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Winning Who's Who awards for the school year included the following Muenster High students, from left, front - Leigh Ann Reiter, Brandi Lutkenhaus, Jennifer Sicking, Andrea Goodwin, Holly Mullins; middle - Jeremy Walterscheid, Kim Sturm, Randy Grewing, Laurel Green; back - Tony Hartman, Eric Miller, Jake Luke, Greg Flusche and Doug Knabe. Janie Hartman Photo

MHS students recognized at annual Awards Banquet May 15

Muenster High School honored their students last Thursday, May 15, at the annual Recognition and Awards Banquet in the Sacred Heart Community Center. PTO president Leo Lutkenhaus made the opening remarks followed by the invocation given by Student Council President Jonathan Otto. After a catered meal of chicken spaghetti, principal Bob Chisam began with the recognition of perfect attendance awards to juniors Scott Hermes and Leigh Ann Reiter, sophomore Dolly Patel and freshman, Raegan Koelsler. Chisam also named All-Year Academic Honor Roll, which included juniors Joyce Hacker, Kristine Hartman, Lucas Hartman and Leigh Ann Reiter; sophomore Stephanie Bierschenk; and freshmen Kelly Felderhoff, Darren Hennigan and Raegan Koelsler; and the all year honor roll of fourteen students before turning the program over to the UIL academic and literary coaches who in turn identified participants and winners. After the introduction of class officers, sponsors and officers of organizations recognized members of Future Homemakers of America, Cheerleaders, Future Farmers of America, Band, National Honor Society, Student

Council, PALS, including Holly Mullins and Jonathan Otto, who together have 11 voluntary years, and Freshman Force 2000, with over 500 hours volunteer services this year. Moving into athletics, Coach Randy Tankersley recognized the football teams. Special awards went to: team MVP, Eric Miller; defensive MVP, Jake Luke; offensive MVP, Lucas Hartman; backs, Shane Sparkman and Brian Fleitman; offensive and defensive lineman, Michael Boydston; Hustlers, Steven Reiter and Scott Hermes; and Most Improved, Greg Flusche.

Tankersley also recognized the boys track team, which won six of seven meets and won the district championship, the first in seven years. Track MVPs were state qualifier Bryan Miller, and Barry Fleitman; field event award went to Jake Luke, and most improved member was Steven Reiter. Coach Ted Heers recognized the boys basketball team, giving special awards to Jake Luke, offensive MVP; Eric Miller, defensive MVP; Most Improved, Aaron Klement; Hustle, Shane Sparkman; team MVP, Corey Anderle. Heers also noted the golf See MISD AWARDS, Pg. 9

Coach G. A. Moore Jr. will be speaker at MHS graduation

Muenster High School's graduation speaker is G.A. Moore, Jr. Coach Moore is the Athletic Director and Head Football Coach at Celina High School. Coach Moore has 34 years of coaching experience at four different school districts including: Bryson ISD, Pilot Point ISD, Sherman ISD, and Celina ISD. His overall football record is 317 wins, 65 losses, and 9 ties. He is currently the winningest active coach in the

state and the 3rd winningest coach in Texas High School football history. He has never had a losing season. He has coached four state football championships and one state track championship. Coach Moore is a member and ordained Deacon of the First Baptist Church in Celina and teaches an adult Sunday school class. MHS Senior graduation will be May 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the MISD gym.

Hoberer, Haayen graduate at top of Lindsay Class of '97

State Representative Ron Clark will be the speaker at Lindsay High School graduation on Friday, May 23. Graduation ceremonies, beginning at 7:30 p.m., will be held in Centennial Hall. Faculty of Lindsay High School, its seniors and the student body invite everyone to attend, especially to hear Ron Clark, who represents District 62.

Jennifer Elizabeth Hoberer will graduate as valedictorian for Lindsay High School for the 1996-97 school year. Jennifer is the daughter of Bill and Cindy Lynch of Alvord and Karen Hoberer of Lindsay. Throughout high school Jennifer has been a member of National Honor Society, has been a four-time state UIL champion, and has served as class president and vice-president. She has also served on the Student Council, participated in Pep Club, and has received 7 class awards. Awards she has been granted have included the Xerox Humanities Award, National Merit Commended Scholar, and letters for Academic Honor Roll.

Jennifer plans to attend Texas A&M University in the Fall of 1997 majoring in biomedical sciences with minors in language and psychology. To date, she has received the Gladys and Richard Patrick '40 Scholarship, has been offered a Sul Ross Scholarship and a place in the Honors program, and has been given a Texas Public Education grant. After college, Jennifer hopes to go on to graduate studies at



Jennifer Hoberer

Baylor Medical and to become a children's oncologist.

Lindsay salutatorian, Richard Haayen, has been a very active student participating in a multitude of things. Richard has been active in UIL for all four years, competing in L-D Debate, Persuasive Speaking, and One-Act Play. He has been to district, regional, and state in all of these. He was a member of the Student Council for all



Richard Haayen

four years and served as class president for two.

Richard has participated in football for four years, earning all-district his senior year. He participated in basketball, track, and cross country for three years. Most recently, Richard has been accepted to SMU and has received the Hunt Leadership Scholarship. Richard is the son of Dick and Patty Haayen. He is an Eagle Scout and attends Whaley Methodist Church.

Disastrous '97 Germanfest affects all of Muenster groups

by Daryl Ferber
The year's budgets of all city organizations took a "kick in the teeth" from the bad weather of this year's Germanfest, as learned at the May meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. For years Germanfest has been the main "once a year fund-raiser" for the Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Scouts, school groups, and Muenster Hospital Auxiliary. Their projects, generosity to others and help upon request, have been funded from Germanfest money. Muenster businesses usually reap benefits too. Chamber members heard there will only be enough funds left to operate for one year, with nothing to start next year's Germanfest preparations. For example, gate receipts were only \$32,791 in comparison to the usual, around \$90,000. A second year

of such a disaster could bankrupt the works. "Do we plan now, do a study to find ways to keep that from happening or just hope for the best?" David Fette asked. Gary Fisher added "We have to get away from the risk." After years of working with the festival, he has long felt that a permanent building is needed, which could also be used or rented for other activities during the year. A Germanfest debriefing meeting was set for Tuesday, May 20 at 5:30 p.m. at Rohmer's, when a committee was formed to study the situation. J'Lynn Hare, general manager of Rumber Materials, Inc., gave an informative talk about their business which recycles plastic and rubber materials into usable products. The impact on Muenster is considerable, as they have

filled three formerly vacant buildings. The first quarter of this year saw wages paid to 18-22 employees, of \$158,000. They run 5 days a week with 3 shifts. The amount of junk material being kept out of Texas landfills is considerable. RMI gets the ground materials from other plants for their product, then contracts with companies to use this product, one of which is Goodyear Tire Company. Goodyear makes pallets, ground livestock feeders, etc. RMI makes boards in sizes 2x4, 2x6 and 2x8; decking, flooring and cross arms, which Cooke County Electric Coop is experimenting with now. RMI is the only industry, at present, developing these products. They are working next on 4x8 sheets in 1/8 to 1/2 inches thick. Locally, RMI products can be purchased at Osbourne or Tractor Supply in Gainesville.

What do you expect from your Sheriff's Department?

by Janet Felderhoff
Sheriff Mike Compton hopes to make residents of Cooke County aware of the situation of the Sheriff's Department. "I'm not sure if people are aware of the condition of the Sheriff's office," he said. "The part which affects the people the most would be the patrol and the investigation division." In the department are 10 patrol deputies, one civil deputy, and two criminal investigators. There are 900 square miles and around 30,000 people in the county. Compton estimates that his office is responsible for roughly 15,000 people and 890 plus square miles when Gainesville is subtracted. Even though Muenster and Valley View have two police officers each and Lindsay has one, those officers aren't always on duty and the Sheriff's department must fill in for them during the times they aren't available. "One of the things that keeps coming to my mind is if you look at the city of Gainesville that has about nine square miles and 15,000, they have 23 patrol officers and six investigators," noted Compton. "Most of the time during the week, eight to five, there is not a single Cooke County deputy sheriff on routine patrol. The only way that you prevent daytime crimes is with routine police patrol. The biggest problem we have is household burglaries." What are the deputies doing from eight to five? According to Sheriff Compton they are busy making transports of prisoners to the courthouse, to the hospitals, to doctors' offices, to mental health facilities, and are transporting juveniles. "These are not things that are luxury things," stressed Compton. "These are necessary. They are mandated that the Sheriff's Office do these things." Compton said that he can sympathize with the victims of crime. His shop was burglarized recently. All of his tools and yard working equipment were taken. His case was put in line with all of the other cases. According to Compton, the chances of catching somebody like this are slim. He said he isn't worried about telling the burglars something they don't already know by saying this. "I think the ones that don't know it are the ones who are the victims of the crime," said Compton. The county's misdemeanor investigator had more than 550 cases assigned to him last year. One person can't handle that many cases, said Compton. He probably has an active caseload of more than 350. Compton estimated that the felony investigator now has an active caseload of 100 to 150 felonies that are still pending. The investigator must also be available to testify in court when cases are tried. Most recently the felony investigator's caseload has been especially heavy. She is doing a homicide investigation, was a primary

investigator and witness at the Knighten trial, and is the primary investigator in the recent jail break, as well as any other major theft, etc. Cooke County is lucky to have Lawana Wisian, Jerry Bacon and all of the deputies. "If someone is coming to work for me, I offer them low pay, long hours, and lots of stress," remarked Compton. "You just can't hardly beat a deal like that when you come to work. The one thing that I do promise them is that they can go out and enforce the law as they see fit, without having to worry about anybody breathing down their neck. That's the only luxury that I can give them to go forth and get every criminal they can find and bring them to jail." Cooke County is experiencing a period of growth, especially in the southeastern half. If most of the growth is in that half of the county, that is where many of the problems are going to develop and that will be where the officers are going to be because they'll be answering calls. That would leave the northwestern part of the county with even less protection because you just can't be two places at one time, said Compton. Sheriff Compton admits that he doesn't know all of the answers. He hopes explaining the situation to the county residents will result in them expressing their views of what they want and expect from their county law enforcement. Presently the department is totally reactive, particularly during the day. They don't have the ability to go out and try to prevent crime during the day. If the people want the Sheriff's department to continue to work with 10 deputies, two investigators, and a civil deputy, then people will have to understand that they will have to wait their turn for something to get investigated, Compton explained. "If this is what the people want us to do then we will give 110 percent effort to do what ever," noted the Sheriff. "With what we've got, we are going to work as hard as we can and we're not going to look back one bit. People need to know and then they need to let us know or let their elected officials know, what they want from their sheriff's office. If people let their officials know what they want, then the officials will know what they need to do." What Sheriff Compton sees as being ideal for his department in the next year would be the addition of a mental health officer because mental health problems arise constantly and require special training; two transport officers, two more criminal investigators and the automobiles needed for their transportation. "That will just allow us to begin to get our nose above the water a little bit. We're not going to get dry with that, but we need that to try to get things back to an even keel," he said.

Date changed for annual bazaar and S.H. Parish Homecoming

New and exciting things are happening again this year related to the annual Bazaar and Homecoming celebration for Sacred Heart Parish. Most importantly, the date has been changed and the event is set earlier than had been familiar to residents and friends. Sponsors have requested special emphasis on the date scheduled for Sunday, June 22, 1997, urging everyone to mark their calendars accordingly. Also, there will be innovative and attractive bidding changes. Watch for them! Also, those with items to donate should call Betty (Cookie) Flusche, 759-2832 for information and directions for the collection area. Items must not be brought to the church business office. The major auction includes highlights such as a 1983 Chevrolet 3/4 ton diesel 4x4 pickup; Ceramic Ware donated by Sr. Carmelita's brother;

plane ride; numerous livestock; weekend getaways; savings bonds, etc. The dinner for the big event on June 22 begins at 11 a.m. with a traditional menu of fried chicken, sausage and sauerkraut, new potatoes, tossed salad, squash casserole, fruit salad, dinner rolls, coffee, tea and pie. The price is \$6 for

adults and \$3 for children under 12. There will be a Silent Auction all day. The Live Auction begins at 6 p.m. A shot gun raffle, games for young and old, cake walk, sweet shop and snack shop will be open all afternoon and evening. Be sure to mark your calendars for June 22.

Good News!
Happy the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding! For her profit is better than profit in silver and better than gold is her revenue.
PROVERBS 4:13-14

Swimming Pool open for Memorial Day weekend
The Muenster swimming pool will be open this weekend - Saturday, Sunday, and Monday - from 1-7 p.m. Private pool party reservations may be made by calling 759-4393 during open pool hours.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The annual sale of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, an organization chartered by the Congress, has been officially recognized and endorsed by the President of the United States and the Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS: The proceeds of this worthy fundraising Campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans; and

WHEREAS: The basic purpose of the annual sale of the Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to "Honor the dead by helping the living," therefore, I, Henry Weinzapfel, Mayor of the City of Muenster, do hereby recognize the patriotic merits of this cause by urging the citizens of this community to contribute generously to its support through the purchase of Buddy Poppies on the day set aside for the distribution of these symbols of loyalty in this city. I urge all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms which we continue to enjoy as American citizens.

/s/ Henry Weinzapfel, Mayor
City of Muenster

VFW announces schedule of Memorial Day services

Memorial Sunday observance by the VFW Post 6205, following 8 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church, has been scheduled as follows:

- A. Order of parade to the cemetery after Mass:
 1. VFW Post 6205 honor guard and rifle squad
 2. Children and Ladies Auxiliary
 3. Fr. Frowin, OSB, and Mass servers carrying crosses and candles
 4. Congregation and general public
- B. Placing of floral wreath at the Crucifixion statues and altar
 1. Prayers and placing of wreath by Auxiliary Chaplain Ethel Hesse
- C. Order of Service at the Veterans Memorial Site
 1. Ceremony by children and Ladies Auxiliary at Veterans Memorial and graves
 2. Song: "God Bless America"
 3. Short Memorial speech - Cmdr. Paul Hesse
 4. Blessing of Veterans' graves by Fr. Frowin
 5. Song: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"
 6. Rifle Squad 21-gun volley salute
 7. TAPS by Ronnie and Tina Weinzapfel
 8. Dismissal

From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

In the fall of '41 I found myself unemployed and looking for work, and after being offered several more or less unattractive jobs, I considered taking a course in air-craft sheet metal fabrication.

Several so-called schools in Dallas and Fort Worth were offering these courses for about \$350, with the course taking about three months to complete.

While checking out several of these plans we stopped at a Texaco service station in Arlington to take on some fuel, and also to glean a little information.

The owner of the station, a man named Virgil Smith, answered our questions and then said, "Don't waste your money on any of those commercial schools! We have one of the best here in Arlington at North Texas Agriculture College, and it won't cost you a cent."

Well, my ears perked up a bit on hearing that. Then Virgil went on to ask if I would need to work while I attended school, and said if I did he would give me a part time job at his station. Sounded good!

After checking with the college, and signing up for the course, I was assigned to the 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. shift.

Mr. Smith seemed pleased, and offered me work from 4 to 9 p.m. then found me a place to room and board.

I have never met a nicer or more trusting soul in my life, and I enjoyed my time in Arlington, and my employer, as well. Another young fellow who sometimes worked with me, would occasionally get us involved in a conversation with some late customers, and these times were always pleasant intervals for both of us.

One evening an old Negro man and his daughter, a school teacher, who were well known to my friend, sat and talked for some time. The old gentleman was sort of a preacher, and he told us the earth was square. Although his daughter argued the point with him he held his ground, asking her, "If de earth is round, how come de Lawd told the apostles to preach the gospel in the four corners of de earth?"

Hard to argue with logic like that!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Upper Elm-Red SWCD Sponsor:
The Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District would like to take this opportunity to thank you for generously sponsoring our forty-eighth annual awards banquet again this year. We certainly appreciate your help. A you know, it is only with

the help of people such as yourself, that this program is such a success. We appreciate your financial assistance, your cooperation and interest. You certainly did your part to make this a successful program. Thank you very much. Sincerely,
William Hermes
Chairman



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SUNDAY, JUNE 22

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

*** Cut off date for donating items ***
*** Monday, June 16 - Noon ***

- 1983 Chevrolet 3/4 ton diesel 4 X 4 pickup - Anonymous "Listen" written and signed by Fr. Placidus O.S.B.
- Six Flags Over Texas (2) tickets - Six Flags Cinemark Theatre (12) passes - Cinemark USA, Inc.
- Texas Rangers Pennant - Texas Rangers Baseball Club signed by Johnny Oates
- Trout Dinners w/wine - The Main Street Pub & Eatery
- Mesquite Championship Rodeo Tickets - Mesquite Rodeo
- Dallas Cowboys Pennant - Dallas Cowboys signed by Barry Switzer & Jerry Jones
- Regular Season Membership - Butterfield Stage Players
- Movie Tickets (10) - State Twin Theatre
- Igloo Little Playmate Coolers - Igloo Products Corp.
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- Ceramic Ware - U.J. Meyers (Sister Carmelita's Brother) Jewelry (lots of it) - Quicksilver
- AT & T Wireless Airtime - AT & T Wireless Service
- Chili's Grill & Bar Certificates - Brinker International
- Office chair, cushioned w/arms - Dustin's Office Supply
- Echo Gasoline Weed Trimmer - Muenster Garden Center
- Plane Ride in Piper Cub - Sam Endres
- 200 Gallons of Farm Diesel - Willie Walterscheid Oil Co.
- Wash & Wax & Clean interior of vehicle - Chris Pagel
- Front end alignment & tire rotation & balance - Klement Ford of Muenster
- Lasagna Dinner for 15 people - John Nasche
- Wooden Jewelry Case - Christie's Jewelry & Gifts
- Wash, Wax complete auto detail - Bryan Sicking
- Crown Royal Special Reserve - Eighty Two Liquor
- Glass/Roof mount antenna for cell phone & installation - North Texas Communication
- 2 Cellular air time certificates - North Texas Communications
- 3 boxes Fusetron Fuses - Harold Alexander, United Electric
- 16 yards dirt delivered - G & H Backhoe
- Hand-crafted Cutting Board, 18" x 20" - Rudy Koesler
- Dinner Rolls 1400 to 1600 - Bayer's Kolonialwaren
- Beef and Hog Processing - Fischers Market
- 100 bushels of oats - William Hermes
- Merchandise - Barron's
- \$100 in trade - Muenster Building Center

Tickets to race track w/parking & program (6) tickets - Lone Star Park at Grand Prairie

Livestock Donations

- Brangus cow calf pair, first calf heifer - Julian Walterscheid
- Simmental Cross Bull - Michael Bartush
- Holstein Grain Fed Steer 800 Lbs. - Werner Becker & Son
- Hereford Heifer 400 to 500 Lbs. - Alois Rohmer

Hotel - Motel - Resort - Donations

- Two night stay on weekend for 2 nights
Sunday Champaign Branch
- Holiday Inn Select San Antonio Airport, San Antonio
- One night stay on weekend for 2 w/ Breakfast Buffet
- Red Lion Hotel, Houston
- One night stay Deluxe King Room for 2
- Harvey Suites, Houston Medical Center, Houston
- One night stay on weekend w/Breakfast for 2
- Holiday Inn D/FW Airport West, Bedford
- Weekend stay for 2
The Clarion Hotel - 1981 N. Central Expwy., Richardson

- One night weekend stay for 2
- The Dallas Grand Hotel 1941 Commerce St. Dallas
- Day or night fishing along the Red River for 4 to 6 people - Bartush Brothers
- Mexican Buffet (4) tickets - Ponchos Mexican Buffet
- 100 Bales of Prairie hay - Duwayne Schilling
- Pie-a-month for 12 months - Rohmer's Restaurant
- One week of child care - Wanda Flusche TLC Day Care
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- Trane 3 ton Air-conditioning unit, (outside condenser unit only)
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- Trane 3 ton Air-Conditioning unit, Hi efficiency, 12.0 seer (outside condenser unit only)
- Hesse Heat and Air-Conditioning
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- Baby quilt - Ray & Lou Voth
- Hand-crafted wagon - Carl Mages
- Tricycle with flotation tires - Betty Flusche
- Little red wagon - Don Flusche
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- Baseball signed by Nolan Ryan - Ronald D. Reedy P.C.
- Two nights stay for 2 in 2 room suite, cooked to order breakfast each morning & 2 hour cocktail reception each evening - Embassy Suites, Tucson, Arizona
- One night stay for 2 at Holiday Inn Y.O. Ranch Hotel
- Holiday Inn Y.O. Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, TX

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\$200.00 Cash

Ray & Theo Voth

\$150.00 Cash

John Bartush

\$100.00 Cash

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\$10. - \$15. - \$20. - \$25. - \$30. - \$40.

Dr. A.A. Davenport; Doug Yosten; Steve Taylor; Dankesreiter Garage; T.J. & Jeannene Walterscheid;

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Cut off date for donating items Monday, June 16 - Noon

Please contact any of the following to get your items into this exciting picnic lineup of prizes, call now...

- Allan & Connie Rohmer - Andy Klement
- Bob Hermes - Brenda Richey
- Carla Trubenbach - Chuck Koesler
- Clif Sicking - Dale Schilling
- Deb Klement - Deb Hess
- David Whitecotton - Dennis Hess
- Gary Endres - Joe Hellman
- Joe Hoedebeck - John Bartush
- Larry & Pat Wimmer - Peggy Grewing
- Rhonda Hartman - Robert Miller
- Roger Taylor - Tammy Wimmer
- Wayne Klement - Werner Becker
- Tim Schneider - Dot Endres
- Jim Endres - Herky Biffle
- Don & Betty Flusche - Tom & Virgilla Herr
- Father David Bellinghausen

2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

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

Sunday, May 25	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	Wednesday, May 28	Thursday, May 29	Friday, May 30	Saturday, May 31
Miller-Muller-Herr Reunion Muenster Park Muenster VFW Memorial Day Steak Dinner 5:30-7 p.m. Muenster Pool opens 1-7 p.m.	Sacred Heart and Muenster-No School MEMORIAL DAY Muenster Pool open 1-7 p.m. Slow Pitch Softball Clinic, 9 a.m.-12 noon *Note: Change of Date	MISD Kindergarten Graduation	SH Preschool/Kindergarten Moving On Ceremony	SH 8th Grade Graduation MISD - Last Day of School	Sacred Heart Graduation, 6 p.m. MHS Graduation, 7:30 p.m. Muenster Museum Open, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.	DCYC at TCU
		Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center		
Sunday, June 1	Monday, June 2	Tuesday, June 3	Wednesday, June 4	Thursday, June 5	Friday, June 6	Saturday, June 7
	Relay For Life Bank Night, MMH City Council Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Fischer's vs. Fina, 6:30 Diamondbacks vs. Tops & Teams 8:15	T-Ball: Red vs. Green, 5:30 Orange vs. Blue 6:30 Yellow vs. Teal 7:30	C of C Board Meeting, 5 p.m. Mariners vs. Jaycees, 6:30 M. Drilling vs. Fburg, 8:15	T-Ball: Blue vs. Yellow 5:30 Green vs. Teal 6:30 Red vs. Orange 7:30	Kiwanis Family Swim Night, 7-9 p.m. Muenster Museum Open, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. M. Drilling vs. Tops & Teams 6:30 Jaycees vs. Fischer's 8:15	
		Big Red Basketball Camp				
		Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center		Cooke County Relay For Life 6 p.m. Friday - 6 p.m. Saturday

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Schniederjan presented prestigious Trane award

The Trane Company honored Adam Schniederjan, owner of Schniederjan Heating and Air Conditioning Company in Muenster, for the second consecutive year. He was presented the prestigious Achievement of Excellence award at Trane's Dealer Awards Banquet, which was held at the Fairmont Hotel in Dallas on April 19, 1997.

The local Trane office supports over 56 counties and over 200 contractors. Adam is one of only 30 of the elite Air Conditioning and Heating companies to be recognized. He achieved this award through his overall professionalism, superior customer service and surpassing the strict criteria of the program. Adam participates in all consumer

promotions throughout the year and partners with The Trane Company through his own company identification and advertising. Attending all the HVAC training and education courses supports his technical expertise. Adam is a certified Trane master technician.

Mr. Schniederjan has been in the HVAC business for over 14 years. Adam received his certificate of completion in refrigeration mechanics from Texas State Technical Institute in Waco, Texas in 1983.

Adam states he "is proud to be affiliated with the Texas Trane Company and truly appreciates all of his customers in the Cooke County area."



Adam and Renee Schniederjan accept award from Trane. Courtesy Photo

Texas monthly oil and gas stats

The Commission issued a total of 1,196 original drilling permits in April. The total included 901 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 55 to re-enter existing well bores, and 240 for re-completions.

So far in 1997, there have been 4,550 drilling permits issued compared to 4,005 recorded during the same period in 1996.

Permits issued in April included 484 oil, 305 gas, 380 oil and gas, 19 injection, and 8 other permits.

In April operators reported 371 oil, 378 gas, 23 injection and six other completions, total well completions for 1997 year-to-date is 3,064 up from 2,789 recorded during the same period in 1996.

Operators reported 556 holes plugged and 127 dry holes last month.



The Gainesville Area Chamber of Commerce sponsored a ribbon cutting ceremony Monday to officially open the newly-expanded Cooke County Farm Bureau headquarters on West Highway 82 in Gainesville. Farm Bureau President Tim Hartman cut the ribbon with officers, members and Chamber officials present. The expansion features new offices and a large meeting room shown below by, from left, Edwin Knight, Tim Hartman, Mike Bartush and Raymond Root. Dave Fette Photo



Split of 817 area code scheduled for this weekend

The 817 area code in Texas will be split into three area codes with the addition of two new codes during the Memorial Day weekend. The Fort Worth Metropolitan area will keep the 817 numbering plan area (NPA). A northern section that includes Wichita Falls and Denton will get a new 940 area code. A southern region that includes Waco will be assigned 254.

Telephone customers currently served in the 817 area will not notice the technical switchover being completed by local telephone company employees during the three-day Memorial Day weekend. Beginning on Sunday, May 25, at 12:01 a.m., the new area codes will be in place. Customers will have a three-month grace period to adjust to the change and still make calls using their old dialing habits. Customers are encouraged to inform home and business contacts about their new area codes.

The grace period, called the "permissive dialing period," will extend for three months, until Sunday, August 24. After that, callers will be required to dial the new area codes. For another 30 days until Sept. 21, 1997, customers who forget to use the new area codes will get a recorded "intercept message" reminding them to dial the appropriate code. Sept. 22,

1997 is the first day that a prefix from the "new" area code may be activated.

Adding two additional codes will extend the life of all the codes, in keeping with new guidelines of the North American Numbering Plan Administration, which call for area code plans that will offer at least five to eight years of relief. The currently projected exhaust date for the 817 Fort Worth metro area, where the need for new numbers is most critical, is 2004. The projected exhaust date for both 940 and 254 is 2009.

The implementation of the new area codes will not change the local calling scope. Most local calls may be made using only seven digits, when callers are dialing within the same area code. A local call made to a location that is switched to a different area code may be completed by dialing ten digits. Local calls can continue to be made without dialing "1" first or incurring a toll charge.

Commissioners at the Public Utility Commission approved a staff recommendation to split the 817 codes into three calling areas on Nov. 7, 1996. The recommendation was the result of an eight-month effort that involved PUC staff members, industry representatives, consumer groups, city officials, and the Office of Public Utility Counsel.

Rep. Hall to lead Texas field hearing

Rep. Ralph Hall (D-TX) will be the host Congressional leader of a field hearing on electricity restructuring Friday morning in Dallas, Texas, sponsored by the House of Representatives' Subcommittee on Energy and Power. Hall serves as Ranking Democrat of the subcommittee. The chairman is Rep. Dan Schaefer of Colorado, who will preside.

The hearing, scheduled for 10 a.m. in council chambers at the City Manager's office in Dallas, is the fourth and last scheduled subcommittee field hearing concerning the manner in which electricity is delivered to consumers and the possibility of opening up the industry to competition. Electricity restructuring is a key issue before Congress and falls under the jurisdiction of the Commerce Committee and the Subcommittee on Energy and Power.

that were held in recent weeks in Atlanta and Chicago. Another hearing also was held in Richmond. "I've gained an invaluable amount of information from these meetings, and I look forward to holding the final one in Dallas," Hall said. "We'll have a balanced panel of experts representing the Public Utilities Commission, the utility industry, independent power companies, and consumers."

"The Texas State Legislature already has an electricity restructuring bill under consideration," Hall added. "I'm pleased to see the progress that Texas and other states are making on this issue. We need to give states broad authority to implement policies that reflect conditions in local markets and meet their own needs - and we don't need something else for the federal government to micromanage."

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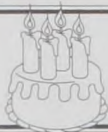
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First Holy Communion Day, for children or adults, holds a most important place in their memories, and in family observances of treasured events. In importance, First Holy Communion Day is second only to the Day of Baptism. Parents and other close relatives find various ways to mark the day for special memories. Reunions are frequently included to honor the children or adults.

Mark Fleitman
Mark Fleitman was a member of the 1997 class of First Communicants in Sacred Heart Church on April 13. He was honored on his special day by his parents, Ben and Carol Fleitman who hosted a family reunion and bountiful dinner in their home in Myra. Aunt Lynn Hacker decorated his special cake. Helping Mark celebrate were grandparents Diamond and Evelyn Fuhrmann; great-grandmother Pauline Block; Jim, Judy, Keith, Aaron, and Daniel Fuhrmann; LuElla Fuhrmann all of Lindsay; Maurus, Lynn, and Michael Hacker, of Myra; Leo, Peggy, Kristie, Pamela, and Patrick Lutkenhaus and great-aunt Lucille Hess all of Muenster; godparents Rudy and JoAnn Schumacker and Scott, Kelly and Dana of Era. Special greetings were set by great-uncle and aunt Leo and Elfreida Wagner of Perry, Oklahoma, and by grandparents Ben Sr. and Josephine Fleitman who were unable to attend.

Michael Thomas Valliere
Michael Thomas Valliere, son of Tom and Laurie Valliere, was honored on his First Holy Communion Day with a large gathering of relatives, in his home. A bountiful dinner was followed by dessert of a decorated cake made by Betty Rose Walterscheid. Gifts, games, and video tapes were enjoyed. Attending were the parents, brothers and sister

Steven, Christopher, and Natalie; grandparents, the Lawrence Wimmers and Florence Valliere; godparents Ray and Kaye Wimmer and Tom and Carol Gressett; uncles and aunts and cousins, Tina and Eunice Wimmer; Willie and Margie Wimmer; Gayle Baumbach and Joshua and Sarah; David, Michelle and Caroline Gressett; Shane Wimmer; Sabrina Truebenbach; Stephanie Wimmer and Mariah; and Kelly Wimmer.

Christopher John Werner
Christopher John Werner, son of John and Jodi Werner, one of the 40 children who received First Eucharist as a member of the class of Sacred Heart Church First Communicants, was honored by the special attendance of relatives from out-of-town. They came especially to help celebrate his special day. Guests included his grandfather, Clyde Cantrell of Comfort, Texas uncle Justin Cantrell of Stephenville; and Aunt Jaime Cantrell of San Antonio. They were all together for dinner at The Center Restaurant, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Christopher is the grandson of Clyde Cantrell of Comfort, Texas, and Joan and Bill Hartung of San Antonio; and the great-grandson of Johnnie Krall of Kerrville and the late Hayward Krall; and the great-grandson of Albert and Frieda Janca of Grape Creek, Texas.

Muenster 4-H Club elects 1997-98 officers

Elected on May 13 by the Muenster 4-H Club to serve as officers in 1997-98 are the following: Yvonne Martin, president; Dana Miller, vice-president; Kristen Creed, second vice-president; Diana Felderhoff, secretary; Cindy Hartman, reporter; Kristen Creed, county delegate; Emily Felderhoff, alternate county delegate.

Two adult leaders also attended the business meeting. Yvonne Martin presided. Inspiration was led by Kristen

Creed, Dana Miller and Diana Felderhoff. Dana Miller was club reporter.

Take Note

St. Richard's Villa will honor Dr. Alfredo Antonetti on Wednesday, May 28 with a reception at 1:00 p.m., with gratitude and appreciation for his many years of service and friendship.

Brittany Pagel is two!

Brittany Nicole Pagel, daughter of Curtis and Rhonda Pagel was honored with a birthday party celebrating her second birthday, in the home of her grandparents, Tom and



Brittany Nicole Pagel

Joyce Bayer on Sunday, May 4. Refreshments of hot dogs, "Barney" Birthday cake and ice cream were served, followed by picture taking and gift opening.

Guests included the honoree's parents, Curtis and Rhonda Pagel, her brother Tyler, sisters Amy, Jessica and Michelle; Grandma and Grandpa, Harriet and Harry Scoggins; Uncle Tex and Nancy Pagel and Kaylee Price; Great-Grandma Louise Bayer; Aunt Cheryl Bayer and Uncle Adam Bayer.

Unable to attend, but sending birthday wishes were Aunt Jennifer Bayer and friend Chris Wright of College Station; Great Grandpa and Great-Grandma Tony and Sis Klement; and Great-Grandma Eva Jo Otto.

Brittany's actual birthday was April 27. Earlier, she had shared cupcakes with friends and playmates at Tender Loving Care on April 25.



Danah Rae Hellinger of Lindsay and James A. Dennison III of Gainesville have chosen June 14 for their wedding day. They will be married in St. Peter's Church of Lindsay, with Father Eugene Luke, OSB, pastor, officiating. The bride-elect is the daughter of Pete and Jeanette Hellinger of Lindsay. She is a 1994 graduate of Lindsay High School and a 1997 graduate of North Central Texas College, and a registered nurse employed at Denton Community Hospital. The future-groom is a 1991 graduate of Lindsay High School and is employed with the Postal Service in Denton. Upon return from their wedding trip, they will reside in Gainesville.

Activity updates announced for County Relay For Life

Cancer survivors are living proof that we are winning the fight against cancer. For anyone battling cancer, there is no greater encouragement or symbol of hope than the Cancer Survivor's Lap which kicks off the Relay for Life. The event will take place June 6-7 at the Hornet Stadium in Muenster beginning at 6 p.m. The participating Cancer survivors will each receive a special t-shirt and be honored at the Survivors Reception immediately following the Survivor lap. Complimentary food and refreshments are also provided throughout the entire 24 hour event to those survivors who participated in the opening lap.

A second Bank Night is set for Monday, June 2, from 5-7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of Muenster Memorial Hospital. Bank nights are scheduled to allow team captains an opportunity to turn in any donations or sponsorships collected by their team.

The Relay for Life committee is selling luminaria candles in paper bags weighted with sand to line the inside of the track. For a \$3 donation per candle, you can dedicate a glowing tribute to someone who has or has had cancer. Names of the honored individuals will be read aloud during the luminaria ceremony. Those who purchased candles are invited to attend this special event to see their donation come to life. The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock p.m. To purchase a luminaria and help light the way to a cure please call 817-759-2271 ext. 36.

Breakfast will be served Saturday morning from 7 to

8:30 a.m. The complimentary breakfast will be served to the participating team members.

The "Relay Cafe" will be open for the entire 24 hour period. Food items that can be purchased from the menu include hamburgers, hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, candy bars, muffins, soft drinks, coffee, hot cocoa, water and sports drinks.

Team members will also be able to participate in a full schedule of games and entertainment. Planned activities include a scavenger hunt, relay games, children's activities, a midnight madness pajama fashion show, a variety of entertainment in the form of song, music and dance.

Ennis Polka Festival set for May 30

In celebration of their ethnic heritage, the people of Ennis, Texas are getting ready for their annual Polka Festival, May 30, 31 and June 1, now in its 31st year. Parades, colorful costumes, numerous floats, a variety of bands, four large air-conditioned dance halls, street dancing, food booths, arts and crafts, and a children's carnival promise a great weekend. Admission fees are \$4 for Friday, \$7 for Saturday and \$5 for Sunday. One admission fee admits entrance into each hall. Festival planners have announced that the 1998 celebration date will be changed to Memorial Day Weekend.

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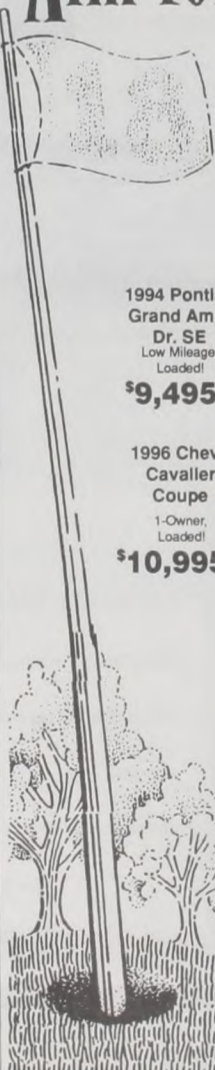
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Area Graduates

Melissa Miller is MSU graduate

Melissa Miller graduated summa cum laude from Midwestern State University with a GPA of 3.94. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Cellular and Molecular Biology with a minor in Chemistry. Graduation ceremonies were held on May 10 at D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Dr. Rodriguez and Dr. Rogers conferred the degrees upon the graduates. The honorable Marilyn Aboussie gave the commencement address. The ceremonies were attended by Robert, Betty, Julie, Patrick, and Michael Miller, grandparents Wilda Stoffels and Bill Miller of Muenster, Rita O'Brien, Don, Karen, Meredith, and Carolyn Sicking of Gainesville, Gloria and Alicia Culpepper of Ardmore, Delbert Slaton of Fort Worth, Sam Broyles, Leila Plummer, Bryce Sinclair, Chris, Kathy, and Blair Hopkins of Wichita Falls. A party was held afterwards at Kiwanis Park in Wichita Falls.



Melissa Miller

Earlier this spring, Melissa was awarded Outstanding Senior Woman of the Year and Outstanding Biology Student of Midwestern State University. The awards were presented at the annual MSU Awards Banquet held this year on April 18. Her parents attended the banquet with her.

This past year, Melissa has served as President of Tri-Beta National Biology Honor Society and Treasurer of Alpha Chi National Senior Honor Society. She was a member of Mortar Board National Senior Service Organization and was an MSU Student Ambassador. She worked part-time for four years in a lab for Dr. Bill Cook in the MSU Biology Department. She received a grant from the Tri-Beta Research Organization to fund part of her research this spring. Her work involves the use of DNA technology to understand plants and photosynthesis, especially photosystem II. She has also done research through three summer fellowships at Texas Tech University (1994), UT

Southwestern Medical Center (1995), and Harvard Medical Center (1996).

Melissa will begin her Ph.D. in Biochemistry at Stanford this fall. This is a 6 year program that will prepare her for a faculty position at a university or as a researcher in industry. She was accepted and offered full tuition and stipend at Berkeley, Duke, Stanford, UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Washington University in St. Louis. She interviewed at all of these institutions this past spring at the cost of the universities.

Melissa was a 1993 graduate of Sacred Heart School and is the daughter of Robert and Betty Miller and the granddaughter of Albert and Wilda Stoffels, and Bill Miller and the late Terese Miller.

Joy Tisdale Black is TWU honor graduate

Joy DeAnn (Tisdale) Black is a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Texas Woman's University, receiving her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology on May 10, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. She graduated with a cumulative grade point average of 3.93 in a possible 4.0.

While at TWU, she was involved in many activities such as Golden Key National Honor Society, Association of Christian Therapy Students, Omega Rho Alpha, and Gamma Beta Phi, for which she served on the publicity committee for two years. She was named to the Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities, and nominated for Outstanding Senior, and Campus Leader.

Joy Black will begin physical therapy school at Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas at the end of May.

Attending the graduation ceremonies were her husband, Daniel Black of Denton, her parents Dr. and Mrs. Larry Tisdale of Muenster and her husband's parents Mr. and Mrs. Bill Black of Myra.

Jeanann Biffle is NCTC graduate

Jeanann Biffle is a graduate of North Central Texas College, with an Associate of Science Degree. She maintained a grade point average of 3.90 in a possible 4.0 ratio, and is a member of PHI THETA KAPPA Honor Society of Junior Colleges. She will transfer in the fall to Tarleton State University in Stephenville, to major in Horticulture and Landscape Management, and will pursue a minor in Art.

Graduation ceremonies at NCTC were held on May 9, 1997. Following the ceremony in Gainesville, Jeanann's parents, Leonard and Emily Hartman hosted a fried chicken dinner at their home for family and friends.

Sister, brother graduate from LeTourneau Univ.

Janet Bayer and Greg Zimmerman, sister and brother, graduated from LeTourneau University on May 3, 1997 with Bachelor of Science Degrees in Business Management. Commencement was held at the Solheim Center on the main campus in Longview.

Attending the graduation ceremonies were Janet's husband, Chris and children Jarad, Christin, Emily, and Nathan; Greg's wife, Shelley; and their parents Billy and Marcella Zimmerman. Also attending were Barbara and David Nortman; Nancy, Allison, and Ryan Dobbs; Bobby, Mary Ann, and Suzanne Schneider; James and Ann Bayer; Patsy and J.D. Fleitman; Mary Ann Hess; and Samuel and Jannet Fleitman.

The group also celebrated the birthday of Barbara Nortman which also fell on May 3.

Darren Bindel is honor grad from Tarleton State

Darren Bindel graduated with honors on May 17 from Tarleton State University in Stephenville. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science, graduating Cum Laude with a 3.65 grade point average.

Attending the graduation ceremonies were his parents Harold and Sug Bindel; Grandma Ollie Klement; sisters Debbie Endres, and Darla Anderle; niece Krystal Hale; Uncle and Aunt Dick and Joan Schleicher; friends Karri Endres, Mike and Maurus Hacker, Sallie Fisher and Jay Hennigan.

Darren Bindel has accepted an assistantship at Kansas State University to pursue a Master's Degree in Animal Nutrition. He is a 1993 graduate of Muenster High School.

Fleitman, Thompson graduate at NCTC

On Friday, May 9, North Central Texas College held commencement ceremonies in the Gainesville High School Auditorium. Melinda Fleitman and friend Jeremy Thompson both received their Associate of Science degrees. Attending the ceremonies and a party for the two graduates were Melinda's mom, Paula Fleitman; sisters Kerry and Kristen; her brother Randy Fleitman; sister and family Brett, Jan, and Stephen Marion; and friends Wendy Pels and Darrin Springs. The family and friends were served cake, ice cream, and punch in

the Marion home in Gainesville. This fall, Melinda will be attending TWU in Denton to pursue a bachelor degree for Social Work.



Amy Hermes

Amy Hoenig Hermes earns nursing degree

Amy Hoenig Hermes was one of 73 graduates to receive a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Nursing from Midwestern State University, D.L. Ligon Coliseum, in Wichita Falls, Texas on Saturday, May 19, 1997, at 10:30 a.m.

This completes her degree requirements to become a registered nurse. Amy received three scholarships while attending MSU and was honored by being elected secretary of MSU's chapter of Student Nurse's Association and is a member of the national branch.

A pinning ceremony was held, Friday, May 9 at Akin Auditorium, where graduates carried candles lit by a Florence Nightingale lamp representative of the history of nursing.

Guest attending the pinning and graduation were Amy's husband, Kurt Hermes; parents Janet Hoenig and Gene and Greg Hoenig; Judy, Carrie and Heather Hess; Connie Lutkenhaus; Charlotte Hermes; Connie Hermes; Susan Hermes. Unable to attend were Amy's grandparents, Lucille Lutkenhaus and Tony and Aileen Hoenig.

VFW #6205 sponsors Memorial Day event

In celebration of Memorial Day, the Muenster VFW Post will sponsor a steak dinner on Sunday, May 25, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 per person, and are available at the VFW Hall. The public is welcome.

Melissa Trubenbach receives award at May 5 ceremony

An awards ceremony was held for students of the University of Texas at Arlington on Monday, May 5 at 3 p.m. in the Rosebud Theatre, E.H. Herford University Center. Melissa Trubenbach of Muenster was among the students earning awards at the event.

Melissa received the Student Award for Outstanding Clinical Performance for the Spring 1997 semester. This award acknowledges the student's high level of clinical performance. Criteria for selection includes:

- Demonstrates consistent application of theoretical concepts presented in class.
- Demonstrates clinical expertise as validated by clinical evaluation.
- Demonstrates creativity in papers, projects, or client involvement.
- Demonstrates understanding of the role of the professional nurse in today's society.

Other honors received by Melissa include an RN to BSN scholarship, a Texas Graduate Scholarship, being named Outstanding University Scholar, and induction into Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society.

Melissa has been employed as an RN by Denton Community Hospital since 1993. She practices in the surgical/oncology unit.



Melissa Trubenbach

In 1991 Melissa graduated from Muenster High. She attended North Central Texas College and earned an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Nursing in 1993. This month she completed the RN to BSN program at the University of Texas at Arlington and will attend graduation ceremonies in August.

Melissa is married to Steve Trubenbach. She is the daughter of Danny and Mary Alice Bayer and the granddaughter of Elizabeth Koesler. Melissa's mother attended the awards ceremony.

Country Tidings

by Ruth Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Prather celebrated their first wedding anniversary and Lulu's 92nd birthday last week. They treated some relatives and friends to dinner at the Center in Muenster Saturday evening, May 17. Those attending were: Gene and Glendora Davenport of Gainesville, C.E. (Sonny) and Dee Cole of Saint Jo. Gene Davenport and Sonny Cole preach at the Forestburg Church of Christ. Others attending were John C. and Nelda Blankenship of Lindsay, Oklahoma, John and Laura Nell Rose and daughter Karen White of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Neil and Wanda Henderson of Pottsboro, Therrel and Peggy Lawler of Bowie, Winston and Nell Roach of Prairie Point, C.H. and Ruth Christian of Rosston.

Mrs. Marie Ford is in the Denton Regional Hospital at this writing.

Ellis and Jo Stoffe of Tioga visited Miss Lois Bewley and Clyde Saturday evening.

Jack and Odessa Berry spent the day Monday visiting Dr. and Mrs. Jerry McKown of Valley View.

Mrs. Vatori Ragsdale and daughter Lura of Allen visited their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jackson Thursday. Larry Dill and Larry Eldridge visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jackson Thursday, Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jackson were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dill and daughter Keshia of Muenster, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Dill.

Muenster Kiwanis hosts Swim Nights

The Kiwanis Club of Muenster is sponsoring Family Swim Nights. Be sure to mark your calendars. Come on out and swim as a family. This summer's Family Swim Nights will be from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on the following Thursdays or Fridays: June 6, June 20, July 10, July 18, August 7, and August 15.

Family Reunions

Henry and Mary Fleitman

Descendants of Henry and Mary Fleitman will hold a reunion on Sunday, June 8, 1997 at Muenster City Park Pavilion, at noon. Please bring food and drinks for your own family, and some lawn chairs. For more information, call Eddie Fleitman, 759-2773.

Miller-Muller-Herr

Members of the Miller-Muller-Herr families will hold their annual reunion on May 25 at Muenster City Park. They are asked to bring folding chairs and covered dishes. Charcoaled meat will be provided by Andy and Julius Stelzer of Post, Texas. Plates, napkins, flatware and cups will be furnished also.

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School News



Muenster High School 1997-98 Student Council

Muenster High Student Council election results

Twenty-six Muenster High School students were officially installed as officers and members of the school's Student Council for 1997-1998 during an assembly May 7 in the high school auditorium.

Next year's officers are Lucas Hartman, president; Leigh Ann Reiter, Vice-president; Dolly Patel, secretary; Joyce Hacker, treasurer; Allison Endres, reporter; and Bryan Hudspeth, parliamentarian.

Members-at-large include seniors: Valerie Erwin, Emily Felderhoff, Michael Grewing, Kristine Hartman, Stephanie Huchton, Telisha Reid and Kim Sturm; Junior: Stephanie Bierschen; Sophomores: Karen Cler, Kristen Creed, Kelly Felderhoff, Kristin Grewing, Jackie Henscheid, Shannon Kasper, Raegan Koesler, Jonna Schneider, Alisha Shears, Krystle

Sparkman and Casey Walterscheid.

Sophomores through Seniors earned their memberships in the Student Council this year by completing ten service hour requirements. Tasks ranged from helping in the Book Fair fund raisers to assisting in the district's UIL academic meet. All credit hours must be pre-approved by the Student Council's sponsors and are usually supervised and served on the student's own time rather than during class time.

The Freshman class will be represented by Kacie Garcia and Kristie Lutkenhaus who were elected by their classmates after satisfying the Students Council's election campaign guidelines.

Candidates for office and Freshman representatives filed petitions to run for their positions that were signed by registered students voters, designed their campaign

posters, and presented campaign speeches in a student assembly before being elected by students on Friday, May 2.

After the installation ceremony, new members and retiring members were treated to refreshments in the auditorium.

Other Student Council news includes the results of the Spring Book Fair which provided operational funds for next fall and allows the Student Council to donate over \$400 in new books to the school's library. Most of these were hardback books for the elementary students. The high school Student Council also supplied three door prizes for the Elementary Awards Banquet held last week. Members of the 1996-97 and 1997-98 Student Councils and sponsors sincerely appreciate everyone's support of the Book Fair each year.

Officers elected to Sacred Heart Student Council

by Deann Felderhoff

Election of officers for the 1997-98 Sacred Heart Student Council was held on Thursday, April 29. Each candidate was nominated by a fellow student, then given the opportunity to make a speech on their qualifications. After all speeches were made, the entire student body was given the chance to vote for the positions in question.

While the votes were tallied, Student Council Sponsor Ms. Donna Maxon presented balloons, candy, and roses to the outgoing officers and senior class representatives. A

bouquet of flowers was also presented to Sacred Heart Counselor Billie Yeager for her help with Student Council.

The last part of the assembly was the announcement of the newly elected officers and class reps. Officers are Russell Fette, president; Deann Felderhoff, vice president; Duncan Campbell, second vice; Gina Yosten, secretary; and Yvonne Martin, treasurer. Representatives are Amanda Wimmer, senior class; Janet Fetsch and Betty Trevino, junior class; Debra Dangelmayr and Sarah Kelley, sophomore class; and Dana

Miller, freshman class.

Student Council is a big part of life at Sacred Heart. Activities and projects include monthly S.W.E.L.L. Days, a Earth Day program, Trick or Treat for cans, Homecoming volleyball and games night and dance, organization of the Queen's Court luncheon. Freshmen "Buddies", penny jar contest, and Student Council banquet. Each summer, a group of council member attend a T.A.S.C. (Texas Association of Student Councils) camp where many of the ideas for projects for the next year are found.

NOTICE

First communicants who have been contacted for Memorial Day Services will practice on Saturday, May 24, at 9 a.m. in SH Cemetery.

On Sunday, all auxiliary officers meet at west entrance of Church at approximately 8:30 for procession to cemetery. Girls will wear First Communion dresses (no veils) and boys wear white jackets with dark pants (or white shirts and ties and dark shoes). For more information contact Linda Knabe at 759-2592 after 6 p.m.



Sacred Heart Student Council officers are, from left, Duncan Campbell, Gina Yosten, Yvonne Martin, Deann Felderhoff and Russell Fette. Janie Hartman Photo

Accomplishments recognized at MISD Elementary Banquet

"No Limits On Learning" was the theme of the Muenster Elementary banquet held on May 12. Students were acknowledged for their academics accomplishments for the 1996-97 school year.

Bill Ledbetter offered the invocation and benediction. Leo Lutkenhaus, president of the Muenster PTO acted as master of ceremonies. Guests were welcomed by Pat Fuhrmann.

Students who made the honor roll received PATS awards from the PTO. They were distributed by Leo Lutkenhaus. Participants in UIL competition, Book It, and academic bees received recognition.

Earning Perfect Attendance awards were:

First Grade - Micah Bayer, Cassandra Hale, Jordan Hiser, Lanie Lile William Vogel, Anne Walterscheid, John Crabtree, Rebecca Grewing, Kim Patel, Hillary Swirczynski.

Second Grade - Jessika Hartman, Tiffany Jewkes, Jayna Rohmer, Bret Walterscheid, Collin Walterscheid, John Cowden, Chad Endres, Megan Felderhoff, Felicia Jewkes, Evan Koesler, Zachary Swirczynski, Stevie Tankersley, Chad Tempel.

Third Grade - Keaton Haverkamp, Ryan Hennigan, Patrick Lutkenhaus, Jared Sicking, Jordan Walterscheid, Noah Barnhill, Eric Stoffels, Dustin Wimmer.

Fourth Grade - Chase Cain, Derek Felderhoff, Carrie

Grewing, Tara Swirczynski, Ross Rippy.

Fifth Grade - Rachel Clark, Joseph Dangelmayr, Robyn Hermes, Chelsea Felderhoff, Kirk Hartman, Darel Henscheid.

Special Achievement Awards were earned by Crystal Ramos, Laura Heers, Shane Hennigan, Brittany Shaw, Casey Bayer, Matt Beaver, Renee Dittfurth, Jayna Rohmer, Zachary Minnix, Christopher Moster, Lauren Shears, Sarah Stoffels, Noah Barnhill, John Farr, Jesse Hess, Aaron Yosten, Manuel DeLao, Kallie Gerstberger, Gage Gilliland, Tiffany Rains, William Hacker, Ryke Moseley, Ross Rippy, Cassandra Sicking, Mindy Walterscheid, Jessica Adams, Jared Britain, Rachel Clark, Robyn Hermes, Mark Moster, Daniel Russell, John Sturm, Melinda Walterscheid, Matthew Yosten, Kyle Endres, Diana Felderhoff, Kirk Hartman, Darel Henscheid, Jared Ledbetter, Kristi McAden, Andrew Milburn, Nathan Sicking, Alisha Walterscheid.

Elementary P.E. awards were presented for the first time by Coach Blair Kellner. Two students were selected from each class. Recipients were: William Vogel and Emily Endres, first grade; Chad Temple and Jessika Hartman, second grade; Jenna Felderhoff and Derek Endres, third grade; Joanna Felderhoff and James Fanning, fourth grade; and Darrell Henscheid and Robyn Hermes, fifth grade.

Local 4-H'ers win at District

Cooke County 4-H'ers shined at District IV Roundup at Texas A&M Commerce during April.

A part of Roundup is doing a Method Demonstration or Illustrated Talk. Method demonstrations and illustrated talks are planned presentations by one or more 4-H members that teach information related to a project or activity. Simply, there are ways of showing and telling others how to make or do something and sharing useful information.

Local District IV Roundup results follow:

Senior Entomology - 1st place, Mark Lutkenhaus, L.

Senior Landscape or Production Horticulture - 1st place, Yvonne Martin, M.

Senior Beef Cattle Junior Symposium - 4th place, Lisa Mosman, L, and Kristen Creed, M.

Junior Food and Nutrition - Participation ribbon, Kevin Lutkenhaus, L.

Another event at District Roundup is Share-the-Fun. In the Junior Comedian/Poet Category, Kristie Lutkenhaus of Muenster won 1st place.



Sacred Heart sixth and seventh grades presented a patriotic program Wednesday at the Community Center to commemorate Memorial Day. The students gave historic narrative, poetry and songs concerning American war involvement from the War of Revolution through the Vietnam Conflict. Students in the above photo presenting narratives are, from left, seventh graders Elizabeth Fette, Andrea Bauer and Sara Sepanski and sixth graders Mark Bayer and Clint and Chris Fuhrmann. Dave Fette Photo

Two local students to attend youth leadership seminar

Each year, the Kiwanis Club of Muenster sponsors two sophomores to attend a Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation (HOBY) Leadership Seminar. This year, Russell Fette, Sacred Heart High School, and Dolly Patel, Muenster ISD High School, were selected by their schools to serve as the Ambassadors from Muenster.

They will attend the HOBY Leadership Seminar in Dallas later this month, along with other outstanding sophomores from throughout the state. Participants will meet with leaders in business, industry, government, education, and the professions to learn about the free enterprise system and the democratic process.

The local competition was

open to all high school sophomores. Criteria for selection included evidence of emerging leadership ability, cooperation, sensitivity to the needs of others, ability to relate to new pursuits and acquaintances, and the desire to learn and share knowledge and experience with others.

At the Leadership Seminar, one boy and one girl will be selected to attend the annual all-expense paid, week-long World Leadership Congress.

For more than 30 years, the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation has held leadership seminars for high school sophomores throughout the United States, Ontario, Canada, the Bahamas, and Mexico.

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Wed. - Barbecued turkey, potato salad, baked beans, pineapple, milk.

Thur. - Oven fried chicken, new potatoes, corn on cob, Jello, bread, milk.

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Mon. - No School - Memorial Day!

Tues. - Sausage on a bun w/sauerkraut, macaroni and cheese, beans, fruit, milk.

Wed. - Cook's choice.

Thur. - Junior Olympics, No Lunches for Grade School. Junior High and High School - Sandwiches w/trimmings, potato chips, ice cream, cookies, milk.

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Muenster Junior High Awards Banquet May 13

Muenster Junior High Awards Banquet was held Tuesday, May 13, at the Sacred Heart Community Center.

Willie Scoggins, eighth grade class president, opened the evening with a welcome. Mitch Endres, seventh grade class president gave the invocation. Principal Bob Chisam introduced the Master of Ceremonies, Leo Lutkenhaus, president of Muenster PTO. A catered meal was enjoyed by all.

Bob Chisam announced academic and regular honor roll awards, perfect attendance, class officers and class favorites. Also recognized were special awards and contest winners and UIL academic and literary participants and winners.

Leo Lutkenhaus announced

the PATS awards from the PTO and Emily Klement recognized her PALS students. The band members were identified by Pat Dietz and the cheerleaders by Kristi Schneider.

Coaches Randy Tankersley, Jerry Eckart, Ted Heers, Blair Kellner and Donny Vernon recognized the boys and girls athletes.

Mr. Chisam made his final remarks, thanking teachers and parents for their support in getting Muenster ISD their third exemplary rating.

Door prizes were drawn before closing the evening with students winning gift certificates to local participating merchants.

To end the ceremonies, sixth grade class president Michael Endres gave the benediction.



Andrea Goodwin accepts scholarships from Lisa Roberts and Billie Ruth Lausen. Janie Hartman Photo

Goodwin receives artistic scholarships

Butterfield Stage and the Cooke County Arts Council recently announced that Andrea Lynn Goodwin of Muenster has been selected as one of the recipients of their artistic scholarships. This is the first time since the two organizations began their scholarship programs that one individual has received both of the \$500 educational awards. Billie Ruth Lausen, President of the Cooke County Arts Council, and Lisa Roberts, BSP Executive Director, remarked that both organizations were struck by Andrea's scholarship applications which eloquently identified the tremendous influence the arts can have on an individual's life.

Ms. Goodwin's first involvement with the theatrical arts began in her freshman year as a member of Muenster High School's lighting crew. During her sophomore year, she moved on to her first acting roles, eventually becoming the lead actress in her school's One Act Plays. Through the latter roles, Andrea's talent was

recognized at a new level, earning her a number of All-Star Cast and Best Actress awards. Yet, as Andrea stated in her scholarship applications, it was not only the awards she gained from her theatrical activities, she also found that her participation in theatre arts had a stabilizing effect on her life, increasing her sense of confidence and self-worth.

"Andrea's experience is yet another positive testimony voicing the importance the arts can play in a young life," remarked Mrs. Roberts. "Though the details change, the message stays the same. Young people who are involved in artistic endeavors develop a strong sense of confidence from their artistic experiences. Whether or not they continue their careers in this field does not matter, for they walk away with a valuable gift that positively influences their lives for years to come."

Andrea is the daughter of Linda Goodwin and Andy Goodwin.

Young writers get a taste of success at Lindsay

Good writing skills are an essential ingredient in the recipe for success, and teachers at Lindsay High School are striving to ensure that their students are equipped with these important skills.

As a part of a total program to prepare students in language arts, Sophomore English teacher, Betsy Fleitman, has taken advantage of a nationwide publication that is devoted to the betterment of literary skills.

The *High School Writer* is a monthly classroom teaching magazine developed to provide a "real audience" for students and to thereby foster the desire among young people to learn good reading and writing skills. The magazine consists of works written by students and includes fiction as well as non-fiction, essays, and poetry.

The *High School Writer* is published by Writer

Publications of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, which received more than 30,000 manuscripts from all over the U.S. during the 1996-97 school year. Writer Publications has just completed its twelfth year of providing publishing opportunities for young writers.

"I applaud the efforts of teachers like Mrs. Fleitman for their dedication to the teaching of reading and writing," commented Writer Publications' founder and publisher, Donald Kain. "These teachers deserve a real pat on the back for a job well done."

Published students received special recognition for their accomplishments and were presented Certificates of Literary Merit. The list of nationwide award recipients included from Lindsay High School were Jeff Wilson and Stacie Gieb.

Two Sacred Heart students receive honors invitation

Sara Sepanski and Aaron Walterscheid and their families have been invited to attend a state recognition ceremony at the University of North Texas on June 11, 1997. At the ceremony each honored student will be individually recognized. Sara for outstanding SAT scores and Aaron for an outstanding ACT test--and will be awarded a Certificate of Distinction from Duke University for the 1996-97 Talent Search. These are the same tests that are required of college bound seniors. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception will be held in the University Union. Also, the Texas Academy of Math and Science has scheduled special activities for these students.

Sara and Aaron are active in all areas of student life. Aaron has won medals and ribbons in track and cross country. He also participates in the basketball and football programs as well as summer Little League. In UIL academic events he has excelled in math, spelling and science. Aaron has also been a winner in the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest.

Sara has won numerous art awards: blue ribbons in the Saint Jo, NCTC and Muenster Red River Art Show, where she also won Best of Show. She has won medals and ribbons in

track and cross country; also, she plays basketball and softball and runs in the Germanfest Fun Run. Sara participates in the annual Spelling and Geography Bees, where she has placed first in her class. In UIL she places in art and ready writing, and along with Aaron, brings many points to Sacred Heart's first place standing each year in the academic competition. For the past two years Sara has placed in the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation Essay Contest. This year she placed second in District and third in Region in competition with high school students from a 51-county area. Sara has also been a winner in the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest.

Mrs. Glenda Mitchell is the seventh grade homeroom teacher. She says that "Sara and Aaron are outstanding academic students. They are focused and understand the important role education plays in their future." As a first year teacher at Sacred Heart, Mrs. Mitchell says that "she is fortunate to have such an exceptional class of seventh grade students."

Aaron is the son of Darrell and Sandra Walterscheid. Sara is the daughter of Robert and Linda Sepanski.

Jonathan Otto selected for nursing scholarship

Jonathan Edward Otto, Muenster High School senior, has recently been notified of his selection for the Lucille Kising Nursing Scholarship for the 1997 Fall semester. This scholarship will be renewed every semester if the criteria is met for the award.

Jonathan has been a five year member of PALS; two year member of FFA, serving as President; FHA member; Student Council member for three years, serving as President his senior year; and belongs to the National Honor Society. He has been active in athletics, leadership and community events.

After high school, Jonathan plans to attend NCTC in order to become a registered nurse. He is the son of Ed Otto and Darlene Otto.



Jonathan Otto

Muenster FHA Banquet feels groovy on May 6

The Muenster FHA held its annual FHA Banquet on May 6. The banquet's theme was "Feelin' Groovy in FHA." The cafeteria was decorated with bright butterflies, flowers and mushrooms.

The banquet began with the welcoming of the members and their guests. Pauline Mullins responded to the welcome on behalf of the parents. Then each member introduced themselves and their guest. Each guest received a daisy from his or her FHA member.

After the introduction, the meal was served. A menu of tossed salad, sliced barbecued beef, green bean casserole, cheesy potatoes, rolls and brownie sundae was prepared by the MHS homemaking classes and the Bar-B-Que

prepared by Mike Sturm. Following the meal, Mrs. Joni Sturm, FHA advisor, recognized "power of one participant." Holly Mullins has completed all five levels and received state recognition. Kristin Fleitman has completed one level.

Joyce Hacker gave the project report for the year. The FHA has done many activities in the 1996-97 school year.

Entertainment was provided by FHA members. Members modeled original '70's clothes and also clothes that they made in homemaking classes.

The FHA presented Mrs. Sturm with a gift. Also the kitchen help, Maryann Fleitman and Anita Luttmner and the eighth grade servers received gifts.

Two from Sacred Heart earn TAPPS Fine Arts awards

The Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools has announced this week that Trisha Endres, a junior at SHHS and Russell Fette a sophomore at SHHS have been selected TAPPS Class 2A Fine Arts Students of The Year.

Each will be presented with a plaque honoring their high level of achievement at a special awards luncheon held at the Waco Convention Center on June 21, 1997. Trisha is the daughter of Clint and Debbie Endres, and Russell is the son of Dave and Pam Fette.



Glenda Mitchell, Sara Sepanski and Aaron Walterscheid. Courtesy Photo

Reiter awarded scholarship

Steven John Reiter, a senior at Muenster High School, has been awarded a \$500 scholarship at Texas Tech University. He has been very involved in many activities during his four years of high school, including football, basketball, track, golf, tennis, UIL Lincoln-Douglas Debate and UIL Math. He recently participated in regional competition in several events. He has served as class president, class secretary, and is currently senior class vice-president.

Steven plans to attend Texas Tech this fall as an Exercise and Sports Sciences major. He is the son of Johnny and Jeanette Reiter of Muenster.



Steven Reiter

Public comments sought on location of unsafe speed limits

Citizens wanting to comment on the speed limits in Texas are invited to a town meeting scheduled Tuesday, May 27, at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Texas Department of Transportation District Office at 1601 Southwest Parkway in Wichita Falls. The meeting is being held by TxDot and the Texas Department of Public Safety has also agreed to participate.

The meeting is one of 25 meetings being held statewide. They are being held to get public comment on specific locations where problems may exist regarding speed limits and the procedures used to set speed limits.

In November, 1995, Congress repealed the federal law which mandated a national maximum

speed limit of 55 mph, except on rural Interstate quality highways. As a result, speed limits on Texas roads reverted to existing state law. Texas law requires the Texas Transportation Commission to set speed limits on roadways of the state highway system at 70 mph unless an engineering and traffic investigation determines that, for safety measures, the speed limits should be lower.

"Moving motorists safely along Texas highways is a job we take very seriously," said David Laney, Texas Transportation Commissioner. "We need to hear from the people who drive the roads, know where the problems exist, and have an opinion on whether the posted speed is too fast, too slow, or just right."

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Spanish I and II classes of Sacred Heart High School enjoyed a field trip to Austin and San Antonio on May 8 and 9. Those who made the trip from the Spanish I class posed with Governor George Bush on the steps of the Capitol. They are, from left, Becky Endres, Amanda Wimmer, Tammy Hennigan, Yvonne Martin, the Governor, Crystal Klement; and, standing in back, Jonathan Grewing and Jeff Yosten. Faculty member Joe Caserta and a group of six parents accompanied the students. Courtesy Photo



Bob, Michelle and Tanya Knauf with Cargill representative Ricky DeMaiale. Dave Fette Photo

Tanya Knauf awarded Cargill Farm Scholarship

Tanya Knauf, a senior at Sacred Heart, has been awarded the Cargill Scholarship for Rural America. This is a scholarship program for high school seniors across the United States. All senior students from farm families are eligible to apply. The Cargill Scholarship Program is designed to recognize students' academic achievements and potential. Scholarships are in the amount \$1,000 and recipients may attend the accredited post-secondary program of their choice. Tanya has excelled academically while a student at Sacred Heart. Also, she has participated in many activities,

including Student Council, National Honor Society, athletics and was a Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Ambassador as a sophomore. She is a positive leader and has contributed many hours to community services.

Tanya will be attending Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas in the fall with a major in Interior Design. She has been accepted as a member of the SWT Strutters and will be performing at different events including football and basketball games.

Tanya is the daughter of Bob and Michelle Knauf.

Advocacy - a must for health care changes

Advocacy has caused many changes in health care for the mentally ill in recent years. Individuals suffering from mental illness, family members, and mental health professionals have united to make these changes possible. Organizations such as the National Mental Health Association and the Alliance for the Mentally Ill have joined forces to advocate for changes in services and legislation for individuals suffering from mental illness.

These groups combine efforts again during May to help educate Americans about mental illness and its effects on individuals, their families and friends, and the nation.

Two groups joining efforts in our area for National Mental Health Month are Tri-AMI (Alliance for the Mentally Ill in Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties) and Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma.

MHRST is the local community MHR center serving Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties. Mental Health services are available at Grayson Mental Health, 109 E. Jones, Sherman, 903-893-0175; Cooke Mental Health Center, 301 W. Broadway, Gainesville, 971-665-3962; and Fannin Mental Health Center, 1221 E. 6th St., Bonham, 903-583-8583.

Advocacy groups and mentally ill individuals battle stigma every day. The stigma of mental illness continues to frighten many individuals and may delay them to seek help before they experience a crisis. Education on mental illness is needed to help battle stigma.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Tri-AMI contact Elizabeth Hite, 903-429-6371, or Betty Minyard, 903-463-2357. If you would like to become a volunteer at MHRST, call Paula Cawthorn, 786-4804.

- Years Ago -

50 YEARS AGO

April 11, 1947

Death ends long illness of Mary Markowitz, age 61. Local VFW members elect Steve Moser as Post Commander. Gainesville Community Circus Roundup barbecue will honor General Jonathan Wainwright on April 23. Former POW's will be special guests. An international Latin magazine publishes an article written in Latin by Lorene Derechweiler of Sacred Heart High School; it is about her hobby-stamp collecting. Texas Tech dairy students visit here inspecting Muenster Cheese Factory.

MISD AWARDS

Continued from Page 1

leaders, stroke averages of the year, Scott Hermes and Mindy Endres.

Coach Donny Vernon named his top Lady Hornet basketball players. Most improved player was Mindy Endres; team MVP, Brandi Lutkenhaus; defensive MVP, Emily Felderhoff; offensive MVP, Brandi Lutkenhaus; Hustle, Heather Hess; and free throw leader Brandi Lutkenhaus.

Cross country MVPs were Bryan Miller and Kelly Felderhoff. Leading the girls track team was Kim Sturm, MVP; Brandi Lutkenhaus, field event award and most improved Kelly Felderhoff.

Coach Blair Kellner announced the leading tennis players, Corey Anderle, Jerry Stoffels and Brandi Lutkenhaus.

The senior athletes presented each coach with a special appreciation gift. The athletic portion of the program concluded with a MHS sports slide presentation.

Chisam and Eddie Green then named and awarded the Who's Who class awards. Students were nominated by the teachers in each area. The winners are listed in bold. They include:

AGRICULTURE: Aaron Sicking, Shane Sparkman, Jeremy Walterscheid.

GOVERNMENT/HISTORY: Holly Mullins, Brandi Lutkenhaus, Andrea Goodwin.

AP ENGLISH: Greg Flusche, Andrea Goodwin.

BAND: Kristen Creed, Randy Grewing, Jonna Schneider.

ENGLISH: Laurel Green, Jake Luke, Jennifer Sicking.

SCIENCE: Leigh Ann Reiter, Greg Fisher, Greg Flusche.

THEATER ARTS: Laurel Green, Andrea Goodwin, Keisha Dill.

INDUSTRIAL ARTS: Tony Hartman, Jake Luke, Jonathan Otto.

COMPUTER SCIENCE: John Fanning, Laurel Green, Doug Knabe.

HOMEMAKING: Andrea Goodwin, Holly Mullins, Jennifer Sicking.

ART: Rudy Hellman, John Tuggle, Kim Sturm, Jeff Klement.

SPANISH: Greg Fisher,



Earning perfect attendance awards were MHS students Dolly Patel, Raegan Koesler, Leigh Ann Reiter and Scott Hermes. Janie Hartman Photo



Muenster High students making the All-Year Academic Honor Roll were, from left, front - Raegan Koesler, Stephanie Bierschenk, Leigh Ann Reiter, Joyce Hacker, Kelly Felderhoff; back - Darren Hennigan, Lucas Hartman and Kristine Hartman. Janie Hartman Photo

Eric Miller, Jake Luke, Shane Sparkman.

MATH: Steven Reiter, Leigh Ann Reiter, Jerry Stoffels.

BUSINESS/MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS: Aaron Klement, Leigh Ann Reiter, Raegan Koesler.

HUSTLING HORNET: Steven Reiter, Greg Flusche, Jake Luke.

MOST ATHLETIC GIRL: Brandi Lutkenhaus, Mindy Endres, Kelly Felderhoff.

ALL AROUND GIRL: Brandi Lutkenhaus, Jennifer Sicking, Holly Mullins.

LADY HUSTLING HORNET: Brandi Lutkenhaus, Emily Felderhoff, Stephanie Huchton.

MOST ATHLETIC BOY:

ALL AROUND BOY: Greg Flusche, Jake Luke, Steven Reiter.

BALFOUR: Laurel Green, Jonathan Otto, Holly Mullins, Steven Reiter.

In his closing remarks, Chisam noted that the teachers are the reason Muenster High School is the best school and the parents are why Muenster is a success. He also noted and thanked the school board, Muenster's "unsung heroes."

Greg Flusche, National Honor Society President, gave the benediction. The evening ended with door prizes drawn and awarded to staff and students.

Car show scheduled for June 1

The coachmen Cruisers Car Club of Burkburnett will hold their 23rd annual "Top of Texas Fun Run", car show at the KOA Kampground Park, in Burkburnett on Sunday, June 1. The park is located just off I-44 at the first exit south of the Red River. There will be games, food, music, prizes, displays, dash plaques and more than 50 trophies. For more information call (817) 569-4377 or 569-4916.

Texas energy fact
America now imports half of the oil it needs. Over the next 15 years, that figure could rise to 70%.

The oven is coming!

This summer, families throughout the area will toss aside their oven mitts and head for the sunny outdoors as they stand up for their right to a "no oven summer." On June 2 and 3, Kraft Foods will help consumers take one giant step toward a cool, carefree summer when the world's largest oven visits "hot Spots" throughout the city.

A colossal, 20-foot-high inflatable oven will appear at Spaghetti Warehouse, Irving Mall, Prestonwood Mall and Valley View Center with the "Kraft Ovenbusters," a team who will rally consumers to turn off their ovens and turn to Kraft for a cool solution to summertime meals. Anyone who pledges a "No Oven Summer" by signing the inflatable will receive a recipe leaflet and an immediate chance to win fun prizes.

According to a recent National Eating Trends study, Americans take an entirely new approach to cooking when the temperature rises. In fact,

Cooperatives find proposed deregulation bill may not be in best interest of consumers

Texas electric cooperatives contend that a proposal to deregulate the electric utility industry by 2001 may not be in the best interest of electric cooperative consumers.

The co-ops are concerned that several key elements of the draft bill are not fully understood and they say that more time is needed to review them, according to Mike Williams, president of Texas Electric Cooperatives, the statewide association that represents the 75 distribution cooperatives in 11 generation and transmission cooperatives.

"Dramatic changes are being proposed that will impact how the electric industry in Texas operates. We believe that this proposal needs more time to be

the average number of meals prepared in the oven during summer months - June through August - decreases by 25 percent compared to the rest of the year, while the number of meals prepared on the grill increases 160 percent.

"Our research tells us most consumers don't want to use their ovens during the summer because it heats up their homes and keeps them from enjoying the activities that make summer special," says Denise Henderson, Kraft Creative Kitchens. "With the quick and easy meal solutions we've developed, our giant inflatable may be the only oven people in Dallas see all summer."

The giant oven will first appear in Dallas at Spaghetti Warehouse on Monday, June 2, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. That afternoon, consumers can spot the oven at Irving Mall from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. On Tuesday, June 3, the oven will visit Prestonwood Mall from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and Valley View Center from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

fully understood and to allow for thoughtful examination by legislators and the public to assure that these suggested changes are indeed in the public interest," said Williams. "Unfortunately, this proposal does not necessarily assure lower electric rates or reliable service for our co-op members."

Electric co-ops serve approximately three million consumers in 244 of Texas's 254 counties, primarily in rural and suburban areas.

It is not clear that deregulation of other industries has benefited rural Texans, Williams noted. "However, we continue to support any industry restructuring that benefits all customers of electric cooperatives in Texas."

It Was News Then

50 YEARS AGO

April 4, 1947

First performance of Muenster Kodo set for second weekend of April, sponsored by Dick Cain and Babe Felker. Slump in sale of chicks causes early close of Muenster Hatchery season. George Loeffelholz, community pioneer, dies in Oklahoma at age 79.

30 YEARS AGO

March 31, 1967

Muenster citizens will vote Saturday April 1, on three elections: school board members, hospital board members, and for or against

consolidation of Muenster and Myra school districts. On next Tuesday, April 4, they will vote to select a mayor and three aldermen. Muenster Telephone Corporation announces that Cable TV will be available soon. Lynn Joe Klement is the big winner in the 12th annual project show by the FFA students. Muenster Jaycees will sponsor four-day "Sales Sharpeners" course here next week. New Arrivals: a son to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Wright; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Felderhoff. In Lindsay, Rusty Zwingski, age 9, dies in tractor accident.

Top country artists kick off Six Flags' summer

The Six Flags Over Texas Music Mill Amphitheater will be filled with country music of every variety Memorial Day Weekend when award-winning artists Patty Loveless, Wade Hayes, Aaron Tippin, and Tanya Tucker perform their one-of-a-kind music.

Tickets are still available for each of the three concerts and can be purchased at Six Flags Over Texas during park operating hours or at any Ticketmaster outlet. Concert tickets are \$5, plus park admission. Each concert begins at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, Sunday, May 25, and Monday, May 26.

Patty Loveless, the 1996 Country Music Association's Female Vocalist of the Year and the Academy of Country Music's Top Female Vocalist, will bring her brand of torch country to Six Flags on Saturday, May 24. Country

sensation Wade Hayes will open for Loveless.

On Sunday, May 25, Aaron Tippin lights up the Music Mill with his unique twang, musical talents and rockin' country hits. Fans know this South Carolina native delivers top-notch entertainment every time he steps on stage. With his 1991 debut single, "You've Got To Stand For Something" Tippin made it to country music's elite quickly. He's also a talented songwriter, with various country artists performing at least a half dozen songs penned by him.

Tanya Tucker, country music's sassy queen wraps up the Memorial Day concert series on Monday, May 26. Her last four releases all went gold or platinum and she is Liberty Records' biggest-selling female artist. Tucker also is one of country music's five top-charting female artists of all time.

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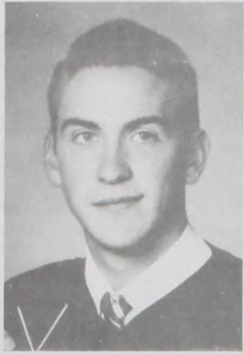
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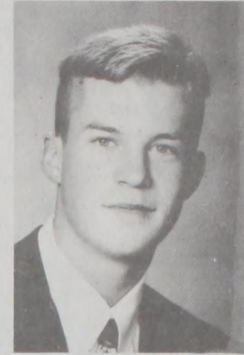
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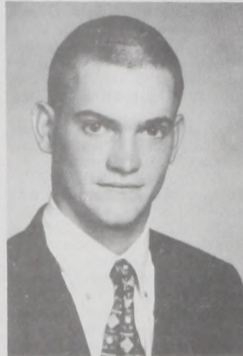
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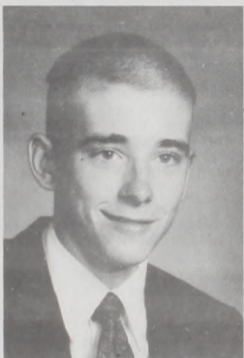
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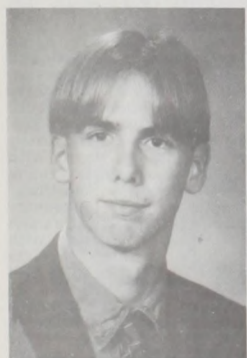
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beverages may be brought into The Ballpark. Coolers brought into The Ballpark must measure 16x16 or smaller. No one under the age of 21 may purchase or consume alcoholic beverages in The Ballpark. The Muenster Jaycees will not be responsible for lost or stolen items or any accidents that might occur. The price is \$25.00 per person. Contact Mark Klement at home 759-4019 or work 759-4343.

Big Red Basketball Camp set for June 2-5

This summer's Big Red Basketball Camp will be held on the Muenster ISD Campus from June 2 through June 5. Coordinating the daily sessions will be Coach Ted Heers along with Coach Stephen Heers of Huckaby, Texas. The morning session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. each day. It is for boys who have completed the 1st through 8th grades. The afternoon session is for girls that have completed the 1st through 8th grades and runs from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$40.00 for one child, \$70.00 for a pair, and \$90.00 for a triecta.

University, and for the Texas Association of Basketball coaches. Stephen Heers coached both Huckaby varsity teams to district titles this year and also playoff victories. Awards will be presented daily for various competitions, individually and team oriented. A swimming party is planned for Friday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Park. All family members of the campers are invited. "We hope we can convince some of the youngsters to get into a practice routine, and practice correctly," commented Coach Heers.

Coach Heers has worked camps at the University of Kansas, Southern Methodist

Call 759-5041 with any questions.



Tips on determining fish pond population

Knowing the fish population in a pond is critical to maintaining a healthy, continuous fishing enjoyment, a Texas Agricultural Extension Service wildlife specialist said. "Probably the easiest way to determine how good the fish population is in a pond is to record fishing success over a year-long period, then check the records," said Dr. Jim Davis, fish specialist. If there is a reasonable amount of fishing, trophy bass are not desired in the pond, he said, the following guidelines may be used:

*If anglers are catching bluegill six inches and more, and the bass being caught weigh an average of one to two pounds, the pond is in good shape.

*If anglers are catching very few bass and these are more than two pounds, and the bluegill are mostly less than five inches long, then the bluegill are overcrowded and the population is unbalanced. This is probably due to removal of too many bass and too few bluegill for one or more years.

*If anglers are catching bluegill over eight inches and the bass average less than one pound with most 12 inches or less in poor condition, the bass are overcrowded and the population is unbalanced.

*If anglers catch small crappie, bullheads, green sunfish and/or carp, the pond

has an undesirable fish population.

"All owners of one to five acre ponds want their small ponds to have a balanced fish population and good fishing," Davis said. "The best way to achieve this is to control harvest."

For each acre of pond, where the fish populations is not being fed, Davis said, the recommended harvest each year is 15 pounds of bass, 100 to 200 pounds of bluegill and 50 pounds of channel catfish.

Slow Pitch Clinic changed to Monday!!



Due to muddy field conditions, the slow pitch softball clinic has been rescheduled for Monday, Memorial Day, May 26, from 9 am to noon.

Slow pitch is for girls in grades six, seven and eight.

Hey, Batter Up!

Cool Summer classes for kids at North Central Texas College are gearing up and baseball camp is on the hotlist for boys and girls throughout Cooke County.

The baseball workshop is run by NCTC baseball coach Kevin Darwin. Under his supervision, students will learn how the pros practice. Darwin's assistant and area high school coaches will teach offensive skills like batting, base running and bunting and defensive skills like pitching, fielding, throwing and catching.

Registration for baseball camp is going on right now through May 27 at the NCTC Registrar's Office located at 1525 W. California Street in the 100 building. No phone-in or mail-in registrations will be accepted.

The camp itself will be at Locke Field in Gainesville from June 2-6. There are two separate times to practice for different age groups. Students age 7-10 will practice 9 a.m. to noon and those 11-14 will practice from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Students for this NCTC Summer Youth Program should bring a hat, water and sunscreen to beat the summer heat.

For more information about the Baseball Camp for kids or any cool course offered this Summer, call the Continuing Education division at (817) 668-4272.

Sakes 5-Alive ... Bull riding in Forestburg

There will be 5-Alive Bull Riding on Saturday, May 24, at the Forestburg Riding Arena. Beginning at 8 p.m., events include Junior Bull Riding (10 head), Open-to-the-World Bull Riding (30 head) and Clown Contest for kids 5 and under.

For more information, contact Mark Knabe at 817-768-2259.

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- Some lessons should be practiced during the school year and the summer — lessons on electric safety. Electricity does a lot of great things for all of us. Yet it must be treated properly to ensure our safety and well being. Here are a few lessons in electric safety that will help to keep you safe:
1. Always respect electricity and ask your friends and relatives to respect it too. Unfortunately, electricity is very, very unforgiving when unleashed and one little mistake can be deadly.
 2. Electricity and water do not mix. Always keep blow dryers, radios and other electric appliances well clear of sinks, bath tubs and swimming pools. Also, never plug in or operate an electrical device when you are wet or standing in water.
 3. Always stay far away from electric wires and lines that have fallen down. Primary power lines are not insulated and any contact with them can cause serious injury or death. Remember, stay away and call Cooke County Electric Cooperative for help immediately.
 4. Climbing trees is always great fun for children, but climbing a tree near an electric power line can be very dangerous. Always make sure there are no power lines running through or near a tree that your young one is about to climb.
 5. Always look up. If you are installing a new television antenna or if you are positioning a ladder next to your home or business, make sure you are clear of any overhead power lines. Aluminum ladders and antennas are great conductors of electricity!
- So remember, parents, when it comes to electricity, take all the necessary precautions to ensure your safety and the safety and well being of your children. It may be one of the best lessons in life that your children ever learn.

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Farm & Ranch

Wet weather sprouts problems for corn growers

An unusually cold, wet April in Texas has created a variety of problems for corn producers. Cool soil temperatures have slowed crop emergence, wet soil has delayed planting while creating ideal moisture conditions for weed seed germination, and snowfall in many areas disrupted key field work for several days. In addition, untimely rainfall created havoc with herbicides already applied or delayed herbicide application. Weed control in corn is off to a poor start.

Key considerations include herbicide label restrictions, potential for crop injury, expense of weed control, and timing treatment to growth stage of the crop and weeds. If weeds and grass emerge before or with the corn, their size may make control difficult. Because early season weed control is vital for preserving crop yield, and many herbicides are most effective on small weeds, producers should be prepared to control weeds while small, preferably less than two inches in height.



The spring rains may have brightened the highways with a bright array of wildflowers, but the rain is also causing problems for farmers and

ranchers. An abundance of weeds are coming up everywhere, in pastures, fields and along fence rows. Some local farmers are using herbicide combat to fight what has always been a never-ending battle.

Janie Hartman Photo

Preparing bulls for breeding season a must

Proper management of herd bulls prior to breeding is important to any cow-calf operation. The best physical conditioned bulls going into breeding season perform the best. Poorly managed bulls sire fewer calves. A mature bull should be well-fleshed and gaining weight when turned out. Yearling bulls should weigh 1,050 to 1,250 pounds, gaining about two pounds a day until he reaches 85% of his mature size. Then the growth rate should slow down. In multiple-sire herds, group bulls of similar ages to prevent social domination. Do not mix older bulls with yearlings and short two years olds. A veterinarian should conduct a reproductive soundness evaluation on all bulls 30 days prior to turn-out. A sire bull not producing semen or not physically able to breed can cost you a calf crop.

Make hay fields safer for wildlife

Wildlife, especially birds, rabbits and turkeys, have been mangled or killed by hay mowers in pasture and fields. To prevent this, farmers are encouraged to attach a flushing bar on the front of their tractors, to prevent mowing down nesting birds and other wildlife.

A flushing bar is basically a bar with chain lengths suspended and has been around for years. Now a new design, made from aluminum or plastic tubing is much lighter than the heavy steel tubing, and can be mounted on a tractor easily.

Another design is a flushing bar that fits on the front of windrowers, four to six feet in front of the cutter bar.

A farmer who recently installed a flushing bar told that his young son runs the mower a lot and it really bothered the boy whenever the mower hit a rabbit or young birds.

County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

CONTROLLING THE PECAN NUT CASEBEARER

The pecan nut casebearer is the most common insect pest facing Texas pecan producers. It is found in almost all the pecan growing areas of Texas and can cause serious crop loss nearly every year if left uncontrolled. Casebearer larvae tunnel into nutlets shortly after pollination, often destroying all of the nutlets in a cluster. The most effective and reliable method of control is a well-timed insecticide application(s) made in the spring to kill hatching larvae before they tunnel into the nutlets.

The pecan nut casebearer completes several generations each year. Adults of the overwintering generation emerge in April and May throughout Texas and lay eggs on pecan nutlets soon after pollination. These eggs result in first generation larvae which feed on nutlets and generally cause the most damage. Second generation larvae attack the nuts in mid-summer about 6 weeks after nut entry by first generation larvae.

First generation larvae feeding on nutlets usually have the greatest potential to cause economic loss. For this reason, control is

directed primarily at this spring generation.

Insecticide applications must be accurately timed to control newly hatched casebearer larvae before they enter the nuts. Once inside, larvae are protected from insecticide treatments.

In the spring, nutlets should be carefully examined for casebearer eggs to determine 1) if egg infestations are great enough to justify treatment and 2) the optimum timing of an insecticide application.

This week I visited with Dr. Allen Knutson, Extension Entomologist, and he found the first egg lay in Ellis County. From this he feels the best spray time for Cooke County will be about the 1st and 2nd of June. Possibly even the last day or two of May.

Insecticide sprays should be applied with caution in backyard and urban areas because of the great potential for spray drift onto nearby gardens, pets and living areas.

Refer to label instructions for mixing, application rates and precautions.

Corn acres projected higher, sorghum lower

The April 1 USDA planting intentions report projected farmers will plant 81.4 million acres of corn for all purposes in 1997, up 2% from last year and 14% above 1995. If these intentions materialize, this would be the largest planting acreage since 1985.

Expected acreage's are up in most Corn Belt states with the exception of Iowa, Michigan, and Minnesota. Texas plantings are projected at 2.1 million acres, the same as '95, and '96.

National sorghum plantings are expected to total 10.9

million acres, down 18% from '96, but 15% above '95. Most major producing states show a decline from last year. Among those is Texas, which anticipates 3.6 million acres, down from 4.4 million last year, but up from 2.7 million in '95.

Soybeans growers intend to plant 68.8 million acres for 1997, up 7% from 1996 and 10% above '95. If realized, this acreage would be the highest since '80. All but 3 of the 29 soybean growing states anticipate an increase in soybean acres from last year.

Home equity lending bill passed House

The Texas Legislature passed the "Home Equity Lending Bill" on May 9, despite the opposition of the Texas Farm Bureau, but exemptions for agriculture were part of the bill.

"We think Texans will regret this action in the long run," said the directors of the Cooke County Farm Bureau. "We are very glad, however, that agriculture has some protection

in the version that passed the House." HJR 31, by Representative Pete Patterson, authorizes a constitutional amendment for a statewide vote. Details will follow in HB 1188, the enabling legislation. If the amendment passes, as expected, it will allow Texans to use the equity in their homestead to borrow money under certain circumstances.

Passage followed a heavy lobbying effort by the banking industry. Texas is currently the only state that prohibits home equity lending, but if the constitutional amendment passes, as expected, that exclusion will end this year. Similar legislation passed the Senate earlier in the session.

Noting that the bill was sold as a flexible lending option for homeowners, the directors said, "We don't believe this will provide much flexibility. The opposite could be true, since bankers will probably ask for the home equity in any loan that carries substantial risk."

The directors said that agricultural exemptions in the bill should protect farmers and ranchers from being forced to put homesteads at risk to secure operating loans.

Control burning improves rangeland

As years ago, drought, grazing and fire, today still affect the quality and quantity of forages. Fire is no exception.

Fire cleans rangeland by removing old material that can inhibit new, more nutritious growth. Fire can also stimulate tillering and control woody plants and herbaceous weeds, improving grazing.

Timing is very important. Burn too soon and unwanted weed will overtake grass growth. Burn too late and grass growth will be stunted. Also there should be enough moisture in the soil to support plant growth. The surface of the area you plan to burn should be damp.

Burning improves distribution of grazing. Area cattle normally wouldn't touch have new lush growth and

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