeds during this time of sorrow over the loss of Paul.

Your kind expressions of condolence, such as prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, flowers, food, Mass offerings, donations to the Sacred Heart Trust Fund and attendance at the funeral services will not be forgotten.

We extend our thanks to the medical staff of Muenster Memorial Hospital, who worked so hard at trying to save Paul. Finally, we thank Fathers David and Frown, the music ministers, eucharistic ministers, lecturers, altar servers, Veterans of Foreign Wars honor guard, McCoy Funeral Home, pallbearers and all who took loving part in the funeral services for Paul.

May God bless you!
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Gramm bill offered to protect property rights

Legislation to protect the rights of property owners to use their own land without running afoul of the federal government has been introduced with high hopes of winning approval, says U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

"Sadly, with all the talk we hear about rights in America today, the guarantee of freedom to acquire, use, and dispose of private property has become a poor relation," Gramm said. "In fact, it has very nearly been drummed out of the family because of the government's relentless assault on private property."

"The courts have been very clear that if the government builds a highway across your property, it must provide you just compensation," he said. "But when the government imposes such stringent controls on the use of private property

that its value is eroded or destroyed, the government pays nothing."

As well as assuring compensation for property owners who lose the value of their land to government action, the bill requires that federal agencies analyze the practical cost of regulations before they are imposed. "It creates a common sense requirement that federal agencies consider the effect of their actions before they act, not after it's too late," Gramm said.

"Nobody who intentionally uses property to pollute or to annoy their neighbors is entitled to compensation," Gramm noted, "but this bill will prevent the government from running roughshod over the rights of honest homeowners, family farmers and small businesses."

PUBLIC NOTICE
BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT
OF PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
SPECIAL ELECTION
AUGUST 9, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase the school property tax residence homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to limit all or part of the exemption to political subdivisions that are the principal providers of elementary and secondary education within their boundaries.

In addition, the amendment would authorize the Legislature to allow the transfer of all or part of the age 65-and-over tax freeze to another homestead. Specifically, the Legislature would be authorized to provide that the current limitation against increasing school property taxes on the residence homesteads of persons age 65 or older, or their surviving spouse who is eligible to receive the exemption, may be transferred if the person establishes a different residence homestead. The amendment would also allow the \$10,000 additional amount for the standard exemption to be used to lower the tax rate of persons currently receiving the 65-and-over tax freeze. Specifically, for a homestead affected by this limitation in 1996 or in an earlier tax year, the Legislature must provide for a reduction in the school property tax limitation in the 1997 tax year and subsequent tax years in an amount equal to \$10,000 multiplied by the 1997 school property tax rate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing school property tax relief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes subject to the limitation."

Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitucion que aparecera en la boleta el dia 9 de agosto de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podra obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711

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Lifestyle

Jones, Fitzpatrick wed in Arlington June 14

by Elfreda Fette

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fitzpatrick are at home in Arlington since returning from a Caribbean Cruise that followed their wedding in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church of Arlington on June 14, 1997. Father Philip L. Johnson was celebrant of the Nuptial Mass and officiated for the exchange of vows in double-ring rites at 11:00 a.m.

The bride is the former Jeanette Jones of Fort Worth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Klement of Muenster, and granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John B. Klement and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bill Henscheid. She is a Registered Nurse, a graduate of Muenster High School, and of St. Joseph School of Nursing, and is employed by Home Health Corp. America.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzpatrick of Detroit, Michigan. He holds Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees and has done post graduate studies from Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University and St. Joseph's College. He is employed by the Mansfield Independent School District as Special Ed Teacher.

Before an altar decorated with green plants and spring bouquets and lighted candles, the bride was escorted by her son, Darren Jones. She was wearing an elegant tea-length white silk bridal gown, designed with high wedding ring neckline, bodice accented from shoulders to waistline with an embroidered lace V-shaped insert; long sleeves puffed slightly at the shoulders to the elbows, and slim fitted to the wrists. A bow in back marked the lace edged peplum. Very wide lace with scalloped edges encircled the hem line of the slim skirt.

She carried a bouquet of Porcelana roses and stephanotis, and wore combs of baby's breath in her hair.

She carried a linen and lace handkerchief that belonged to her late maternal grandmother, Mrs. Bill Henscheid, and was also carried in the wedding

bouquets of Eleonore Klement and all the Klement daughters and daughters-in-law.

ATTENDANTS
Susan Jones and Brenda Jones, daughters of the bride, and Brenagh Greenwell and Cristin Fitzpatrick, daughters of the groom were attendants for the couple.

They were dressed identically in two-piece mauve linen full length dresses, designed with very slim skirts, sleeveless, and bodice with square high neck. Each carried a bouquet of Calla Lilies.

Ushers were Martin Greenwell, groom's son-in-law of Georgetown, and Chris Klement, bride's nephew of Denton.

Wedding music was presented by St. Andrew's Bell Choir directed by Jerry

Bierschen; and Ann Wood, vocalist and keyboard accompanist. Selections were "Aria," "How Great Thou Art," "Be Thou But Near," "Contemplation," "Blessed Assurance," "Amazing Grace," and "Rejoicing."

Participants in the special wedding liturgy were the bride's brothers Claude Klement and Doyle Klement, with the First and Second Readings; Maggi Fitzpatrick-Nadol, groom's sister with Prayers of the Faithful; Sharon Wolf, bride's sister, and Mary Thompson, groom's sister who presented altar gifts; Mark Klement, bride's brother and Amy Beauregard, groom's sister, as Eucharistic Ministers.

RECEPTION

The couple hosted a

reception, dance, entertainment, and catered meal in St. Vincent De Paul Fellowship Hall for 160 guests. Entertainment was by Jerry Betts of "Remember When." A special treat was an Irish dance by Geraldine Keating from County Clare, Ireland, with the Clann Lir School of Dance in Fort Worth and Dallas. She danced to "Hornpipe."

The three tiered wedding cake was decorated with fresh Star Gazer lilies in mauves and pinks. The chocolate groom's cake was decorated with fresh strawberries.

Wayne Klement, bride's brother and Kevin Fitzpatrick, groom's brother, assisted at the reception and gave the toasts for the couple.

Round guest tables were covered with pink and white cloths and held centerpiece of mauve and pink flowers.

The rehearsal dinner was held at the Arlington Yacht Club for 30 guests. Local relatives who attended the wedding included: Walt and Eleonore Klement; Sharon Wolf and Amber Wolf; Wayne and Tudor Klement, Jeff, Kami, Misty of Wichita Falls, and Chris of Denton; Claude and Deb Klement, Aaron and Ashley; Doyle and Carla Klement, Stevie, Jackie and Hunter; Mark and Carol Klement, Taylor and Shelby; Sandy Kuhn of Gainesville; Tony Hartman of Muenster; Nolan Slagle of Dallas; Dick and Joan Schleicher of Fort Worth; David and Ann Walter of Arlington; and friends and relatives from Fort Worth and Arlington, joined by a number of relatives and friends of the groom.



Duwayne and Sharlene Schilling announce the engagement of their daughter, Cindy Marie Schilling, to Max Alfons Koesler, son of Alfons and Mary Ann Koesler, all of Muenster. The wedding will be held July 12, 1997 at 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Muenster, with Father Frowin Schoech, OSB, officiating. Cindy is a 1992 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and is employed at AMPI in Muenster. Max is a 1990 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and is employed at Muenster Milling Company. The couple plans to reside in Muenster.

St. Peter's Church hosts annual Picnic June 29

Plans are being made to celebrate St. Peter's annual Homecoming Picnic. The picnic has become a tradition with all looking forward to the event. St. Peter's extends their welcome for all to come and celebrate with them in this tradition on Sunday, June 29. This event is a cooperative project that involves participation by all members of St. Peter's. It's a fun, family oriented way to spend a lazy summer Sunday afternoon. This year's event will kick off with a turkey and dressing dinner in the Centennial Hall at 11:00 and will continue with fun throughout the day and evening at the Lindsay City Park and the Centennial Hall. This year there will be bingo and games in the cool Centennial Hall, as well as horseshoe tournament, games for all ages, an auction, refreshments, and a free dance under the pavilion in the park, summer Sunday afternoon.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fitzpatrick ... nee Jeanette Klement Jones ...

GMH plans blood drive

The Texoma Regional Blood Center mobile unit will be conducting a blood drive at Gainesville Memorial Hospital Friday, June 27, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information on the GMH blood drive, contact Gayla Blanton, director of community relations, 612-8301.

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KCs host Barbecue in the Park June 28

Make plans now to attend the Muenster KC Chicken Barbecue Blowout in the City Park on Saturday, June 28, from 1:00 to 9:00 p.m. The event will benefit youth activities in Muenster, such as Boy and Girl Scouts of America, Sacred Heart altar servers, Sacred Heart Youth Ministry, Vacation Bible School and summer baseball leagues.

The meal will be served from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. with barbecue chicken, potato salad, and beans to whet your appetite. Prices are \$3.00 advance, \$4.00 at the park for children 7-12;

\$5.00 advance, \$6.00 at the park for adults; and children 6 and under are free. Advance tickets are available at Fischer's Market and Gehrig Hardware.

There will be events all day for everyone's entertainment. Horseshoes will be thrown from 1 - 5 p.m.; and Miller of Denton will sponsor 4-person sand volleyball beginning at 3 p.m. Sure to provide a lot of fun, as well as helping to chill you out, free swimming is planned from 7-8:30 p.m. in the city pool, courtesy of the Muenster KCs.



Amy Michelle Sandmann of Lindsay and Steven Paul Whaley of Bonham have chosen Aug. 2, 1997 for their wedding day. They will be married in St. Peter's Catholic Church of Lindsay, with Father Eugene Luke, OSB, officiating. The bride-elect is the daughter of Frank and Lorine Sandmann of Lindsay. The future-groom is the son of Barbara Whaley of Bonham and Charles Whaley of Dodd City, Texas. Amy Michelle is a graduate of Lindsay High School and Texas Tech University and is employed by Columbia Home Care of Sherman. Whaley is a graduate of Bonham High School and Texas Tech University and is employed by Texins Fitness Center of Sherman. Attendants will be Sheila McDaniel, Melissa Hedrick, Jenny Corcoran, Stephanie Sandmann and Megan Sandmann. Also Scott Winchell, Rob Sandmann, Robert Keck, Jory Runnels and Jerry Hill. The couple plans to reside in Sherman.



John and Bonnie Baranski of Tavener, Texas announce the engagement of their daughter, Cheryl Catherine Baranski, to Ashley Brent Fuhrmann, son of Michael and Carol Fuhrmann of Lindsay. Miss Baranski is a 1989 graduate of Brazos High School in Wallis, Texas, and a 1994 graduate of Texas A&M University. She is an elementary school teacher, teaching fifth grade at Lexington Creek Elementary School in Sugarland, Texas. Mr. Fuhrmann is a 1988 graduate of Lindsay High School and a 1994 graduate of Texas A&M University. He is currently employed by United States Gypsum Company in Chicago, Illinois as a controls engineer. The couple plans to wed at 2 p.m. Aug. 16, 1997 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in College Station, with Fr. Dean Wilhelm officiating. They will reside in Chicago after the wedding.



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Black of Myra are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Connie Black, to Bobby Woolf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Woolf of Bowie. Their wedding day is set for June 28, 1997 at the First Baptist Church of Gainesville, with Brother Jamie Reed of Bowie officiating.

Elizabeth Owen Hollis honored for 40 years

Agnes Owen of Muenster attended the retirement celebration of her daughter Elizabeth Owen Hollis in Memphis, Tennessee. Elizabeth has been an elementary teacher for 20 years at St. Michael's School in Memphis and her career in teaching spans more than 40 years in Arkansas and Tennessee.

with magnolia blossoms and floating candles on pink tablecloths. The event was attended by nearly 200 friends and former students. Also present were the three principals Elizabeth has taught with at St. Michael's.

Mass was celebrated at 11:00 a.m. with several awards given Elizabeth. Among those were letters of commendation from Bishop Terry Steib, Dr. W.W. Herenton, Mayor of Memphis, and from President Bill Clinton. Father John Atkinson's homily centered on commitment to service and Elizabeth's devotion and service to the children of St. Michael's School.



Elizabeth Owen Hollis

The reception following the Mass, prepared by the teachers and many parents of students at St. Michael's, was a beautiful display of food and dessert. Tables were decorated

St. Anne's holds June meeting

Fifteen members of St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart Parish attended the June business meeting in the Community Center at 7 p.m. Toni Hess presided and led opening prayers. Tillie Otto, treasurer, reported on expenditures, donations and requests. She also read cards of thanks from Mother Angelica of EWTN; from missionaries of NCWU; and from Evelyn Monday. Also from Fr. Ken Myers for 200 handmade rosaries sent to El Salvador; also from C.A. Patout for 200 rosaries sent to him.

A request for a donation to Vacation Bible School was received, and members voted to give their usual amount. They also voted to send a donation to the parish homecoming bazaar for kitchen expenses. A fruit basket was sent to Sister Genevieve McConnell as a farewell gift. Members also plan a farewell gift to Father David and Father Frowin.

Bertha Knabe reported on the Catholic State League Convention to be held in Nada, Texas June 21 and 22. She will attend as a delegate.

Toni Hess presented a Reading: "God Can." Julie Cunningham won the door prize. The meeting closed with prayer.

Organizational meeting set

An organizational meeting of the Mountain Springs music show will be held Saturday June 21 at 7 p.m. Show director Sue Viktor will call Sue Viktor, 665-4548, during the meeting at the Mountain Springs Community Center.

The show entitled "TV Or Not TV" is open to children ages six years and older, teenagers, and adults. Four performances are scheduled, July 25 and 26 and August 1 and 2. For more information call Sue Viktor, 665-4548.

Red Cross Learn to Swim lessons set for Muenster

Red Cross Learn To Swim lessons are scheduled at Muenster City Pool. Registration will be held June 21, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The fee is \$5.00 per student. Students must be wearing their swim suits to register. Ages eligible are those who have completed kindergarten, through adults. No telephone registrations will be accepted.

Classes are as follows: Monday through Friday, week of July 7-11, 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.; week of July 14-18, 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Advanced classes will be taught the week of July 14-18, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Please call Jeannine Flusche if you can help teach.

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New Arrivals

Dennington

Christopher and Tonya Dennington of Gainesville announce with joy the birth of their first child, a son, Christopher Michael Dennington in Gainesville Memorial Hospital on Saturday, June 14, 1997, at 6:10 p.m. weighing 6 lb. 3 oz and measuring 19 inches long. Grandparents are Ted and Debra Black of Gainesville and Danny and Earlene Dennington of Gainesville. Great-grandparents are Harless and Phyllis Hurt of Gainesville and Mrs. Tillie Otto of Muenster.

Pratt

Gerald and Mary A. Pratt of Gainesville announce the birth of a son, Jerad John Pratt, in Muenster Memorial Hospital on June 11, 1997 at 8:20 p.m., weighing 6 lb. 9 oz. and measuring 20 inches in length. He joins two sisters, Kristian, age 12, and Shea, age 17 months.

Peterson

Anthony Peterson and Kelly Ditmore of Nocona are parents of a son, Philip Michale Peterson, born in Muenster Memorial Hospital on June 12, 1997 at 7:37 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 15 oz. and measuring 21 inches long.

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Christian Women's Club hosts luncheon meeting on June 26

"June is Bursting Out All Over" at the June luncheon of the Christian Women's Club. All the women of the area are invited to the luncheon meeting on Thursday, June 26, at the Gainesville Holiday Inn, 600 Fair Park Blvd. The special feature and music begin at 11:30 a.m. The salad luncheon and guest speaker follow at noon. The cost is \$6.25, inclusive.

Dorothy Harison, with Longberger Baskets, is the special feature speaker this month. She will tell about

basket collectibles and give decoration ideas for weddings, gifts and the home. Jana McAllister from Jourdanon, Texas will sing.

Glo Stegall, a former Gainesville resident, is guest speaker this month. She will tell how she learned to see life from a new point of view.

Reservations are requested by noon Tuesday, June 24, with Katerina Scott at 940-665-0619 or Cindy Carter at 940-612-1122. Free child care is available on a limited basis by reservation only.

Magic Man can make the summer blues disappear!

This Summer will be magic for some kids at the North Central Texas College Summer Youth workshops thanks to a course on prestidigitation taught by a local man with a lot of flair.

"The Art of Magic" is the Summer Youth course which will teach the secrets of performing and presenting magic tricks. Local magician Jim McNeely will be the man who will reveal some of the tricks of the trade using ropes, rings, silk scarves and even secret gizmos.

This course, offered to kids age 8-to-12, is from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Friday, June 27 at the NCTC Cooke County campus. A box of magic props will be given to each attending student to learn some of the magic tricks taught. The props are included in the price of tuition.

McNeely, who first learned magic tricks as a kid himself, is a graduate of the UNT music program. He puts his music skills in his act, performing original children's songs alongside his magic and expert storytelling, making him a very entertaining performer.

He has grown as a performer himself, creating the companies Laughing Fish Enterprises and Singing Fish Studios. His magic show is taken on the road to birthday parties, schools, daycare centers and malls. His exciting way to entertain will be a part of his workshop because the delivery is what makes any good magician so entertaining to watch.

For more information on "The Art of Magic," call the Continuing Education division of NCTC at (940)668-4272.

Participants sought for Jim Bowie Days Quilt Show

Quilts of all types and colors will be displayed at the Jim Bowie Days Quilt Show Saturday, June 28 and all area quilters are encouraged to enter. Registration and check-in will be from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the Silver Strings Entertainment Center located at 410 Smythe Street in Bowie. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. Quilts will be checked out at 3:00 p.m.

There are three "age" categories for quilts: 1. Antique (those quilts made prior to 1940); 2. Old quilts (quilts made from 1941-1985); 3. New (quilts made from 1986-1997).

Use the date the quilt was finished to determine which category to enter.

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There are categories for wearable quilts and pieced wearables, crewel embroidery, counted cross-stitch, needlepoint, crochet, knit, tatting and other small needlework items.

If you have won 1st place in a division at the Jim Bowie Quilt Show before, please bring your quilt so it can be displayed in the Winners Circle. It will be eligible for the "People Choice" Award.

Many of you have a special skill such as creating tatting, afghans, quilting, etc. Please share your talent by bringing a card table and "show by doing."

For further information, contact Barbara H. Holeman at 940-894-2831 or Nan Parks at 940-872-1687.



Kelly Catherine Hermes of Denton and Ty Dagan Russell of Irving will be married in St. Peter's Church of Lindsay on July 12, 1997. Father Eugene Sweeney of St. Mark's Church of Denton will officiate at 2 p.m. The bride-elect is the daughter of Patrick and Joyce Hermes of Gainesville. Parents of the future-groom are Mike and Betty Jo Russell of Greensburg, Kansas. Kelly is a 1993 graduate of Gainesville High School and a May 1997 graduate of TWU. She is employed by Automatic Data Processing of Dallas. Mr. Russell is a 1992 graduate of Meade High School of Meade, Kansas and a 1994 graduate of Garden City Community College and will graduate in December 1997 from Parker College of Chiropractic in Dallas. The couple plans to reside in Irving. Attendants in the wedding will be Sally Woods as maid of honor and Tad Russell as best man. Bridesmaids will be Julia Fleitman, Dyan Fisher and Amy Aguinaga. Groomsmen will be Andy Gamble, Chad Friesen and Mike Orr.

Country Tidings

by Ruth Smith

Ted Jackson was moved back to Gainesville Memorial Hospital last Monday from a Dallas Hospital.

Shirley and Johnny Brogdon of Miami came Friday night to visit with the Jackson family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hutson were hosts in their home Saturday evening for a supper for family members. Those attending were: Mozelle's sister and husband Gayla and Sonny Keeling of Victorville, California; Brad, Betty and David Hutson; and Kenda and Tiffy Hacker of Saint Jo. Mr. and Mrs. Keeling will be leaving soon to return to their home in Victorville, California.

Miss Lois Bewley and

Clyde had as their guest Rev. Marshall Stewart on Wednesday, and Ira and Jaunita Bewley of Pampa on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berry spent the day Sunday and had dinner in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jerry McKown and family at Valley View. Other guests in the McKown home were Marvin McKown and family and Mrs. Faye McKown all of Dallas.

Mrs. Gladys Balthrop and Mrs. Anna Kirk were in Gainesville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dill and children Jacob, Jamie and Jon of Gainesville visited their grandmother and great-grandmother Mrs. Bobbie Dill Monday evening.

College grads ...

Lutkenhaus granddaughter is Northwestern graduate

Jessica Odella Lutkenhaus has completed degree requirements at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and was conferred a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering with a Biotechnology concentration and a minor in French at the end of Winter Quarter. The graduation ceremony will be June 20, 1997 at Dyche Field in Evanston, Illinois.

She maintained a 3.7 grade point average. While at Northwestern, she was involved in many activities such as American Institute of Chemical Engineering, an officer in the Society of Women Engineers, Campus Tour Guide, captain of the Men's Dorm Intramural Soccer team, and a member of the Northwestern Field Hockey team.

Jessica was in the Northwestern Co-op Program and worked at AlliedSignal in Des Plaines, Illinois. She worked on alternative fuel vehicles and plastics research projects. She is a member of the team that has a patent pending as a result of her work at AlliedSignal. Jessica completed the 5 year Northwestern Co-op program in 3.5 years.

She received scholarships from Hewlett Packard, Merck and Society of Women Engineers, also grants from Northwestern University.

She has accepted the position of Process Engineer with Intel Corporation, a semiconductor manufacturer and is relocating to the Albuquerque, New Mexico area.

Jessica is the daughter of James and Joan Lutkenhaus. She is the granddaughter of Odella Lutkenhaus of Muenster and the late Alexander Lutkenhaus, and Mary Sicking of Gainesville and the late Emmitt Sicking. She is the great-granddaughter of Elizabeth Krahl of Gainesville.

Nathan K. Endres is Brown University graduate

Nathan K. Endres graduated from Brown University of Providence, Rhode Island on May 26, 1997. He is the son of Drs. Richard Endres and Martha Kincaid of Sodus, New York and the grandson of Paul and Marie Endres of Muenster. Attending this 229th commencement service were his parents, his brothers Eric and Peter, all of Sodus, New

York; his grandparents of Muenster; his aunt, Mary Endres of Tyler; and his aunt Pat and her husband Richard Fiske of Scottsdale, Arizona.

Speaker for the graduation service was Bill Moyers, journalist and former aide to Lyndon B. Johnson.

Following the graduation celebration, all the family members drove to Bar Harbor, Maine where they spent a week together, hiking, sight-seeing, and touring the many historical areas in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and New York. After a memorable two weeks in the area, Paul and Marie Endres returned home on May 31.

Cain is TAMU graduate

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wimmer recently attended graduation ceremonies at Texas A&M University, to see their grandson, Michael Cain, receive his diploma. Also attending were Michael's parents, Ken and Mary Cain of Allen, Texas, and brother Matthew Cain of Sam Houston State University of Huntsville, Texas.



Michael Cain

Michael graduated Magna Cum Laude on May 10, 1997, with a B.S. degree in Aerospace Engineering. He received honors from the Engineers Scholars Program in a special ceremony on May 9. As a co-op student Michael worked and studied two semesters with Navistar International in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. In addition to co-op activities, Michael also was an active member of AIAA, College Republicans, Intramural sports, and was a TEES undergraduate research grant recipient.

While attending Texas A&M, Michael was a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society, Sigma Gamma Tau Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, U.S. Achievement Academy, National Dean's List, and received numerous academic excellence awards and the Aggie Spirit Award. Following an internship in Huntsville, Alabama this summer, Michael will return to Texas A&M to pursue a Master's Degree in aerospace engineering. Michael recently learned that he is a recipient of the NASA Graduate School Research Program fellowship.

University of Dallas student qualifies for spring honor roll

The University of Dallas, a private Catholic liberal arts university in Irving, recently announced the names of its undergraduate students whose 1997 spring semester grades qualify them for the Honor Roll. In order to achieve this honor, a student must

maintain a grade point average of 3.0 and carry a minimum of 15 academic credits in a semester.

Julia Marie Felderhoff, a senior majoring in history and education at the University of Dallas, is among the students on the Honor Roll for the 1997 spring semester.

Julia is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and the daughter of Gus and Loretta Felderhoff of Muenster.

Julia also was on the Dean's list the first semester with a 3.5 average and carrying a minimum of 15 credits.

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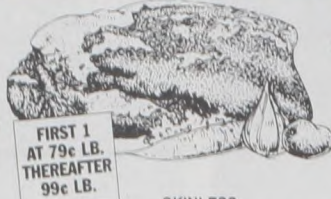
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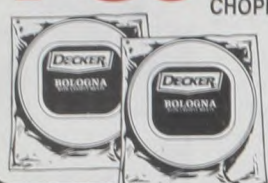
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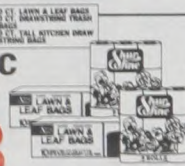
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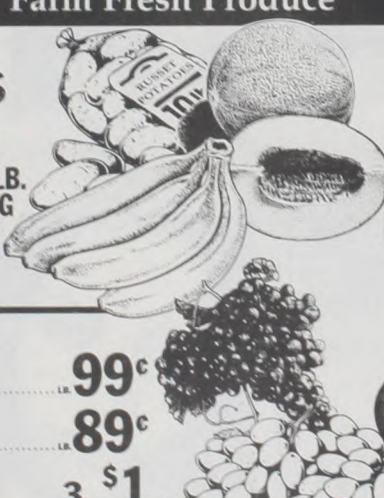
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School News



LINDSAY STUDENTS ATTEND STATE FHA CONVENTION - Four Lindsay High School students and their sponsor, Loretta DeBorde, recently attended the state convention of the Future Homemakers of America held at the Dallas Convention Center. The theme for this year was "A Dream Come True." Members had the opportunity to hear motivational speakers and attend sessions on critical issues affecting teens. A trip to the top of Reunion Tower and a visit to Dallas World Aquarium completed the weekend of activities. Pictured are, from left, front row - FHA members Stephanie Stoffels and Bonnie DeBorde; and back - Brandi Jordan and Andrea Fuhrmann. Courtesy Photo

Two local scholarships awarded by Muenster Jaycees

The Muenster Jaycees are proud to announce the winners of their first Muenster Jaycees scholarships. One student was selected from each local school by a committee of teachers and their counselor.

The recipient from Sacred Heart High School is Tanya Renee Knauf. Tanya has participated in student council, basketball, dance team, track and field, swim team, cross country, Letterman's Club, Sacred Heart Academic team, National Honor Society, Spanish club, Speech and Drama club, and Ambassador. She ranked third in her class with a grade point average of 96.5 and plans to pursue a degree in interior design with a minor in business at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas. She has been accepted at this school and has also been made a member of the Southwest Texas State Strutters Dance Team. She will perform routines at football games, basketball, and other events.

president one year, and Future Homemakers of America. He has participated in football, basketball, and track during his high school years. He has served on the Student Council for the last three years and was the senior Student Council President. He competed in Academic UIL all four years of High School and was a member of the UIL One Act Play. He has put in service hours as a Red Cross swimming instructor and many hours at St. Richard's Villa entertaining residents. Jonathan has planned to attend North Central Texas College to obtain a Registered Nursing Degree.

The Muenster Jaycees are very proud to bestow a \$500 scholarship to each of these students. They realize that in assisting the youth of this community, they will reap the benefits. The Muenster Jaycees would like to thank everyone for supporting their projects to make things like this happen.



Jonathan Otto

The recipient from Muenster High School is Jonathan Edward Otto. He is the son of Edward Otto and Darlene Otto. Jonathan has been a member of the PAL Program (Peer Assistance Leadership) for four years. He has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, member of the Future Farmers of America for three years, serving as



Tanya Knauf

Is your alternator bearing noisy or locked up?
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Retreat planned for high school students Registration deadline is June 24

Texas A&M Retreat for high school students of Muenster will be held June 27-29 at the Muenster KC Hall. Several Aggies (including Muenster natives) are on a team that travels throughout the Austin Diocese and wanted to share the Good News with Muenster high school students. You do not have to be a Catholic, and all students who were in high school during the 1996-97 school year are welcome.

Meals will be provided and there is no cost to attend. Ryan Sicking is coordinator of the event (972-44201576), however Emily Klement is the Muenster contact person (759-4554). Forms may be picked up at Sacred Heart Church in the west vestibule. Return them to: A&M Retreat, Sacred Heart Business Office, Muenster, TX 76252. Parental release forms must be completed in order to attend.

Lindsay Junior 4-H meets

Lindsay Junior 4-H Club met on May 12 with 15 members present, assisted by six adult leaders. Philip Fleitman conducted the business meeting. Inspiration was led by Kevin Lutkenhaus and Coy Kelley.

A program on Pancakes was given by Kevin Lutkenhaus. He prepared them and provided samples.

Officer election was held for the 1997-1998 Junior 4-H year,

with the following results: Kevin Lutkenhaus, president; Randi Reed, first vice president; Jared Schroeder, second vice president; Erin Wyrick third vice president; Jeffrey Zimmerer, council delegate; Chelsea Laux, secretary; Nathan Hermes, treasurer; John Mosman, reporter; Jonathan Rohmer, parliamentarian.

Chelsea Laux is Lindsay Junior 4-H club reporter.



LINDSAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR 1997-98 - New Student Council officers are, from left, front - Keith Fuhrmann, council secretary; and Asad Rahman, student body president; back - Bryan Covington, vice-president; and Carrie Hundt, treasurer. Courtesy Photo

Donna Black is Era's 1997 salutatorian

Donna Faye Black, daughter of Bill and Rose Black of Myra, is Era ISD's Salutatorian of the graduating class of 1997.

Donna graduated with a grade point average of 3.9 out of a possible 4.0.

Donna has participated in Academic UIL all four years of high school. She advanced to Regionals her Junior year in Accounting, placing 1st team and 4th individual, and her Senior year in Calculator Applications. She advanced to State her Junior year in Accounting, placing 2nd team.

She has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years and has consistently been on the A honor roll.

Donna plans to attend NCTC this fall, later transferring to UNT. Donna plans to get her Doctorate degree in Mathematics to teach at a college level.



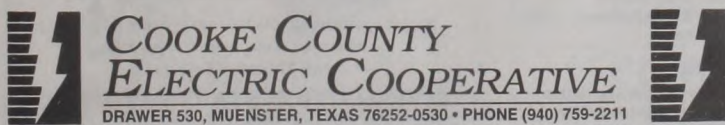
Donna Black

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The Sacred Heart Student Council wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Julian, Jesse and Darrell Walterscheid of JAW Construction Co. for their generous contribution of labor and materials in building the monument stand for the Sacred Heart High School Memorial Picnic Area. Special thanks also are extended to Mike Stoffels and Sylvan Walterscheid for their continuing assistance in maintaining the park through the 1996-97 year.

All the members of the 1995-96 Sacred Heart Student Council wish to express our sincerest appreciation to all those who contributed financial aid, materials, time and effort for the construction of this memorial. Without your generous assistance, this project would not have been possible.

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| Shauna Endres | Rita Settle |
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| Billie Fleitman | S.H. 3rd Grade |
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Sacred Heart Parish

HOME COMING BAZAAR DONATIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Live Auction Starts at 5:30 P.M.
Silent Auction Starts at Noon

1983 Chevrolet 3/4 ton diesel 4 X 4 pickup - Anonymous
"Listen" written and signed by Fr. Placidus O.S.B.
Six Flags Over Texas (2) tickets - Six Flags
Cinemark Theatre (12) passes - Cinemark USA, Inc.
Texas Rangers Pennant - Texas Rangers Baseball Club
signed by Johnny Oates
Trout Dinners w/wine - The Main Street Pub & Eatery
Mesquite Championship Rodeo Tickets - Mesquite Rodeo
Dallas Cowboys Pennant - Dallas Cowboys
signed by Barry Switzer & Jerry Jones
Regular Season Membership - Butterfield Stage Players
Movie Tickets (10) - State Twin Theatre
Igloo Little Playmate Coolers - Igloo Products Corp.
Igloo Water Jugs - Igloo Products Corp.
Apple Computer w/monitor & Printer - Anonymous
Jumbo Karaoke Home Music System w/AM FM radio, dual
cassette recorder & sing-a-long microphone - Anonymous
Ceramic Ware - U.J. Meyers (Sister Carmelita's Brother)
Jewelry (lots of it) - Quicksilver
AT & T Wireless Airtime - AT & T Wireless Service
Chill's Grill & Bar Certificates - Brinker International
Office chair, cushioned w/warms - Dustin's Office Supply
Echo Gasoline Weed Trimmer - Muenster Garden Center
Plane Ride In Piper Cub - Sam Endres
200 Gallons of Farm Diesel - Willie Walterscheid Oil Co.
Wash & Wax & Clean interior of vehicle - Chris Pagel
Front end alignment & tire rotation & balance
- Klement Ford of Muenster
Lasagna Dinner for 15 people - John Nasche
Wooden Jewelry Case - Christie's Jewelry & Gifts
Wash, Wax complete auto detail - Bryan Sicking
Crown Royal Special Reserve - Eighty Two Liqueur
Glass/Roof mount antenna for cell phone & installation
- North Texas Communication
2 Cellular air time certificates
- North Texas Communications
3 boxes Fusetron Fuses - Harold Alexander, United Electric
16 yards dirt delivered - G & H Backhoe
Hand-crafted Cutting Board, 18" x 20" - Rudy Koesler
Dinner Rolls 1400 to 1600 - Bayer's Kolonialwaren
Beef and Hog Processing - Fischers Market
100 bushels of oats - William Hermes
Merchandise - Barron's
\$100 In trade - Muenster Building Center
Day or night fishing along the Red River for 4 to 6 people
- Bartush Brothers
Mexican Buffet (4) tickets - Ponchos Mexican Buffet
100 Bales of Prairie hay - Duwayne Schilling
Pie-a-month for 12 months - Rohmer's Restaurant
One week of child care - Wanda Flusche TLC Day Care
Avon products, delivered - Evelyn & Jerry Sicking
Trane 3 ton Air-conditioning unit,
(outside condenser unit only)
- Schniederjan Heating & Air Conditioning
Merchandise from Dickies Outlet Store Fort Worth
- Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing Co.
Swim party & B-B-Q for 12 people - Mr. & Mrs. Michael Rigler
Bed rails for any pick-up - Glen Hess, Glenn's Paint & Body
Braun Plaque Remover, Rotadent & Water Pik
- Gerald Graham
Porch Bench - Community Lumber Co.
Shop Towels in a box - Muenster Auto Parts
Auto battery, top post group 24 - Hennigan Auto Parts
Trane 3 ton Air-Conditioning unit, Hi efficiency, 12.0 seer
(outside condenser unit only)
Hesse Heat and Air-Conditioning
Cut & Style or 2 haircuts - Kathy Creed
Baby quilt - Ray & Lou Voth
Tricycle with flotation tires - Betty Flusche
Little red wagon - Don Flusche
The New American Bible - Barbara Fuhrmann
Baseball signed by Nolan Ryan - Ronald D. Reedy P.C.
Tickets to race track w/parking & program (6) tickets
- Lone Star Park at Grand Prairie
3 Handcrafted Quilts - Muenster Ladies
11 Mexican meal of your choice - Pepitos Restaurant
6 Month subscription to North Texas Information Internet
Service unlimited plus software to access &
2mb personal web page - Muenster Telephone Corp.
2 Kegs of beer - Miller of Denton
3 Kegs of Bud Lite - Ben E. Keith Beers
Digital answering machine - AT&T Lucent Technologies
Outside light - Black Electric
King Trapper knife - Bill Black
Eye examination - Margie York
Cinnamon rolls or bread once a month for a year
- Janie Weinzapfel
45 Minute plane ride over Muenster - Henry Weinzapfel
12 HP Snapper riding lawn mower - Raymond Walterscheid
Microwave - Raymond Walterscheid
3 Flower arrangements - Sylvia's Creations
Homemade enchilada dinner for 6 with all the trimmings
- Maria Trevino
2 Oil changes & filter & lube on car or pickup - Miller Exxon
Cowboy sweater - Robert Miller
Porcelain Angel candleholder - Robert Miller
35# GL 1 90 Wt. Gear oil - M & W Oil Field Supply
(10) 14 oz. Grease cartridges - M & W Oil Field Supply
5 Hours of Computer training - Joe Koesler
2 Sterling Silver Rosaries - Joe Koesler
Handcrafted Victorian Bird Feeder - Gene Klement
Steak dinner for 6-8 people, your place, Steaks & drinks
provided by - Joe Hoedebeck & John Bartush
Yorx AM-FM dual cassette & CD player with remote
- Rose & Mauro Ganzon
Dresser scarf crocheted by Sister Genevive & Embroidered
Our Father & frame by Irma Koelzer
5 large round bales of hay barn kept - Jerry & Billie Fleitman
2 Rocking chairs, bent wood - George Bayer
Gun rack, handcrafted by Fr. Andrew - Dick Trachta
Rumber flooring for 16' trailer - Rumber Materials Ind.
15 yards of dirt or gravel delivered 10 ml. - Fleitman Backhoe
Octagon 100% wool decorator rug & a Braided rug
- Brookes-Reynolds Haus
Mountain bike, new, 18 speed - Dr. Martin & Betty Krallcke
Gift certificate - Bob Hermes Tops & Teams
Athletic award blanket Sacred Heart &
Athletic award blanket Muenster High School
- Paul Bartush - Cowboy Depot
Gift certificate - Gehrig Hardware
Bain De Terre hair products - Jeanne's Magic Touch
Basket of Mary Kay products for men - Terri Klement
Hand crafted wall hanging w/your name crocheted on it
- George & Leoba Mollenkopf
Sunbeam Gas grill w/lavacrock - J T & Renata Pagel

20 small Snow cones - Bryan Russell
Hair cut & style - Vickie's Cut-N-Up
10 Flats of Plants - David Whitecotton
Porcelain doll - Welcome Home @ Outlet Mall
Handcrafted Baby Quilt - Hazel Flusche
8 sided game table - H & W Cabinet Shop
Service lawnmower or small engine to \$50.00 - Dick Dittfurth
Handcrafted baby quilt - Ida Bindel
Watkins Products - Wilfred Bindel
Matrix Beauty Supplies - Mane Attractions
Tool kit (41 Pc.) - Dennis Hess
Lunch, drink & dessert for 4 - Fischerhaus
300 Ft. Drill pipe - Felderhoff Bros. Drilling Co.
Hair cut & blow dry - Melissa Walter
Lunch for 2 - Antonio's Restaurant
Apple computer (good used) - Frank Hess
Gift certificate - Harper's Restaurant
2 boxes Baler twine & 5 gal. Transdraulic oil
- Schilling Shamrock
Gift certificates - H & H Vacuum
Beef or hog processing by H & W Meat Co.
Smoker - Wilbert & Eve Vogel
Microwave - Elfreda Fette
2 Michelin tires or tires of equal value
- Knabe Tire & Radiator
Turnec tennis shoes, size 11 - Arnold & Jake Schilling
Deluxe ladies wrist watch & baked goods
- Herbie & Dolores Miller
Shadow box and a case for the angel figurine - Fred Koesler
Dozen Roses - Bouquets & Gifts
Five minute muffin maker - Ella Mae Rohmer
Picture of 16th hole at the Colonial Golf Course
- Crafty Olde German
Kubota pedal tractor & toy tractor - Zimmerer Kubota
John Deere Pedal tractor - Pettit-Ward Machinery
Antique double barrel shotgun - Anonymous
Makita 3/8" drill, 9.6 volt w/2 batteries
- Trachta Brothers Decatur Lumber Co.
Fishing trip with your postmaster - Virgil Henscheld
(a trip and adventure to be remembered)
500 Gallons, off road diesel (farm use or drilling rig etc.)
- Melvin "Babe" & Lisa Schilling
Rod & Reel (new) - Mary Ann Walterscheid
3 Hours dozer service - Paul Becker
Ric of Firewood - Yvonne Ambrose
TV Swivel Shelf - Cooke County Appliance
Bean Bag - Hess Furniture, Kim & Kenny Felderhoff
Laz-Y-Boy Recliner - Hess Furniture, Kim & Kenny Felderhoff
Crystal Rosary - Kim & Kenny Felderhoff
Electric smoker (new) - Paul & Dorothy Hesse
\$100.00 In trade - Muenster Pharmacy
2 Tickets to Six Flags - Hurricane Harbour - KXGM Radio
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Gas Bar-B-Que Grill - Texas Liqueur
Chem-Free Fire Ant treatment - \$100.00 value
- Danny Roberts from Nocona
Dinner for 4 people - Deiter Bros., Lindsay
Ceramic Chess Set - U.R. Meyers
Rabies shot for dog or cat - Bob Hess
Handcrafted game table - Donald Eckart
Round crocheted white table cloth (72" - 80")
- Mrs. Harry Scoggins
Stepper exercise machine - Millie Voth
4 - One gallon tire sealant w/pump
- Sam Hess Sales & Service
5 Round sudan hay bales - Hess Farming, Tony, Sam, Nick
Wood Sofa table - Mark Hesse
4 Glass salad bowls - Anonymous
Glass fruit & salad bowl - Anonymous
One special lube, oil & filter - Hogan's Jif-E-Lube
Computer 486 DX 266 (new)
- Tony & Kim Desmuke & Don Flusche
Beach tote bag with hair care products
- Jeanne's Magic Touch
Plant stand w/plant - Pier 1 Imports
Rubber plant, croton plant, scheffalera plant & tropical plant
- Kroger Store
Heavy duty 100' extension cord - Tim Endres
Needlework picture by Sr. Lillian Reiter - Anonymous
Sculptured nails (1) or (3) manicures - Donna Biffle's Nails
Cooler on wheels filled w/ snacks - Jimmy Jack Biffle, II
Weed Eater (used) - Frank Zimmerer
Weight machine - Joe Pagel
Side tool box for pickup - Greg Rohmer
Handcrafted Doll House - Ed Schneider
(2) S H Tiger Caps - S H Alumni
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- Tim & Janie Hartman
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- Huchton Construction
Ranger Tickets (4) seats, Sunday, August 3, 7:05 PM
- Cory Klement
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Martin open/box end wrench set, USA, Guaranteed
- Flusche Enterprises, Inc.
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- Phillip & Brenda Flusche
100 Bu. Oats - Elenor, Kenneth & Gene Sicking
1 Rick white oak firewood - Lucas Hartman
Framed picture of Mother and Child - Sisters
Whirlpool hot spa, RCA TV - Glenn Cler
(6) cakes or (6) batches of cookies - Mark & Carol Grewing
(3) gift certificates for 2 movie rentals - Encore Video
(3) bags insulation includes labor to install
- Lonnie Henscheld & Keith Vogel
Dove Hunt, opening day 6-8 people - August Felderhoff
Kiln - James Hess
(3) Homemade Sunbonnets - Carol Ann Hess
(2) Rolls of baling twine, Vermeer
- Jerry & Betty Rose Walterscheid
(2) Tapes "Once Upon A Time"
"Barney's Sensational Day"
- Autographed by Barney The Dinosaur
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Bradford Limousin cross cow-calf pair, 3 yr old cow,
2nd calf born 4-30-97, wt. at birth 78 lbs.
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- Dale & Dennis Hofbauer
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Hotel - Motel - Resort - Donations

Two night stay on weekend for 2 nights
Sunday Champaign Brunch
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evening - Embassy Suites, Tucson, Arizona
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- Red Lion Hotel, Houston
One night stay Deluxe King Room for 2
- Harvey Suites, Houston Medical Center, Houston
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Charles Herr
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Claude & Nancy Walter

\$500.00 Cash \$500.00 Savings Bond

First National Bank - Saint Jo The First State Bank of Gainesville
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Muenster State Bank
Guaranty National Bank

\$250.00 Cash

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Jack & Debbie Britain; Joe & Pam Dangelmayr

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Tom Swirczynski; Terry & Lisa Rohmer

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LIVE AUCTION STARTS AT 5:30 P.M.

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Herky Biffle - Connie Jo Greene - Jack Schoppa - Don Flusche

Bid Spotters:

Dr. Marvia Knight, Jr. - Jim Myrick - Tom Carson

Faith was celebrated at Vacation Bible School

by Annette Bayer
June 13 brought an end to a very successful Vacation Bible School. This year's event was held at Sacred Heart School and sponsored by Sacred Heart Parish, carrying the theme "Celebrate Faith." Cecilia Fuhrmann and Annette Bayer coordinated this journey in faith with the help of many, many volunteers. 212 children, ages 4 to fifth grade, delighted in story time, crafts, music, refreshments, and games.

Baby items and monetary donations were collected all week and were presented to ABBA on Friday after the Closing Celebration. During this celebration the pavilion was festively decorated with balloons and streamers, and the classes performed various songs, skits, and pantomimes depicting Bible stories.

Volunteer teachers were Nicole Endres, Sandy Felderhoff, Brenda Flusche, Jennifer Fuhrmann, Fay Hamric, Janie Hennigan, Shawna Herr, Kristie Hesse, Kelly Lamkin, Melissa Miller, Leann Mollenkopf, John Nasche, Nancy Nystrom, Dianne Pagel, Tracey Sellers, Linda Sepanski, Bernadette Walterscheid, Tina Weinzapfel, Jenny White, and Linda Yosten.

Helping in other areas were Tammy Wimmer and Jill Reiter, crafts; Karen Davis, nursery; Bernadette Moritz, storytelling; Martha Sicking, music; Celine Bartel and Susan Fetsch, refreshments; Deanna Hellman, games; and Peggy Lutkenhaus, telephone committee.

Helping in the different stages of Bible School were Kelly Fetsch, Michael Miller, Debra Voth, Tina Cox, Kendal Sellers, Yvonne Martin, Jeremy Yosten, Ami Graham, Shauna Endres, Megan Hennigan, Kourtney Dittfurth, Sara Sepanski, Kate Sepanski, Kristen Yosten, Michelle Bayer, Luke Endres, Tara Yosten, Matthew York, Lisa Felderhoff, Katie Cox, Alicia Cochran, Amanda Felderhoff, Mitch Felderhoff, Adrienne Bartel, Lisa Endres, Deann Dangelmayr, Jonathan Yosten, Robyn Hermes, Audrey Barnhill, Christina Weinzapfel, Tony Koesler, Kristi McAden, Matthew Fleitman, Allison Endres, Joseph Davis, Wes Wimmer, Monica LeBrasseur, Pamela Lutkenhaus, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Josie Burch, Mark Grewing, Denise Pagel, Sherri Ahrens, Mary Endres, Christy Hesse, Anne Poole, Jeanne Greathouse, Janet Fetsch, countless others who provided snacks and lemonade for the week, and those whose names were inadvertently missed.

California blue T-shirts were given to the children with the words "Celebrate Faith - Sacred Heart Parish Vacation Bible School 1997," on the front; and on the back their name stamped with black paint sponge letters. These T-shirts were worn by the children at the Closing Celebration on Friday.

This journey would not be complete without a sincere THANK YOU to all who gave so unselfishly of their time, talent, and treasure.



Deanna Hellman gets the kids wrapped up in a game at Bible School, including, front to back, Rasha Dangelmayr, Aaron Flusche, Isaac Davis and McKenzie Herr. Photo by Janie Hartman

Sacred Heart Honor Roll

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Grade 12: Jennifer Campbell, Leslie Grewing, Tanya Knauf, Kelly Rigler. Grade 11: Valerie Bartush, Laura Klement. Grade 10: Russell Fette, Courtney Grewing, Patrick Miller, Betty Trevino. Grade 9: Adriene Bartel, Debra Dangelmayr, Kayla Felderhoff, Anne Flusche, Michelle Fuhrmann, Jennifer Hess, Gina Yosten. Grade 8: Jacqueline Bartush, Diane Becker, Keith Felderhoff, Jessica Koesler, Dana Miller. Grade 7: Audrey Barnhill, Elizabeth Fette, Sara Sepanski. Grade 6: Chris Fuhrmann, Jana Trubenbach, Michael Voth. Grade 5: Lisa Endres, Cindy Hartman, Liliana Nasche, Kate Sepanski, Christina Weinzapfel. Grade 4: Andy Davis.

Ashley Hess, Lisa Rohmer, Mattie Sicking, Aaron Walterscheid, Kristen Yosten. Grade 6: Catherine Bartush, Roney Bauer, Michael Bayer, Joseph Davis, Clint Fuhrmann, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Thomas Whitecotton, Mindy Wimmer. Grade 5: Jayna Biffle, Brooke Endres, Karen Gehrig, Amy Trevino, Wes Wimmer. Grade 4: Paul Bartush, Rose Bartush, Jacqueline Bauer, Christine Fetsch, Katie Flusche, Stephanie Henschel, Kristen Hess, Chris Hoedebeck, Jeff Walterscheid.

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11th Grade - Kristin Dickerson, Keisha Dill, Joyce Hacker, Kristine Hartman, Lucas Hartman, Stephanie Huchton, Leigh Reiter, Kimberly Sturm.

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Benjamin Yosten, Gene Yosten, Jr and Katy Hamric enjoy a snack break of rice krispie treats and orange juice during Vacation Bible School. Photo by Janie Hartman



Jared Flusche plants a flower at Vacation Bible School to give to his mother. Photo by Janie Hartman

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Bringing the ball in from out field are Red tee-ball team members, from left, Kaylynn Moster, Brandi Dangelmayr, Tanner Herr, and Matt Flusche.

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June 2
Fischer's 13, Fina 10
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June 4
SJ Mariners 7, M. Jaycees 11
M. Drilling 12, Forestburg 11

June 6
M. Drilling 7, Tops & Teams 6
M. Jaycees 9, Fischer's 3

June 9
Fina 2, SJ Diamondbacks 5
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June 11
Fina 17, M. Jaycees 8
SJ Diamondbacks 6, Fischer's 8

June 13
Forestburg 9, Tops & Teams 10
SJ Mariners 9, M. Drilling 9

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	W	L	T
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Muenster Jaycees	2	1	0
SJ Diamondbacks	2	1	0
Fischer's	2	1	0
Fina	1	2	0
Tops & Teams	1	2	0
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Ashley Hess pitches for the Muenster Teal softball team. Photo by Janie Hartman

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Write On by Janie Hartman

I hope everyone enjoyed the first samples of just a bit of what the "old" book *The Fun Encyclopedia* had to offer. Here's more. Let's start with a stunt story.

Three men spent several nights in a hotel. When they were ready to check out, they found that their bill was thirty dollars, ten dollars each. (Remember, this was in 1940). They sent the thirty dollars down to the desk by a bellboy. When he paid the cashier, he was told that since the hotel was run on the cooperative plan the men had five dollars coming back to them. The bellboy kept two dollars and handed to each of the men a one dollar refund. That made each man pay nine dollars. Three times nine is twenty-seven. Add this to the two dollars retained by the bellboy and you have \$29. Where did the other dollar go?

WHAT RELATION IS

1. Your sister-in-law's father-in-law's grand-daughter to you?
2. Your uncle's father's father's wife?
3. Your mother's aunt's brother's wife?
4. Your sister's son's brother's father?
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Answers:
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Relations: 1. Niece. 2. Great-grandmother. 3. Great-aunt. 4. Brother-in-law. 5. Yourself. 6. First cousin. 7. Grandmother. 8. Mother.

Apples: 8=ate, 2=too, 4=for. Now re-read it if you didn't catch on the first time.



Raney Bauer gets a hit, beating the ball to first base against the Sal Jo Mariners. Photo by Janie Hartman

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4. In caring for the joints, apply one drop of light machine oil on each joint. Never use 3-in-1 Oil, WD-40 or Vaseline.
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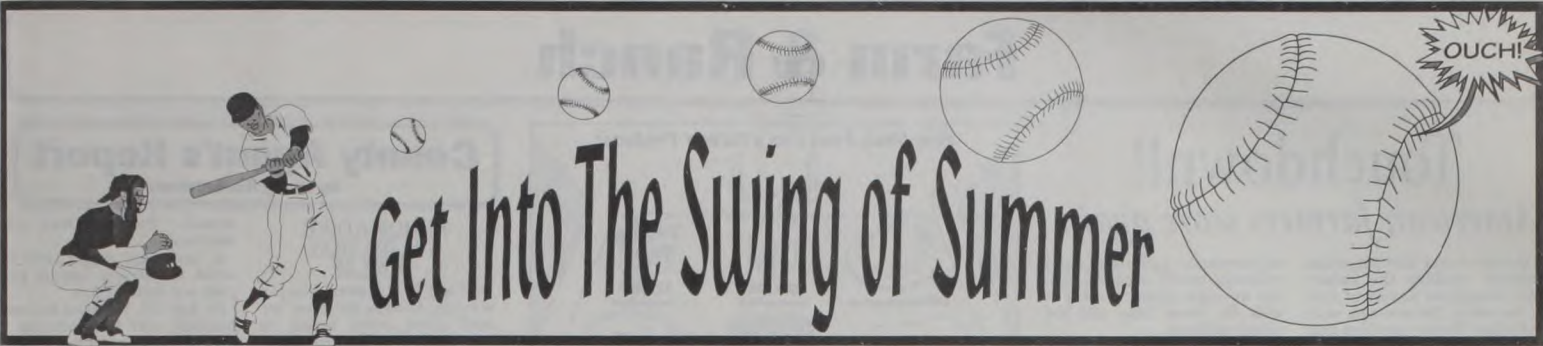
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American farmers score again

It is no secret that American farmers produce the safest, most abundant supply of food in the world. On average, each American farmer provides food for 132 people.

A farmer can take a relatively small amount of land and produce remarkable quantities of healthful food. Imagine a football field, about 1.3 acres, planted with crops from the various food groups.

Planted in corn, a football field with fertile soil could produce enough corn to feed 780 chickens - that's more than 2,000 three piece chicken dinners!

The football field could produce enough wheat for 2,923 loaves of bread. That's enough for one loaf of bread each day for the next eight years!

That football field could have a barn filled with nearly 2,000 milk cows. Careful

management and twice-daily milkings would produce each day an eight ounce serving of milk for more than 220,000 school children.

If potatoes were planted in that field, you could make 131,625 trips through the drive-thru - picking up one order of French fries each time. And if you're into snacking, no problem. One football field could provide you with 20,800 gallons of popped popcorn, enough to more than fill an average home swimming pool. One year's harvest from a 1.3 acre apple orchard could provide enough fruit for your family to enjoy a large apple pie every day for the next 73 years!

American farmers can produce surprisingly large amounts of healthy food from a relatively small area of land, whether measured in football fields or acres.



How much brain power is in a bag of seeds?

What really comes in a bag of seeds?

The people who breed new varieties of seeds in the United States say that it's much more than a bunch of fertilized plant ovaries. Each bag also is loaded with scientific brain power, research, years of development, testing investments and ingenuity.

New seed varieties resist drought, fight off natural plant predators, and are immune to the latest blights and plaques. The productive power for American agriculture begins with the world's best seeds.

Until recently, however, all that value wasn't protected from some less-than-scrupulous farmers.

A U.S. Supreme Court ruling has recognized that seed breeders who invent new and useful seed varieties are clearly entitled to protection of their intellectual property rights.

The court supported a provision in a federal law that gives seed breeders 20-year patent-like protection for new varieties and makes it clearly criminal for anyone to sell "homegrown" protected seeds in large quantities.

The law allows farmers to keep enough seed from a crop grown from protected seeds to replant their own fields again, but no more.

This aims at preventing the practice of purchasing improved seeds, growing a crop and then selling that second-generation seed to other farmers at cut-rate prices in unlabeled "brown bags." This practice allows farmers to make a profit at lower prices because they do not have to pay any of the development costs.

For more information on seed-related subjects, call the American Seed Trade Association at 202-638-3128.

Soil conservation techniques have changed the landscape

In the early 1930's, along with the greatest depression this nation ever experienced, came an equally unparalleled ecological disaster known as the Dust Bowl. Americans didn't know much about soil conservation back then and after a severe and sustained drought in the Great Plains, the region's soil began to erode and blow away, creating huge black dust storms that blotted out the sun.

The storms stretched across the nation. They reached south to Texas and east to New York. Dust even sifted into the White House and onto the President's desk.

On Capitol Hill, while testifying about the erosion problem, soil scientist Hugh Hammond Bennett threw back the curtains to reveal a sky blackened by dust. Congress unanimously passed legislation declaring soil conservation a national policy priority.

Sixty years have dramatically changed the

American landscape. In rural America, farmers use new tillage methods and new technology to improve crop and livestock productivity while practicing environmental stewardship. Wide spread conservation practices like planting on the contour, strip cropping, planting cover crops, leaving crop residue on fields, installing animal waste management systems and planting windbreak all prevent soil from blowing and washing away.

According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), these activities will help stop a Dust Bowl from ever happening again and provide environmental benefits for Americans.

The NRCS provides technical assistance to farmers and ranchers and stands committed to ensuring agricultural productivity in harmony with a healthy land.

County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

MAJOR STEER VALIDATION JUNE 25

4-H and FFA members who plan to exhibit steers at the major livestock shows (which include the State Fair of Texas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, and Houston) must have their steers validated on Wednesday, June 26, at the Gainesville Livestock Market. The Steer Validation includes nose printing, tagging, and photographs to be submitted to a central state location.

Steer Validation will be from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.

If you have any questions, contact the County Extension Office at 668-5412 or any County Vocational Agriculture Instructor.

COW/CALF CLINIC

The Extension Livestock and Forage Committee has scheduled a Cow/Calf Clinic on "Beef quality and Consistency" for Monday, June 30, at the Cooke County Fair-

grounds. Producers, mark your calendars.

A hamburger supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the program will start at 7 p.m.

Dr. Ron Gill, Extension livestock specialist, will be conducting a clinic on the Value of Beef Quality and Consistency for cow/calf producers.

Included in the evening's presentation will be Beef Quality Challenge, Reward for Creating Quality, Quality Management, Selection and Culling and Other Beef Considerations.

A group interactive book provided through the Texas Beef Council will be available to all producers attending. This new publication contains a great deal of information on vaccinations and management systems for cow/calf producers.

In order to prepare for the hamburger supper, we would ask the producers call in the number of persons attending. Make your call by Friday, June 27, to the County Extension Office at 668-5412.

"Truth in Labeling" possible for Texas livestock

Many Texas livestock producers want "truth in labeling" to apply to their product. The Texas Farm Bureau and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association support legislation in Congress that would mandate the labeling of meat and meat products as to "country-of-origin."

Texas Farm Bureau President Bob Stallman wrote a letter recently to members of the Texas Congressional delegation, asking them to support bills in both the Senate and the House that would require country-of-origin labeling.

"U.S. producers must comply with inspection standards that are superior to those employed in other meat producing nations," Stallman wrote. "Consumers should be aware of the higher standards of protection that U.S. meat producers provide."

Stallman said Texas' beef producers effort coincide with increasing consumer concerns

about the quality of food products served. "Producers are making every effort to meet market needs," he said.

The legislation requires labeling under the following conditions:

- Meat and meat product imported into the U.S., unless the product is already labeled.

- If the product originates from an animal that was imported into the U.S. less than 10 days prior to slaughter.

- The proposal applies to any meat food product prepared in the U.S. using any carcass of meat imported into the U.S.

In urging Texas representatives to support the legislation, Stallman wrote "Texas meat producers are faced with ever increasing competition, and it is vitally important that consumers are aware of the origin of meat and meat products."

Some estimates put the percentage of imports in the U.S. meat market as high as 1 percent.

Cattle and calf deaths

Respiratory problems were still the number one killer of beef calves (less than 500 pounds) according to a recent USDA study.

Overall, non-predator calf death losses were up, with the top four causes of death being:

1. Respiratory problems, including pneumonia and shipping fever, etc.
2. Calving problems.
3. Digestive problems,

including bloat, scours and parasites.

4. Weather. Other or unknown causes accounted for the largest beef cattle head lost.

Calving problems was the number one non-predatory killer for the group. Respiratory problems came next, then digestive problems and weather.

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There are two kinds of battery explosions, internal and external. Internal can occur if the water leaves the battery, external when jump-starting the battery, or when something falls on the battery and creates a spark.

Battery Myth

It is not true that batteries go dead more in the winter than they do in the summer. Heat causes more wear and tear, but the cold does make the battery lose power.

At 80 degrees, the engine needs normal starting power, as temperatures fall, the engine needs more starting power, but the battery is putting out less. This does cause problems at times.

Heat wears down a battery faster than cold by causing the battery to self discharge, which causes sulfation, an internal corrosion that spreads through the battery, causing it to wear down.

Dry profits add to dairy farmers' income

Non-fat dry milk and dried whey products have combined industry value of more than \$45 million.

Dried whey is made from the liquid byproduct of sweet acid-based cheese production and is often used in bakery products and dry drink mixes.

Dry milk is used as ingredients in such things as baked goods, confections and infant formula.

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