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A FULL POOL - The Muenster City Pool was packed this week with eager students and helpful volunteers at Red Cross Swim Lessons. The lessons continue from 9 a.m. til noon next week.

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Abatement granted, council supports 9-1-1

The Muenster City Council at its July 6 meeting granted the first tax abatement under its new guidelines to land on which Muenster Milling Co. will build a new plant.

During a public hearing before the meeting, Council members and citizens discussed the guidelines which the Council adopted on June 1. Muenster is leading the way in Cooke County by becoming the first city in the county to adopt tax abatement guidelines.

The move is an effort to attract industry to the area, and was made in hopes that the county and Muenster Independent School District would follow.

"There is a definite gray area," City Attorney Chuck Bartush Jr. said, "as to the laws which govern abatement." Bartush said he felt the best situation would be for the city, county and school district to agree on abatement procedures.

The guidelines passed by the Council last month state that the minimum commitment of an industry requesting an abatement be a cash outlay of \$500,000. The total commitment of the industry was set to be \$1,000,000 with the industry getting credit of \$30,000 for each employee that is added or retained.

The approved guidelines also allow the Council the privilege of approving or rejecting each case regardless of its economic situation.

Muenster Milling Co. received support of the Council because it met the guidelines and will increase sales taxes through its new facilities and increase employment.

But the Council is willing to change the guidelines to accommodate the county and school district. Aldermen Pat Dennis and Claude Klement were appointed to a committee that will study the issue and abatement laws.

In a second public hearing before the Council's regular meeting began, the Council voted to spend \$21,000 from the Revenue Sharing Fund on a project to build a new Ash Street bridge over the Brushy Elm Creek. The project is under cooperation of the city and the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

A resolution supporting an enhanced 9-1-1 emergency line was passed by the Council in beginning meeting business. Although Muenster has had 9-1-1 since 1984, the Texoma Regional Planning Commission is directing an effort in the three-county area to bring an enhanced service to the entire Cooke County.

If the new plan is implemented here, added features to Muenster's 9-1-1 service could include automatic number identification, ring back, called party hold and forced disconnect. The number of participating entities would determine the sophistication of the system.

Regional 9-1-1 systems are financed with a monthly service fee of not more than 50 cents per telephone line and a monthly surcharge on intrastate long-distance service not to exceed .5 percent.

Alvin Fuhrman of Muenster Telephone Corp. was next on the agenda to inform Council members of a rate increase for cable television. Cost for Home Box Office (HBO) and Cinemax was upped from \$9.45 to \$10,

while cost for the Disney Channel remained at \$7.30.

Fuhrman said that very little tower expense is included in this increase since the tower is owned by Muenster Telephone Corp., not the Cable TV Division.

The Council voted to require residents, beginning July 30, to make reservations at City Hall for use of the pavilion at the Muenster City Park. The action came as a result of trash being left in the area. A \$25 deposit will be required from those wishing to use the pavilion, with the deposit returned if the area passes inspection afterward.

In other business the Council: *denied the Appraisal District Budget

*considered a request from Mom's Pie Co. for permit for wood trim

*considered recommendations of the Zoning Board

*approved a request from Ryan Gehrig to do restoration work on the fire department's old hose truck for his Eagle Scout project

*reviewed monthly bills.

MISD board nixes abatement program, hires new coach

Muenster School Board members last Thursday vetoed participation of the school district in any local tax abatement program.

John Pagel, president of the Muenster Industrial Board, came to the July meeting with members of the Muenster City Council and the Industrial Board. Pagel asked the school board to consider joining the city in a tax abatement program for new or expanding businesses.

"The Industrial Board would like to see a unified effort - the city of Muenster, Cooke County and the school board," Pagel said. "What you (school board members) have to decide is whether the spirit of the idea is good for the community."

The City Council on June 1 approved guidelines for tax abatements within the city limits. County commissioners are considering a possible countywide application of the abatement. The

purpose of abatement guidelines is to attract businesses to the area.

But the MISD board rejected participating in the program or a similar one for its district, citing ambiguity of abatement laws as a reason for abstaining. No board member volunteered for or was appointed to a committee set up by the city to study the issue further.

D.J. Hellman, president of the board, said MISD's tax rate is the lowest rate of county school districts.

"We kind of pride ourselves on giving everybody a tax abatement every year," Hellman said.

In executive session, the board hired Timothy Ratliff as assistant coach and Social Studies teacher for the 1988-89 school year. Ratliff is a May 1988 graduate of Oklahoma State University.

Resignations from Juanita Walterscheid, sixth grade teacher, and Barbara Robison, junior high teacher, were accepted by the

board. Flossie Schoppa was hired to replace Ms. Robison.

In other business, members voted to hire Jim Thomason of Gainesville to do about 28 teacher evaluations during the upcoming school year. Thomason will be paid \$50 per teacher.

"It's not a pleasant job - for the evaluator and for the teachers," said Charles Coffey, MPS Superintendent.

The board also rejected a proposal to hire a truancy officer, based on the fact that Muenster has few truant students and the \$2,000 fee for the officer.

In his superintendent's report, Coffey said the school received a check for \$1,227.75 as insurance settlement for vandalism on bus tires. Coffey also reported positive findings from recent asbestos testing in school buildings. He concluded by saying the lunchroom had a good year financially and that summer maintenance on the campus was progressing well.

Fireman's training saves worker last week

The quick response of a Muenster volunteer fireman at his job last Wednesday revived a local construction worker who was overcome with carbon monoxide fumes.

Phil Walterscheid was cutting concrete in a back room of H&W Meat Co. when fumes from the concrete saw filled the room, said H&W owner Don Hess. When Walterscheid passed out from carbon monoxide poisoning, he was revived by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation from Henry Knabe. Knabe, who works at H&W, is a Muenster fireman.

"I went back to check on Phil where he was working, and he didn't look good," Hess said Monday. "I helped him out of the room and then he passed out."

Hess said Walterscheid had a pulse but was not breathing. He and Knabe immediately put Walterscheid in a vehicle, and Knabe administered the emergency procedures as Hess drove to the hospital.

Walterscheid began breathing before they reached the hospital. "Henry did a real good job,"

Hess said.

Knabe said he learned the mouth-to-mouth resuscitation technique from firemen's training.

"Phil had a heartbeat but I couldn't feel him breathing, so I just took it from there," Knabe said. "I gave him some mouth-to-mouth, but not much."

Walterscheid said he was conscious when they arrived at the hospital. Doctors administered oxygen and medicine to him, and he was kept there overnight.

"It's one of those things you learn from and hope you don't have to go through again," Walterscheid said Monday. "You just can't tell that you're going to be overcome. Once it starts, you can't stop it - it doesn't take long."

Walterscheid said he would like to thank staff members at H&W and Muenster Memorial Hospital for their help.

"We at the Muenster Fire Department are always ready and willing to help anybody who needs it," Knabe said. "It doesn't have to be a fire."



Centennial history book deadline extended

The deadline has passed for histories to be included in the Muenster Centennial History Book, but for those still in the process of assembling information and writing theirs - these will be accepted until Aug. 2.

There can be no more histories accepted after Aug. 2.

Photos and vignettes will be accepted until Sept. 6, which is the absolute final date.

Information for the memorial pages must be in by Nov. 1.

The reduced price for the history books applies only until Dec. 31, 1988. These would make ideal Christmas gifts for family members.

The History Committee urges everyone to finish their stories, bring in the pictures and order the books as soon as possible. It is hoped no one will be left out of this great book.

Candidate courts Muenster voters with visit Tuesday

A Republican candidate for the 30th State Senate seat came to Muenster Tuesday in an effort to woo voters to his side of a waging political battlefield.

Bobby Albert, a 35-year old Wichita Falls native, is seeking the Texas Senate seat vacated by Ray Farabee. His Democratic contender in the election is Steve Carriker.

"I wanted to visit with the people," Albert said here Tuesday. "That's what's going to win the election."

From about 8:30 to 11 a.m., Albert toured Muenster Telephone Corp. Office, Fischer's Meat Market, Muenster State Bank and Valenite East plant. He met with business owners, employees and people walking down Main Street.

Albert was directed on the tour by Dick Ferber, executive director of the Muenster Chamber of Commerce, and by Debbie Hess, Republican precinct chairman.

Cuts in state spending, reduction in the size of state government, a Constitutional amendment to ban a state income tax and quality education are Albert's goals, he said.

"The people have a clear-cut choice between the liberal of Steve Carriker and the conservative of Bobby Albert."

"I'm running for two reasons: they're 10 and 7 (sons). I'm very interested in what their future's going to be like in Texas," Albert said. "Also in the preservation of traditional family values."

On Monday, he visited with a group including U.S. President Ronald Reagan and U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm in Washington D.C. There, the group discussed issues including the drug war and national drought.

On Aug. 13, Albert and Carriker will run against each other in a special election. Then on Nov. 8, the two candidates will again compete for the post.

Albert has given Carriker three "Liberal Left Wing Awards" for his support of a state income tax, his perfect voting record with unions and his consistent voting for tax increases.



BOBBY ALBERT, right, met James Fleitman and other Fischer's Meat Market employees during his campaign tour through Muenster on Tuesday.

Janie Hartman Photo

Good News!

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

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Caserta awarded NEH fellowship

Joseph A. Caserta, a Sacred Heart High School teacher, recently received a national grant to participate in the 1988 program of Summer Seminars for School Teachers.

The fellowship came from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), a federal grant-making agency.

Caserta will be an NEH Summer Fellow in a seminar entitled "Foundations of Japanese Humanism."

The five-week seminar is at Northland College in Ashland, Wis. from June 27 through July 29. Teachers selected for the program receive a stipend to cover travel, study and living and recreation expenses.

Teachers of grades K-12 at educational institutions within the United States are eligible for the

53 NEH seminars held on campuses across the country.

Northland is a private, coeduca-

tional, liberal arts/environmental college located on the south shore of Lake Superior.



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Executive Director Dick Ferber, with his wife Daryl, hang signs identifying stands at the city ballpark as Chamber donations. **Janie Hartman Photo**

Gains solid...

Texas economy heads for recovery

The Texas economy is on a road to recovery destined to lead the state back to the forefront of the nation's economic growth over the next four years.

Gains made in the Texas business picture have been solid and widespread since the recovery got underway last year.

Jobs: The number of working Texans has increased by more than 73,000 in the past year, stopping a two-year streak of job losses.

Sales: Texas retail sales have reached the \$9 billion-a-month level and are expected to continue to climb as Texans' spendable income grows faster than the national average.

Manufacturing: For the first time in five years, Texas' sprawling, important petrochemical industries are running at full capacity and billions of dollars in new plant investments are in the works.

sonal income increases at an average annual rate of 7.3 percent, compared to 6.5 percent nationally (figures include 4.3 percent inflation).

The personal income increase is a good omen for consumer spending, and therefore a good omen for the Texas business community serving the Texas population of 17-million-and-still-growing.

The many faces of the Texas recovery don't mean there aren't still industries with problems. There are - notably construction, banking and real estate - all of which are still in the doldrums if not still looking for the bottom.

And the recovery, of course, could be curtailed in the event of a national recession or a new, sharp and prolonged drop in oil prices.

But the oil industry's declining share of the total picture, coupled with increasing diversity in the rest of the Texas economy, makes it unlikely that any future shock

the turn of the century.

The Texas gross state product - the total value of all goods and services produced in the state's economy - is expected to increase 3.2 percent per year from \$270 billion in 1987 to \$307 billion in 1991 (in 1982 dollars). That gain is almost one full percentage point above the national rate.

It is on this strength Texans' personal income will gain its annual average increase of 7.3 percent, from \$227.4 billion in 1987 to \$301.2 billion in 1991.

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needed to stay competitive in today's markets, Felderhoff said. Construction is expected to start as soon as the company can arrange financing and obtain the proper state permits, he said.

Industrial board members emphasize the tax abatement program would only apply to the part of a business that is new. A business, such as Muenster Milling, would continue to pay taxes on what they already operate.

The county wants to study the tax abatement issue before making any final decisions, said Cooke County Judge Jim Robertson.

"We want to promote growth and industry, but we don't want to hurt anyone that is already here," Robertson said. "We don't want to have an industry move in that would put a mom-and-pop operation out of business."

Robertson said he and Chuck Bartush Jr., Muenster City Attorney, reviewed the legislation creating the tax abatement program last Friday, but commissioners haven't had time to study it sufficiently. He said they'd be checking with other cities and counties, such as Plano which was able to attract the J.C. Penney Co. head offices with a tax abatement program, before drawing up their criteria.

"We can wait on other counties, but I think it would be a mistake," Felderhoff said. "If the other counties get the upper hand, we could probably forget about new industries coming into here," he said.

"Maybe if we get some feedback on this we could get an idea of where to go," Robertson said. "It's something that's going to have some impact on the economic growth of this county."

Besides attracting new businesses, the program also encourages existing businesses such as the mill to make improvements to their property, officials said.

Certain criteria need to be developed for the program by each taxing entity, including a minimum number of jobs to be created by a new or expanding business and/or the minimum amount of money to be invested for individuals to qualify for the abatement program.

When the criteria is developed, businesses would still have to be approved individually for the tax

abatement program by each entity, officials said.

Cities and counties which participate in the abatement program may be giving up some taxes on one end, but they will be getting greater economic benefits in return, as much as \$7 for every \$4 given up in taxes, Felderhoff said.

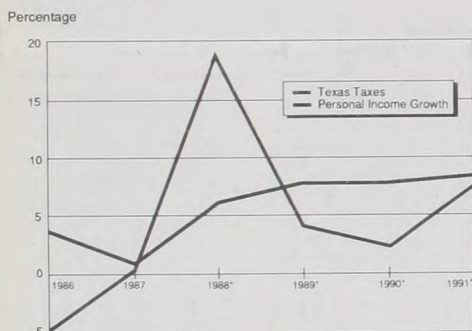
"People might argue about it," he said, "but if we can get new industry in here, more people will be hired, and those people will build new homes providing more jobs and paying their own taxes."

A number of beautiful, growing, two-year-old house plants, gifts at my husband's funeral, were stolen from the east side of The Muenster Enterprise Friday night, July 8. A very large Ficus, too heavy to lift, was knocked over. Clearly, it was theft and vandalism. I hope the persons who took them will care for them as much as I treasured them.

Mrs. R. N. Fette

Growth of Personal Income vs. Texas Taxes...

Fiscal Years 1986-91



*Estimated
SOURCE: Bob Bullock, Comptroller of Public Accounts

Bankruptcies: After three years of steadily worsening numbers, the trend has been reversed and the rate of business failures has dropped 14 percent so far in 1988.

These and similar economic indicators form the foundation for projections that the recovery will continue to pick up steam in the rest of 1988 and go on to outdistance national growth rates, on average, through 1991.

The recovery will mean even more jobs for Texans and more money in Texans' pockets as per-

could hit as drastically as what Texas has gone through the past five years.

The economy's rebound has seen nonfarm employment increase in 25 of the state's 28 metropolitan areas, from Houston on one side of the state to El Paso on the other.

Consequently, the state's unemployment rate has dropped two and a half percentage points and new claims for unemployment benefits are down 42 percent from their peak in 1986. Help-wanted advertising in the state's leading newspapers is up 23 percent during the same time. The unemployment rate will drop below seven percent by 1990.

This rebound has been spurred by the falling U.S. dollar and the increasing competitiveness of export-related manufacturing.

Texas' foreign exports outrank all states except California. In 1987, Texas exported an estimated \$19.4 billion worth of agricultural products, petrochemicals, computers, electronics, aerospace products and apparel - just a few of the state's wide range of export offerings.

Texas, of course, is ideally positioned to take advantage of the export markets as well as the state's own growing consumer market. With the Sunbelt's good weather, major Gulf ports serving sea-going vessels and convenient transportation links to the rest of the nation, Texas is sitting in the middle of all that's happening.

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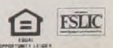
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Chamber encourages residents to open homes

Bed and breakfast, German style

Bed & Breakfast stops established in Muenster would be a boon to local tourism, a Chamber of Commerce official said Monday.

Maudine Griffin said Bed & Breakfast stops are private homes where travelers stay overnight and eat breakfast. Nicknamed B & B, the stops are in more than 35 cities across Texas.

"There is a need in Muenster for a place for tourists to stay. The greatest number of travelers today desire a more personal touch than afforded at a motel," Maudine said. "They prefer the bed and breakfast for the privacy as well as the personal feeling of being a guest in a home."

B & B originated centuries ago in Europe when kings and queens stayed in homes as they traveled from one castle to another. They have become increasingly popular in the United States.

Accommodations for B & B range from a homeowner's guest room to a spare house. "The main requirements for a good bed & breakfast seem to be a good bed, air conditioning or heating and peaceful surroundings. It doesn't have to be fancy - just comfortable," she said.

Maudine said she and Monica Hess got the idea for Muenster B & B at a tourism meeting a few years ago. Gary Morris of the Irving Chamber of Commerce revived interest in the topic when he

spoke to the Muenster Chamber in May. Morris said he feels that there are many people from the Metroplex who would like to stay at B & B in Muenster.

The Chamber office has received calls from travelers inquiring if any Muenster residents offer the service in their homes.

"If you have extra room, it would be to your advantage to open it up to get a little extra money. It's not something you have to go outside your home to do," Maudine said. "You also would enjoy getting to know people from other walks of life."

The average price B & B hosts charge is about \$60 per night, while some prices go as high as \$150 per night.

Hosts can serve breakfasts ranging from continental style to a several-course meal.

"Here in Muenster I think it would be nice to serve locally-made German sausages and strudel," Maudine said.

B & B hosts can make restrictions on their guests such as no smoking or pets allowed. Working with a lodging agency, the "right people are matched with the right house," she said.

Two Muenster residents have expressed interest in opening B & B in their homes. If interested, call the Chamber office for information on liability insurance, advertising and lodging services.



JAMES HACKER helps a student learn to float at Red Cross Swim Lessons this week. Janie Hartman Photo

Lindsay Council votes for sewer, dump

by Elaine Schad

The Lindsay City Council this week authorized Mayor Don Metzler to proceed with hiring an engineer and begin some work on the city's sewer system.

The city is negotiating with the firm of Wortham and Associates of Sherman to do the work. The Texas Water Commission has informed city officials they need to install a flow metering device and a weir box to the sewer system. Estimated cost will be between \$7,000 and \$10,000, Metzler said.

The council authorized councilmen Wilbert Block and Doyle Cogburn to present financial information and rate structures on both the water and sewer systems. The council is considering increasing water rates, sewer rates and tap fees to bring revenue more in line with the costs of operating the system, Metzler said.

The council voted to confine use of the city dump to residents living within the city limits of Lindsay. "I know that's going to make some people mad, but we've had

people from all over come and dump here, and we have to take care of our own residents first," Metzler said. He added that the dump is filling quickly, and the city plans to quit burning next year, so the dump could fill even faster then. The council is also considering restructuring dumping fees.

George Moreland of Community Cable, which owns the city's cable television franchise, informed the council he is still \$2,500 behind on franchise fee payments to the city. Moreland said he is looking to sell the system, however, with the stipulation that taxes be paid as part of the sale. There has been some improvement in reception, but the basic problem is that the system's dish and antenna should be on higher ground. Moreland said that would be too costly to correct at this time.

In other business the council approved the final plat for 25 lots in Community Estates Subdivision as submitted by John Pagel.

Red River Bridge meeting update...

The Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation on Tuesday informed the Muenster Chamber of Commerce about the format of a meeting to discuss the disputed site of a Red River bridge.

The meeting, set for 4-6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, at the Saint Jo school auditorium, will actually be a "come and go" affair. It will not be a formal meeting - in fact, the meeting will be similar to a reception.

Citizens who wish to let the department know their feelings on the bridge will be able to talk one-on-one with department officials. No one will give any formal talk in front of an audience. The purpose

of the meeting is to hear from those people who want the bridge, people who will use the bridge and where they prefer the bridge.

"This meeting is to give everyone an opportunity to express their opinions on the bridge, and we will have a table and paper for those who wish to write up their opinions and make them part of a formal department package," said Mike Murphy, engineer in charge of the meeting.

"If anyone wishes to present us with other written information we will gladly accept it on behalf of the District office," Murphy said.

According to him, this will be the only public meeting to be held before the district office makes a site recommendation to the Highway Commission in Austin. Everyone who supports building of a bridge in the area is encouraged not only to attend the meeting and speak with the officials, but to submit their feelings in writing (handwriting acceptable) so that their comments are duly recorded.

Murphy suggests that some of the officials may have to leave before 5:30 p.m., so come early!

Administrators receive extended contracts

by Elaine Schad

The Lindsay School Board last week extended the contracts of the district's two administrators.

Superintendent Henry Schroeder and Principal Gilbert Hermes received one-year extensions to their three-year contracts.

The board heard a report on first-grade results of the district's TEAMS testing. All other results had been received and reported previously.

First-grade results indicate 100 percent of the students passed both the math and writing sections while 97 percent passed the reading. Schroeder said the performance on the test above the minimum passing mark, called the scale score, was exceptional.

The district has received its plaque from the State Board of Education for receiving superior scores on TEAMS for two consecutive years at the high school level. Lindsay and Era were two of only 300 school campuses statewide to receive the achievement plaques.

In other business the board:

- Approved a 5-percent salary increase for all non-teaching personnel including cooks, bus drivers, aides, administrators, secretaries and maintenance workers. Funding for the raises will come from state funding sent to the district for that purpose, Schroeder said.

- Reported estimated district taxable value will be about \$50 million for 1988, a drop of about \$1 million from last year. The loss of the DeSoto Company from the tax rolls was a major reason for the drop, Schroeder said. The district also reported a collection rate of 95.7 percent on 1987 taxes.

- Reported that the district has received the results from samples taken to detect asbestos in campus facilities. The samples showed no asbestos. All districts in the nation must inspect for asbestos and submit a management plan by Oct. 12.

- Approved a contract with Heritage Insurance Co. of San Antonio for 1988-89 to provide voluntary insurance for students and football participants for 1988-89 school year. If a student wants the insurance, the parents will pay. The district did decide, however, to pay for catastrophic insurance for high school football players at a cost of \$2.90 per student with a \$10,000 deductible.

- Approved a maintenance contract with Dustin's to service district typewriters, but will pay per service call on copiers.

- Appointed a committee for 1988-89 to evaluate district administrators. They include Denise Schumacher, Sara Lester, Charles Cler, James Dennison, Jim Neidhart and Janie Wilson.

Lindsay ISD sets 88-89 priority plan

by Elaine Schad

The Lindsay School District has set priorities for 1988-89, approving a campus and district improvement plan.

A group of parents, students, teachers and administrators worked on the plan's development, said Henry Schroeder, Lindsay principal. "I think it's a realistic plan, and is something we can accomplish," he said.

Priorities set include improving the quality of transfer students. The board has adopted two policies with stronger guidelines for accepting transfer students.

The district plans to update and improve the library over a three-year period, spending a total of \$9,750 on books, audio-visual materials and library furniture. This year's expenditures will be about \$3,600.

The high school's computer system will be updated, replacing the TRS computers with IBM and PC compatible computers. The district will purchase at least three new computers and a printer over the next three to five years.

The district will spend \$6,500 on instructional workbooks for 1988-89, which should improve the quality of instruction while reducing copier costs.

Since the weakest area on recent TEAMS testing was distinguishing between fact and opinion as well as writing composition in the third grade, the district will work during in-service to develop plans for improving those two areas. The district will also purchase vocabulary materials for the high school since vocabulary has been a weak area on achievement, SAT and ACT testing.



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Couple exchanges vows in St. Mary's Church June 25

Mr. and Mrs. William Schmidkofer are at home in Bedford, since returning from their wedding trip to West End Bahamas. They were married in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville on June 25 in a Nuptial Mass with double ring ceremony officiated by Father Nicholas Fuhrmann at 5 p.m.

The bride is the former Rose Marie Herr, daughter of Richard and Anna Herr of Muenster and the late Joyce Herr.

The groom is the son of Leroy and Rosina Schmidkofer of Gainesville.

Given in marriage by her father, Richard Herr, and her grandfather, J.C. Miller, the bride was wearing a gown of white silk, organza and chantilly lace, accented with Venise lace motifs, bridal pearls and crystals. Fashioned with a fitted bodice, the gown featured a Queen Anne neckline. Sheer sleeves of silk organza were gathered at the wrist and cuffed with Chantilly lace. A fresh rose, tied with silk ribbon, held the gathers in place.

From the fitted waist, the skirt fell to slipper length, enhanced by a self-fabric ruffle and encircled with Chantilly lace, drifting into a chapel-length train.

To compliment her gown, she wore a bridal picture hat. The brim was bordered with Venise lace, sequins and pearls. Her fingertip veil fell softly from the back of the hat.

For the bridal bouquet, the groom picked fresh white and peach roses accented with stephanotis, white pom-pom mums and white baby's breath. The bride's mother's cross necklace was entwined in the white ribbons.

For tradition the bride wore antique cameo earrings and a matching cameo charm on a white ribbon, passed down through the

generations to Rose from her great-great-grandmother. She carried a blue handkerchief borrowed from the groom's mother.

Attendants

Patricia Herr was her sister's maid of honor. Another sister, Mrs. Dianna Klement, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were the groom's sister Rosina Schmidkofer of Gainesville and the bride's close friend, Jean Pagel of Muenster.

They wore tea-length taffeta gowns designed with sweetheart necklines and full puffed sleeves. The honor maid and flower girl wore soft peach and the other attendants wore royal blue gowns. They carried peach, long-stemmed roses.

Tara Webster, bride's niece, was flower girl and Brad Webster, bride's nephew, was ring bearer.

The best man was the groom's brother, Leroy Schmidkofer of Gainesville.

Groomsmen were the bride's brother, John Herr of Muenster; and Alfred Hennigan of Irving and Mike Janssen of Plano, both brothers-in-law of the groom.

Ushers were Fray Webster of Hurst and James Herr of Muenster, both brothers of the bride, and Tim Turbeville of Gainesville, groom's brother-in-law.

Candlelighters were Lori and LeAnn Klement, nieces of the bride.

Wedding music was presented by the organist Mrs. Marcie Young of Arkansas, cousin of the groom; and vocalists David and Pam Fette and Mrs. Emily Klement.

Floral arrangements of peach gladioli decorated the church altars.

Readings for the wedding liturgy were given by the groom's

sisters, Mary Turbeville and Sharon Janssen and by the bride's friend Tammie Reiter. Offertory gifts were presented at the altar by Steve Klement, bride's brother-in-law and by Gary Ketterer, groom's brother-in-law.

Reception

A reception, dinner and dance, hosted by parents of the couple, were held in St. Mary's Parish Hall in Gainesville.

Presiding at the bride's book were the groom's sister Mrs. Linda Hennigan and the bride's friend, Valerie Vogel. The registration table held the wedding portrait, the Unity Candle and the bridal bouquet, on a peach satin tablecloth overlaid with lace.

The five-tiered white bride's cake and the chocolate groom's cake were made by Sue Oakley.

Reception assistants were friends of the bride, Stacy Keith and Stephani Pelling. Cake servers were Lori Klement, LeAnn Klement and Dana Hess.

Guest tables were decorated with white fans and peach and blue flowers and English ivy.

The bride is a graduate of Muenster High School and attended Cooke County College and Texas Woman's University. She is currently attending Tarrant County College, is a member of National Honor Societies and Phi Theta Kappa. She is employed as a Physical Therapy Aide at Twin Oaks Medical Center.

The groom is a graduate of Gainesville High School, Cooke County College and the University of North Texas, where he received a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science. He is also a member of



MRS. WILLIAM SCHMIDLKOFER

'nee Rose Herr

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Phi Theta Kappa. He is a Systems Analyst employed by Unisys Corp. in Irving.

Rehearsal Dinner

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents on June 24 at Western Sizzlin. The bridesmaids shower was held at the home of Steve and Dianna Klement on June 11.

Relatives attending the wedding from out of town came from Little Rock, Ark.; Lawton, Okla.; and Shawnee, Okla.; joining many from Texas and especially Cooke County.

Uniform van at SH July 24

The Parker School Uniforms van will be at the Sacred Heart High School student lounge from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, July 24. Most of the items available will be for girls; boys' items are for sale at Hamric's and Ben Franklin Store.

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Sickings host relatives

Wilfred and Betty Sicking were hosts in their home recently for many visiting family members.

From Friday, July 1, to Monday, July 4, Mrs. Sicking's sisters were guests in her home. They were Florence Blevins of Odessa, Rita Chapman of Richardson and Mary Jo Graham of Gainesville. The sisters gather once or twice each year, Mrs. Sicking said, and they visit and relax when they are together.

On Saturday, the group visited their father, Joe Walter, at his home in Gainesville. They attended Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church Saturday evening and returned to Muenster for dinner at a local restaurant. They were joined at the restaurant by Mrs. Sicking's daughter, Dianne Clegg of Gainesville, and Candy Riley, a family friend.

Highlight of the weekend came when the group went to the Sicking home Saturday night. Sam and Peggy Sparkman and children John and Jo were waiting there to throw a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Graham. Peggy, Mrs. Sicking's daughter, had baked and decorated a clown cake for the honoree. Other refreshments were served, as well, during the birthday party.

"Pop calls" during the weekend came from Joe Blevins of Arlington, Suzie Blevins of Austin, Tim Sicking of Lindsay and Nancy and Sonny Barnes of Gainesville.

Also visiting with Wilfred and Betty were their daughter, Carla Wilson, and her children Jeremy, Melanie, April and Valerie, all of Weatherford. The Wilsons stayed from June 27-July 1.

Another daughter, Rose Ann Brown, and her children Dalas and Lacey, all of Gordonville, visited for one day during that time. And a daughter-in-law from Wichita Falls, Julie Sicking, visited for one afternoon with her children Kara and Jaymie and a grandson, Jason Sicking of Oklahoma.

Oops!

The Jaycees extend an apology to Hofbauer's Grocery for an inadvertent omission from the Jaycees' list of sustaining members.

St. Richard's Villa

by Rosina Kubis

June events at St. Richard's Villa began with bingo games. Amanda Fuhrmann, Betty Yosten, Dorothy Yosten and Marie Henschel - all affectionately known at the resthome as the "bingo ladies" - hosted the games.

Residents would like to thank all the weekly bingo ladies and the organizations that donate prizes for the games. These organizations are the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW, Knights of Columbus and the St. Anne's Society.

Birthdays were celebrated with a party on June 2. Honorees last month were Theresa Vogel and Carl Smith. Music for the party was provided by Sonny Walterscheid and Norma Jean Clifton.

Rose Hudspeth and Margie Fuhrmann, daughters of Theresa Vogel, brought cakes. Carl Smith Sr. brought cake and ice cream for his son. Betty Rose Walterscheid also baked a cake. Helping serve were Theresa Kubis, Carol Henschel and Betty Gilpin and daughters Tommy and Brandi.

Pam Fette and children Russell and Elizabeth entertained residents by singing a variety of German songs on June 10. Russell and Elizabeth sang their own special selections. Residents enjoyed the performance and are looking forward to the Fettes visiting again.

On June 14, residents received a special treat when a one-man-band came to St. Richard's. They watched him play three instruments at one time. Lucille Morgan assisted the musician by singing.

Lucille Hess and Millie Voth on June 22 brought homemade cookies, bananas and lots of smiles to residents. Thanks.

Mildred Lawson played the accordion and sang for residents twice during June. A special guest, Sister Aloysius, accompanied her on June 23. Residents enjoyed both ladies and hope they return to visit soon.

A sing-along hosted by Linda Flusche on the piano and Mary Endres and Nicole, Theresa, Luke and Lisa and Deana, Noah and Aaron Hess was in June, also. Everyone sang from special books they made just for the residents.

The staff and residents would like to thank all weekly volunteers; you are very special people.

Out of town guests for June were: for Mary Jane Arcola - Rosemary and Diane Svoboda of Dallas; for Beulah Clement - George Cureton of Plano and Leona Shuffebean of Cove, Ark.; for Bertha Bewley - Carol Gear of Fort Worth and Odell Chenault

of Padueah; for Vena Settle - Vonalle and Jack Beall of Gainesville, Jim Settle and Pat Weaver of Garland; for Buck Ware - Mr. and Mrs. John Ware of Dallas; for Frances Reiter - Adolph, Linda and Chris Knabe of Midland, Beatrice Knabe of Hereford and Mary Ann Arendt of Lindsay; for Lucy McKenzie - Alberta Barrett and son Baron of Longview.

Sherman museum seeks artifacts

The Sherman Historical Museum is planning to produce three new exhibits in the fall. Directors are asking the public to loan or help locate information pertaining to Black History in Grayson County, Perrin Field during World War II and Preston Peninsula including information and artifacts on the Indians, the settlers and overall history.

If anyone has artifacts and/or information to be loaned to the museum for these exhibits, contact Edward P. Meza, director of Sherman Historical Museum at (214) 893-7623. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays, and 2 to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

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Parade, carnival to kick off Bible School

Children registered for Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church in Muenster are encouraged to join a parade and carnival on Saturday to begin a week of learning and fun.

The parade is set to begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday in front of Muenster High School. Children are asked to bring their bicycles, whistles and kazoo to parade behind a Vacation Bible School banner down Pecan Street to the First Baptist Church.

A carnival will begin when the parade arrives at the church and will last until noon. Features at the event will be a big-top tent, sno cones, popcorn, Kool Aid, people dressed as characters from the Bible and games for all ages.

All children who are preregistered for the school will receive 30 tickets to spend on games, and 10 more tickets if they bring a friend. Those who register on Saturday receive 20 tickets. The carnival will be videotaped for local churches.

Bible school will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on July 18-22. Free transportation will be provided for those who need it. Activities will include Bible stories, games, crafts, recreation and refreshments.

An open house for all parents will be at 9:30 a.m., Sunday, July 24, at the church for the parents to see what their children learned during the week.

VBS is for kids ages 4 through 12. More than 80 kids are now enrolled. If anyone is interested in

donating time or money to the event, call VBS Director Debbie Dunn or Rev. Steve Pearson.

Hospital Dismissals

Wed., June 22 - Louie Lewis Pickett, Saint Jo.

Thurs., June 23 - NONE

Fri., June 24 - NONE

Sat., June 25 - Simona Landeverde and baby girl Raquel, Nocona; Ella Smith, Lake Kiowa; Leo Clements Hoedebeck, Gainesville.

Sun., June 26 - NONE

Mon., June 27 - Abbie Ester Lively, Whitesboro.

Tues., June 28 - Cecilia Lenora Schilling, Muenster; Donna Faye Black, Myra; Lyric Edwards, Saint Jo.

Wed., June 29 - Billy Joe Gaston, Saint Jo; Alta Arizona Campbell, Saint Jo.

Thurs., June 30 - Michael Goble, Muenster.

Fri., July 1 - Walter Grewing, Muenster; Lucille Adair, Forestburg; Peggy Sue Howard, Era.

Sat., July 2 - Kristal M. Kilpatrick, Muenster.

Sun., July 3 - Elsie Mae Lohner, Muenster; Dyann Renee Vogel, Muenster; Regina Ann Pels, Muenster.



TONYA FISHER and Stanley Hess have chosen Aug. 20 for their wedding day. Their engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by her parents, Francis R. (Butch) and Eileen Fisher of Muenster. Parents of the groom are Marcella and John Louis Hess of Lindsay. Father Victor Gillespie OSB will officiate for the Nuptial Mass in Sacred Heart Church at 5 p.m. The bride-elect is a graduate of Muenster High School. She is an Education major attending Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls and will transfer to Texas Woman's University in Denton. The future-groom is a graduate of Lindsay High School. He is employed at Metzler Paint and Body Co. The couple will reside in Gainesville.

Fall mars trip to Vegas

Good luck followed Evie Felderhoff at Las Vegas and helped make the first day exciting; but hard luck dogged a later day, when a mis-step and fall resulted in a broken bone, just below her hip, on June 22.

Traveling with her were two daughters, Sherie Felderhoff and Gina Pape, both of Dallas, and a sister, Mrs. Mark Kuta of Gainesville.

"We were having a ball," Evie said, "until we were told that surgery would be needed to mend the broken bone. I felt that catastrophe struck. We flew home, and on June 23 I entered AMI, Denton Medical Center, for surgery."

Mrs. Felderhoff was released from AMI on June 28, to recuperate at home. Her daughter Gina Pape is staying with her.

New Arrivals

Fleitman

Paul and Susanna Fleitman announce the birth of their third child, a daughter named Brianna Ruth on June 30, 1988 at 10:37 p.m. at AMI Women's Pavilion in Denton. She weighed 6 lb. 15 oz. and measured 19 inches in length. Brianna Ruth joins two brothers at home, P.J. who is four years old, and A.J. who is 20 months. Their grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Fleitmann of Myra and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Knabe, Sr. of Gainesville.

Wolf

Kent and Lori Wolf of Denton are parents of their second son, born at AMI Denton Regional Medical Center on June 23, 1988 at 4:45 p.m., weighing 8 lb. 5 oz. They have named him Steven Richard. He joins a brother, Paul, 22 months of age. Their grandparents are Ernest and Bea Wolf of Muenster and Ramon and Toni Stinedurf of Garland. The great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wolf of Muenster; Elva Stinedurf of Garland; and Mary Long of Pennsylvania.

Balthrop

Gary and Jill Balthrop are parents of a son, Randy Wayne Balthrop, born on Monday, July 11, 1988 at 8:30 a.m. in Gainesville Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lb. 14 oz. and measuring 21 inches long. Randy Wayne is a brother for Renee. Grandparents are Mrs. Judy Herron of Oklahoma City and the late Jerry Balthrop; and Margie Walterscheid and the late Herbie Walterscheid. The great-grandparents are Mrs. Marie Reiter, Mrs. Rosie Walterscheid, both of Muenster, and Mrs. Gladys Balthrop of Rosston.

Fisher

Paige and Reid Fisher are telling excitedly about the birth of a new baby sister on July 6, 1988 at 4:50 a.m., weighing 6 lb. 5 oz. and measuring 19½ inches in length. She has been named April Denae. Their parents are Richard and Mary Kay Fisher of Denton. The grandparents are Gladys Bezner of Lindsay, Clyde and Polly Fisher of Muenster. The great-grandmother is Mrs. Margaret Fisher of Muenster.

O'Brien

A new great-grandchild will be a special joy for Vina and Joe Voth, who are telling about the birth of Sean William O'Brien on Monday, July 11, 1988 at 12:25 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 4 oz. The parents are Billy and Angela O'Brien of Irving. The grandparents are Kathy and Jim O'Brien of Irving and Mr. and Mrs. David Capers of Mesquite. (Mrs. Jim O'Brien, the paternal grandmother, is the former Kathy Voth, daughter of Vina and Jim Voth.)

Baptism and birthdays celebrated July 10

Jordan William Walterscheid, Terry and Dianne's infant son, received the Sacrament of Baptism in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday evening at 5 p.m., July 9.

His godparents are an uncle and aunt, Steve and Margaret Cotter of Paradise, Texas. Jordan William wore a handmade baptismal gown and cap made by his godmother, Margaret.

Participating in the liturgy were Jordan's godmother and his grandfather, Dr. Martin Kralicke, who presented the Readings.

Casey Walterscheid, Jordan's oldest brother, and Matthew Cotter, his cousin, participated in the Offertory procession.

Father Victor Gillespie was celebrant of the Mass.

Also attending the Baptism ceremony were Jordan's grandparents, Willie and Queenie Walterscheid, and Betty Kralicke; his brother Tyler; great-grandmother, Estelle Gravelle; and Aunt Laura Pels of Coppell.

All the family was together again on Sunday, July 10 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Martin Kralicke, for a noon meal and celebration. The celebration was not only for Jordan's Baptism, but also to recognize the birthdays of Casey and Dr. Kralicke, who share the same date, July 11.

The afternoon was filled with the pleasures of opening gifts, swimming, and enjoying cake and homemade ice cream.

Together at the Kralicke home were the hosts, Dr. and Mrs. Martin Kralicke; Terry, Dianne, Casey, Tyler and Jordan Walterscheid; Estelle Gravelle; Kim, Lisa and Dustin Walterscheid; Dr. Steve and Jill Kralicke and two sons, Travis and Robert of Grapevine; Dr. Steve and Margaret Cotter and son Matthew of Paradise; Harry and Mary Lou Reinwald and daughter Amelia and son Harrison of Irving; Kevin and Laura Pels and son Jared of Coppell.

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Couple exchanges vows in Dallas June 18

Tracy Lynn Boruff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Boruff of Dallas, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Trachta of Muenster, became the bride of Scott Anthony Giancola, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Giancola of New Kensington, Pa., on June 18, 1988.

They exchanged wedding vows during a Nuptial Mass celebrated by Msgr. Erbrick at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Dallas.

The bride is an executive secretary for Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, Inc. The groom is a computer consultant for Computer Assistance, Inc.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal full length gown with a fitted bodice of sheer illusion, a regal neckline and puffed sleeves accented with Alencon embroidered lace, pearls and sequins.

A swirling silk taffeta skirt, with a bustle embellished with handmade rosettes, had a cathedral train adorned with Alencon lace ending in a scalloped hem.

Honor attendants were Christine Fleming, maid of honor, a friend of the bride from Dallas; and Gary Giancola, the best man, brother of the groom from

Wichita Falls. Bridesmaids were Gretchen Russ of Canyon, Amy Allen, Anna Gifford, friends of the bride; Lynne Giancola, sister of the groom, all of Dallas; and Jeanna Schumacher, cousin of the bride, of Gainesville, Fla.

Groomsmen were Danny Giancola, brother of the groom, of New Kensington, Pa.; Mike Kozar of Irwin, Pa.; Gary Torcaso of Harrisburg, Pa.; both friends of the groom and Darren Boruff and Marc Boruff, brothers of the bride, of Dallas.

Lynsi Trachta, flower girl, and Christopher Boruff, ring bearer are cousins of the bride.

The usher was Jay Schumacher, cousin of the bride of Gainesville, Fla.

Michelle Trachta was a member of the house party in the reception that followed. A buffet and dance were held at the Engineers Club.

Guests attending the wedding from Muenster included Mr. and Mrs. Muenster and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Trachta.

Also Wayne and Deann Trachta of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Trachta of Denton, Mr. and Mrs. James Hundley and family of Fort Worth, Cyndy Hundley and



MRS. SCOTT ANTHONY GIANCOLA
'nee Tracy Lynn Boruff

Renee of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hundley of Denton. After taking a wedding trip to

the Bahamas, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Anthony Giancola are residing in Plano.

New Braunfels is site of wedding

The wedding of Teresa Joan Deltz of New Braunfels and John Brandom Magnus of Fort Collins, Colo., was held in Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church of New Braunfels. Rev. Eugene O'Callaghan was celebrant of the Nuptial Mass and traditional double ring ceremony at 5 p.m. on May 21.

The bride is the daughter of Paul and Patricia Deltz and the granddaughter of Mrs. Elsie Horn

sweetheart neckline with lace with a sabrina neckline, both dipping into a deep v-back neckline. A side taffeta bow accented the dropped waist and the double-tiered skirt.

They carried bouquets of iris, alstromeria, plumosa, carnations, friesia and dieffenbachia leaves.

The best man was Curt Bennett, groom's friend of Chicago. Groomsmen were Paul Magnus, groom's brother of New Haven,

mond, Va.; and Lorraine Clukey of Irving. Acolytes and candlelighters were Shannon Hennessy and Kim Lehman.

Presenting traditional wedding music were organist Barbara Houde and soloist Mary Tamayo.

Following the church ceremony, a reception, dinner and dance were held in St. Mary's Hall, with music by "Nickelodeon." Fresh spring floral arrangements decorated the bride's table. Guest tables were decorated with silk spring flowers and candles. Food tables were decorated with baskets and balloons.

Assisting in serving were Mrs.

Marilyn Doughty of Muenster, and Mrs. Toko Magnus, Mrs. Sally Harper, Mrs. Margaret Nizhnikov, Mrs. Clemie Deltz, Mrs. Donna Mares, and Mr. Chris Allgower and Mr. Mark Vincent.

Ellen Lawrence of Buffalo, N.Y., presided at the bride's book. The Grand March was led by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lehmann.

Since returning from a wedding trip to British Columbia, the couple is residing in Charlottesville, Va. Both are graduate students at the University of Virginia.

Preceding the wedding, the rehearsal supper was hosted by the groom's parents at Langston House in New Braunfels.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN BRANDOMMAGNUS
'nee Teresa Joan Deltz

of Muenster and the late Joe Horn. The groom is the son of Arne and Margaret Magnus of Fort Collins, Colo.

The bride and groom were escorted to the altar by their respective parents.

The bride wore a formal wedding gown of white satin, designed with a bodice featuring a v-neck and back edged with pearls and accented with hand-beaded venise lace and silk floss Schiffli embroidery. Satin and tulle leg-mutton sleeves were also accented with lace and pearls. The skirt, edged with scalloped embroidered lace, flowed into a cathedral train adorned with lace cut-outs.

She wore a wreath of beaded pearl flowers with a tiered veil with pearl accents. For tradition and sentiment she wore a gold cross and chain given to her grandmother Elsie Horn by her grandfather Joe Horn and worn by her mother, the former Pat Horn, and by her aunts and cousins on their wedding days. She also carried a handkerchief belonging to her paternal grandmother, Mrs. J.J. Deltz.

Her bridal bouquet was a cascade of cymbidium orchids, alstromeria, tube roses, plumosa and dieffenbachia leaves.

Attendants

The maid of honor was the bride's sister, Carole Deltz of New Braunfels. Bridesmaids were another sister, Sharon Deltz of New Braunfels; Cheryl Deltz, a cousin, of Galveston; Karla Endres, a cousin of Irving; and Elizabeth Kelby, a friend, also of Irving.

They wore identical tea-length light aqua dresses of taffeta and lace. The taffeta bodice featured a

Fisher family gathers

More than 150 descendants of the late Joe and Emma Fisher met in a family reunion July 2 and 3. Theme of the gathering was "Christmas in July."

The reunion began with 5 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church, celebrated by Frs. Denis Soerries and Harry Fisher. Eileen Fisher led singing. Paul Fisher and Lorena Taylor served as Eucharistic Ministers.

Following the Mass, relatives met at the VFW Hall for a covered dish meal and an evening of visiting, picture taking and reminiscing with old photographs.

Muenster City Park was the site on Sunday for the reunion. Family members ate a noon meal, swam at the city pool and played volleyball, horseshoes and other games provided by Gary Fisher. They also enjoyed Clyde Fisher's cassette recording of Joe Fisher Sr. speaking with his great-grandchildren at a Christmas in the 1960s. Frs. Denis and Victor Gillespie were special guests on

Sunday.

Dorothy Fisher, recuperating in Muenster Memorial Hospital from an arm injury, was cheered by a paper tablecloth signed by those at the reunion as a get well card.

The reunion was planned by Gary Fisher and Rita Fisher. The last Fisher reunion had been July 2 and 3, 1983.

Attending the event were Joe, Pat, Paul, Harry and Earl Fisher and Bertha Pick, Lillian Appel and Lorena Taylor, and their descendants. Also present were the descendants of the late John and Charlie Fisher and Ida Fladung.

Relatives came from the Muenster area, Metroplex cities, Tyler, Galveston, Houston, College Station, Fredricksburg and Wichita Falls. Also from Timonium, Md.; Fed Way, Wash.; Arvada, Colo.; Lakewood, Colo.; Palm Spring, Calif. and St. Louis.



MARCIA VOGEL, DENISE BAYER, STACI SICKING

MHS majorettes win awards

Denise Bayer, MHS Hornet Band Drum Major, marched away from camp last month with a Grand Champion trophy and a host of ribbons.

In the meantime, Staci Sicking and Marcia Vogel, Hornet Majorettes, were twirling their ways to ribbons and excellent ratings.

The students attended the Marching Auxiliaries of America camp at the University of North Texas from June 27 to 30.

Denise, the daughter of Dan and Mary Alice Bayer, is a senior and is in her third year as drum major. At camp, she competed against 81 drum majors from other schools to win an "All Star" ribbon, two superior ribbons and one excellent ribbon. She also won a spirit baton to bring home.

On the final performance day at the UNT Coliseum, Denise directed to the song "El Torero." She was one of five drum majors at the camp who were awarded

Grand Championship trophies. During the camp, Denise learned and practiced directing techniques including giving cues, vocal commands, dynamics and salutes.

Staci, the daughter of Paul and Bernice Sicking, is a senior and a fourth-year majorette. Marcia, the daughter of Larry and Kathia Vogel, is a sophomore and a third-year majorette for MHS. At the camp last month, they learned a two-baton routine, struts, new steps and tricks and illusions.

Competing against about 75 other majorettes, Staci and Marcia were evaluated each night and were awarded ribbons for their efforts. They twirled to the song "Mony, Mony" on the last day of competition.

Attending the final performances were Kathy Vogel and Amber and Bronya; Bernice Sicking and Danny and Marv Alice Bayer and Melissa.

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Horseshoe Tournament	1:00 P.M.
Grease Pig Race	3:00 P.M.
Goat Scramble	3:30 P.M.
Children's Drawing (Must Be Present To Win)	4:00 P.M.
Fiddler's Contest	4:15 P.M.
Barbeque Plate Supper	6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.
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The Muenster Public and Sacred Heart High School classes of 1968 gathered with their spouses at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, June 11, for a 20th year class reunion.

The evening began at 6 p.m. with a "Get Acquainted" hour, followed by a meal catered by Rohmer's Restaurant.

A large banner, helium balloons, candles and flowers decorated the room. Ladies of the classes were presented with personalized corsages, and the men class members were given personalized garters.

Linda Sepanski and Debbie Cler presented a program after the meal. They read "Remember Whens" and a 1968 historical

year-in-review. They also presented the following awards to class members:

Sacred Heart: Least Changed - Ben Fleitman Jr., Donna (Stoffels) Simmons; **Most Changed** - Stan Endres, Jeanne (Vogel) Parker; **Most Children** - Donna Simmons; **Traveled the Farthest** - Tom Hess of Columbia, S.C.

MHS: Least Changed - Tommy Joe Trachta, Ann Sicking; **Most Changed** - Herbie Sicking, Grace (Moster) Eldridge; **Most Children** - Sharlene (Wimmer) Schilling; **Traveled the Farthest** - Grace Eldridge of Denver City, Texas.

Teachers of the classes who attended the reunion were Edgar and Carol Dyer, Janie Weinzapfel, Walter and Georgia Wolf

and Dorothy Bengfort.

Deceased members of the classes were also honored at the reunion. They are Steven Endres (killed in first grade), Lawrence Bruns (died in eighth grade) and Glenn Owen (killed in summer 1967).

Members of the classes who did not attend the reunion are Rose (Eckart) Black, Karyn (Kathman) Cox, Paul Hoedebeck, Ricky Huddleston, Sandra (Sicking) Knabe, Cathy Medders, Laura (Truebenbach) Stewart, Mike Stoffels, Glen Trachta, Tommy Tuggle and Chris Walter.

Some class members also met the next day at The Center Restaurant and at the Muenster City Park with their families.



REUNION - Front row, l to r, - Karen (Vogel) Hoenig, Joyce (Schmitt) Hale, Debbie (Russell) Cler, Shirley (Klement) Otto, Jackie (Wimmer) Hanna, Rita (Fette) Russell, Paula (Herr) Reiter, Mona (Voth) Ford, Ann Sicking; 2nd row - Sharlene (Wimmer) Schilling, Donna (Stoffels) Simmons, Jeanne (Vogel) Parker, Joan (Sicking) Lutkenhaus, Linda (Rohmer) Sepanski, Mary Alice (Koesler) Bayer, Patsy (Fleitman) Hermes, Lucille (Temple) Jeffries; top row - Tom Hess, Herbert Sicking, Ben Fleitman Jr., Jerry Otto, Leon Walterscheid, Paul Caplinger, Gilbert Hess, Larry Joe Eberhart, Robert Miller, Steve Yosten, Stan Endres, Tommy Joe Trachta, Linda (Wilson) Hensley, Stephen Hess, Faye (Embrey) Cash, Debbie (Cler) Randolph, Grace (Moster) Eldridge.



LANCE WIMMER, son of Roy and Jan Wimmer of Richardson and grandson of Tony and Loretta Wimmer, is shown with two afghans to be raffled for the Muenster Minibus. The afghan on Lance's shoulder was made by Dorothy Hartman. The baby blanket on his knee was crocheted by Mrs. Laura Haverkamp. The afghans will be on display during July at local stores. Chances are being sold at one for 50 cents or five for \$2.00 by Pat Walterscheid and at City Hall. The drawing will be Aug. 17 at 11 a.m. in front of City Hall. Proceeds from the raffle will go toward the upkeep of the minibus and for the purchase of a new one.

Janie Hartman Photo

J.A.M. sets Senior Olympics

J.A.M. (Jesus Alive in Muenster) is sponsoring Senior Olympics at its meeting at 7 p.m., Wednesday, July 20. Incoming high school juniors through college students are invited to compete in the olympics, at the MPS track.

Events will include relay races, closest-to-the-goal-post golf contest, 100 yard dashes, sack races, barrel races, 3-legged races, potatoe and spoon and egg races and washer and ring tosses. Competitors can enter up to three events.

Refreshments will be served after the olympics, and the public is encouraged to watch the fun.

Registration for the events is at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the track. For more information, contact Claude and Deb Klement, Mike Pagel, J. Shane Wimmer or Shayne Wimmer.

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Student makes Dean's List

Lydia Kay Walterscheid, a University of Dallas sophomore and resident of Muenster, is among students on the Dean's List for the Spring 1988 semester. She

studied in Rome during the semester.

Lydia is the daughter of Theo J. (Sonny) and Annette Walterscheid.

Baptism

Hess

Haylee Ann Hess, infant daughter of Brent and Mary Hess, was baptized by Father Victor Gillespie during the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, July 9, in Sacred Heart Church.

Shellie and Joe Hoedebeck were their niece's baptismal sponsors. Mary Knabe, a cousin, assisted with the Readings and petitions. Stephanie Grewing, a cousin, helped present Offertory gifts at the altar and Cory Knabe, a cousin, was one of the Mass servers.

Attending the Mass were grandparents, Emma Lou Hess, and Gene and Elsie Hoedebeck. Also uncles, aunts and cousins, Donna Biffle, Linda Grewing; Gilbert, Linda, Cory and Mary Knabe; Tammy Hess; Peggy, Stephanie and Courtney Grewing, all of Muenster. Also Toni, Jay and Elliot Lankford of Irving and Fred Hoedebeck of Carrollton; and Haylee's sister, Ashley.

Haylee's parents hosted a hamburger and hot dog supper at Muenster City Park, following the church service.

Other guests attending the reception were Jim, Jack and Jayna Biffle; Jennifer and Christopher Hoedebeck; Leslie and Kelly Grewing; Brian Knabe; Charla Bayer; Travis Lankford and Kristen Hess.

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Amy has been consistently on the Dean's Honor Roll and maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average in a possible 4. She is pursuing a degree in Accounting at Texas A&M University in the CBA Honor Program. Amy will begin her junior year in late August.

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Forestburg board takes action

The Forestburg I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 20, in the school.

Wanda Russell, chief appraiser for the Montague County Tax Appraisal District, presented a contract to the Board for the collection and assessing of the Forestburg I.S.D. school taxes. This contract covers the period from July 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989.

Faith Sandusky, tax assessor/collector for the school, presented a list of the 1987 delinquent taxpayers to the Board. Motion was approved to turn the 1987 delinquent taxes over to the tax attorney for collection.

Hollis Adams, superintendent, gave a report on goals attained by the school during the past year. Under the category of higher achievement for students, goals attained included the use of TEAMS and CAT tests to provide remedial programs, higher academic and behavioral standards for honor rolls, increased U.I.L. Academic Competition and splits in all elementary classes.

Goals attained for better communication, Adams reported, included teachers inservice on methods of communication with parents, increased editions of the school newspaper and grandparent and special friend luncheons. Drug Awareness Program

goals that were achieved include the development of a local Students Against Drunk Drivers chapter and receiving federal funds for drug education.

The Board unanimously approved that a letter of recommendation be put in Karla Murphy's file. Miss Murphy was the Senior Sponsor and accompanied the students on their senior trip, along with Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Halford. The Board also unanimously approved a resolution honoring Hoyt Mann for outstanding Board service.

Members then met in executive session.



FIVE Forestburg ISD representatives were among the teams of personnel who took part in the Classroom Management and Discipline Program (CMDP) sessions at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos June 27-July 1. The teachers, l to r, Bob Donald, Jack Goodrich, R.L. Halford, Mary Hayes and Wanda Whitehill, were under the direction of Margaret Dunn, standing.

'Burg Chit-Chat

by Myrt Denham

Reception honors Vera McGee
This Saturday, July 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. Vera Mae McGee will be honored with a birthday reception in the Forestburg Community Center. Everyone is invited to come visit with Vera Mae. She has missed all her friends here since moving to Bowie so is anxious to see and visit with them. The hosts are her family members.

Steadham benefit
Come Saturday, July 23, there will be a benefit supper for Don Steadham at 7 p.m. in the Forestburg Community Center.

The meat, beans, rolls and tea will be furnished. Ladies attending are asked to bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. All proceeds will go to Don Steadham for his prosthesis. Music will be furnished by Yvonne and Gean Scott and their crew.

Rodeo Aug. 5 and 6
Do believe there will be another rodeo in Forestburg the weekend of Aug. 5 and 6. So, jot it on your calendar so you won't forget to attend. More info later.

Community Service Club
Thursday night, July 21, at 8 p.m. the Forestburg Community Service Club will meet in the Community Center. All officers and members need to be present as plans need to be made about the upcoming Watermelon Festival.

Elizeys visit
Dick and Helen Elizey of Lake Charles, La. arrived in the 'Burg on Saturday, July 2, to spend some time in their abode here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hays are neighbors
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hays of Kansas have moved into the former

home of Vera Mae McGee. They are the parents of Hal Hays. Hopefully, the Forestburg folks will really make these folks welcome hereabouts.

Edwards reunion
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards and Veronica Greanad of the 'Burg and Mark and Pam Brant of Dallas made it out to Snyder for the Edwards family reunion over the July 2-4 weekend. The reunion was in Allen Edwards' home in Snyder.

On Thursday, July 7, the Charles Edwards celebrated their 27th anniversary in Denton with dinner and a movie.

Gospel meeting on July 17
Starting Sunday night, July 17, at 8 p.m. there will be a gospel meeting at the Forestburg Church of Christ. Wendell Byrd of Nashville, Tenn. will conduct the meetings.

Scotts return from Canada
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scott returned home recently from a trip to Canada and other points of interest.

Steadham-Harrison wedding June 30
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Steadham announce the marriage of their daughter, Dona Kay, to Bill Gen Harrison. The wedding took place Thursday night, June 30, in the couple's new home in Bellevue.

Farrells return from D.C.
Mr. and Mrs. Don Farrell and Scott returned home Thursday, July 7, from a 10-day vacation in Washington, D.C. and West Virginia.

Kaye Selby visits Myrt Denham
Kaye Selby departed for home in Amarillo on Wednesday morning, July 6, after visiting with her friend, Myrt Denham, from June 30.

Faith Sandusky visits family
Faith Sandusky has also made it back home from a two-week vacation in Wichita Falls with son Will, in Pampa with daughter Liz

and family, and at Moss Lake with daughter Jeannie and family.

Manaires have guests
Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie R. Manaire were her daughters, Kimberly and Cindy Ball, and a sister, Jane Girard, all of Dallas.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Clois Russell.

Gladys Barclay visits
Mrs. Gladys Barclay of Saint Jo was a 'Burg visitor Thursday. She spent the afternoon visiting with "yours truly."

New baby
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flodin are the parents of a new baby girl, Shaylee Marie, born June 29, 1988. Shaylee is the granddaughter of the former Carol Echols of Pottash, Idaho. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D.D. Echols of Mallard.

Parsons family moves
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Parsons and children of Wichita Falls will be moving to Shelby, North Carolina where Sam has accepted a new position. Mrs. Parsons is the former Karla Greenwood.

Evans recuperates
Joe Evans, Jr. spent most of last week in Denton's AMI Medical Center after taking ill at home. Joe underwent numerous tests. He should be home recuperating when you read this.

Saturday morning
Myrt Denham and Laura Belle Jackson got together Saturday morning, July 9, and made it over to Bowie. After some business chores, they had lunch at a Chinese food place before heading home.

July birthdays
Celebrating birthdays this week are Marion Sockwell, July 13; Vera Mae McGee and W.T. Reynolds, July 14.

Veda Magee recuperates
Merle Hudspeth's aunt, Veda Magee of Bowie, underwent surgery recently in the Bowie Memorial Hospital. She is home now and doing very well.

Activities listed for festival
Last, but certainly not least, let us all remember that the Forestburg Watermelon Festival is coming up Saturday, Aug. 20. If you wish to have a booth to sell your "goodies," contact Becky Scott at 964-2468. Veda Brogdon is in charge of the arts and crafts display and she does need "your" crafts and arts to display. Mary Jo Eldridge is in charge of the parade which starts at 10 a.m. and she invites everyone to enter this parade with whatever! Her number is 964-2261. The Fun Run is at 7:30 a.m., but registration starts at 7 a.m. Contact Liz Johnson at 964-2435 about this.

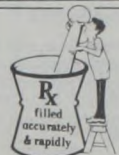
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Rosston News

by Ruth Smith

Sam Bass Day

Sam Bass Pioneer Day is Saturday, July 16, 1988. The parade will be at 10 a.m. with activities throughout the day and barbecue plates will be served at noon and evening. Cost of the meal is \$4.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children. Barbecue sandwiches are \$1.50.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fun. Proceeds go to the Rosston Volunteer Fire Department.

There will be an arts and crafts display at the Fire Hall on Sam Bass Day. Anyone who wants to display their arts and crafts may get in touch with Mrs. Ruth Christian, 768-2242.

Revival

The Rosston United Methodist Church will have a revival starting Sunday, July 24, and ending July 26 at 7 p.m. each evening.

Rev. Lynn Vowell of Carrollton will conduct the services. Rev. Cary Jensen is the pastor.

There will be a Bible Bowl for the children. Everyone is invited to attend.

Benefit Supper

There will be a benefit supper for Don Steadham Saturday, July 23, 1988 at 7 p.m. at the Forestburg Community Center.

The meat, beans, rolls and tea will be furnished. Ladies are asked to bring vegetables, salad or desserts.

All proceeds go to Don Steadham for his prosthesis. There will be music and good food.

Snake loses, Brown wins

When Mrs. Evelyn Brown discovers that a chicken snake is getting her eggs, she soon puts a stop to that.

One day when she went to gather the eggs, she could tell that she didn't get as many eggs at the chicken house as usual. So, her son Billy puts a fish hook in an egg. Now, when you put the fish hook in the egg, you have to be very careful not to break the egg. But once you get the fish hook in the egg, it is just about invisible.

Then they tied a string to the fish hook and waited for the snake to arrive for his feast of the eggs. When he swallowed the egg with the fish hook, his feast came to an end.

When Mrs. Brown found him in the hen nest, she wanted to take him outside to kill him. She took him out using the string tied to the fish hook. When she got outside with him, she realized there wasn't anything close by to kill him with. She just put her foot on his head until she can manage to reach a chopping axe. While she is doing that, the snake wraps himself around her leg, but she held him down until she could reach the chopping axe. She managed to hit him on his head, and killed him, then he unwrapped from her leg.

Sometimes when Mrs. Brown finds a chicken snake, she just takes him by the tail and hits his head against a rock. If she happens to not have something to kill him with, that is. We really admire this dear lady for her brave work.

Guests of the Dales

Jo and Ed Dale and Mrs. Lillian Dale have had as their guests Bryce and Nola Dale of Santa Rosa, California, Mrs. Patsy Gilbert of Glendale, California, Mrs. Linda Nims and Krissy of Highfalls, New York.

Other guests have been Mrs. Dedra Diehl and daughter Amy of Iowa City, Iowa.

Personal

Bill English of Valley View was a visitor in Forestburg Tuesday.

Jim Penton attends funeral

Jim Penton, mayor of Rosston, left Decatur, Texas Friday at 3:30 p.m. June 24, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Zuma Ford Whitaker. He had to stand up in the bus all the way to Wichita Falls, then obtained a seat on the bus to Amarillo where they changed buses and drivers to Denver, Colorado. Jim gave up his seat to a mother and small child to Pueblo, Colo. Standing up over 100 miles, he obtained a seat to Denver, Colo., arriving at 6 a.m. Saturday, June 25. There they had an eight-hour layover. Jim saw the Denver Museum, had his picture taken at the state capitol.

Leaving Cheyenne at 1:30 a.m. for Casper, Wyoming, (his destination), he arrived Sunday at 3:30 p.m. That day he visited many of his cousins, attending two birthday parties of the Bruce Penton families. One birthday boy celebrates his birthday on July 4, the same day as Jim's birthday.

Jim left Casper, Wyo. at 7 a.m. with a young lady driver of Powder River Bus and found out she was a cousin. She was sorry she couldn't attend the funeral because of other obligations.

Jim arrived at 9:30 a.m. at Shoshoni, Wyo., found a motel, cleaned up and went to Aunt Zuma

Ford Whitaker's funeral at 2 p.m.

Jim also visited by phone with old friends in Latrosia County, Fremont County and Hot Springs County. He also saw old timers Hugh Day and Paul Hughes, and visited with former mayor of Shoshoni, George Bloomquist.

He called his uncle, Loyd Allen, at Thermopolis, Wyoming and then went and had dinner with him.

Jim says he had a good trip, but there were some disappointments.

Two travel in New Mexico

Mrs. Inez Stevens and Mrs. Mary Ruth Kindiger left Monday, July 4, for Roswell, New Mexico to visit Mrs. Dorothy Stevens, Jerry and Carolyn Stevens, Mrs. Sue Stevens and Mrs. Pauline Bissey. Tuesday, Mrs. Inez Stevens, Mrs. Mary Ruth Kindiger, accompanied by Mmes. Stevens and Bissey, drove to Ruidoso, N.M.

On Wednesday, they drove to Tularosa, N.M. to visit an oldtime friend, Mickie Omey, then visited in Clouderoft. They returned to Roswell Thursday and home Friday. They ran into lots of rain all the way.

Jerry and Jordon Kindiger visited Mrs. Mary Ruth Kindiger Saturday.

Christians attend

Hudspeth-Baker wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Christian, Barry and Toni Christian and Tara Christian, all of Stephenville, and Miss Debbie Christian of San Angelo attended the wedding of their cousin, Miss Vickie Hudspeth, and Brett Baker in Sherman Saturday evening, July 9, 1988 at 7 p.m. in the Travis Street Church of Christ.

Miss Hudspeth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Hudspeth of Pilot Point and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Christian.

After the wedding, the Christians from Stephenville and Miss Christian from San Angelo all came and spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Christian.

Sunday, Miss Donna Christian from Dumas came for a visit with her grandparents, the C.H. Christians until Wednesday.

Davis reunion held in Walters, Oklahoma

The annual Davis reunion was held Sunday in Walters, Oklahoma.

Those attending from this area of Texas were Mrs. Evelyn Brown and her family, including Mrs. Barbara Pierce of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown of Era, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown and Bradley of Alford, Mr. and Mrs. Les Lender of Gainesville and Willis Kelley of Prairie Point. Others attending were Mrs. Winnie Bizzell and all of her family of Tulsa; Mrs. Katherine Teakell and part of her family of Walters; Mrs. Freeman Teakell of Walters (her husband, Freeman, was ill and unable to attend); also Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rowland of Rhame, Texas; and a host of others. There was lots of good food with 97 people attending.

Personal

Mrs. Barbara Pierce of Fort Worth spent Saturday night with her mother, Mrs. Evelyn Brown.

Mrs. Hanson visits kin

Mrs. Joyce Hanson spent the July 4 in Gainesville with her son and family, Jim, Janice, Jack and Anne Call. They all watched the fireworks.

Sunday, Mrs. Hanson visited her daughter, Mrs. Carol Jakse, and family and they drove over to Bowie for Trades Day.

Personal

Chris and Karen Ford of New Deal visited Mr. and Mrs. W.B. English Wednesday and Thursday.

They were on vacation and had been visiting her parents in the Dallas area.

Miss Lois Bewley visited her aunt, Mrs. Bertha Bewley, and Mrs. Vena Settle in Muenster at St. Richard's Villa, then visited Mrs. Essie Agee in Saint Jo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hutson had dinner with Mrs. Essie Agee in Saint Jo Thursday.

Mrs. Hutson visited her mother, Mrs. Jewel Gaston in Nocona Friday.

Mrs. Shults attends son in hospital

Mrs. Louise Shults spent the night in Denton Thursday and attended the bedside of her son, Bill, who had surgery Friday. Mrs. Shults reports Bill is doing OK.

Mrs. Shults picked up Mrs. Alice Burchard in Greenwood Friday and they drove to Decatur to do some shopping. They bought their lunch at Church's, came home and had dinner at Mrs. Burchard's.

Two attend China Club meet

Mrs. Della Maberry accompanied Mrs. Maurine Griggs to Nocona Saturday where they attended a China Club meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Maberry

were in Gainesville one day last week.

VI Taylor dies in Tulsa

Word was received here of the death of Mrs. Lvia Taylor of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Taylor passed away Friday in Tulsa.

Survivors are husband, Frank Taylor of Tulsa; and two granddaughters, Terri and Joni Taylor of Fort Worth.

Attending the funeral on Monday were Terri and Joni Taylor, Gerri and Chuck Bordo, all of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Helen Haines of Rosston.

Vena Settle has guests

Guests of Mrs. Vena Settle Sunday at St. Richard's Villa were Grady and Juanita Loyd of Lubbock, Bill Christian and son Barry of Stephenville, and Christine Hughes.

Hutsons attend work day at Mountain Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hutson had as their guests during the weekend Kenda Hutson, Tiffany Hacker and Josh Brewer of Saint Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hutson attended the Cemetery Working at Mountain Creek Cemetery near Saint Jo Saturday. Work was done and lunch was served at the noon hour.

Mrs. Greanead has guests

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Greanead, Cody and Jennifer of Burleson spent the weekend with Mrs. Juanita Greanead and Mr. Vint Freeman.

Ollie Tipton visits relatives

Ollie Tipton of Sanger spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tipton. Then Saturday went to Montague and Nocona to visit other relatives.

Three attend

McCracken-Berry reunion

Mrs. Josephine Berry, Mrs. Brenda Haverkamp of Gainesville and Mrs. Veda Magee of Bowie attended the annual McCracken-Berry reunion held in the Holiday Inn in Amarillo June 24, 25 and 26.

They also visited in Hereford with Mrs. Berry's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Conkright, Robin and Leslie. Mrs. Magee and Mrs. Haverkamp returned to their homes here Monday, but Mrs. Berry remained for a longer visit until Friday.

While in Amarillo, Mrs. Berry, Mrs. Conkright visited with Mrs. Thelma Gilliland, formerly of this area, in West Cliff Retirement Home.

Mrs. Berry returned to her home here, accompanied by Mrs. Conkright and Robin. The Conkrights returned home Sunday.

Two attend

Berry-Willhoit wedding

Mrs. Josephine Berry and Joe Frank Berry attended the wedding of Byron Berry and Miss Deana Willhoit in the Crystal Ballroom in Denton Wednesday, July 6, at 7 p.m.

The bride is employed at Edward D. Jones and Co. in Gainesville.

The groom is employed in the law office of Richard D. Hays and First State Bank in Denton.

Group attends T. B. Davis reunion

Saturday, July 2, Mrs. Josephine Berry, Mrs. Janice Conkright and Robin attended the annual T.B. Davis reunion at the lake cabin home and picnic area of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Davis at Moss Lake.

A delicious lunch was served and all kinds of games were played. About 105 people attended.

Thursday, Mrs. Berry visited her sisters, Mrs. Sara Blankenship and Mrs. Ferol Flint, in Gainesville.

Kim visits Mrs. Berry

Miss Kathryn Fortenberry of Slidell visited Mrs. Josephine Berry.

Sunday, Mrs. Berry's guests were J.C. and Dorothy Bar of Nocona. They also visited Mrs. Irene Harry.

Mrs. Josephine Berry and Mrs. Wilma Richardson attended the singing at the Era United Methodist Church Sunday evening. There was lots of good singing and specials.

B. R. Jackson hosts July 4 party

Billy Ray Jackson of Decatur hosted a 4th of July celebration for the Jackson family and their friends at his lake cabin at Lake Bridgeport.

There was lots of good food with fireworks at night. About 50 people came from Kansas City, Missouri, Floydada, Fort Worth, Grand Prairie, Sweetwater, Lewisville, Paradise, Decatur and Forestburg.

Two have dinner out

Saturday, Mrs. Laura Belle Jackson and Mrs. Myrt Denham drove over to Bowie for some shopping and they had dinner out.

Attend Masonic installation

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jackson attended the Installation Services of the newly elected officers of the Masonic Lodge in Forestburg.

Chari is one!

Little Miss Chari Richardson celebrated her first birthday Sunday evening, July 3, when her parents, Becky and Tom Richardson, hosted a barbecue dinner in the home of her grandparents, Norma and Bill White.

After dinner, everyone drove up to the Herbert Richardson barn where fireworks were enjoyed by all. Then Chari's Care Bear birthday cake, baked by her mother, and punch were served.

Movies were taken by her parents. Chari opened her gifts, assisted by her mother, great-grandmother and grandmothers and her cousin, Ethan Fortenberry.

Those attending were Mrs. Bain Fortenberry, Freddie and Charlotte Fortenberry, Blake and Sue Fortenberry and Ethan, all of Slidell; Lyman and Pat Young and Richard, Harold and Cindy Bowles and family, all of Era; Bobby and Dorman Long, Rachel and Eric and a friend, Lea, all of Dallas; H.L. and Millie Settle of Gainesville; Mr. and Mrs. Bill White, Herbert and Joyce Richardson, Bob and Kim, Joan and Herbie Sicking and family, Norma and Alan Britain and family, Ruth Smith, all of Forestburg; Carl and Norma Jean Bayer, Travis and Mark of Muenster; Lori and Chris Pepper and Courtney of Greenville, Helen and Jean Haines of Forestburg and many other friends.

Group has busy weekend

Mrs. Becky Richardson and Chari spent Thursday in Slidell visiting Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Fortenberry. Then Friday, Becky, Chari and Mrs. Charlotte Fortenberry went to Dallas.

Sunday, Bill and Norma White, Becky Richardson and Chari went to Bowie for Trades Day.

Kristina Nims return to New York Tuesday

Little Miss Kristina Nims of Highfalls, New York, who has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dale, and great-grandmother, Mrs. Lillian Dale, for three weeks will return to her home in New York Tuesday. She will leave from DFW.

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Schoolboy football fever hits midsummer

Texas high school football is again upon us as "Dave Campbell's Texas Football" premiere magazine hit the newsstands recently.

UIL

In a new district, 12-A, Muenster moves west, taking in Alvord, Windthorst and Petrolia but keeping Valley View, Lindsay and Era.

This year, the district will not be split into zones. Collinsville, Gunter, Bells, Blue Ridge, Savoy, Prosper and Whitewright make up district 17-A, while Lone Oak, Detroit, Celeste and Fannindel moved into 19-A.

Campbell picked LINDSAY to lead the district if they stay "injury free" and keep the "chinks" out of their armor.

Seven returning starters each way, with last year's district offensive MVP Mike Dieter in the lead could give the Knights a repeating district championship. Statistic leaders include tackle Brad Neu, with 176 last year, and Craig Neu with five QB sacks. Other standouts mentioned were John Fangman, Bobby Fleitman, Quentin Hoenig and Jeff Arendt.

VALLEY VIEW, under the leadership of Coach John Kassen (92-20-5), will have a strong kicking game with senior Damian Krahl. Krahl hit 27 of 30 PATs and three of seven field goals with a 40-yard punting average. The Eagles had a 6-3-1 unofficial record last season after being denied of playoff berth because of a player eligibility problem. Returning four offensive and five defensive starters, Chris Epperson, T. Noland, D. Ward and J.J. Williams are picked as standouts.

With a 6-3-1 Class AA record last season, ALVORD returns seven offensive and five defensive starters. Stronghold is Greg Hancock, 6-1, 220-pounder who plays both sides of the ball for the Bulldogs.

The WINDTHORST Trojans will follow the lead of Bruce Zotz and Kevin Scheffe, both getting 100-plus tackles in last season's 6-4 mark.

Twenty-five lettermen return to play at PETROLIA, giving way to All-State running back Michael Askew, who rushed 1,328 yards last year for the Pirates.

MUESTER, picked to finish sixth in the district by Campbell, returns 24 lettermen from last year's 3-7 finish. The Hornets

have nine starters returning, led by Scot Vogel, Donnie Boydston, Bob Thornhill and Jerry Brawner.

Returning 25 lettermen, ERA's led by All-District honorees Timothy Roberts, Carlos Rodriguez, Brian Downe, Brandon Berry and Keith Knight.

Class A district favorites in Region II, picked by Texas Football, that could challenge for the title or make an impact on the playoff picture include Munday, Paducah, Lindsay, Valley View, Baird, Paradise, Santa Anna and Cross Plain. Gunter in district 17 is in Region III.

TAPS

With the vigorous expansion of Texas Association of Private Schools, its old Division I-II set-up reshuffled to a three class structure similar to UIL's. Class AAA was organized at press time for Campbell's Texas Football, but AA and A lineups were still being finalized.

SACRED HEART's district this season, according to Coach John Sims, will consist of Dallas Lakehill, Lexington Academy and Tyler Street Christians.

The Tigers, after a 7-4 season, return "looking to better the mark in '88." Two-way standouts for the Tigers mentioned in the magazine included Darrell Dangelmayr, Curt Bayer, David Rohmer, Darrell Mullins, Ryan Bayer, Glen Swirczynski and Chad Fleitman.

LEXINGTON ACADEMY, after a 3-6 year, hopes for improvement behind 1,000 yard-rustler Bart Malone. The Patriots standouts also include QB Ronnie Moore and Chris Hydock.

After a disappointing 1-8 season, DALLAS LAKEHILL hopes to make things happen behind Nevin Bannister, Kyle Nye, Jason Salisbury, Jason Foster and Colin Dunnigan.

TYLER STREET CHRISTIAN of Dallas was not mentioned in the magazine.

Other TAPS teams on the Tigers' roster include Irving Cistercian, Dallas Temple Christian, Denton Liberty Christian and Oakridge.

Class A schools in TAPS are high schools with attendance under 80 students. There are 21 TAPS Class A schools in North Texas and 19 in the south. For state playoffs the best four teams in the north and the top four south teams will be chosen "At Large."



THE "LAGO EXPERIENCE"

Soccer Camp was in full swing this week at the Muenster ball park. Pictured above Collin Sims, John Bartush, James Felderhoff, Michael Flusche, Tony Hartman, Greg Fisher, Ryan Klement and Kris Cox practice leg motion over the ball from instructor Kurt Phillip. Below Craig Hartman kicks the ball as Nick Silmon, Kristin Grewing, Christopher Smith, Brandon Klement and Scott Harris wait their turn.

Janie Hartman Photo



Fewer students are failing, more are playing, officials say

Local students are studying more to ensure their eligibility in extracurricular school activities, including athletic competitions, Muenster coaches and a school official said recently.

The Texas Education Code, Sec. 21.921 - better known as the No Pass, No Play rule - was implemented in Texas public schools in 1984 as a result of House Bill 72, said Eddie Griffin, MPS principal. The rule makes a student who fails an academic course ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities for five weeks after the grading period during which he or she failed.

"The rule applies to any extracurricular school activity or competition - athletics, band, cheerleading, 4-H, and so on," Griffin said.

"The students can work out during class times, but they can't stay afterward," he said. "If a student spends, say, six hours a week outside class and is failing, he could be spending that time in tutoring or studying."

Griffin said he did not think the rule was punitive, but that it was successful in encouraging students to not fail.

"It's in accordance with the whole House bill (72) in trying to get academics up," he said. "Statewide, we were producing too many students who weren't capable of college work. We were using them, in a sense."

He said he thinks the failure rate among students who are involved in extracurricular activities has dropped because of the rule.

At Sacred Heart School, an ac-

tivity participation policy similar to the No Pass, No Play rule was implemented in 1982, said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. These standards were developed by the Texas Catholic Interscholastic League.

SH students must enroll in at least five academic courses, LeBrasseur said, and must pass all

of an effect on some students."

But Gross said he supports the rule.

"I'm for it. It's a good rule," he said. "School's before sports work. Education is a lifetime, sports is short."

Teachers, in general, are sympathetic to students but are not inclined to give grades, Griffin said. And parents also support the rule.

"In Muenster, the parents understand," Griffin said. "They feel like it's more important to pass classes to begin with."

Griffin said he thinks No Pass, No Play is here to stay.

"I'm for it. It's a good rule. School's before sports work."

Bob Gross
Former MPS Coach

Kids' fishing contest is Sunday at 1 p.m.

Kids ages 12 and younger can cast their bait and luck in Weinzapfel Lake on Sunday during the Muenster Jaycee's Fishing Tournament.

The contest is from 1-2:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 17. Competitors can use live bait only. Prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish caught and the biggest stringer of fish.



Free soda pop will be provided to all kids.

For more information, call Dale Swirczynski (759-4500) or Jack Flusche (759-2534).

Slowpitch tourney to benefit field

The Gainesville Women's Slowpitch League will host a Co-Ed Draw Tournament July 21-23. The competition will be on the men's field at Edison Park.

Entry fee is \$7.50 per person, and the proceeds will be spent for improvements on the women's field.

The deadline to enter the tournament is July 19. Anyone interested in playing should contact Linda Long at 665-6225 or Jerry Henderson at 668-7516.



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- Always stay within sight of a partner, and if fishing alone, make sure someone knows where you'll be and when you plan to return.

- Always wear a belt around the chest waders to help prevent water from filling up the boots if you spill.

- Use a staff to probe for rocks or dropoffs. You can make one out of a tubular cane and attach it to your belt so that it floats when not in use.

- Avoid swift waters, especially those deeper than the knee.

- Before entering the water, think about each move and the area in which you plan to fish. Remember: Sometimes it's easier to get to the middle of a stream than to get back to shore.

- Only wade as deep as necessary. Use your rod and reel to reach deeper areas.

- Wade into the current. It's a better approach to the fish, and should you fall, the current will carry you to familiar waters.

- Avoid stepping on loose rocks and limbs and check behind big rocks before stepping over them. There could be more obstacles or deeper water on the back side.

T-Ball News

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

Tornados, 18 Yellowjackets, 13
Dolphins, 22 Blue Jays, 15

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

Yellowjackets, 25 Blue Jays, 18
Tornados, 15 Dolphins, 15

TUESDAY, JULY 5

Tomcats, 25 Mighty Mites, 17
Tornados, 25 Blue Jays, 22

THURSDAY, JULY 7

Yellowjackets, 24 M Mites, 13
Tomcats, 18 Dolphins, 12

The June 28th game (Tornados vs. Mighty Mites) will be made up on Thursday, July 14, at 5 p.m.

STANDINGS

Tomcats	5	0	0
Yellowjackets	2	3	0
Tornados	2	2	1
Dolphins	2	3	1
Mighty Mites	2	3	1
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Kiwanis Club donates football mouthpieces

The Muenster Kiwanis Club has donated the money to make custom-fitting mouthpieces for all high school football players at Sacred Heart and Muenster High School.

Dr. Chris Bean and Dr. Gerald Graham, dentists and Kiwanis Club members, are donating their time to make the mouthpieces. Money from the club will pay for materials needed to make the devices.

Bean said all local football players are being telephoned about the project. The dentists will set up appointments with the

students, and then take impressions of their teeth to mold into mouthpieces. Each mouthpiece will have a strap to hook onto a football helmet.

"With the custom-fitting mouthpieces, the athlete can breathe easier and talk better," Bean said Tuesday. "Since they're more comfortable in the mouths, the athletes will wear them more often and be less likely to damage a tooth through injury."

Kiwanis Club members felt this donation would be a worthwhile project to benefit the community, Bean said.



STUDENTS from Johnny's Studio of Tae-Kwon-Do in Gainesville competed recently in the 24th annual Texas State Karate Championship. The contest is one of the largest tournaments in the southern United States. The group also competed last weekend in Dallas at Super Hills Karate Championship. Pictured, 1 to r, back row - Brian Sanders, Jessica Moore, instructor Johnny Crabtree, Teresa Crabtree, Ron Helfin; front row - Justin Wolfe, Leray Ward, Darren Ward. Not pictured, David Johnson, David Boaz.

SH Tiger football workouts Aug. 1

The Sacred Heart Tigers football team will begin workouts for the '88 season at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 1, according to Coach John Sims. All players need to report.

The summer weight program has been progressing very well. Sims was very impressed with

seniors Don Parks, Glen Swirczynski, Curt Bayer and Ryan Bayer and underclassmen Bill Parks, Troy Berres, Jason Endres, David Rohmer and Helmut Koelzer on their progress.

Players are reminded to contact Peggy Greving at Tops & Teams to pick up workout packages.

Cross Timber Fun Run is first for Bowie

It is time to pull out those running shoes and get ready for the first annual Cross Timber Fun Run, scheduled for 8 a.m. Saturday, July 16, at the American Association of Sheriff Poses and Riding Clubs arena west of Bowie on Hwy. 174 from Hwy. 287.

Sponsored by the Bowie Chamber of Commerce and the AASP&RC, the run will take place in conjunction with the annual playday finals at the arena. The event will feature a five mile fun run and a quarter mile munchkin run. Entry fee is \$10, while Munchkin run fee is \$2. Entry forms are available at the Bowie Chamber of Commerce.

Prizes for the five mile fun will feature trophies for first through third places, men and women in each age category, exclusive of the overall first place man and woman, who will receive medals.

Age categories will include age 14 and under; 15-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; and 50 and up. In the Munchkin run all participants will receive a ribbon and the winners of each age division, boy and girl, will receive medals. This event begins at 9:30 a.m. with age categories at four and under; 5-6; 7-8 and 9-10.

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Players should arrive at 8 a.m. on Sunday, report to the registration table, warm up and attend a rules meeting at 8:50 a.m.

To register or for more information, call Danny Walterscheid (759-2546), Jon LeBrasseur (759-4538) or Joe Hoedebeck (759-4947).

Parks and Wildlife News

CHANGES MINOR IN DOVE HUNTING SEASON PROPOSALS

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials have announced that no changes are proposed for any of the early-season migratory game bird hunting seasons except for a modification in the daily bag limit during the

special white-winged dove season and a provision for later closing dates for the extended falconry season.

Department officials stressed that these proposed changes were contingent upon U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service review on June 22.

Ron George, dove program leader, said the proposed bag limit for the special white-winged season is for an aggregate daily bag of 12 white-winged, mourning and white-tipped doves that could include no more than two whitetipped doves. Under this proposed bag limit, a hunter could take 12 white-winged doves or 12 mourning doves or any combination thereof.



The proposed extended falconry season for mourning doves, whitewinged doves, rails and gallinules is Sept. 1 through Nov. 20 and Jan. 1-26.

People who wish to comment on these proposals should contact the Dove Program Leader, TPWD, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, TX 78744.

Management crucial during drought

Wildlife management becomes increasingly important as drought conditions become more severe over a large part of Texas.

Because the hunting lease business is a vital economic enterprise for landowners and operators, management alternatives need to be given careful consideration, according to Dr. Jack Payne, wildlife specialist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service, headquartered in Corpus Christi.

"Water is the most important of all nutrients, and water supplies are becoming short in many areas. Animals average from 70-75 percent of their body weight as water. Wildlife species do better than domestic animals in adapting to the environment, consuming food that is high in bound water," Payne said.

In addition, the nocturnal feeding habits of many wildlife species reduces their water requirements, he said.

conditions occur, particularly in dry times. One way to protect grasses during drought is to preserve and promote low, thorny brush and cacti. Lotebush, tassel, pricklypear and granjeno will protect grasses from grazing," Payne said.

Good quail management begins with the production of weed seeds. The seeds are usually present in the soil, and to get them to germinate, some soil disturbance is required. A light discing around a pasture, along sarderos and fence lines in late winter will produce the necessary forbs, Payne said. These forbs rarely are present during drought conditions. In the absence of a good supply of weed seeds, an aggressive feeding program is required," Payne said.

Drought Feed Program
Many ranchers will feed sorghum or corn to quail. Both grains lack the necessary protein and mineral requirements, however, for nesting hens. This is especially critical in times of drought, when the hens cannot find the necessary weed seeds.

"From February through May it is best to use a commercial poultry laying formula for quail feed. This will insure that the birds have the necessary nutritional requirements for reproduction. The rest of the year sorghum and corn can then be used," Payne said.

Cattle grazing can affect the structure of quail habitat. In areas subject to drought, proper grazing begins long before the first tanks go dry, Payne said.

Research conducted at the Texas A&M Experimental Ranch near Uvalde found that short duration and a four-pasture, three-herd grazing systems were associated with higher bobwhite numbers than continuous grazing during drought years. The critical forbs had a higher density in the rotational systems than in the pastures where continuous grazing was conducted, the specialist said.

When rainfall is adequate, bobwhites can fulfill all their water requirements from just the food they eat, such as fresh greens, insects and wild fruits. But in times of drought, these food items are in scarce supply and quail need standing water. They also will take standing water at times when the temperature is high and the humidity is low.

"Many ranchers have gone to the expense of providing "quail waterers" to reduce the annual mortality of the birds and to increase their survival during drought. These expensive waterers will benefit quail populations only if the habitat structure is correct and there is adequate food available," Payne said.

Managers should not assume that their concrete stock tanks for cattle will supply water for quail. Unless these tanks are filled to within two inches of the top, the birds cannot bend over far enough to obtain water, Payne warned.

"Floating a wooden plank in the tank will allow the birds access to water. Also, allowing the water to overflow onto the ground will provide water for the birds. Earthen tanks should have gently sloping sides so that bobwhites can walk into the water," Payne said.

To Hunt Or Not To Hunt?

One of the most difficult questions that quail managers have to face is whether to hunt during drought. In the early 1980s, drought struck South Texas. Ranches that normally supported a covey of birds to 15 acres supported one covey per 400 acres during this critical period, Payne said. The question of whether to hunt or not generally will resolve itself because the birds are so scarce, Payne said.

Guthery suggests that when managers reach 10 to 25 bobwhites/100 acres on land that routinely supports 50 to 100 birds/100 acres, it may be wise to limit hunting.

"You might stop altogether if populations are extremely low. There are situations, of course, where it becomes very difficult to limit hunting. In these cases, managers may want to consider releasing pen-reared birds to absorb the pressure," Payne said.

Water For Wild Turkeys

Managers should be aware that water management for wild turkeys is much more critical in that free water is essential for the birds.

Most flocks will range within a mile of water and hens will often nest within a half mile, Payne said.

"Standing water is crucial for the survival of the poults during hot, dry periods," he cautioned.



Management of Bobwhite Quail

Rangelands with sands and sandy loam soils can produce bumper quail crops with only 20-25 inches of rainfall if there is a well-structured habitat and proper grazing, Payne said.

"The ideal rainfall pattern has rainy periods in late fall and late spring, which is typical in South Texas and other areas," he said.

Dr. Fred Guthery, a quail scientist with the Kleberg Institute, said that late spring rains favor warm-season quail foods, like doveweed, ragweed, and spurge, which provide energy for fall and winter. Fall rains, according to Guthery, produce the "winter weeds" and cool season seeds that carry the birds through the all-important breeding season.

"Quality habitat will lessen the effects of the drought on the birds. The most important criterion that a bobwhite manager needs to consider is habitat structure. Structure relates to the amount of brush, its height, the amount of forbs and grasses present, and the amount of bare ground. Correct amounts of brush for a pasture are between 5 and 15 percent. The brush should be close to the ground and a relatively young stand, less than eight years of age," Payne said.

Grasses will suffer severe damage during a drought. However, bobwhites require small amounts of grass in the structure of their habitat.

Research by the Kleberg Institute has shown that there is a negative correlation between the amount of grass and the amount of quail present. The birds need clumps of grasses for nesting, and there should be more than 250 clumps per acre. This represents about 1-3 percent of the pasture in grass, Payne said.

"These are minimal requirements and managers need to remove cattle long before these

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Beef ads state facts about guidelines

COLLEGE STATION -- Advertisements indicating that a lean, trim, cooked 3-ounce portion of beef fits within the dietary guidelines are stating fact, according to specialists with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest (CPSI), a Washington-based consumer interest group, recently labeled Beef Industry Council ads which contain this statement as misleading.

"Lean beef is included in dietary guidelines from the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, the American Heart Association and other national health organizations," said Dr. Mary Kinney Sweeten, an Extension nutrition specialist.

"The CPSI didn't dispute this fact, but based its criticism on claims that the average serving of beef is more than three ounces and that popular beef products, such as hamburgers, contain large amounts of fat," Sweeten said.

"The dietary guidelines recommend 6-7 ounces of lean meat, poultry, fish or protein alternate each day," she said. "If you overeat these or any other foods, it can lead of overweight and obesity."

"So whether you eat your protein food for the day in the form of six ounces of lean beef for dinner, or two three-ounce servings at two different meals, you're still within the guidelines," the nutritionist said.

"It's true that some of our most popular foods are high in fat, often because they're fried. Eating lots of chicken fried steak, fried chicken, fried fish, fried hamburgers, fried pies and french fries will put excess fat in your diet," she said.

The nutritionist said the key to including beef or any meat, poultry and fish in a healthy diet is selecting lean cuts, knowing the recommended serving sizes, balancing them out over the day and choosing low-fat cooking methods.

According to Dr. Dan Hale, an

Extension meat scientist and expert in beef marketing, consumers can easily find lean cuts in the meatcase.

"Most retailers are now removing all exterior fat or trimming it to less than 1/4 inch," he said. "Beef is also being pre-cut into serving sizes for smaller, more convenient packages," he said.

"Results of a recent national beef market basket survey conducted by meat scientists at Texas A&M showed that more than 42 percent of beef retail cuts had no external fat and the overall fat thickness for steaks and roasts was .14 inch," Hale said.

"Consumers are also buying more lean ground beef. Figures on the distribution of ground beef type showed almost 60 percent of the ground beef in stores is lean or extra lean," the specialist said. "Since many retailers clearly label lean cuts and the type of ground beef, consumers can use these as guides to selecting lean beef," he said.

Drought effects stretch beyond farm, ranch gates to cities

COLLEGE STATION -- Drought effects are mounting in Texas each day, and those effects are beginning to reach well beyond the farm gate.

The business sector, as well as cities and towns, are feeling the pinch of the drought, which is threatening the state's fragile economic turnaround, said Dr. Carl Anderson.

Anderson, an economist with the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service, said some cities and towns in the state's drier areas have imposed water rationing programs. Officials elsewhere have asked residents to voluntarily cut water use and practice tight conservation measures.

The Texas crop, forage and livestock situation is deteriorating rapidly as summer begins, Anderson said. "Ranchers in hardest hit south and southwestern counties are continuing to market or move their cattle in an effort to sustain some of their foundation herds. Large offerings of cattle are being consigned to local auction markets, creating depressed prices in a number of areas," Anderson said.

Maintenance feeding of livestock continues heavy in the driest areas, Anderson said, although hay supplies are low and new crop cuttings there are minimal. Some ranchers continue to burn prickly pear cactus to feed their cattle. Dryland sorghum yield potentials are declining fast and corn and other crops also are greatly stressed, Anderson said.

Although Texas counties were not among those in the 13 states where the U.S. Department of Agriculture opened Conservation Reserve Acreage (CRP) land to having recently, Texas officials in charge of drought documentation said this work is being rushed for federal review. Spearheading the move is Terry Harman, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service state executive director, and ASCS state committee members.

When Secretary of Agriculture Richard E. Lyng opened CRP acreage to having, the move was designed to provide hay for livestock in the most critical areas.

Farmers in the designated counties can harvest hay on the CRP acres for 30 days if they give up a proportional part of the program payments and meet other specified conditions.

Lyng said determination of eligible counties will be made on a county-by-county basis by federal Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service officials, who receive complete documentation of drought from state ASCS leaders, including Harman in Texas.

County CRP eligibility will be made based on the fact that a county has been approved for the emergency haying and grazing of Acreage Conservation Reserve (ACR) and Conservation Use (CU) acreage, and use of the Palmer drought severity index as reported jointly by the USDA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

Several landscape insects have been causing both nuisance and property damage in the county recently. Box elder bugs have been a real nuisance to homeowners throughout the county this summer. These bugs, when grown, are about a half inch long. They are a dark brownish-gray to black with distinctive red markings. The young bugs resemble the adults but tend to be a solid bright red. The bugs develop in the summer and may have several generations per year. You will commonly find them in cracks and crevices around houses. In the fall, they may even try to migrate into homes for protection. They feed primarily on box elder trees but can also feed on various fruit, ash and maple trees. Damage is done to plants by the insects sucking plant juices during feeding.

Box elder trees are the chief

source of food for this bug and so removal of female or seed bearing trees is helpful. Many insecticides are labeled for control of these bugs. These include Dursban, Diazinon, Sevin and Malathion for outdoor use.

Fall webworms are also appearing in pecan, mulberry and other trees. These worms feed within a web that they spin over the foliage of a tree. They can be identified by the long whitish hairs that cover the worm's body. There are no systemic insecticides that can be used on a tree. If the webs are easy to reach, hand removal is the best method for control. Long poles can help to break up the webs for insecticide applications. You must penetrate the web in order to get good insecticide control. Products containing Orthene, Bacillus thuringiensis, Sevin, Diazinon, Malathion, or Dursban will work

well in control.

And, there are now the second generation elm leaf beetles appearing on elm trees. Elm leaf beetles feed primarily on Siberian and European elms and seldom attack cedar elm, American elm or winged elm. Early damage is done by larvae feeding on the green portion of the leaves. The remaining leaves will appear as just leaf veins. If you have had problems in the past with your particular elm, then you can expect problems in subsequent years. Control measures normally are applied about three weeks after eggs begin to emerge with a second application two to three weeks later. Examine trees now for this second generation elm leaf beetle. Orthene and Sevin have been effective against elm leaf beetles.

If you have cottonwood trees, we are seeing a lot of cottonwood borers. These are the large beetles which are black and white striped with long antennae. Once borers have entered a tree, control is very difficult. The best control is maintaining healthy trees. This can be done with good watering, fertilizing and pruning of diseased or decayed limbs. Preventative sprays will help to protect trees from further infestations and kill adult beetles. The information given herein is for education purposes only. Reference to commercial products or trade names is made with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsement by the Cooperative Extension Service is implied.

Market Report

by Bill Hamer

The Muenster Livestock Auction reports 421 cattle and 21 hogs sold last week. Stocker and feeder calves and yearlings were \$3.00 to \$5.00 higher; cows and bulls were \$2.00 to \$3.00 higher; and hogs were steady to \$1.00 higher.

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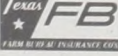
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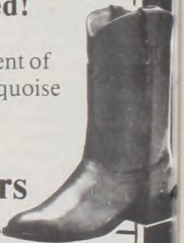
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