

Muenster Memorial Hospital gets "deal" on CT unit from GMH

by Janet Felderhoff
Even though Muenster Memorial Hospital has leased its present CT scanner for about a year, the facility will soon install a version which is 11 years newer with much more up to date features. This is being made possible by Gainesville Memorial Hospital (GMH). GMH offered to lease its present 1995 Siemens Somatom AR HP Spiral CT scanner for \$12 a year for the next four years.

According to MMH Administrator Jack Endres, GMH decided to replace that scanner with a higher power CT to accommodate the needs of the new radiologist. He is doing numerous cuts per scan which caused the tube to burn out.

Currently MMH pays \$4,980 a month to lease the mobile 1984 GE 9800 Quick from Shared Imaging. A five year contract was entered into, but Endres said it does allow for termination after three months notice if the Board fails to

allocate funds to pay for the lease. "We are going to start running through our proposed budget in our next monthly meeting and that is what I'm going to propose that you not allocate any funds to pay for this lease and that we terminate this lease," Endres told the Board.

Endres explained that the scanner doesn't include the laser camera because GMH has it hooked up to other equipment. Also required would be a power injector since the one now in use is part of the CT lease. Another expense is the cost of moving the CT scanner from GMH to MMH. Two rooms will be remodeled to accommodate the new scanner. "The end result is that we won't be taking patients out in the rain and hefting them up in that trailer to do them (scans) outside any more," Endres remarked.

Endres said that he didn't have all the specifics of costs, but the Board would have to act at then if the lease deal

was to be made. Siemans was going to be in Gainesville the next day to take out the unit. All seven Board members present voted to accept the GMH lease offer and to purchase needed equipment, etc. Estimated cost of additional equipment and installation is about \$41,000. GMH has a maintenance contract for \$3,100 per month which Endres wasn't sure if MMH would need all of or part.

"Assuming we did the maintenance contract that's going to be saving us about \$2,000 a month," explained Endres. "We've got four years left on our lease, so we can make up the \$41,000 in about 20 months and then be saving \$24,000 a year for the next two years. That's a pretty good deal for us and we're never going find a CT scanner like this for free. It will do a scan in about 40 seconds that takes ours about 20 minutes to do. You're dealing with technology that's See CT SCANNER, pg 3



Fisher Creek crossing on County Road 302 south of Muenster was unpassable Friday morning after the skies let loose dumping several inches of much needed rainfall in the area. The morning showers were heavy enough to fill ditches and create long awaited run-off.
Janie Hartman photo

City seeks grant to improve sewer plant

by Dave Fette
The debt incurred by the City of Muenster to make improvements to the water system, including water tower and distribution repairs and upgrades, should be paid off in about one and one-half years. About that time the city must start making improvements to the sewer plant to correct problems cited by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission many times. At Monday's City Council meeting, the council voted to accept the help of Pat Dillon from the firm of Southwest Consultants, to apply for grant funds from the Texas Community Development Program. "Over the years, Muenster has typically taken care of things on their own. I will do my best to convince them that Muenster deserves the grant," said Dillon. "You're going to need help to satisfy TNRCC's expensive requirements." The city will apply for \$250,000.00 in grant funds and if awarded, will have to match \$73,000.00 in municipal funds. The water treatment project includes upgrades which would increase the sewer plant capacity and a chlorination system which would eliminate

the need for lagoons. These are necessary now to meet TNRCC standards.

Following the passage of the grant resolution, Bob Bauer addressed the City Council with a prepared statement accompanied by a petition with 77 signatures requesting the council to reassess the zoning change for property near the intersection of Ash Street and Highway 82 made at the June City Council meeting. Bauer's statement follows:

"Sand and gravel yards are very valuable businesses to a community, but are not appropriate in any and every location.

"Question: Would you want one on the lot next to you or across from the main entrance to your development?"

"The impact on Muenster of this zoning change offers up the following:

1. An almost certain loss of revenue to the City of Muenster due to a decrease in the retail value of the residential property surrounding this I-1 Zoning.

2. Potential loss of revenue to the city due to reluctance to build next to this type of business.

3. Potential loss of sales tax revenue from people who don't stop in Muenster because of

the lack of attractiveness on entering the city.

4. A step in the wrong direction in our beautification process to attract business to Muenster.

"So:
A. This change affects the existing residential properties with -

B. Visual negatives;
C. Dust, dirt, and noise migration that are inherent in this business;

D. The potential for a decrease in the existing residential values;

E. The potential of being a deterrent to building future residential properties around this type business; and,

F. An increased traffic hazard at the fastest intersection in the city limits, 70 mph, before the intersection.

"I have another question: How long has Muenster regulated the height of residential buildings in town? This zoning change has no height limitation for building on this site.

"So...on behalf of myself, the people of Southtown, and the owners of the surrounding property who have signed this petition, I respectfully offer it with 77 signatures affixed to ask for the zoning to be

changed back to B-1 from the I-1 vote of the last Council meeting.

"I've spoken to Ray Wimmer and he is merely trying to sell property. I've spoken to Matt Sicking and he is merely trying to expand his business by buying property.

"Now I'm speaking to this honorable City Council. You hold in your hands the future of Muenster. As you vote, so goes the City."

Mayor Henry Weinzapfel said he understands it is of serious concern, but the council would not take any action on it tonight. Bauer said he intends to continue to collect signatures to the petition and gain support from the public, while hoping he doesn't run out of time to reverse the zoning change.

In other discussion or action by the council:

- The council approved the

appraised price of \$7,000.00 for Hickory Street right-of-way adjacent to the Sacred Heart Cemetery to sell the property to Sacred Heart Parish for inclusion in the cemetery.

- The council approved extension of the city water line to property owners on North FM 373 at a shared cost yet to be determined.

- The council approved a resolution recognizing the

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MISD hires new principal

The Muenster ISD Board of trustees hired a new principal last week Tuesday to replace James Hopper who resigned last month.

Philip Louis Newton, a Gainesville native, will take the position of Muenster High and Junior High Principal beginning immediately, announce Muenster superintendent Clyde Steelman.

The area of most concern in the selection from approximately 20 applicants, was instruction. "We felt he had a strong curriculum and ULL area background - a plus in his favor," noted Steelman. Also Newton is known to have



Philip Newton

Hopper's plans for a memorial-meditation area in honor of deceased former students.

Newton hopes his leadership and organizational skills will be utilized to create a positive learning environment for all students and a positive working environment for all staff members.

Newton is a 1969 graduate of Gainesville High School and a 1971 graduate of Cooke County Junior College. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1974 from East Texas State University, later graduating from the University of North Texas in 1984 with a Masters in Education.

In 1974, Newton began his teaching career in the Brazosort ISD at Clute Middle School. He returned to Gainesville teaching at the State School in 1975-1977, then Gainesville ISD from 1977-1980, and again in 1983.

Newton worked several See NEWTON, pg 2



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Lake project enters design phase

by Don Rohmer, Muenster Documentation Services, Inc. (MDS)

The Board of Directors of the Muenster Water District held a special meeting on Thursday, June 22, with an agenda that featured a proposed mitigation plan by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). NRCS representatives explained that the proposed plan, to protect the natural habitat affected by the new Muenster Lake, was similar to plans used in the past, and that NRCS would assist in obtaining the approval of the other regulatory agencies involved. The meeting marked the beginning of a new phase in the lake's development. Board president Bob Bauer remarked that the last parcel of land needed for the project has been purchased, and the board is now ready to proceed with the design phase. He added that purchase of the final parcel of land had been delayed while the owner completed soil remediation in an area known as the "Koch

pig station." (The colorful name refers to a device called a "pig" which was forced through sections of pipe to clean them.)

The proposed mitigation plan calls for specific types of vegetation in designated areas around the lake (see the adjacent map). A fence will run along the "fee simple boundary." In addition to performing design work, NRCS (formerly the Soil Conservation Service) is sharing the expense of the lake project. The agency is paying 34% of the cost of the land, 64% of the cost of the dam, and 50% of the cost of the park. The \$9 million construction project will result in a lake 1.79 miles long, with a width of 0.85 mile at its widest point. The 418 available surface acres will be sufficient to supply Muenster's water needs for an estimated 1 to 1-1/4 years with no rainfall. The board hopes to begin accepting bids by the second quarter of next year.

Budget workshop tops NCTC regents June agenda

An in-depth look at the proposed budget for 2000-2001 topped the agenda at the regular June meeting of the North Central Texas College Board of Regents. The regents will not actually approve the budget and officially set the

tax rate, however, until their August meeting. As proposed, NCTC's first full-year budget of the new millennium totals \$17,101,697. "This is some \$882,500 above last year's total," the regents were told by Dr.

Ronnie Glasscock, president, "which amounts to only a 5.4 percent increase. We consider that to be remarkably modest considering the fact that our latest enrollment figures show a growth percentage almost three times that amount."

Dr. Glasscock also reminded the regents that last year's budget included only about eight months' worth of operational expenses for two new campuses which opened mid-academic year this past January.

Dr. Glasscock commented that projected increases in countywide valuations could bode well for NCTC and for county taxpayers even with the gap again widening in the coming year between projected tax revenues and the cost of operating "a seriously aging physical plant of a design and spread out configuration that is expensive to maintain."

He said the amount of increase in taxes necessary to significantly close this gap could be almost negligible due to the expected increase in valuations. In fact, there is even the likelihood of a slight reduction in the college's tax rate - although, technically, taxes may "increase" because higher valuations would result in more dollars being collected.

The numbers needed to make the final determination on the college tax rate, however, have yet to be received from the Cooke County Appraisal District. Therefore, the tax rate and final adoption of NCTC's proposed budget for 2000-2001 will take place at the regents' August meeting, preceded by a public hearing.

In other business at the June meeting, the NCTC regents:

- Heard a report on first summer term enrollment which shows headcount system-wide to be up by some 21 percent over summer 1999, including an increase at the Gainesville Campus, prompting college officials to say that opening the new campuses at Corinth and Bowie apparently have not adversely affected enrollment at the home campus and may, in fact, have had a positive impact.

- Unanimously voted to name the existing dormitory, for years designated simply as the "residence hall," as Bonner Hall in honor of the late W.T. Bonner.

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Muenster Economic Development Group. (See resolution on page 2). MEDG vice-chairman Robert Weinzapfel and group member Carl Alford demonstrated the Internet web site that the group is developing.

- A bid to sell a new police car was received from Klement Ford of Muenster for \$20,269.00. The bid was tabled to negotiate the trade-in of the current 1990 model police car.

- Fire chief Herbie Knabe and fireman Bert Walterscheid discussed plans with the council for needed renovations of the fire station. Repairs are also needed around City Hall and may be included. Most of the cost of the enlargement and repairs should be covered with the proceeds of selling the property previously occupied by the Muenster Museum at the intersection of Oak Street and Third Street. Councilmen Stan Endres and Troy Sicking are in charge of the project.

- Monthly bills totaling \$54,528.94 were approved for payment.

From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

BUY SOME GAS, BOMB A VILLAGE

by Charles Smith submitted by Ed Cler

Every time you fill your gas tank, you are helping Russia buy a nuclear missile. Bill Clinton is trying to leave a legacy, and Al Gore is trying to get elected. The combination of Bill and Al has raised world oil price, to finance a new round of the arms race.

In the May 9 article titled "Clinton approves oil-price hikes" on Clinton energy policy and nation security, Vice President Al Gore is incorrectly quoted as saying, "I think the reason is because we more or less asked the organization of petroleum producing countries to raise oil prices in helping Russia develop its economy."

According to a transcript of the event, Sen. Bill Bradley made the statement in answer to a question from Bernard Shaw. The detailed transcript of answers from both Bradley and Gore sheds light on Clinton's oil diplomacy and its deadly results:

SHAW: Now, Sen. Bradley, for you, an Internet question from CNN.com: We sent our armed forces to the Persian Gulf in 1991 to return a country to its owners. Now we see higher gas prices. What will you do to insure this does not happen again?

BRADLEY: Well I can't quite tell what the question means. In 1991, we did fight the Persian Gulf War. We did win. And now gas prices are very high - the highest they've been. And I think the reason they're high now is because we more or less asked OPEC to raise oil prices in hopes of helping Russia be able to sell its oil on the international market, make more foreign exchange and be able to develop its economy. I think that now in California and across this country, oil prices are skyrocketing and we need action. Frankly, we needed action about six months ago. We needed to release the oil from the strategic petroleum reserve, something I built from 10 million barrels to 57 - or 10 days of supply to 57 days of supply. But more importantly, we need to go to Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, those countries that we defended in the Gulf War, and need to tell them to increase their oil production. We, needed to tell them to increase their oil production six months ago in order to prevent the price increases that

SHAW: Time. BRADLEY: -- that we're now experiencing. GORE: Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson just completed a tour of the Middle East and we have been in communication, in this administration, with the OPEC countries and frankly, Kuwait, which was freed from Iraqi domination during the Persian Gulf War, has responded very positively. And if you've been reading the public signals from Saudi Arabia, they have too. But frankly, we can get much more done on this the less we talk about it in public. One thing we haven't done is take the strategic petroleum reserve off the table. I also worked on that legislation. I was in the House of Representatives at the time while Bill was in the Senate in those years. Now, we also need to get busy and develop alternative fuels. More energy efficiency. A whole new generation of vehicles that will rely on technologies like fuel cells to cut way down on the pollution and have much more efficiency.

Clearly, Gore's oil reply centers on the recent trip by Energy Secretary Richardson to the Middle East. According to a Washington Post article, U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson visited Saudi Arabia in February 1999 when prices were at their lowest. Richardson reportedly pressed Saudi Oil Minister Ali Naimi on the "oversupplied market" and expressed concern about "extreme price volatility." Former Saudi minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani told a Houston oil conference that Richardson had "saved the oil industry," during that visit, because his "intervention" had "persuaded" the Saudis to change, policy by raising prices. After Richardson's visit, petroleum intelligence Weekly, an industry newsletter, quoted Saudi officials as wanting "a WTI (West Texas Intermediate) price of \$18 to \$20 as soon as possible." (WTI is the benchmark grade of crude oil used to gauge market prices.) Hamilton noted that the Clinton administration, unable to assist Moscow directly because of the corruption inside Russia, quietly used the oil diplomacy to supply Russia increased energy profits. The Russian profits, however, came from Iraq and were sent to finance the war in Chechnya. "In a move seen as a reward to Russia for advocating an end to U.N. sanctions, Iraq issued new export allocations that heavily favored Russian trading companies. Thus, Russia profited both from the rise in oil prices and from expanding Iraqi production," stated Hamilton in the Post article. "The run-up in price has had other unanticipated effects. It made the Chechnya war affordable for Russia. And it is beginning to cripple the Asian recovery from the market crash of 1997-98," concluded Hamilton.

The oil, money and war combination is also a direct threat to American national security. More money for Moscow does not necessarily equal better relations. Russia, despite a crippled economy and rampant corruption, has found that the new oil profits can buy the very expensive SS-27 Topol missile.

Russian State Duma Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Vladimir Lukin told Moskovsky Komsomolets that Russia's security would not be weakened by lack of money. In an October 1999 speech carried by Radio Liberty, Lukin said, "Russia will be able to compete with U.S. space defense systems or will begin installing multiple warheads on the Topol (SS-27)." Lukin commented that the Russians would simply "chum" out more missiles. Lukin stated that such a build-up would be expensive, but not that expensive. "The deployment of Russian SS-27 Topol missiles is listed incorrectly in the article 'Clinton plans to reduce nukes by half' published on May 12. The article states that Russia has SS-27 missiles in the

"Sakarov" area south of Moscow. Defense sources show that two Topol-M regiments are deployed around Tatischevo in the "Saratov" region, replacing 20 older SS-19 missiles located at a military site 450 miles southeast of Moscow. The SS-27 can deliver up to 10 small nuclear warheads against America, or can be armed with a single massive H-bomb developed by the Russian Ministry of Atomic or "MINATOM" Arzamas-16 site. According to Russian weapons engineers, the new SS 27 warhead has an explosive force equal to over half a million tons of TNT. In 1995 and 1996, Arzamas-16 illegally obtained U.S.-made IBM super-computers exported again with Clinton administration approval. The super-computers were exported directly to the Russian weapons lab, using false commercial and non-military contracts. IBM pled guilty to the illegal export and paid an \$8.5 million fine for the illegal sale.

In October 1999, the New York Times reported the Clinton administration had forgiven the Russians for the illegal purchase of the IBM super-computers. Ironically, the event involved a visit by Energy Secretary Bill Richardson. The Times reports: "The 16 computers, now fully licensed and operational, will be on display as part of the 'open computing center' that the American energy secretary, Bill Richardson, is to inaugurate the lab that developed Russia's hydrogen bomb. The center is a joint project of the Energy Department and Minatom, the Russian Ministry of Atomic Energy, to which Washington contributed \$2.3 million. It is intended to help find jobs outside the weapons industry for thousands of scientists, engineers and technicians at this remote, still largely closed nuclear city and its premier lab." Russia, however, was able to find paying jobs for its nuclear weapons engineers. Russia has also sold the SS-27 design to China for hard cold cash.

In October 1999, China announced a successful computer-aided test of their version of the SS-27 missile under the designation "Dong Feng" (East Wind) DF-41. The DF-41 will most likely be armed with three Chinese nuclear warheads, designed with the aid of stolen U.S. nuclear secrets. China reportedly plans to begin flight testing of the DF - 41 starting in 2001. Soon, more nuclear warheads will be pointed at American cities.

The deadly game of Clinton diplomacy, a combination of oil, money and nukes, has spread like a slick across the globe. The U.S. public is financing the corrupt regime in Russia, a war in Chechnya and nuclear tipped Russian missiles pointed at America. To read more articles like this one, visit <http://www.worldnetdaily.com/>

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years at Relaxo-Bak, Inc. and at National Supply Co./National Oilwell before returning to teaching in 1992 in the Allen School District.

In 1995 he was employed by Athens ISD as a middle school assistant principal. Newton returned to Cooke County in 1998 to Callisburg as a middle school science and history teacher.

Philip Newton, his wife Mary Beth, and children Bret, age 18 and Cassie, age 15,

reside in Gainesville. Bret, a graduate of Gainesville High School will be attending East Texas in the fall. Newton's hobbies include golf, swimming, and attending the band concerts and athletic contests of his children. He has been active in First United Methodist Church activities, the Cooke County American Heart Association, Lions Clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, and various PTA units.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

As you may have read in a previous Enterprise article. On June 5, a newly formed group, the Muenster Economic Development Group introduced itself to the City Council. The mission of the group is to encourage new businesses (good businesses) to locate in Muenster. As strong as the North Texas economy is, growth beyond the Dallas-Fort Worth-Denton triangle will occur. This group feels that it is important that Muenster prepare for that growth and make efforts to appeal to the better segments of the new businesses that may be searching for location sites in more rural settings.

Economic Development also means insuring that Muenster remains a good, clean and well kept city - retains the deep German heritage it has - and


continues to improve the quality of life for its current and future residents.

The group also plans to be beneficial to Muenster's existing businesses by developing new business and revenue enhancements via promoting tourism to Muenster by introducing e-commerce opportunities to those interested.


The group will keep the residents of Muenster advised of its projects, priorities and progress occasionally as needed. It is in the best interest of those who live, work or own businesses in Muenster and the surrounding area that the city grow in a well planned and healthy manner, not only for ourselves, but also for those who follow us.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, July 9, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, 1 to 4 pm	Monday, July 10, 2000 VFW meeting, 8:00 pm	Tuesday, July 11, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, July 12, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, 7:30 am, The Center Restaurant	Thursday, July 13, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm Grief Support Seminar, 6-8pm, Home Hospice Office	Friday, July 14, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm	Saturday, July 15, 2000 St. Francis Golf Tournament Turtle Hill Golf Course
Sacred Heart Cheerleading Camp, 9 am to noon						
Sunday, July 16, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, 1 to 4 pm	Monday, July 17, 2000 VFW Auxiliary meeting, 8:00 pm	Tuesday, July 18, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MMH Board meeting, 8:00 pm	Wednesday, July 19, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7 pm	Thursday, July 20, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm Grief Support Seminar, 6-8 pm, Home Hospice Office	Friday, July 21, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm	Saturday, July 22, 2000 Alois Hoeng Family Reunion, 3 pm., Conrad Hall, Lindsay

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OBITUARIES

Felix Kozaczka 1920 - 2000

Felix Kozaczka, a resident of Lake Kiowa, died June 20, 2000 in Denton Community Hospital.

Memorial service was held on June 24 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Gainesville, officiated by Fr. Reinhard Sternemann, OSA, pastor. Burial was directed by Clement-Keel Funeral Home and held later at Dallas - Fort Worth National Cemetery, with Military Honors.

Pallbearers were Jeff Rowland, Jack Lawrence, Don Westfall, Wayne Kyle, Jonathan Rutherford, Robert Boone, Zachary Zielinski, and Bob Kalina.

Felix Kozaczka was born on Aug. 30, 1920 in New Bedford, Massachusetts, the second of three sons of immigrant Polish parents. He graduated from

New Bedford High School in 1938. When W.W.II began he was a supervisor at a Goodyear Assembly Plant. Entering the Army as a private in 1942, he graduated from flying school on Oct. 1, 1943 and was assigned to a P-51 Mustang fighter group in England. After 70 combat missions, including participation in the Normandy invasion, he came home on leave in August 1944, but returned to continue flying combat sorties in support of Patton's Third U.S. Army.

Assigned to the 10th Armored Division during the Battle of the Bulge as a Forward Air Controller, he was wounded by artillery fire, but returned to combat flying until the war ended. He flew a total of 106 combat missions,

and was credited with three confirmed air-to-air victories.

He married Yvonne Goulet in July 1945 and remained in the Air Force community until his retirement in the grade of Colonel in 1968. Their travels took them all over Europe, and for a brief stay in Japan, after he served in the Korean War. His most rewarding assignment was as a jet fighter squadron commander in France in the 1950s, where their youngest daughter was born. His final assignment was on the Air Staff in the Pentagon, where he was Chief, Fighter Analysis Division.

Upon retirement he joined RAND, a non-profit research center in Santa Monica, California where he worked for 23 years, until he and his wife moved to Lake Kiowa in 1991. While in Cooke County, Felix Kozaczka was active in the Republican Party, a regular contributor to the *Gainesville Daily Register*, and an occasional writer of "Letters to the Editor" to the *Muenster Enterprise*. He was also involved in St. Mary's Catholic Church activities. His autobiography *Only In The USA* was published in 1993.

His military awards include the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with 15 Oak Leaf Clusters (in lieu of additional Air Medals), Bronze Star Medal with cluster, Army Commendation Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with cluster, and the Purple Heart. His oft-stated credo was "Duty, Honor, Country!"

Survivors are his wife, Yvonne of Lake Kiowa, five daughters, seven granddaughters, four grandsons, and one great-granddaughter. Also one brother and sister-in-law.

For friends who have asked, the family has suggested memorials to Gainesville Home Hospice.

Rev. Fr. William dies in India

Friends in Muenster have been notified of the death of Rev. Fr. William of the diocese of Coimbatore, India. He died on Sunday, July 2, 2000 as he was preparing for Mass. He celebrated his golden jubilee as a priest in January, 1998. Burial on Monday, July 3 was in the Catholic Cemetery in Coimbatore.

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11 years newer than what we have." Werner Becker Jr. said, "It looks to me like it's something that we really need to have. It's a more up to date scanner."

The Board was unanimous in voting to accept the unit lease, buy the laser camera, power injector, pay the remodeling and moving expense.

Another unanimous decision was to approve a resolution authorizing the administrator to apply for a grant through the Center for Rural Health Initiatives. If the grant is approved it will not require a repayment since it is for \$50,000 or less. He hopes to use it to purchase a new phone system.

Endres reported that he, Don Flusche, and Chas Bayer had attended a meeting on May 24 of the GMH Planning Committee to provide input on the selection of a construction manager. Six or seven construction firms were reviewed. Gainesville selected the firm of Robinson-Morton which is based in Birmingham, Alabama. "Ninety percent of its projects are health care related," related Endres. "Ninety five percent of its projects have come in under budget and it was rated either this year or last year by *Health Care Magazine* as the number one health care contractor in the United States. They are an extremely good firm. CRA and Robinson-Morton did a project in Alamogordo, New Mexico and that project was rated the number one new hospital design in the United States whenever that was built a few years ago."

On June 6 there was a planning committee meeting that the Muenster Board representatives attended. The purpose was to recommend who to hire as project manager for the hospital building project. Endres said a project manager's role is to act as the owner's representative to arbitrate fights between the construction company and the architecture firm. "A lot of times if the construction manager is who you have running it, then you may not get the best outcome for you," he explained. "So this guy basically shepherds those two and makes sure that they don't get too cozy with each other and that they stay on the up and up and kind of do what nobody around here would have the expertise nor the time to do. That's just to look over their shoulder every minute and make sure that things are done right and if there's a problem, he'll decide whose problem it is and who's going to pay for it so it doesn't wind up on GMH's bill." Don Flusche added, "Another thing I like about the deal is they're going to use all the local subcontractors that are qualified to do it. If they're not qualified to do the entire project, they're going to break out segments of the project for anybody local that wants to bid on the job so they can get an opportunity to get in there and get some of that work."

Also on the merger Endres said, "The interlocal agreement is just sitting out there. We may or may not go further with that." A meeting was held with three representatives from GMH to try to iron out some of the problems. "I don't know if we're going to proceed with the interlocal or not," Endres continued. "One of the ideas that's been proposed is just to go forward with the enabling legislation and merge first. ... There are still issues that are going to have to be addressed. I know they are talking about them at their board meeting tonight trying to decide what they're going to do with respect

to certain issues." The agenda item for consideration and possible action on amendments of enabling legislation to authorize both a merge of the hospital districts and creation of Cooke County Hospital District, was tabled.

There are three parts of the enabling legislation, explained Endres. "The third part is actually of the new enabling legislation that would govern the operation of the Cooke County Hospital District," he said. "So those terms are being worked out looking at the initial board of directors that would have to be appointed on the initial hospital district board. Just likewhenver this district was formed, there was a slate of nine people who were selected and put on there until the general election came about. It's the same thing we have to do here. We have to come up with nine people on that"

The appointed members could serve as short a time as a month or as long as a year. This depends on the election timetable. Elections are the first Saturday in May.

Included will be a provision that requires the Cooke County Hospital District to maintain minimum levels of service in Muenster. "It goes through physician offices, staff, outpatient medical care, comprehensive laboratory, radiology services which includes CT, ultrasound," Endres told the Board that as soon as there was something set that wouldn't change, he'd give it to them to study.

MMH was recently inspected by a surveyor for recertification as a Level IV Trauma facility. Endres praised Trauma Coordinator Pat Wimmer for her outstanding accomplishments as the coordinator. "We sailed through with flying colors. She's done an incredible job," said Endres. No deficiencies were found. They now await word from TDH in Austin for the final results.

The annual picnic for hospital employees and board members and their families is set for July 22 in the Muenster Park.

It was voted to hold the July, August, and September meetings at 8 p.m. It was also agreed to change the July meeting from the fourth week to the third week. It is now set for July 18 at 8 p.m.

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Silvano Vega cuts the ribbon to officially open Dos Amigos Mexican Restaurant, Hwy. 82 in Muenster. Participating in the ceremony included, from left, Dan Hamric, Henry Weinzapfel, Marie Perez, Viviana Barrios, Silvano Vega, Melanie Hellman, Valente Vega, Patricia Vasquez, Margie Starke, and Annette Walterscheid.

Alzheimer's Association and Area Agency on Aging of Texoma present conference for caregivers

"Compassion in Action - A Conference For Caregivers" will be held on Tuesday, July 25, in the Work Force Development Auditorium at Grayson County College in Denison, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Designed especially for family and professional caregivers of people with Alzheimer's disease, the Conference will also be beneficial to anyone who is responsible for the care of someone with any illness or disability.

Presented by the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Dallas Chapter, whose service area includes Fannin, Grayson, and Cooke counties, and the Area Agency on Aging of Texoma, the event will feature highly regarded speakers and authorities,

along with a wide array of exhibits and demonstrations. Judith L. Warren, Ph.D., will address ways caregivers can lessen stress, how to better cope with the situation at hand and why it is so important for caregivers to take care of themselves as well as their patients. An overview of Alzheimer's disease, diagnosis and treatments, will be presented by Easwar M. Sundaram, M.D., Sandra Thull, Psy.D., will speak on family relationships and ways to work together in the best interest of the patient.

In addition to the speakers and exhibits, complimentary memory screenings will be available for those interested. The screenings are not a diagnosis, but will provide participants with possible

signs to be further evaluated by a physician. Plus, caregivers can enjoy a little pampering with manicures and facials provided free of charge by Grayson County College cosmetology students.

Continuing Education Units will be offered for social workers, nurses, and licensed nursing facility administrators. Eisai, Pfizer and Community Medical Center Sherman are Conference sponsors.

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Lifestyle

Patterson, Fuhrman marry in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church



Mrs. Gene Fuhrman
...nee Kaylynn Patterson ...

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Fuhrman will be at home in Denton when they return from their wedding trip to Disney World in Orlando, Florida. They were married Saturday, June 24, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. in double ring rites in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Denton.

The bride is the former Kaylynn Patterson of Plano, daughter of Ken and Elyn Patterson of Lubbock. She is a graduate of Texas Tech University and is the granddaughter of James Patterson and Edith Breeding. She is employed by The Container Store Distribution Center.

The groom is the son of Alvin and Gracie Fuhrman. He graduated from the University of North Texas and is employed by Nortex Communications Co. in Muenster.

The double ring Nuptial Mass was officiated by Father Mel Bessellieu. Tony Koesler, friend of the couple was Mass server. The first reading was given by the bride's uncle, Dr. Bruce Breeding of Plano. The second reading was given by Brenda Clark of Lindsay, cousin of the groom. The Petitions were read by Bernice

Spaeth of Gainesville, a cousin of the groom. Jerry and Carolyn Fuhrman of Houston, the groom's uncle and aunt presented the Offertory gifts of bread and wine. Eucharistic Ministers were Kyla Henschel of Muenster and Francine Walterscheid of Muenster, friends of the couple.

Wedding music provided by Mark Arthur and the Delphi String Quartet included Prelude Music "Passacale" by Handel, "La Rejouissance" by Handel, "Canon in D" by Pachelbel, "Air" by Handel, and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach. When the bridesmaids entered, the quartet played the "Trumpet Tune" by Purcell, and when the bride entered they played "Prince of Denmark's March."

Other music was "On Eagles Wings" and "God Is Love." The recessional music was "Hallelujah Chorus" by Handel and "Rondeau" by Mouret. Christine Cooper of Lubbock, friend of the bride, sang the "Ave Maria" in Latin during the Offertory. Kay Fuhrman of Fort Worth, aunt of the groom, led the singing during Mass. During the lighting of the Unity Candle "Bouree" by Handel was played by the

quartet. Presented by her father, Ken Patterson, the bride was wearing a formal gown with a sweetheart neckline, a princess style bodice and a full-length train with Battenburg lace and pearls. She wore her mother's veil that was purchased in Brussels, Belgium. It was made of Belgium lace in a mantilla style. Her bridal bouquet consisted of white roses and long-stem starburst lilies. For "something old" she wore a pearl necklace belonging to her aunt, the late Elise Miller. For "something borrowed" she wore her late maternal grandmother's blue sapphire dinner ring. "Something blue" was a blue garter.

ATTENDANTS

Kendra Patterson of Andrews, sister of the bride was maid of honor. Julie Washburn of Enid, Oklahoma, friend of the bride, was bridesmaid. They wore seafam green long dresses with a sweetheart neckline and empire waist. They carried long-stem starburst lilies.

Rhianne Brown of Andrews, niece of the bride was flower girl. Her ballerina length dress was pink satin and pink

organza over pink lace. She wore a wreath of flowers on her head.

Mark Johnson of Bedford, friend of the couple was best man. Brian Bearden of Houston, friend of the couple was groomsman. Matthew Johnson of Bedford, friend of the couple was ring bearer.

Ushers were Keith Patterson of Odessa, brother of the bride, Kevin Patterson of Plano, brother of the bride, Jamie Moster of Richardson, friend of the groom, and Troy Wolf of Denton, friend of the groom.

RECEPTION

The reception hosted by Ken and Elyn Patterson was held in the Silver Eagle Room at the University of North Texas. About 190 guests attended. Kathy Dafick of Fort Worth, cousin of the groom, presided at the guest book. The bride and groom cakes were baked by "The Candy Haven." Barry Otts provided the music for the dance.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents, Alvin and Gracie Fuhrman. It was held at the Radisson Hotel in Denton. Each table held a beautiful floral arrangement created by Sylvia's Flowers and were given away after the meal.

New radiologist brings latest viewing technology to North Texas

Many of you have probably heard the expression - "Boys love their toys" and, certainly, Cooke County's newest physician, radiologist L.W. (Andy) Beville, M.D., is no exception.

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Featured in the April 2000 edition of *Family Circle* magazine, in an article entitled "X-ray Expose - How to Avoid Diagnostic Mistakes," SmartLight imaging systems were approved by the FDA last year. According to the article, SmartLight's new technology for viewing x-rays may make it easier for radiologists to diagnose disease.

"We're working with shadows, and it's difficult to

see things in shadows," said Leonard Berlin, M.D., chair of the radiology department at Rush North Shore Medical Center in Skokie, Illinois, and professor of radiology at Rush Medical College in Chicago. In the *Family Circle* article, Dr. Berlin cited a study indicating that radiologists miss 17 to 63 percent of breast cancers that are visible on x-rays. Another study cited found that "perceptual misses" by radiologists account for some 60 percent of diagnostic errors in radiology.

The enhanced viewing provided by SmartLight should improve those statistics. One study found that radiologists were able to see significantly smaller abnormalities on films viewed on a SmartLight than on films viewed on a standard light box.

SmartLights are expensive and there are less than 125 in use nationwide. Some of these are smaller, non-motorized versions. Beville's unit is fully loaded and one of only 54 in the U.S. It is only one of two in Texas. He is often asked to interpret films sent to him from other areas of the country.

"It is so exciting to have this state-of-the-art technology available to our patients," said Gainesville Memorial Hospital administrator Andrew



Radiologist L.W. "Andy" Beville, M.D. demonstrates the latest in x-ray viewing technology - the SmartLight 8000. The SmartLight features enhanced viewing of x-ray films, increasing diagnostic accuracy.

Anderson. "The statement that this makes about Dr. Beville and his pursuit of excellence in healthcare is indisputable. It was a significant personal investment on his part to purchase this equipment, and we are fortunate to be able to benefit from having it here."

Cooke County residents will have an opportunity to meet Dr. Beville and view the SmartLight technology during

an Open House and Reception planned for Sunday, July 16, at Gainesville Memorial Hospital. The event is scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. and the public is urged to attend. Call 940-612-4641 for information.

Copies of the *Family Circle* article are available in the radiology department at GMH.

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New Arrivals

Dangelmayr

Darrell and Amy Dangelmayr of Muenster announce with joy the birth of their first child, a daughter, Natalie Rose, in Denton Regional Hospital on June 27, 2000 at 6:33 a.m., weighing 6 lb. 13 oz. and measuring 19 inches in length. Grandparents are Steve and Marla Fette and Paul and Patsy Dangelmayr. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Steve Grewing and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Klement.

Forgey

Chris and Deidra Forgey of Dallas are proud to announce the birth of their second son, Jett Lee Forgey, on May 31, 2000, weighing 8 lb. 11 oz. He joins 4 1/2 year old Triston Forgey. Grandparents are David and Olivia "Ollie" Forgey and Warren and Sheri Hoekstra. Jett Lee is a namesake of his late great-grandfather, Lee Haverkamp. The late great-grandmother is Mary Haverkamp, all of Muenster.

Lloyd Reiter earns graduate degree

Lloyd Reiter received his graduate degree from Southern Methodist University on June 9, 2000. He attended Southwestern Graduate School of Banking for the past three years at SMU. It is part of the Edwin L. Cox School of Business, which was begun in 1957, and is ranked by *Business Week* and other educational authorities as one of the top business schools in the country.

Graduation was held during an afternoon ceremony at SMU. That evening, a dinner and dance were held at the Grand Ballroom of the Renaissance Hotel in Dallas for the fifty-two graduates and their spouses.

Lloyd is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and has been in banking for 18 years. After graduating from University of North Texas with his bachelor's degree in banking and finance, Lloyd began his career at Guaranty National Bank in Gainesville where he was employed for six years. From there, he moved to Decatur and was branch manager of the Rhine branch of Continental State Bank of Boyd for three years before



Lloyd Reiter

becoming president and CEO of First Bank & Trust in Springtown, Texas.

In February, 1997, Lloyd made the decision to return home to Cooke County. He is a vice president and loan officer at The First State Bank of Gainesville at the downtown location.

Lloyd is the son of Wilfred and Polly Reiter of Muenster. He and his wife Mary and their four children reside in Lindsay.



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Greathouse, Chambless exchange double ring vows

by Elfreda Fette
Robin Greathouse of Dallas became the bride of Micah Chambless of Dallas on June 3, 2000. Their wedding was held in All Saints Catholic Church of Dallas, with traditional double ring vows, officiated by Deacon Vince Bethea of All Saints Parish at 7:30 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Bob and Jeanne Greathouse of Saint Jo, attended Sacred Heart Schools in Muenster, and graduated from Texas A&M University in 1995. She is a Medical Recruiter employed as a Staffing Manager for Compforce, Inc. of Dallas.

The groom is the son of Larry and Lou Chambless of Canton, Texas. He is a graduate of Grand Saline High School, and a 1994 graduate of Tyler Junior College; served four years in the U.S. Air Force, and is a Technical Recruiter employed by Adecco, Inc. in Dallas.

Presented by her father, Bob Greathouse, the bride wore an elegant wedding gown designed with embroidered cut lace bodice with cap sleeves and sweetheart neckline. The skirt of three layers of tulle over satin was enhanced with a detachable train of layers of tulle overlaid with



Mrs. Micah Daniel Chambless ...nee Robin Greathouse...

embroidered cut lace. Her waist length veil of layered tulle was held by a crown of lace flowers and pearls. For sentiment she had a birthdate penny in her shoe.

Angie Reid of Canton, friend of the bride was maid of honor. Charla Reeves of Lewisville, college friend of the bride, and Teresa Greathouse of Saint Jo, bride's sister were bridesmaids. They wore floor-

length gowns of deep sage green. Bodices were embroidered cut lace, with cap sleeves and empire waists over crepe skirts. They carried hot pink rosebuds, miniature white rose buds, deep purple liatris with greenery and white baby's breath.

Larry Chambless of Canton, father of the groom was best man.

Craig Chavez of Tyler, high school friend of the groom and Kent Chambless of Canton, groom's brother were groomsmen.

Tommy Davis of McKinney, groom's brother-in-law, Tommy Greathouse of Austin, bride's brother, and Michael Stephenson of Canton, friend of the groom were ushers.

Liturgical Readings were given by Chris Bedowitz of Denver, Colorado, bride's cousin, Joseph Bedowitz of Flagstaff, Arizona, bride's cousin, and Tommy Greathouse of Austin, bride's brother.

Wedding music was presented by the organist and vocalists of All Saints Catholic Church, including Lucia A. Welch, soloist. Selections included the traditional bridal march and recessional hymn, and "Ave Maria" and "The Lord's Prayer." Church decorations included

pew bows and floral arrangements of pink and white roses, lilies, babies breath and stephanotis. A floral arrangement surrounded the unity candle. Five 20-candle candelabras, and floral altar arrangements were included.

RECEPTION
A formal reception was held in the fellowship hall and atrium of All Saints Catholic Church in Dallas, hosted by parents of the bride. A splendid buffet was served to 180 guests. The buffet table was decorated with a centerpiece of roses, liatris, stephanotis, star jasmine, journey's end and lilies. Guest tables held mirror tiles, rose bowls and votive candles.

Emma Mitchell and Maria Mitchell, cousin and aunt of the bride presided at the guest book. The registry held the

wedding portrait, an arrangement of roses, lilies and lilacs.

The seven-layered white chocolate liquor wedding cake, frosted in white was decorated with white rosebuds and topped with a Hummel figurine.

Reception assistants were Amy Hale and Jennifer Barteo of Monterey, California, college friends of the bride and reception coordinators. Roxanne and Myriam Lozano of Saint Jo served wedding cake.

The rehearsal dinner was held at Tony Roma's of Dallas, hosted by Larry and Lou Chambless, parents of the groom. The menu featured a varied bountiful theme.

When the bride and groom return from a wedding trip to Seldovia, Alaska, they will make their home in Dallas.

Deadline nears for the 2000 Leadership Scholarship Program

The application deadline for the 2000 Leadership Scholarship Program, sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance, is July 11. The program will award ten \$500 scholarships to Catholic Life Insurance members who are full time students at private or public colleges or universities.

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Interested individuals may call the Catholic Life Insurance Department at 210-828-9921 for an application form. Application materials must be post-marked by July 11, 2000.



Heather Gebman is honor graduate

Heather Gebman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Gebman of Santa Monica, California and granddaughter of Pat and Alice Hennigan of Muenster is a graduate of Santa Monica High School, earning high honors. The Hennigans flew to attend the celebrations on the new Legend Airline out of Love Field, and were guests of their daughter, Sheila and family.

Heather Gebman is the youngest of the three Gebman children. Her graduation was held on June 22, 2000, at 5:30 p.m. in the school's Greek Amphitheater. There were 730 graduates. In addition to the honor cap and gown, Heather wore a special medallion that had been presented earlier for Outstanding Service. Only 100 students received this honor.

During her four years at Santa Monica High School, she played the flute and piccolo in their award-winning marching band. She also played in the concert orchestra, and sang in the school choir. In her junior and senior years she also played in the Wind Ensemble. Heather has played the flute for nine years. Among her other musical talents are knowledge and ability in keyboard, violin, clarinet, guitar, and trumpet. While in the marching band she served as section leader.

She also helped raise \$45,000 for the band to buy new uniforms which covered half the necessary monies. In her senior year she was awarded the Neil and Lorraine Hoffman Outstanding Service Award for her performance in Band. In October Heather was named by the *Los Angeles Times* as one of 101 most remarkable children. The article included her photo and achievements. She was also a nominee for the prestigious Bonozo Girl Service Award.

After the graduation ceremony the family members in attendance were treated to



Heather Gebman

a dinner at the "Warehouse" Restaurant in Marina Del Rey.

Later on in the evening the graduates had an all-night chaperoned party on campus with the D.J.s, Rides and Entertainment. It closed with an early morning bonfire and breakfast, when diplomas were presented.

Also attending Heather's graduation was her older brother Ryan of San Diego. He graduated from San Diego State University on May 27, 2000, with a degree in Civil Engineering, and is working in San Diego and attending graduate school at SDSU.

Unable to attend was her brother Michael who was attending the National Concrete Canoe Competition in Denver, Colorado with former school-mates from the University of California - Davis. Mike graduated in May 1999 with a degree in Civil Engineering. While at Davis he spent hundreds of hours creating the computer design for the UC Davis Canoe, a program he and his brother Ryan developed over a two year period. The canoe has been used the past two years in competition.

On June 23, Jean Gebman

and son Ryan flew to Denver to join Mike at the National Canoe Competition. Jean and Ryan returned home on Monday, June 26; Mike returned with University of California - Davis students on June 30. Mike is completing his master's degree in Civil Engineering at San Diego State University. Heather also plans to attend SDSU this fall and major in Civil Engineering.

Pat and Alice returned home from an extended visit at 4:15 a.m. Saturday.

Kristan Tucker takes gold

Recently, Kristan Tucker competed in the State UIL Solo and Ensemble competition. The competition was held at Southwest State University in San Marcos. Tucker competed in the piano division of the State UIL Solo and Ensemble competition. She performed "Fantasy in D Minor" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, and received a perfect "one" rating on her performance.

Kristan Tucker is the daughter of Johnny L. and Phyllis Tucker. She will be a junior at Lindsay High School in the fall. Tucker is the student of Dr. Ruth Morrow, Distinguished Piano Chair at Midwestern State University.

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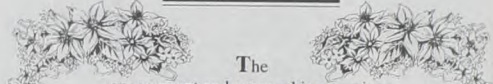
The next performance of the Saint Jo Opry is scheduled for July 8. The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. Special guests include Vernon Wilson and Curtis Wayne, both from Saint Jo and Jerry Reynolds from Forestburg.

A \$2.00 admission is charged, with children 12 and under admitted free. Proceeds from the opry are donated to local and area volunteer Fire/EMS and other non-profit organizations throughout the year.

Butterfield Stage will bring their 20th season to a close with the delightful musical comedy, *Hello Dolly!* Slated for performances on July 13, 14, 15, 27, 28, 29, August 3, 4, 5, at 7:30 p.m. and July 16 at 2:30 p.m. This irresistible Broadway classic celebrates both life and love with its light-hearted score and comedic matchmaking.

Cast in the local production are Nancy Moore as Dolly Levi, Ron DeDoes as Horace Vandergelder, Aurtorio Garcia as Cornelius Hackl, Asad Rahman as Barnaby Tucker, Megan Hennigan as Minnie Fay, along with Chasa Webb, Allen Applegate, Jennie Stiles, Windee Edwards, Tom Chase and a chorus members.

Reservations for the production may be made by calling the theater box office at 665-8152 or visiting the theater at 201 S. Denton, Gainesville. Box office hours are Monday-Friday, 10am to 1pm and 2-4pm.



The engagement and approaching marriage of Victoria Ann Malphurs of Sunnyvale, CA. and Brian Kenneth Blanchard of Sunnyvale, CA. have been announced.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Roger Malphurs of Campbell, CA. and Carolyn Bapat of Sunnyvale. The future groom is the son of William and Gloria Blanchard of Sunnyvale, CA. and the grandson of Mrs. Felix Yosten (Betty) of Muenster. The bride-elect and future-groom have chosen October 14, 2000 for their wedding day, to be held at Mission Santa Clara, officiated by Rev. Ben Manding S.T.D. Miss Malphurs is a 1998 graduate of Fremont High School, and is an Executive Assistant at IBM. Mr. Blanchard holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and Computer Science from Santa Clara University. He is employed as a Software Engineer at IBM.

Attendants in the wedding will be Regina Malphurs, Jodi Natale, Sabrina Adams, Kayla Simon, Kim Mills, Sara Malphurs and Danielle Goddner. Also Adam Glesser, Jacob McCoy, Eric Silver, Kevin Simon, Larry Crenshaw, Charles Chadwick, Darren Malphur and Sam Stewart.

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Sports

Sacred Heart cheerleaders win bid to national championship

The Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleading Squad recently returned from the National Cheerleaders Association Camp held at the University of North Texas in Denton on June 21 - 24. Approximately 500 cheerleaders attended the camp with all of the varsity squads from 1A-4A schools competing against each other.

All of the Sacred Heart cheerleaders were nominated to the NCA All American Team: Dana Miller, Andrea Bauer, Elizabeth Fette, Raney Bauer, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Karen Gehrig, and Kate Sepanski for their jumps; Tiffany Richey for her leadership. Friday evening of camp, all of the nominated cheerleaders performed individually on the Band Field for the All American Award. Many parents and fans were able to attend their performance. They each performed three consecutive jumps, an entrance, and the camp cheer. The All American Award was given to Dana Miller and Andrea Bauer.

Their squad received six blue Superior ribbons for their daily evaluations in which they were judged on cheers and chants learned that day. They performed their home cheer on the first day of camp and received another blue Superior ribbon. The NCA staff presented the squad with certificates for the Stunt Award and the Jump Award. These were presented daily in each evaluation group to the squad that the instructors felt best demonstrated a particular skill technique. During stunt class, they received the Stunt Smart Award because of their excellence in spotting, stunt technique, and team safety.

The Sacred Heart cheerleaders won the NCA Spirit Stick given each day for their outstanding enthusiasm, spirit, and positive attitudes. This award was won four times including the final day in which they were able to bring it home with them.

The squad was elated to win National Championship Bid on their final day of camp. This

award was given to teams who exemplify the best technical skills and cheerleading techniques. They will be able to compete at the NCA National Cheerleading Championship in Dallas this December.

This award has not been received by the Sacred Heart cheerleaders in almost 10 years. They were very proud of their accomplishment.

Sacred Heart cheerleaders were under the supervision of Kathy Bauer and Cheryl Mollenkopf. Cheryl assisted the girls during the entire camp at training sessions and practices. Kathy Bauer also assisted the squad and attended NCA coach training.

The Sacred Heart cheerleaders will be hosting a camp for junior high squads on July 10-12 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at Sacred Heart School. Cheerleaders attending this camp will be taught cheers, chants, stunts, motion techniques, and a dance. The last day of camp will be followed with a hamburger and hot dog lunch and free swimming at the Muenster Pool. For more information, call Dana Miller at 759-4932.

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Sacred Heart Tiger Cheerleaders attending camp were, from left, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Tiffany Richey, Elizabeth Fette, Andrea Bauer, Kate Sepanski, Dana Miller, Raney Bauer, and Karen Gehrig.

Courtesy photo

Deer management incentives approved

Drawing insight from a diverse group of white-tailed deer managers, biologists and enthusiasts, state officials approved June 1 new incentives for landowner involvement in deer management.

The changes to Texas Parks and Wildlife's guidelines and philosophy for issuance of special deer harvest provisions under the Managed Lands Deer program were developed from discussions by an agency task force created specifically for the purpose.

"Improving and conserving habitat is still the primary goal of TPW management programs," said Bob Cook, TPW chief operating officer. "The pathways being recommended mean that the MLD program will evolve from reward-based to incentive-based. Landowners still must have a desire to improve habitat on their property and a willingness to harvest deer when needed."

The MLD program was devised by the agency as a mechanism for landowners with a TPW-approved wildlife management plan to have greater flexibility in when deer may be harvested on their property. Under the new provisions, the basic MLD program would remain unchanged and all participants would still be required to have a wildlife management plan in place.

New components to the program create additional flexibility for the landowner in determining which management practices to implement, a longer time frame in which to make those improvements and provisions for more accountability.

"We realize there are years when management goals cannot be met because of weather or other circumstances and there are times when land managers may decide to change their focus and direction in land practices," offered Jerry Cooke, TPW upland game ecology program director. "There are also times when landowners simply want out of the program or when flagrant violations occur and participants need to be removed from the program. We've tried to identify those provisions and include them."

Under the new process, landowners will have a three-year window to undertake a specified number of wildlife management practices on their property, the number and scope of which will be guided by the level of participation in the program.

MLD participants will also have to maintain deer harvest and population census data over a number of years in order to qualify for additional incentives.

In related deer management program alterations, the

agency proposed changes to its Trap, Transport and Transplant (or Triple-T) Permit program for public comment that provide fewer hurdles for insignificant deer transfers. This program provides landowners additional tools for managing white-tailed deer populations where traditional practices are insufficient to achieve desired goals. Participants would also be required to keep daily logs of their activities, including the costs of deer transfers and include these logs in their annual reports.

NBHA TX15 sponsors local show on July 15

The National Barrel Horse Association NBHA TX15, this local district will sponsor a show and open competition at the Austin Outdoor Arena in Muenster, Texas on July 15, 2000. In case of rain it will be held in the Indoor Arena, same date/time.

For more information call Lori at (940)759-4202 or Dee at (903)429-6319. For direction to the show: from Hwy. 82 take FM 373 going north. The arena is approximately 1.7 miles on left side of the road.

Two local girls, Meredith Painter, an 8th grader at Muenster ISD, and Kacey Bacon, an elementary student at Collinsville ISD, will compete in the show.

This show is open to anyone, in four classes: 4-D Open; Youth (18 and under); Senior (50 and over).

Exhibitions will open at 6:00 p.m., but classes will not be shown before 8:00 p.m.

A fund-raiser will help the two students, Miss Painter and Miss Bacon, go to the National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Show in Jackson, Mississippi.

Locally, another barrel race will be held here on August 26, 2000.



Craig Bell, member of the Purple Team, slides into first base as Jacy Steelman of the Gray Team waits for the ball.

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Texas Department of Agriculture secures crisis exemption to use Confirm on pastures

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs has announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture has been granted approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issue a crisis exemption to use tebufenozide (Confirm 2F Agricultural Insecticide) to control armyworms on pastures and rangeland in Texas.

Confirm 2F, manufactured by Rohm and Haas Company, may be applied following all directions, restrictions and

precautions on the EPA registered product label, as well as restrictions within the exemption notice. Authorized use will remain in effect until EPA grants the FIFRA Section 18 Emergency Specific Exemption that TDA will submit.

Other restrictions include:

- Applications will be made only by certified applicators, by licensed applicators, or by persons under the direct supervision of licensed applicators.

- The product may be applied at a rate up to 0.125 lbs. active ingredient per acre (8 fluid ounces) in a minimum of 5 gallons of finished spray per acre by air application or 10 gallons of finished spray per acre by ground application. A maximum of two applications may be made at the 8 fluid ounce rate.
- A maximum of 4 million acres of pastures or rangeland may be treated in Texas.
- Livestock should not be grazed in treated areas until spray has dried.
- Applications should not be made to field areas that are less than 100 feet from permanent natural bodies of surface waters or reservoirs.



Heavy scattered showers finally hit the area last Friday causing run-off and filling many farm stock ponds. Photo by Janie Hartman

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Monthly Report by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service

MILK PRODUCTION

Texas milk production totaled 532 million pounds during May, up 2 percent from last year. Production for April 2000 totaled 537 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during May averaged 350 thousand head, up 5,000 head from last year and unchanged from April 2000. Production per cow averaged 1,520 pounds during May compared with 1,515 pounds last year and 1,535 pounds during April 2000.

TEXAS CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1000 head or more totaled 2.80 million head on June 1, up 11 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 720 thousand head in commercial feedlots during May, up 16 percent from a year ago, and up 62 percent from the April, 2000, total.

Texas commercial feedlots marketed 565 thousand head during May, up 12 percent from a year ago. Monthly marketings were up 7 percent from the April, 2000, total.

On June 1 there were 2.31 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 82 percent of the state's total. The number on

feed across the area was up 11 percent from last year and up 6 percent from the May total.

WHEAT PRODUCTION

The 2000 Texas winter wheat crop is forecast at 68.2 million bushels, 44 percent less than last year and 50 percent less than in 1998. The estimate is down 3 percent for the May forecast.

According to a June 1 survey, statewide yield is expected to average 31 bushels per acre, down 5 bushels from last year. Harvested acreage, at 2.2 million acres, is down 35 percent from 1999.

The drought has resulted in below average yields throughout Texas. Harvested acreage is also down in most areas of Texas, with the one exception being the Blacklands.

Production on the Northern High Plains is forecast at 28 million bushels, down 57 percent from last year. Winter wheat production on the Low Plains is forecast at 10 million bushels, down 56 percent from last year. The Cross Timbers is estimated at 2.3 million bushels, down 69 percent from last year's production. Production in the Blacklands is forecast at 23.5 million bushels, 23 percent more than the 1999 crop.

For more information, contact your county Texas Agricultural Extension Office or TDA at 512-463-7407. A copy of the approval notice is located on the TDA web site at www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/confirm2000.htm.

Most of Texas could be TB-free when new federal regulations go into effect late 2000 or early 2001

The majority of Texas - 252 of its 254 counties - could be declared free of cattle tuberculosis (TB) infection, when new federal TB regulations go into effect in late 2000 or early 2001. Texas and other states have been working to eradicate this bacterial infection in cattle since 1917, when about five percent of the nation's herds were known to have the chronic disease that causes internal lesions, and before pasteurization of milk, posed a public health threat.

Texas, New Mexico, and Michigan are the only states not already carrying the "accredited TB free" designation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Under the new TB regulations, New Mexico also would gain the "free" classification.

The USDA is poised to institute new cattle TB regulations, and states - or areas of states - that cannot be

Compromise reached with Cuban sanctions

Texas farmers and ranchers are pleased with the news that a compromise has been reached to ease U.S. economic sanctions on Cuba. The compromise would allow food and medicine sales to Cuba for the first time in nearly 40 years.

"This is a red letter day for agriculture. Texas farmers and ranchers are excited about the real possibilities of trading with Cuba," said Texas Farm Bureau President Donald Patman. "We have the supply of agricultural commodities that can be shipped to Cuba to help the people of that country improve their standard of living."

Patman and U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, a member of the House Agriculture Committee, led the TFB Board of Directors on a fact-finding mission to Cuba in April to meet with agricultural, financial, port and trade officials.

The agreement calls for no private or government financing from the United States to be allowed on food sales. Patman said food and

medicine should never be used as a weapon of reprisal.

"We certainly encourage both the U.S. House and Senate to pass legislation very soon to lift the embargo. The removal of sanctions on Cuba could result in \$1 billion of additional agricultural trade to the United States," Patman emphasized.

If and when the unilateral sanctions are lifted Texas farmers and ranchers are ready to sell Cubans various commodities such as wheat, beef, poultry, dairy products and rice, the staple of Cubans' diet," said Patman.

The latest agreement on Capitol Hill addresses exempting food and medicine from unilateral embargoes with Cuba being the major beneficiary. Iran, Libya, Sudan and North Korea would be impacted as well.

Congress OK's crop insurance program

The U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate approved conference report language in the "Agricultural Risk Protection Act" May 25 and sent it to President Clinton, who was expected to sign it.

The legislation infuses \$8 billion into crop insurance to enhance a key component of the agriculture safety net and includes distribution instructions on \$7.1 billion in previously budgeted producer assistance.

"The Agricultural Risk Protection Act provides new insurance coverage based on the farmer's productive capability with comprehensive protection to manage risk from low market values and weather losses for crops as well as livestock," said House Agricultural Committee Chairman Larry Combest (R-TX). "Passage of this major crop insurance reform bill reduces the need for producer dependence on costly disaster assistance packages."

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200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.15-1.30; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.15;	200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.30; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-1.10;	Slaughter bulls, yield grade 1-2, 1,200-2,050 lbs., 53-65. Slaughter cows: #1-3, 34-47; cutter, 40-55.
300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.05-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.05;	300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.00-1.13; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-1.00;	Stocker Cows (per head)
400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 1.00-1.15; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-1.00;	400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 90-1.05; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-90;	Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - large frame, \$600-750; medium frame, \$475-560.
500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 95-1.05; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95;	600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 86-97; Nos. 2 & 3, 77-86;	Cow-calf pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - large frame, \$750-\$900; medium frame, \$575-\$750.
600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 86-97; Nos. 2 & 3, 77-86;	700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 80-93; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-80.	Holstein baby calves, \$40-\$60; Crossbreds, \$80-\$175.

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settings. Adjust your travel speed as you change seed.

- Check seed monitor, seed drop tubes and sensors. Make sure tubes are clear of obstructions. Don't plant with a faulty monitor.
- Check double-disc openers, coulters, press wheels and seed depth. Check for wear, replace worn parts. Make adjustments and check alignment.
- Make sure the planter is level once it's on the ground.



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