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Downtown
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Topics to be discussed: boosting business
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WHITE'S Wagging Tongue

by Cynthia
White

Long-time Munday teachers retiring

The newlywed wife said to her husband when he returned from work, "I have great news for you. Pretty soon we're going to be three in this house, instead of two."

The husband started glowing with happiness and kissing his wife, as he said, "Oh darling, I'm the happiest man in the world!"

Then the wife stated, "I'm glad that you feel that way because tomorrow morning my mother moves in with us."

wag

This fellow had owned this large farm for several years. He had a large pond on the back forty. It was fixed up nice with picnic tables, horse shoe courts, a basketball court, etc.

The pond was fixed for swimming when it was built.

One evening the old farmer decided to go down to the pond and check on things since he hadn't been there in a while.

As he neared the pond, he heard voices shouting and laughing with glee. As he got closer he realized that it was a bunch of women skinny dipping in his pond.

He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end of the pond.

One of the women shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave!"

The old farmer replied, "I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim or get out of the pond. I only came to feed my alligators!"

wag

A squad car driver was covering a quiet beat out in the sticks when he was amazed to find a former lieutenant on the police force covering that beat.

He stopped the car and asked, "Why, Mike, this wouldn't be your new beat out here in the sticks, would it?"

"That it is," Mike replied grimly, "ever since I arrested the judge on his way to the masquerade ball."

"You mean you pinched his honor?" asked Pat.

"How was I to know that his convict suit was only a costume?" demanded Mike.

"Well," mused Pat, "tis life and there's a lesson in this somewhere."

"That there is," replied Mike. "Never book a judge by his cover."

wag

I was driving with my two young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She wasn't wearing any clothes!

As I was reeling from the shock, I heard my five-year-old shout from the back seat, "Mom! That lady isn't wearing a seat belt!"

School is out for the summer of 2002. And when the final bell of the year rang four long-time Munday teachers closed the book on their careers and turned to the quieter chapter of retirement.

Kindergarten teacher Mary Murphy, sixth grade educator Peggy Urbanczyk, and high school instructors Nahwana Donoho and Betty Wilde make up the retiring foursome.

It was thirty-one years ago when young Mary Murphy began her career as an educator. After graduating from Weinert High School she attended Hardin Simmons University in Abilene where she received her bachelors degree. She followed that graduation ceremony by re-entering HSU and earning her Master's.

Murphy's teaching career has spanned thirty-one years. Her first year in the educational work force took place at Rotan where she taught Kindergarten. From there she returned to her hometown of Weinert where she taught a first and second grade class combination for seventeen years. She also spent a couple of years in Special Education at Weinert before moving to the Munday Independent School District. She has been with the Munday system for twelve years as a beloved Kindergarten teacher.

"One of the favorite memories of my years here in Munday is when the Six White Horses from Hardin Simmons visited us. All the students in grades K through 6 got to ride!" says Murphy.

On the day Murphy signed her retirement agreement another

memory was made.

A young student in a near-by classroom had been eating breakfast when he began to choke on his food. His teacher tried to relieve the situation but was unsuccessful and began to summon help. Murphy appeared in the hallway where the victim had been taken and performed the "Hymlick Maneuver" which caused the food to become dislodged and allowed the young student to once again breathe freely. Murphy was able to stay calm during the ordeal. "I just knew it would work so I didn't panic," says Murphy. And even though the incident remains in her memory she quickly adds, "I think everyone else thought it was a bigger deal than I did. I just did what I had to do."

On her last day at Munday Elementary Murphy said, "It's sad in places. But I think that retiring is the right thing for me to do - it's the right time."

Murphy, who has been a professional photographer for many years and is highly acclaimed for her talents in that area, plans to expound on and expand her photography business in the future. She also hopes to do "the grandmother thing" a little more in the future and will also be available to serve as a substitute teacher.

Former Munday High School and Midwestern State University graduate Peggy Urbanczyk has spent twenty-two years as an elementary school teacher. All twenty-two years were spent in the Munday Independent School District. All but one of those years

were as a 5th and 6th grade teacher - the other year she served as a 4th grade teacher.

Urbanczyk says that "each year held many special and unique memories. Each class was different and special." And each year many of her students have felt the same way.

Urbanczyk says that being able to teach her three grandsons has also added to her special memories and that she is thankful that she had that opportunity. "At first



MRS. MARY MURPHY with her Kindergarten class of 2002 on the last day of school.



MRS. PEGGY URBANCZYK shares a day at the park on the last day of school with her 6th graders.

all three of them struggled with what they were supposed to call me at school," she says.

Urbanczyk says that her children encouraged her to slow

down a bit and, like her co-worker Murphy, "feels that it's the right time."

Not having made any definite plans for the future Urbanczyk

will enjoy a slower pace while trying to keep up with her grandchildren's events and will also enjoy the opportunity to travel.



It's finally here! This Saturday, June 1st, is the big day to treasure hunt and bargain shop in Munday. The Community Wide Garage Sale Day kicks off at 8:00 a.m. so be ready and "Shop 'Til You Drop."

The Munday Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will be distributing maps promptly at 8:00 a.m. at The Chamber office. The maps pin-point the exact location of each sale to help make your bargain shopping a little easier. If your holding your own sale the maps will also help out-of-town shoppers come straight to your location. So be prepared!

If you would still like to have a sale but you haven't yet signed up at The Chamber, never fear, it may not yet be too late. Call (940) 422-4314 to find out if there's still time to get your sale listed on the map. Don't delay - maps will be printed soon so time is of the essence. Call now!

With gratitude we honor those who have answered the call to defend our freedom. To those who heard the shots in 1775 in Massachusetts, to those who served through the years of conflicts, and to those who responded in 2002 in Afghanistan, we reflect upon your dedication and sacrifice this Memorial Day and always.

We Shall Never Forget!



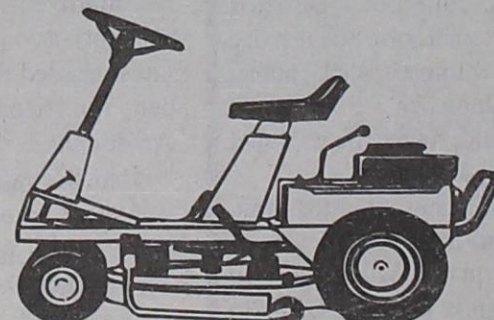
"Snap To It" - mower to be given away Saturday

Summer is here. Homecoming festivities are just around the corner. Now is the time to take pride in your surroundings and beautify that lawn. With a new Snapper lawn mower the process could be simplified and much more enjoyable.

Right now if you "Snap To It" you could be the winner of a brand spanking new mower. That's right! For only \$10.00 per ticket The Munday Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture could make you the happy recipient of a new Snapper. And since the drawing will be held at noon on

Saturday, June 1st, you could be riding that mower the very next time you need to manicure the lawn.

So, what are you waiting for? "Snap To It" - call The Chamber at (940) 422-4540 or The Munday Courier at (940) 422-4314 for more information. Or better yet, stop by The Chamber office or The Courier office and purchase your ticket before it's too late. Also, any Board of Directors member from The Chamber would be glad to help you if you need to purchase a ticket or two.



OPINION

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Calendar of Events

- June 1 - Chamber of Commerce Garage Sale Day & Snapper Lawn mower giveaway!!!!
- June 3 - Munday V.F.D., Band Booster Meeting.
- June 4 - Lions Club.

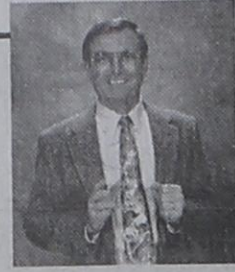
Birthdays & Anniversaries

- May 30 - Linda Reddell, Nina Mannuzza.
- May 31 - Ty Bufkin, Judy Hobert, Jerry & Nancy Wilde.
- June 1 - Larry & Vera Tomlinson, Scott Jackson.
- June 2 - Kent & Sheila Urbanczyk.
- June 3 - Kobie Decker, Noah Lemmond, Jeanie Turek.
- June 4 - Kyle & Melissa Jossel, Larry Albert.

Knox County Aging Center

Munday & Goree Menu
Mon., Wed., & Fri.
Benjamin Menu
Tues. & Thurs.
June 3 thru June 7

- Mon. June 3rd - Chicken strips w/ gravy, baked potatoes, green beans, glazed carrots, biscuits, ice cream.
 - Tues. June 4th - Meat loaf, lima beans, buttered spinach, cole slaw, cornbread, cookies.
 - Wed. June 5th - German sausage, 7-minute cabbage, ranch style beans, seasoned potato wedges, cornbread, cobbler.
 - Thur. June 6th - Burritos, whole kernel corn, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomato salad, cobbler.
 - Fri. June 7th - Beef noodle casserole, sweet peas, salad, light bread, dessert.
- If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Fruewirth 422-4191. At Goree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.



A Breath of Fresh Air

By Ken Nietenhoefter

"America is great because America is good, And if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great."--Alexis de Tocqueville

Many of you have been amused, and then embarrassed, as have I, at the answers expressed on "Jay Walking" on the Jay Leno show. Let me explain for those of you who don't watch the show, or who haven't seen the aforementioned segment.

Jay Leno walks the streets of Los Angeles, approaches average citizens, and asks simple, basic questions about government, geography or current events. It is absolutely frightening how many people don't have a clue about these aspects of our society, but are quite knowledgeable about unimportant, senseless, inane facts. (Some don't know that Boston is in the United States, but they have memorized all of Britney Spears' hits.

And the Vice-President? Or where the pyramids are located? Not a clue). Upon further investigation, I've discovered that too many of our citizens don't understand how this great country was organized, what it stands for, and what its citizens' rights are. Too many simply believe that if some "talking head" on TV says that something is true--it must be true. Not necessarily so! Or if some quasi-governmental agency says something is true--it must be true. Not necessarily so!

How about a quick review about our country--and your rights as a citizen? In 1776, America's Founders gathered in Philadelphia to draft the Declaration of Independence, which dissolved the political ties that had bound the American people to Great Britain. A new nation was born! Eleven years later, in 1787, after American patriots had won our independence on the battlefield, many of the men who had met earlier in Philadelphia, plus others, met there again to draft a plan for governing the new nation--the Constitution of the United States. In 1789, after the plan had been ratified, the new government was established. Together, the Declaration and the Constitution are America's founding documents.

As amended over the years, the Constitution is

the supreme law of the land.

To better understand and appreciate the form of government we have, it is important to look first to the Declaration, where the Founders outlined their moral vision and the government it implied.

For instance, together they say that "We are all created equal, as defined by our natural rights--that is, no one has rights superior to those of anyone else. Moreover, we are born with those rights. We do not get them from government. Indeed, whatever rights or powers government has comes from us, from "the Consent of the Governed." All power, in other words, comes from the people. To emphasize the foregoing, please note several of the first amendments, the Bill of Rights.

Amendment I: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II: A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment X: The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

So, whenever you encounter a surly, gruff, discourteous government employee or agent, remember the Constitution. It will be like a breath of fresh air.

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Capitol Highlights

Comptroller proposes public 2-year higher education program

By Mike Cox
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN — Texas' public education system may someday extend to the equivalent of the 14th grade.

At least that's a notion floated by Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, who has proposed a plan called TexasNextStep. The program would enable eligible high school grads to attend two years of community college for free, textbooks and fees included.

Unlike the existing K-12 system, however, the extra two years of public education Rylander envisions would not be mandatory.

It would have a time limit, though. Students would have to participate within a year-and-a-half of graduation and complete an associate degree or certificate program in three years.

The program would be paid for by a 20 percent allocation from state lottery income, which is expected to amount to \$771 million this year.

Of course, committing a chunk of lottery money to a new program would take legislative approval.

School's out...so are TAAS grades

Grades on individual report cards vary, but statewide, Texas schoolchildren got a solid B-plus on their Texas Assessment of Academic Skills.

The TAAS tally showed 85 percent of students in the fourth through 10th grade passed the test, an improvement statewide over the last set of "grades."

While that news is good, there's always room for improvement.

Ninety-two percent of the Anglo student population passed the test, but that dropped to 79 percent for Hispanics and 76 percent for African-Americans.

Also, in considering that 85 percent passing rate, it doesn't take too high a level of mathematical achievement to realize that means 15 percent of Texas school kids did not pass the test.

The round of testing conducted this spring marked the last major administration of the 12-

year-old TAAS test. The TAAS will be replaced next year by the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS).

This year, 1.9 million students took the TAAS in grades 3-8 and 10.

Perry parries

Week before last, it was Democratic gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez who aired a no-gloves negative television ad about Republican incumbent Rick Perry.

Sanchez' line was "Rick Perry. We didn't elect him. We don't have to keep him."

Last week, to invoke sword fighting metaphor, Perry parried with a rhyming TV ad slamming Sanchez, among other things, for his negativity:

"No vision.

No leadership. No clue. Shame on you, Mr. Sanchez."

Perry's ahead in the polls, but Sanchez has got more campaign money to spend. Both of these ads are a taste of what's to come. Speaking of taste... Want some more chips?

Texas has its official flower (bluebonnet), bird (mockingbird), seashell (lightning welk) and on and on.

Now a group of second-graders in Mission wants the Legislature to make one more aspect of Texas an official state icon: chips and salsa.

They got the idea while studying Texas government, particularly the concept of legislative representation and how to contact your lawmaker.

Their state representative is Kino Flores, a Democrat who promises to introduce a bill in the next session to make chips and salsa the official state snack.

If his colleagues go along with him, Texas would be the first state to have a snack as one of its symbols.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



The Tax Man

It is time for many Texans to breathe a sigh of relief - tax day has come and gone. This year on April 15, American taxpayers reaped the benefits of last year's historic tax cut legislation by keeping more money in their pockets.

Sweeping Tax Relief

The law reduced tax rates across the board, enhanced retirement savings, repealed the death tax and eliminated the marriage penalty. Basically, if you are a taxpayer - you got tax relief. Because we lowered the tax rates mid-year, Americans are larger-than-expected tax refunds this spring. The average check is expected to be nearly \$2,100 - a 12 percent increase over last year.

Before September 11, the American economy was already in a slump - after the terrorist attacks it risked spiraling out of control. Fortunately, the tax relief kicked in just in the nick of time. Many people, including Federal Reserve Chairman, Alan Greenspan, believe if it weren't for the tax cuts, we would be in a deep recession. But instead, our economy is recovering.

One of the first benefits of the legislation was the tax rebate checks that began arriving in mailboxes across the country last August. Individual, taxpayers received up to \$300 rebate checks, while married couples received up to \$600. This rebate alone, funneled more than \$40 billion back into the economy and supported consumer spending at a critical time.

But these tax cuts were not a one-time event. The tax rates are scheduled to continue dropping, child credits will increase, and retirement savings options will grow.

Making it Last

However, when we passed the legislation, procedural rules in the Senate required that we put the tax cuts in place for only 10 years. Currently the law will expire on December 31, 2010, and the tax relief will be discontinued. Congress must act to make the tax relief permanent. Texans need a predictable and stable tax code in order to better plan for their futures and make good decisions about retirement savings.

I am particularly concerned with protecting the repeal of the marriage penalty and making sure the death tax is buried forever. Both taxes hurt Texas families.

The marriage penalty has long been an unjust tax on married couples who pay an average of \$1,400 more if they file jointly that they would pay as individual filers. I have been a champion of correcting this inequity since I was elected to the Senate in 1993. In fact, Congress passed my proposal twice before - but then - President Clinton vetoed it both times. Our tax laws should encourage marriage - not penalize it. When the new tax cuts are fully phased in, 43 million married couples will experience a significant reduction in their taxes. Herein Texas, couples will save \$4.5 billion over the next 10 years.

The phase-out of the death tax is another provision that must be made permanent. Our tax code has long burdened families whose loved ones handed down a family business, ranch or farm. Families were faced with taxes so steep that they often had to sell the properties to pay the IRS. Years of diligence, hard labor and savings were washed down the drain by this unfair tax. The new law allows more Americans to keep these businesses in the family where they belong.

I was proud to support the most significant tax relief of the last two decades. Now, I am committed to making sure it lasts.

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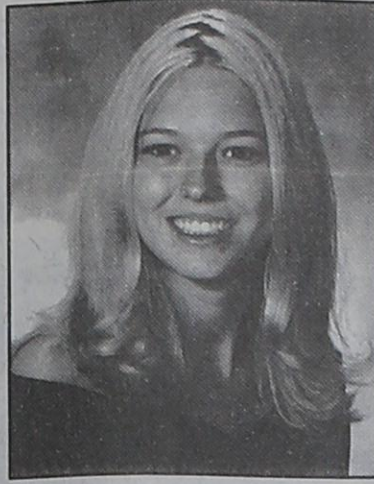
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ACROSS

- TX basic skills test (abbr.)
- TXism: "mosey ___ to the trough"
- TXism: "running ___" (spouse)
- TXism: "___ out" (gusher)
- Neiman-Marcus
- Neiman-Marcus pie ___ mode
- Glen Campbell tune: "___ She"
- TX actress of TV "Mission Impossible"
- El Paso Indians
- chili ___ carne
- TXism: "fits like sardines ___ can"
- TXism: "play ___ close to the vest"
- Sierra ___ TX
- TX Henley wrote "Take ___ The Limit"
- TXism: "fought tooth and ___"
- TX ZZ Top album: "___ Grange"
- TXism for "bar-gaining" (4 wds.)
- rustled cattle
- TXism: "good of ___"
- TX Willie's "Always On My ___"

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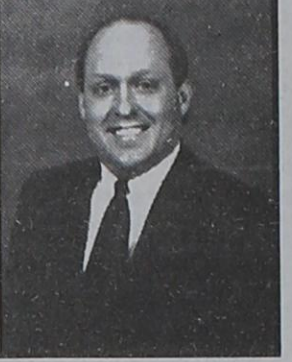
- in Harris Co. off 249
- TXism: "he's got the morals of ___ cat"
- car
- TXism for "vomit"
- TXism: "he's ___ walk the river with"
- Houston ___ the army at San Jacinto
- Seminole h.s. class
- TXism: "took everything but ___ in my lungs" (robbed)
- antique auto
- a boat that handles well
- Lufkin is seat of this county
- TXism: "old as dirt"
- TX Don Henley tune (2 wds.)
- "due on ___"
- "Man ___ not live by bread alone"
- TXism: "he could shoot the eye out of a ___"
- lung disease (abbr.)
- TX "Turtle Lady" Loetscher
- mourns
- jumped
- TXism: "dull as week old ___ pop"
- TXism: "___ doodle" (fancy play)
- paddles
- Foley's "Red Apple" event (2 wds.)
- TXism: "___ daddle out of here" (scream)
- TXism: "call ___ day"
- TXism for "women" groups at Fort Hood
- beginning of a play (2 wds.)
- map book
- Wink, TX event in honor of 56-across: "Roy ___"
- TXism: "fraidy ___"



TARA MICHELLE CRISWELL

Tara Michelle Criswell, Guthrie Salutatorian of the graduating class of 2002, is the daughter of Van & Karen Criswell. Throughout her high school career, Tara has been involved in cross-country, basketball, track, UIL, FCCLE, FFA, One-Act Play, FCA, cheerleading, Math & Science Club, National Honor Society, and she received honorable mention in basketball and Texas 6-man Coaches Association All-State Academic Team for 3 years. She enjoys hanging out with friends, shopping, and talking on the phone. Her most memorable moments from high school are times spent with her friends. Tara will be attending West Texas A&M University in the fall. She plans to major in business. Tara is the granddaughter of Wayland and Ruth Jordan of Childress and Bert and Kay Criswell of Guthrie. She is the great granddaughter of Mattie Lucky Fortner and the late Sybil Hensley also, the late Viola Jordan. Other relatives from Childress are Penny Cooper, her aunt.

Financial Focus



By Gary Decker

Think Twice Before Borrowing from Your 401(k)

The Enron story has made people aware of the importance of protecting their 401(k) plans. And yet, not all hazards to your 401(k) come from irresponsible management - you can endanger your plan's well-being all on your own. How? By borrowing from it.

At first glance, you might think that a 401(k) loan seems like a pretty good deal. After all, some plans may allow you to borrow up to 50% of your account balance for any purpose, provided you pay it back within five years. In fact, you could have up to 30 years to repay the loan if you use it to purchase a home. Plus, your loan's interest rate will likely be competitive. And, because you'll be paying yourself back through automatic payroll deductions, you won't have to worry about missing a payment, as long as your employment situation doesn't change.

Despite these apparent benefits, however, you won't want to rush into taking out a 401(k) loan, because you have some substantial drawbacks to consider. First of all, if you leave your job - voluntarily or involuntarily - you no longer have five years in which to repay your loan. Instead, you'll have to pay it back right away, typically within 90 days. If you've just been laid off, that repayment will represent yet another financial burden for you.

And that's not the worst of it. If you don't repay the loan right away, it is considered a withdrawal - which means it is taxable income. Not only will you have to pay taxes on the loan balance, but you'll also owe a 10 percent early withdrawal penalty if you're under 59-1/2.

Even if you stay at your job and make regular repayments on your loan, you may not be making the wisest use of your money. Your 401(k) contributions were made with pre-tax dollars, which lowered your annual taxable income, but your loan payments are made with after-tax dollars, so you don't get any tax advantages. Plus, your 401(k) loan carries significant opportunity costs. Although you're repaying the loan at a reasonable interest rate, your money could possibly be earning a higher rate if invested elsewhere. Many loan programs also carry additional costs, such as annual fees or disbursement fees. You'll need to evaluate these expenses when you're considering the loan's real cost.

Finally, the more money you borrow from your 401(k), the less your total amount will grow, because you'll lose some of the value of compounding. So, after you retire and start making withdrawals from your 401(k), you'll have less money to draw from.

You may find it frustrating that a 401(k) loan carries so many problems. Yet, there is one overriding reason for all these obstacles: Your 401(k) is designed to help you build resources for retirement. That's why this type of plan was created, and that's why it's so popular today. So, use your 401(k) wisely. And, if you do feel compelled to take a loan from your plan, at least be aware of the true costs involved.

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EVERYTHING I NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED ON THE FARM

by Tonya Thomas

This poem, authored by Tonya Thomas, was written about her remembrances of times spent visiting her great-aunt and uncle at their farm in Hefner. Thomas is the great-neice of Merle and Fannie Lambeth.

Everything I need to know I learned on the farm.
 I learned the sky at night is more beautiful in the country.
 I learned you don't need to set alarm clocks on the farm.
 I learned what it means, 'like a chicken running around with its head cut off' literally.
 I learned nothing tastes better than fresh shucked corn and black-eyed peas that you helped pick and prepare.
 I learned to feel proud when a pig was named after you.
 I learned to feel someone else's hurt when their puppy didn't return home after a night out with the coyotes, and yours did.
 I learned why some sand is called "quick" sand.
 I learned when someone loves you they will let you drive the tractor just one more time even though they've worked all day plowing in the hot sun.
 I learned someone loves you when they introduce you as their grandkids and you're really not.
 (I still haven't learned why you have to dust when you live on the farm.)
 I learned if you climb a windmill, you have to climb down.
 I learned what 'a cloud coming up' means when you go to the cellar in the middle of the night.
 I learned that the best Easter eggs are hidden under the cow paties.
 I learned that homemade Easter baskets are better than store bought.
 I learned the best entertainment comes from playing cards, games, and putting on family talent shows.
 I learned it's more fun watching my own kids go snipe hunting.
 I learned the best playground can be in a barn full of maize.
 I learned how to have fun riding in a cotton bail wagon.
 I learned how to work hard hoeing cotton.
 (I learned not all people know the real meaning of a 'hoer' when sharing my summer experience on the farm, at school.)
 I learned when someone is excited to see you they meet you at the back door.
 I learned horse tanks make good swimming pools.
 I learned the real meaning of Christmas when sharing it on the farm.
 I learned what it means 'to have your cake and eat it too' when you see it again in your hair, bed, clothes,...
 I learned why cows don't touch electric fences.
 I learned what 'slow and steady' means when learning to drive an enormous car on a narrow dirt road.
 I learned you ALWAYS take your Sunday clothes when you visit the farm.
 I learned about history swinging on a porch swing and listening to others.
 I learned how to share when it was My turn to dry dishes instead of wash.
 I learned what 'pecking order' means on the farm.
 I learned water tastes better when you get it yourself from the well.
 I learned not to stand too close to a furnace.
 I learned how to echo in the creek bed on the farm.
 I learned patience and the meaning of a party-line.
 I learned the best conversations take place on the porch eating fresh watermelon.
 I learned meaningful lessons don't have to take place at school.
 I learned that God gives us All things good and to give thanks in return.
 I learned that my most precious memories were made on the farm.



WHO ARE THESE YOUNG STARS OF THE COURT? This week's Mystery Photo features a large group of young basketball players. Do you recognize any of these young men? We do know they were from Munday schools and we also know the year - to help fill you in and give you a clue we'll tell you that the photo was marked 1938. No names were listed on the back so we need your help. Please call The Munday Courier at (940) 422-4314 if you know any these hoopsters. We'll share the information in next week's edition of the newspaper and we can all share a memory!

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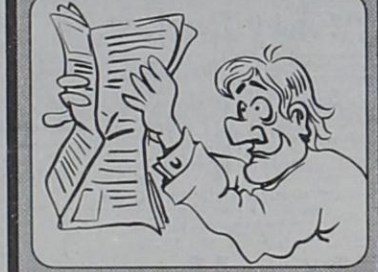
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**Prairie Pantry**   
 Talk about tempting...This recipe sounds great! If you think that Cupcakes are boring and run-of-the mill this will change your mind the first time you prepare them. Be a big hit at the next cook-out or summer time picnic - everyone will want the recipe for these.

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 3/4 cup unsalted butter, softened  
 3 eggs  
 3/4 teaspoon vanilla  
 3/4 teaspoon almond extract  
 1/2 cup buttermilk  
 1 7 oz. package shredded coconut  
 Line sixteen muffin cups. Combine flour, baking powder, soda, salt; set aside. Beat sugar and butter 3 minutes. Beat 1 egg at a time on low for 1 minute each. Add vanilla and almond. Add flour mix and buttermilk alternately on low speed to beaten mixture. Fold in 1/13 cup coconut. Bake at 325 degrees for 23 - 28 minutes.

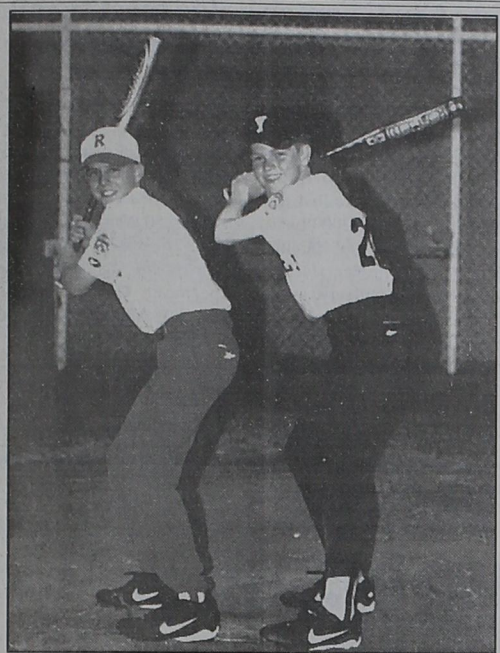


This week's featured cook Elaine Hall.

**Country Cream Cheese Icing**  
 2 3 oz. packages of cream cheese, softened  
 1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened  
 1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
 1/4 teaspoon almond extract  
 2 1/2 cups sifted powdered sugar  
 Beat cream cheese, butter, vanilla, almond until light and fluffy. Gradually add 1 1/2 cup powdered sugar. Add rest of sugar. Beat well. Completely cool cupcakes and top. Sprinkle coconut on top.  
 (We wish Jerome and Elaine Hall the very best wishes for their new jobs and a new chapter in their lives. We will miss you both very much! Let us here from you in the future.)







**HOME RUN HITTERS.** The first homeruns of the season were hit during the first week of Little League Play. Pate Stewart (right) knocked one into the scoreboard for the first homer of the year. It was quickly followed when Jonathan Key (left) hit an in-the-park home run during the same game.

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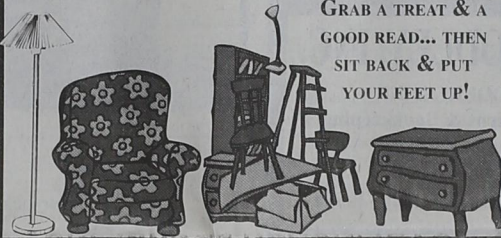
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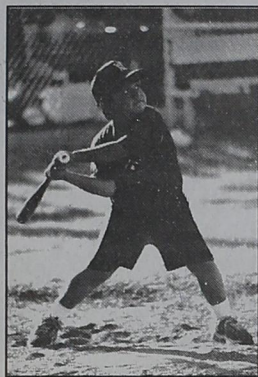
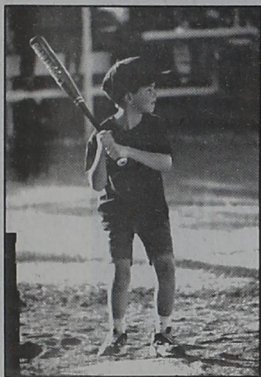
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**COST TO PLAY T-BALL=\$20.00.** Cost of new tennis shoes=\$24.99. His first time at bat = PRICELESS! Jonathan Gressett (left) and Emilio Avalos (right) are two of this year's T-baller's who are experiencing the thrill of the game for the first time.

## Crop Pest Scouting workshop to be held in Plainview

Producers and ag consultants can hone their pest management skills and crop production skills at a May 31 High Plains Crop Pest Scouting Workshop sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service.

The workshop at the Ollie Liner Center will begin at 8:20 a.m. and adjourn at about 4:30 p.m. There is no fee to attend.

"This is an excellent opportunity to learn about corn, cotton, grain, sorghum, soybean and sunflower production," said Greg Cronholm, Hale County Extension integrated pest management agent. "We will cover crop insect pests, weed identification and herbicide injury, plant diseases and how to recognize and promote beneficial insects."

Morning presentation by Extension and Texas Department of Agriculture specialists and agents will focus on cotton growth and development; cotton insect pests; recognizing and promoting beneficial insects in field crops; and federal and state workers protection standards.

"We'll have a morning and an afternoon break, so participants can visit and view insect specimen displays," Cronholm said. "We'll also take a 1 hour 'on your own' lunch break."

Afternoon workshop sessions will cover weed identification and herbicide injury; cotton, corn and sorghum plant diseases; corn and grain sorghum growth and development; and how to recognize and detect corn, sorghum, soybean, and sunflower insect pests.

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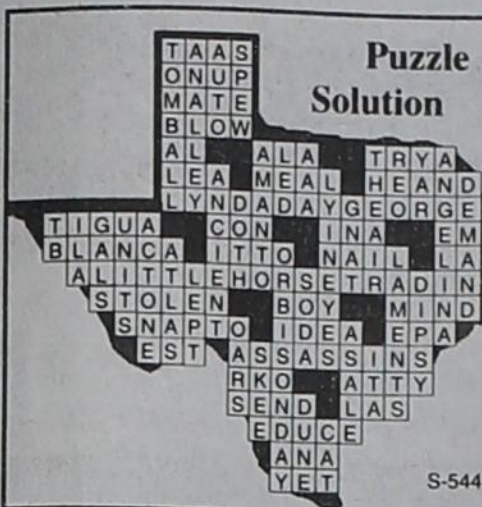
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"The Flag is a symbol of what is great about this country," said Catholic Life Insurance President and Chief Executive Officer J. Michael Belz. "We honor the Flag every year on Flag Day, and in light of what our country has endured this past year, feel it is especially important to remind ourselves how lucky we are to live in this country where liberty and justice for all is important."

"Beta Chi Meeting" continued from Page 6.

Beta Chi members award two grant-in-aid scholarships each year to senior girls planning to major in the field of education. This years the scholarships went to Ashley Cartwright of Benjamin and Leilani Bruce of Knox City. The award Leilani will receive is given in memory of Mauryse Blacklock, a dedicated teacher and loyal member of Beta Chi. Mrs. Blacklock was the mother of Mrs. Bettye Moore, a counselor at Knox City schools.



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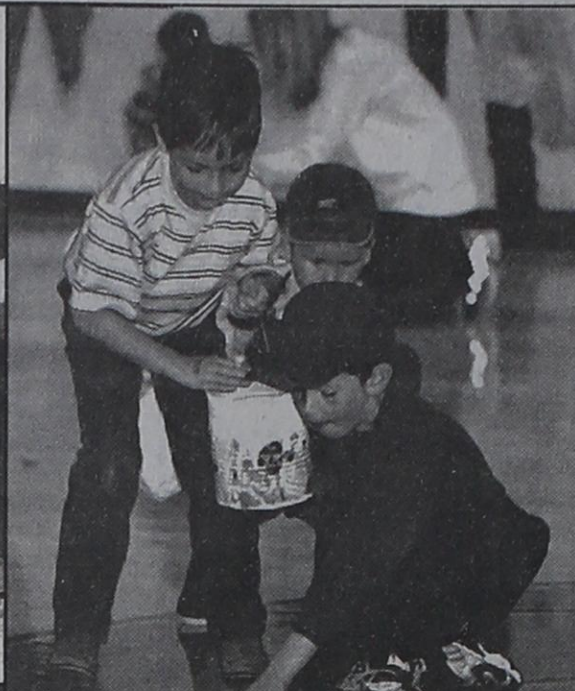
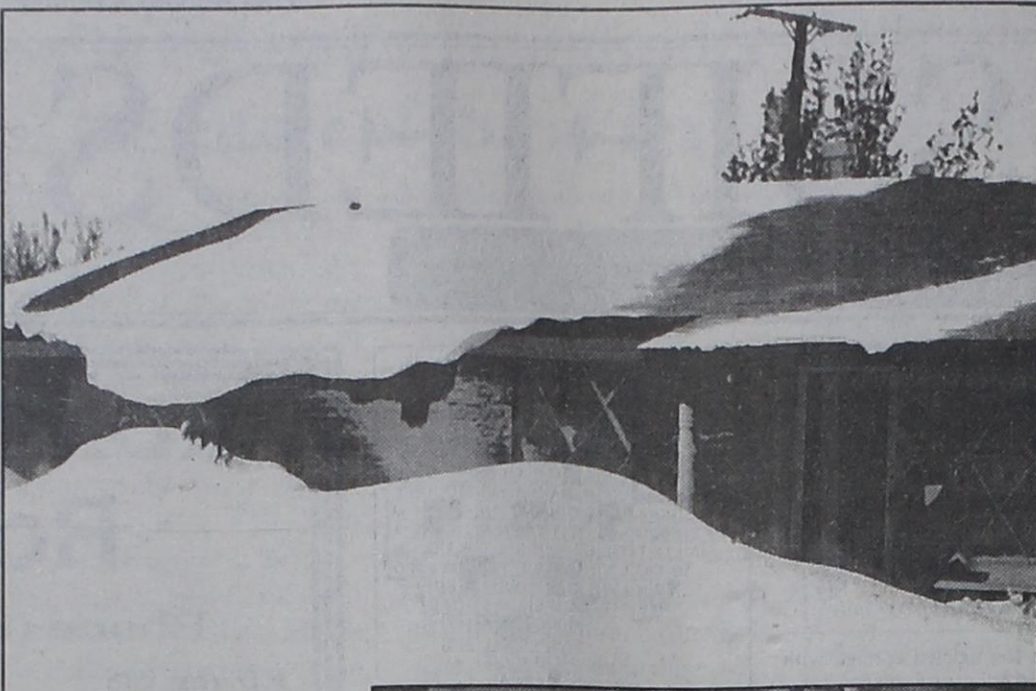
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| <b>May 30</b><br>Yankees vs. Braves<br>Cardinals vs. Redsox  | <b>June 13</b><br>Yankees vs. Cardinals<br>Braves vs. Redsox |
| <b>June 3</b><br>Braves vs. Cardinals<br>Redsox vs. Yankees  | <b>June 17</b><br>Braves vs. Yankees<br>Redsox vs. Cardinals |
| <b>June 6</b><br>Yankees vs. Braves<br>Cardinals vs. Redsox  | <b>June 20</b><br>Cardinals vs. Redsox<br>Yankees vs. Braves |
| <b>June 10</b><br>Redsox vs. Braves<br>Cardinals vs. Yankees |                                                              |

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| <b>Tuesday, June 4</b><br>6:00 Tigers vs. Rockies<br>7:00 Texas Rangers vs. Raiders  |
| <b>Friday, June 7</b><br>6:00 Rockies vs. Tigers<br>7:00 Raiders vs. Texas Rangers   |
| <b>Tuesday, June 11</b><br>6:00 Tigers vs. Rockies<br>7:00 Texas Rangers vs. Raiders |
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