

Fire dept. seeks more help for rural fires

by Dave Fette

Muenster fire fighters may soon enter an interlocal agreement with Montague County, Saint Jo, and Forestburg to cooperate in fighting fires in this area. Fire Chief Herbie Knabe asked the Muenster City Council to table action Monday night on the proposal so they could study it further.

Knabe also recommended that the council accept the rural fire contract offered by the Cooke County Commissioners. Under the offer Cooke County pays \$3,000 to the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department, as in past years, for rural services. The same amount goes to other community fire

departments in the area even though Muenster has a larger department and more equipment. Knabe said Muenster is better equipped because of the extra fundraising work they have done since 1982, not because of support by the City or the County. He hopes that the County will soon increase their offer to the Muenster VFD to a more equitable amount. The City Council followed his recommendations.

City Administrator Steve Broyles gave a report on street paving and resurfacing projects scheduled for this year. Intense work on new water lines has delayed the start of street projects. The following schedule will soon start either under contract or

with help from Cooke County Commissioners Lewis and Hess: Please see page 2 for pavement schedule

Broyles recommended that the Council consider including curb repairs to the paving projects in street sections where the curb is broken, wavy, or very crooked. This would be at City expense. Council discussion was favorable to his idea, but they want a survey first to get an idea of how much it will cost this year, how much curb really needs replacing, before they agree.

The Council approved Ordinance Number 241, annexation of property owned by Charles Dill on Ash Street and property owned by

Felderhoff Brothers on Eddy Street. The new Jaycee Ball Park was also annexed bringing the total to roughly 23 acres brought into city limits.

The City discussed the possibility of more expansion by annexing adjoining property to streets which are in the city limits. They reasoned that property immediately adjoining city streets, but not in the limits, get benefit of some city services without paying municipal taxes. Some other cities are annexing with this idea. Public hearings about annexing the Felderhoff and Dill properties brought no comment for or against.

Muenster Telephone Corporation notified the City that they were withdrawing their offer to help add a multi-media room to the proposed new Muenster Public Library. After study, the projected cost was too high. Representing the Library Board, Tom Valliere

said they really appreciate the interest and the idea and have hopes of accomplishing the goal sometime in the future.

The Council has approved the fiscal year 2000 budget for the Muenster Industrial Development Corporation, the organization which under Texas law must oversee the spending of the one-half cent sales tax for upgrades to Muenster's water system. The budget includes \$67,750.00 to be spent on water system upgrades, the pump station and the audit.

Other Council action or discussion included:

- A mature \$7,200.00 certificate of deposit will be reinvested for 90 more days before it is used to repay a water and sewer department loan in November.

- Workshop for the fiscal year 2000 budget is scheduled for 7 p.m., August 5 at City Hall.

- During the monthly budget summary, Steve

Broyles reported that the general fund is on or below budget and the big contracted water line came in at about \$1,800.00 over the budget. This represents only one-half of one percent of the approximately \$250,000.00 project.

- Monthly bills totaling \$58,200.18 were approved for payment.

- After a large party left the City Park pavilion in very dirty condition on July 3, the park board is studying a new policy to encourage better clean-up.

- Complaints have been received about the chlorine levels at the municipal pool and poor monitoring of the levels.

- Some fire code requirements at the new Muenster High School may require fixing or a variance by the City. Officials are working together with the building engineers to rectify the problems.



Kristen LeBrasseur learns to float on her own under the supervision of Amanda Felderhoff at the annual Muenster Red Cross Swim Lessons this week. More than 250 students took part in the first week's sessions. The second week of classes has been filled and will be taught next week.

Photo by Janie Hartman

Blood supplies critically low

by Janet Felderhoff

Who is willing to save lives? Simply by taking about 30 minutes of your day you can help to save a life or lives. Blood donors are needed, especially during the summer months when donation drop and the need for blood increases.

There is a blood drive scheduled for July 8 from noon until 8 p.m. in Muenster at the Knights of Columbus Hall. It is being sponsored by the Texoma Regional Blood Center of Sherman and the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary. Texoma Regional serves Cooke, Grayson, Fannin and northern Collin counties.

Pam Looper, director of donor resources at Texoma Regional, reports that the need

for blood is especially critical now. People are out of school, some companies shut down for a week or two during the summer, people are away on vacations and this cuts back on the number of people who normally donate. At the same time the number of accidents increase causing more of a demand for blood. Usage of blood is up nationwide and the number of donations is down, she said.

"Since 1994 blood donation rates have decreased by six percent and blood transfusion rates have increased three percent," said Ms. Looper. "Only five percent of the population donate blood."

Those who are 17 years of age and older and in good health can donate blood. There

is not an age considered too old to donate as long as the donor is in good health. Those planning to donate who have taken medication recently should know the name of the medication taken.

Businesses who wish to help might consider allowing their employees to donate while still on the time clock. This could pull in donors with a tight time schedule outside of the regular working day. It takes about 30 minutes to complete the paperwork, donate blood, and wait the prescribed time before resuming regular activity. Those who donate are encouraged to drink plenty of liquids.

"Emergencies don't take summer vacations," remarked Looper on the need for more donations this summer.

Greedy grasshoppers gnaw through area

by Janet Felderhoff

Last February Doyle Hess captured several small grasshoppers and brought them home in a jar. He was surprised to see so many of the insects that early in the year and brought them back as proof. These little critters were truly an omen of things to come - much bigger things.

Trees, grass, and shrubs are rustling with grasshoppers chomping paths through the area. When a swarm descends on an area it doesn't take long for the insects to destroy all the foliage found tasty. A lush, green area can be left bare in just a short time.

There are more than a few unfortunates about grasshoppers including the difficulty in controlling them even with insecticides, and the fact that each female grasshopper is capable of laying about 400 eggs. That almost assures their return the following season.

As you sit in your yard listening to them feast on your hard work, you'll have to decide if the insects will get to munch until they decide to move on or if you will try organic methods or insecticides to reduce the damage.

The insecticides Diazinon, Malathion, and Sevin are labeled for home gardens. For trees and shrubs it's Diazinon, Dimethoate, Dursban, Malathion, Orthene, and Sevin.

There are few options for the gardener who wants to remain

strictly organic. Guineas find grasshoppers to be great delicacies and the birds can make a good dent in the population. They don't eat flowers and shrubs and can be moved to areas that need help the most.

Another option might be an organic tea made from a plant that the grasshoppers don't like. Observe what in your yard is not being consumed for their dinner and try shredding some of it in a solution of hot water. Let it steep in the hot sun for several hours, strain it and spray on plants that you don't want the grasshoppers chewing on. This might take some experimentation.

Naturally occurring insecticides are another thing to consider. *Rodale's Garden Insect, Disease, & Weed Identification Guide* recommends False Hellebore, botanical insecticide that is sold as a dry powder and can be applied as a spray (one ounce of hellebore dissolved in two gallons of water) or a dust mixed with hydrated lime and flour. This works as a stomach poison in chewing insects such as grasshoppers.

For long term control *Rodale's All-New Encyclopedia of Organic Gardening* suggests the insecticide *Nosema locustae*. It notes that about half of the grasshoppers that eat the bait containing this microbial insecticide organism will die within three to four weeks. Surviving grasshoppers will

infect the following year's generations.

Those in agriculture will want to determine if it is economical to battle the pests. Dr. James Robinson, an entomologist with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service recommends the following system to make this determination:

Estimate grasshopper levels by taking counts of adult grasshoppers per square yard. First count the number of grasshoppers you see hopping or moving in a square foot area. Walk 15 to 20 paces in any direction, and count the number in another square foot area (a foot-square grid made out of a coat hanger or baling wire might be helpful). Follow this procedure another 16 times, pacing, then counting, until you've counted the grasshoppers in 18 square feet. Divide this number by two to find the number of grasshoppers per square yard.

According to Robinson this is a way to rate a field's



A migration of grasshoppers are swarming the area, causing costly damage to crops, pastures, yards, and gardens. Chemicals can provide control in small areas, but new leaping-legged, winged infestations will continue to enter from surrounding areas.

Photo by Janie Hartman

infestation from non-economic to very severe. A non-economic infestation is zero to two grasshoppers per square yard; light, three to seven; threatening, eight to 14; severe, 15 to 28; very severe 28 or more. This can be used to access rangeland and field crops.

These insecticides, Asana, Diazinon, Malathion, Imidan, Lorsban, Orthene, PennCap-M, and Sevin are labeled for sites, pastures, rangelands, and certain crops grown in Texas. Robinson recommended that producers carefully refer to the label or visit their local extension agent before using these products.

For pastures, hay, and rangeland, Malathion, PennCap-M, and Sevin are the only products labeled. Rangelands and pastures treated with Sevin and Malathion can be grazed or cut the same day as the application.

Please see related story on page 9.

State agencies prepared for Y2K

Protecting state computers from the Y2K bug is expected to cost state government \$280 million, according to a special report released by Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

Those funds will have been spent between 1996 and 2001, with at least \$110 million appropriated by the Legislature and the remainder coming from a variety of sources including the federal government, local entities and agency budgets.

The Y2K report concluded that the state's economy is unlikely to suffer unduly from the bug, in part because state agencies and major industries in Texas, including banking, energy and telecommunications companies,

have spent substantial resources to prepare for the January 1, 2000 deadline. Under only the most dire predictions would economic growth be reduced with the worst case scenario pointing to 0.3 percent and 0.4 percent reductions respectively, in 2000 and 2001. This would translate into a loss of \$3.6 billion in real gross state product by 2001.

"The actual impact of the Y2K problem on the U.S. and Texas economies should not be

drastic," the report concludes. "Nationally, both the private and public sectors appear to be well advanced in Y2K readiness planning, and in Texas state government, only one agency is considered at risk of not meeting the December 31, 1999 deadline."

According to the report, the Attorney General's Office is the only agency that may not be prepared by January 1, 2000. The Comptroller's Office is well prepared for that deadline, the

report concluded, and there is no risk of interruptions in tax collections or rebates.

The Y2K problem was created inadvertently in the 1960s by computer programmers who tried to save valuable hard drive space by using two-digit shorthand to denote dates. On January 1, 2000, a program with a two-digit system may misinterpret 01-01-00 as January 1, 1900 or reject the data and cause computer malfunctions.

The report warned, however, that other countries were not as well prepared as the United States. Problems in China and Russia, in particular, could affect the United States and Texas, but the potential impact is not clear.

Don't Forget

The 1999 Homecoming Dinner is at hand. Come and feast on fried chicken, new potatoes, squash casserole, sausage and sauerkraut, fruit salad, dinner rolls, coffee, tea and pie at the Sacred Heart Community Center, Sunday, July 11.

Help Paint Muenster ISD

Painting Party announced last week

has changed to

July 24

Lt. Col. Joseph Bright retires after 22 years

by Thomas Bright

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph "Joe" Bright retired from the Air Force after 22 years of faithful service to the Nation. The ceremony, held at Pope Air Force Base, Fayetteville, North Carolina, was a special occasion with glowing comments from many of Joe's commanding officers over the years. As the ceremony progressed, Lt. Col. Bright was presented with numerous beautiful mementos from his officers in appreciation of his leadership, candor and sense of unselfish dedication to the Air Force. Most notably, Lt. Col. Bright was awarded a third Meritorious Service Medal for his dedicated service and expertise in flying the C-130 Hercules aircraft — the USAF's only true tactical airlifter.



Joseph Bright

The retirement ceremony concluded when Lt. Col. Bright was presented with an official United States flag by the Pope Air Base Honor Guard after an impressive flag folding ceremony wherein each of 14 folds of the flag was described. In the truest sense of humble and faithful service to others, Lt. Col. Bright's final remarks focused on thanking so many special people who helped form his patriotic spirit.

Family members able to attend the ceremony were two brothers, David, currently living in Charleston, South Carolina, and Thomas, currently assigned to the Marine Corps' War College, Virginia, and a sister, Julia, currently living in Medford, Oregon.

Lt. Col. Bright is the third of seven children. He followed in the footsteps of his older brother, David Bright, and his father, Lt. Col. David M. Bright (USAF, Retired) who served in the China-Burma-India theater with General Claire Chennault's Flying Tigers. However, three uncles who flew regularly — Henry, Joe and Tom Weinzapfel — nurtured Lt. Col. Joe Bright's true love of flying.

Joe Bright is a 1973 graduate of Muenster Public High School, and he went on to

December 1982, Lt. Col. Bright was transferred to Vance AFB, Enid, Oklahoma, to transition to fixed wing aircraft and later to be assigned to fly the venerable C-130 Hercules. As a C-130 pilot, he enjoyed assignments around the world — Rhein, Main AB, Frankfurt, West Germany; Dahrhan, Saudi Arabia; Pope AFB, North Carolina; and Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He also served in the Pentagon, Washington, DC, on the Headquarters Air Force Base Staff where he was instrumental in planning and executing several foreign policy initiatives in Haiti, Panama, Latin America, and partnership for peace initiatives in former East Bloc countries.

Lt. Col. Bright's combat and tactical experience is extensive. As a captain, he commanded a detachment of C-130 aircraft in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, and was the senior airlift advisor to the Commander, United States Military Training Mission to Saudi Arabia. During this period, he supported missions to escort US-flagged oil tanker ships through the Persian Gulf during the Iran-Iraq War. He participated in DESERT SHIELD/STORM and was selected as the Military Airlift Command's Outstanding Tactics Officer for 1990. While assigned in Germany, Lt. Col. Bright participated in Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR/GUARD (Bosnia), the embassy evacuation in Liberia, deployment of West African Nation (ECOMOG) peacekeeping troops into Liberia, humanitarian relief in Rwanda, partnership for peace missions with countries vying for NATO membership, and training with NATO and Moroccan military units.

Lt. Col. Bright is looking forward to a working retirement. His love in life is serving others and making a positive impact, and to that end, Lt. Col. Bright intends to continue with his volunteer work with kids in the community while working toward a political career. However, his real plans for the future are to live to be 100 years old and die with his own teeth and no gray hair.

Small businesses are common prey on Internet scam called cramming; BBB and FTC issue alert to users

The Better Business Bureau serving Dallas and Northeast Texas warns businesses to watch out for unauthorized charges on their phone bills for Web site design and hosting services.

The Council of Better Business Bureaus is partnering with the Federal Trade Commission, the Small Business Administration, and other organizations to alert small businesses about this Web service scam, called Internet "cramming."

The scam is perpetrated by unscrupulous Internet Web site "service" providers who "cram" onto business telephone bills monthly charges for web site design and hosting services that were supposed to be free.

These charges were never authorized by the business, and, if delivered at all, the quality and usefulness of the Web site design and hosting services were not as the salesperson represented. Business owners who fail to carefully review their monthly phone bills could end up paying the unauthorized charges for months," said James L. Bast, president of the Council of Better Business Bureaus, the umbrella organization for the 132 BBBs in the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

To learn more, see the FTC's Web site at www.ftc.gov. The BBB central Web site, www.bbb.org, has additional information to assist businesses in learning how to identify and protect against scams, including a new brochure, "Schemes Against Business."

Contact the BBB in Dallas at 214-220-2000 (24 hours) or from surrounding areas, 1-800-705-3994. The address is BBB, 2001 Bryan St., Suite 850, Dallas, TX 75201. On the Internet, log on to www.dallas.bbb.org.

From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Some 52 years ago after moving from Garland, Texas to the Lehnertz farm 3 miles west of Muenster, and after helping complete a barn my father and brothers were building on the place, and having no crop, I helped two of my brothers with their harvest and threshing.

During the threshing phase of the operation I ran a bundle wagon.

When the job on the home place was completed we moved to the north farm about six miles northwest.

Another hand, whose name I don't remember, and myself, were the last to unload before moving the rig, and after getting to the north place we were anxious to get loaded so that we would have nothing to do till the other six wagons were threshed off ahead of us.

The four bundle pitchers were all busy loading the others, so each of us began pitching onto our own wagons until I asked Howie (I think that was his name) why didn't I pitch his load and he mine. He quickly agreed and climbed up on his wagon.

He had loaded about half a shock leaving 4 or 5 bundles still standing. I was talking to him as I pitched the rest of the shock and then started forward to get to the next.

Just as I stepped forward something seemed to hold me back, and it was then that I saw what I still believe was the biggest diamondback rattler I had ever seen outside of captivity.

The snake was drawn back in a striking position not more than two feet from me and had not yet rattled, but I suppose it was in a bad mood at being disturbed and exposed to the hot rays of the bright sun.

I can't explain what happened next but I suppose my body simply reacted to a danger as I leaped back and speared my fork at the reptile at the same time.

Well, when I looked again, the center tine had gone through the snake's head and was five or six inches into the ground.

I don't believe this could be duplicated in a thousand tries.

I have always been a believer in Guardian Angels, and I believe mine was with me then and helped guide that fork to its target.

Howie, hearing the sound of the rattles, looked at the snake, all 5' 9" of it and said, "Boy, am I glad you came here when you did!"

I didn't answer. I think my mouth was a little dry.

Alleys and ruts don't mix

by Steve Broyles
City Administrator

Alleys between properties provide easy access to back yards and to utilities. Recently, problems have started appearing in alleys. A few weeks ago, I asked people not to drop off trash in alleys. One caller was kind enough to inform me that she had coordinated this with the trash collectors. This coordination is excellent and what is needed. However, there have also been some large items dropped off in alleys without property owner's permission and without any coordination with the trash collectors. Thus, please don't put your trash in the alleys unless you have first checked

with the trash collectors and they agree to pick it up there as a special item.

The other problem we are experiencing is drivers in alleys after a rain. When the alleys are wet, vehicles cause ruts to appear; sometimes, these ruts may be six inches deep. When they dry and the grass grows, it makes it very difficult to adjacent property owners to mow the alleys. Please be considerate of others, who take pride in their property and mow the alleys. If it is very wet out, please don't drive in the alleys, unless it is essential. Perhaps you can park in the street until the alley dries out. Thanks for your support!

1999 PAVEMENT SCHEDULE

Contractors:

- Third St (Main St to Oak St)
- North Elm St (Sixth St to Seventh St)
- East Eighth St (Main St to Muenster ISD)
- East Seventh St (Main St to Mesquite St)
- Maple St (U.S. Highway 82 to F.M. 373)

Precinct #3 (Commissioner Jerry Lewis):

- East Eddy St (Main St > S. Hickory St)
- City Park - Road and Parking Lots
- Ash St (Cross St > U.S. Highway 82)

Precinct #4 (Commissioner Virgil Hess):

- East 4th St (Sycamore St > Mesquite St)
- West 6th St (Ash St to R.E. Grewing Dr)
- Ash St (Cross St > U.S. Highway 82)

Gravel Only (City only):

- 9th St (Main St > Mesquite St)

Don't mess with Texas.

Cad of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for all the kindness that was shown toward our family in this time of sorrow at the loss of our Mother and Grandmother, Rose Nau.

Special thanks to Father Thomas J. Cairig for the beautiful service, Christy and Ruth for lovely music, and everyone who took part in the service.

Thanks to Mary Lynn for leading the rosary, the ladies of St. Anne's Society who prepared and served the delicious meal, and all who donated food.

We also thank everyone for the loving support shown by family, friends, and neighbors; for all the Mass offerings, food, flowers, memorial cards, sympathy cards and kind words of sympathy which we will always remember and treasure.

Eltha Endes and Family
Anndel and Pat Herscheid and Family
Charlie Wimmer and Family
Lorene Nau and Family

1999 HOMECOMING DINNER

Sacred Heart Community Center
Muenster, Texas
Sunday July 11

Dinner
Adults: \$6.50
Children: \$3.50 (under 12)

7:00 A.M. --- 2:00 P.M.

M E N U

Fried Chicken,
New Potatoes, Squash Casserole,
Sausage & Sauerkraut, Fruit Salad, Dinner Rolls,
Coffee, Tea, and Pie

Sacred Heart Parish

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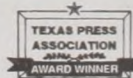
2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

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

Sunday, July 11	Monday, July 12 VFW Meeting 8:00 P.M.	Tuesday, July 13 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Home Health Blood pressure & Diabetic Checks 11:15 at SNAP	Wednesday, July 14 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Sacred Heart Alumni & Friends Meeting 7 P.M., Community Center Cafeteria Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Meeting 7:30 A.M. The Center	Thursday, July 15 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Friday, July 16 Kwanis Family Swim night, 7 - 9 P.M., Muenster Pool	Saturday, July 17
Sunday, July 18	Monday, July 19 VFW Auxiliary Meeting 8 P.M.	Tuesday, July 20 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, July 21 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Thursday, July 22 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Friday, July 23	Saturday, July 24

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OBITUARIES

Dea Swirczynski Kieninger 1961 - 1999

by Elfreda Fette

Dea Swirczynski Kieninger of Muenster died on June 29, 1999 at 4:10 p.m. in an automobile accident in Gainesville, at age 37.

Mass of Christian Farewell was offered in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. officiated by Father Thomas Craig, pastor.

Survivors of Dea S. Kieninger are her father, Roy Swirczynski and his wife Kitten of Stavanger, Norway; one daughter Krystal Kieninger and one son Mason Kieninger both of Gainesville; one brother and sister-in-law Darrell and Sharon Swirczynski of Buda, Texas, a nephew Colton Swirczynski and one niece Megan Swirczynski; the maternal grandmother Lucy Hess and the paternal grandmother Hildegard Swirczynski both of Muenster; and several aunts, uncles, cousins, and many friends.

Preceding her in death were her mother Marilyn Hess Swirczynski Stoffels; one brother Dean Swirczynski, her grandfathers Ed Hess and Bob Swirczynski.

Dea Kieninger was born on Dec. 23, 1961 in Gainesville to Roy Franklin Swirczynski and Marilyn Hess Swirczynski. She lived her entire life in the Muenster area, graduated from Sacred Heart High School, and attended Cooke County College for two years. She loved reading, shopping and caring for her grandmother Lucy Hess; and was employed as manager at the Panther Pit Stop, a convenience store in Saint Jo. She was a member of Sacred Heart Church.

Participating in the funeral liturgy with Father Thomas Craig were altar servers Butch Fisher and Sylvan Walterscheid.

Readings from the Old and New Testaments were given by Sonja Swirczynski and Leroy Berend respectively. The Gospel and homily were read by Father Tom Craig. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Colton Swirczynski and Tara Hess.

Preceding the Offertory procession, Curtis Henscheid read a poem, and narrated the presentation of special items of significance in Dea's life: Holly Hess, a first cousin presented two fresh roses, representing Dea's beloved son and daughter, Mason and Krystal; Glenn Hess, a first cousin, presented Dea's favorite snack M&Ms; Corinne Gunn, who



Dea Swirczynski Kieninger

provided extra-ordinary support presented the "Big Book" and Achievement Chips and a copy of "The Serenity Prayer"; Kurrie Hess, a first cousin carried a piece of crystal from Dea's hobby collection.

Sacred music was presented by Ruth Felderhoff, Christy Hesse, Emily Klement, Doug Yosten, Diane Grewing, and Linda Flusche, including "I Am The Resurrection," for the entrance; "One Day At A Time" at Offertory; "You Are Near," "Peace Is Flowing Like A River" and "Open Our Eyes, Lord" for the Communion songs; and "In The Day Of The Lord" for the recessional.

Eucharistic Ministers were Jo Ann Berend, Leroy Berend, Sharon Hess, Terry Hess, Dolores Miller and Miriam Caplinger.

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Donna Biffle. She related, in part: "Dea Cherrie Swirczynski Kieninger was born two days before Christmas, 1961 to Marilyn and Roy Swirczynski. She was a sister to Darrell and the late Dean Swirczynski. She has two beloved children Mason Dean Kieninger age 10 and Krystal Kieninger age 8.

"Growing up, she enjoyed spending time with family and friends...She loved going fishing, hunting, swimming and laking with Grandma and Grandpa Hess, Aunt Cotton and her brothers Dean and Darrell...Traveling with Grandma "Hicks" was highlighted by their trip to Europe...her cousins recall she was the 'coolest Big Sister' they had...in high school she was a cheerleader for the Tiger football team...

"A beauty, Dea was the apple of her mother's eye...who enjoyed the times that Norma Jean, Gina, and Dea prepared

for Beauty and Talent Shows... "Graduating at age 18, she endured the death of her mother, and assumed the responsibility of caring for two younger brothers...Tragedy struck again when Dea died in an oil field accident only 15 months later..."

"From this point, life was never the same. However, in the most recent nine months Dea grew stronger and closer to her God and to her family...and triumphed over her personal struggles...Much of her time was spent on the job at the convenience store in Saint Jo...she prided herself on the time taking care of Grandma Lucy Hess...and they were 'buddies'..."

"Dea spent time helping decorate for Christmas at the Old Theatre Mall this past year...displaying her talent, her amazing peace and happiness..."

Donna Biffle continued: "As we part to take Dea to her final resting place I want to repeat her favorite 'Serenity Prayer,' which she prayed every day 'God grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change - Courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.'"

Following these Remarks of Remembrance, a brief address was given by Dave Sammons of Burleson, who was the first person to come upon the automobile accident. He told Dea's relatives, and repeated the story at the funeral, how he stopped, spoke to her, knelt on the ground to pray with her...alerted the next person to call the ambulance...accepted the next person, a truck driver, to join them in prayer...and that soon there was a circle of passers-by kneeling in prayer, waiting for the ambulance.

Later Dave Sammons came to Muenster to seek out her family members who invited him to return for the funeral. He was enroute to a Youth Camp in Oklahoma where he is a counselor. Dea's family feels he was a special representative, sent on a special mission.

Preceding the funeral, a Rosary Service was held in McCoy Chapel in Muenster at 4:00 p.m. and a Vigil at 7:00 p.m. on Friday.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Amy Popp, Dana Campbell, Kelly Waters, Eric Hess, Robert Kralicke, Blake Swirczynski, Cody Hess, and Arnold Hess.

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Dr. Lawrence Dea Burks. Richard Womack quoted from Scripture, saying he felt inspired by Divine Providence to speak at his brother-in-law's funeral Mass, referring to thoughts of family, needs of people, and God's love for all of us.

Burial in Valley View Cemetery was directed by Clement-Keel Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Lorne Neu, Nathan Sandmann, Chad Sandmann, John Ballard, Russ Ashwell, and Cecil Scott.

A Wake Service was held at Clement-Keel Funeral Chapel on Monday, June 28, led by Father Reinhard Sternemann OSA at 7:00 p.m. Kevin Sandmann read a new version of "Footsteps In The Sand."

For those who have asked, the family has suggested memorials sent to ABBA, 401 E. Elm, Gainesville, TX 76240, or Cancer Research, Box 1217, Gainesville, TX 76241.

Among relatives coming from a distance to attend the funeral were Charles and Helen Poetry of Chatawa, Oklahoma, Lynn and Nelda Loeffelholz of Denton, John Ray and Lavern Loeffelholz of Yukon, Oklahoma, Max Sandmann and son Mark of North Richland Hills, and Bernard and Joan Sandmann of Sherman.



Repairs and improvements to the Seyler Museum continue high and low. Above, Scott Frost of Hesse and Schneider Heat & Air works on the new unit in an attic room. At right, Josh Snow and Jimmy Sutton of Brodie House Moving reinforce the foundation, which they noted was "in pretty good shape for the age of the house."

Photo by Janie Hartman

Frank Bayer dies at age 95

Frank John Bayer died on July 4, 1999 at 8:27 p.m. in St. Richard's Villa Nursing Home in Muenster at age 95. Mass of Christian Burial was scheduled for Wednesday, July 7 in Sacred Heart Church officiated by Father Thomas Craig and Father Harry Fisher. Other information was incomplete at press time. The obituary, liturgy, and photo will be included in next week's issue of the Muenster Enterprise.

Gideon C. "Gid" Prather 1904 - 1999

Gideon C. "Gid" Prather died at his residence in Saint Jo at age 94 on July 6, 1999 at 12:20 a.m. Funeral service is set for Friday, July 9 at the First Baptist Church in Saint Jo, officiated by Rev. Tim Williams and Rev. John Sursa. Family visitation was held Thursday, July 8 at McCoy Funeral Home in Saint Jo from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The family meal will be held Friday at noon in First Baptist Fellowship Hall.

Gid Prather was born Oct. 25, 1904 in Montague County to John Samuel Prather and Ella Godley Prather. On Aug. 19, 1929 he married Anna C. Jones in Waurika, Oklahoma. He was a member and deacon of First Baptist Church in Saint Jo more than 50 years, and also taught Sunday School more than 50 years. Living his entire life in the Saint Jo area, he was an oil field pumpjack; worked for Seitz Cummins and Seitz Oil Company over 50 years, retiring at age 90, and was a member of Saint Jo Masonic Lodge over 50 years. He loved gardening, fishing, hunting, and raising cattle. A great family man, he loved all children.

Survivors are his wife Anna Prather of Saint Jo; locally she is well known as an employee of The Charm Shop. Also two daughters and sons-in-law Virginia A. and G.E. Wood of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and Jo Ella and Terence M. Kite of Malibu, California. There are three grandsons: Michael E. and wife Patty Terry of Edmond, Oklahoma, Jason T. and wife Robin Kite of Logan, Utah, Derek Gideon Kite of Alamosa, Colorado. Also two great-granddaughters Michelle and Melissa Terry of Edmond, Oklahoma.

Preceding him in death were an infant son Jimmy Lew; one grandson Keith D. Terry; his parents; four sisters Lora Williams, Mary Slaton, Vasta Fincher, and Miriam Prather; two brothers Grissom Prather and Sammy Prather.

Burial in Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo. Pallbearers were Michael Terry, Jason Kite, Derek Kite, J.C. Donnell, Dudley Sparkman, Quinton Conyers, and Gene Parker. Honorary pallbearers were Deacons of First Baptist Church.



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Alan Sandmann 1955 - 1999

by Elfreda Fette

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, June 29, 1999 for Alan Sandmann in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Gainesville at 10:00 a.m. officiated by Father Reinhard Sternemann OSA, pastor, with Father Harry Fisher, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church of Valley View and Dr. Lawrence Burks, pastor of Grand Avenue Baptist Church present in the sanctuary.

Alan Sandmann was the son of Henry J. and Lorene Lutkenhaus Sandmann of Valley view. He died of bladder cancer in Denton Regional Hospital on Saturday, June 26, 1999 at age 43.

He was born on Sept. 25, 1955 in Gainesville. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He worked offshore and was an employee of National Supply a number of years. For 17 years he was the owner and operator of Alan Sandmann's Plumbing Company and held the Master Plumber's Licenses.

Survivors include his son, Kristopher Sandmann of Gainesville; his parents Henry and Lorene Sandmann; three brothers and sisters-in-law Kevin and Lynda Sandmann of Valley View, Gary and Betty Sandmann of Gainesville, Carl and Melissa Sandmann of Sherman, and two sisters and brothers-in-law Laquita and Leon Neu of Gainesville and Janet and Richard Womack of Odessa; and 21 nieces and nephews.

Participants in the special funeral liturgy of the Mass Tuesday were altar servers Adam Zimmerer, Ryan Zimmerer, and Joshua Zimmerer.

Liturgical Readings were given by Kevin Sandmann, from Jeremiah 31:31-41 and Janet Womack, from Romans 14:7-13. Father Reinhard read the Gospel, John 14:1-6 and delivered the homily.

Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Michael Sandmann



Alan Sandmann

and Alisa Sandmann, nephew and niece. Also presented were symbols of his life, a shovel, and PVC pipe by Blake Neu, a great-nephew, and a fishing pole and tackle box by Matthew Sandmann, a nephew.

Eucharistic Ministers were Elmo and Vickie Self.

Special music was presented by the St. Mary Guitar Mass Group, where Alan Sandmann had been a member. Selections included "One Day At A Time," "Old Rugged Cross," "Amazing Grace," and "The Strife Is Over, Alleluia."

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Walters host two day family reunion

An unexpected rainstorm did not dampen the spirits of the semi-annual reunion of the John Walter family held in Muenster City Park on Saturday, June 12. One hundred eighty for descendants, spouses and children attended the two-day get together that began with a hamburger cookout at the pavilion on Friday night. Joe Walter, oldest surviving member, led the group in prayer on both days. He also entertained and edified his kindred with his trumpet performance of several old hymns and patriotic melodies.

Coming from 10 states and one foreign country, the attendee enjoyed meeting new additions to the clan, viewing slides and old photos, reminiscing and catching up on the latest news.

Larry (Ron) Hofbauer and a friend, Nana Sakamoto, traveled the longest distance coming from Japan. The youngest descendant attending was Tanner Tankersley, born September 10, 1998, child of Shawna and Bill Tankersley, grandchild of C. J. and Alice Hellman, and great-grandchild of Oscar and Agnes Walter.

All surviving children of John and Susanna Trachta

Walter were present: Joseph Bernard Walter of Gainesville; Ramona Walter Bayer and husband Frank of Muenster; Rose Walter Hofbauer of Muenster; Sylvia Walter Everette of Olney, Illinois; Marie Walter Endres and husband Paul of Muenster; and Eugenia Walter O'Dowd and husband John of Houston.

Also attending were the remaining spouses of deceased children: Agnes Walterscheid Walter, wife of Oscar, and William J. (Bill) Miller, husband of Terese. In attendance were 132 direct descendants of a total of 281



John and Susanna Walter's surviving children include, from left, Joe B. Walter, Romana Bayer, Rose Hofbauer, Sylvia Everette, Marie Endres, and Genie O'Dowd. Courtesy photo

Jordan Lee Hess turns 7

Two birthday parties were given for Jordan Hess who turned seven on June 13. Both parties were held in the home of Jordan's grandparents, Arthur and Rachel Hennigan of Muenster, and Cathy Hess of Lewisville. Jordan is the son of Darrell and Lisa Hess of North Richland Hills; and the great-grandson of Odilia Lutkenhaus of Muenster, and Gary and Caroline Hess of Muenster.

A "Star Wars" theme was carried out for each party. Family, relatives, and friends helped Jordan celebrate. Pictures and video were taken of the events.



Jordan Lee Hess



Wieler Family Reunion

Hamrics host William Wieler family reunion

On June 28 the descendants of William and Elizabeth Hessell Wieler held a family reunion in the home of Dan and Faye Hamric. The Hamrics' children Bob Hamric, Brian and Danna Hess, and Lisa and Mike Dryg held host the party for 78 family members. Special hostess was Bertha Hamric. She is the only surviving child of William and Lizzie.

William and Elizabeth were parents of nine children; William J. Wieler (died at birth), Rosie Wieler Roewe, Mary Wieler Felderhoff, Anna Wieler Shelton, John J. Wieler, Catherine Wieler Hellams, Gertrude Wieler Shelton, Bertha Wieler Hamric, and Emma Wieler Billingsley.

William Wieler was born Dec. 17, 1860 in Munster, Westphalia Germany. He came to America living in Chicago for a time and then in 1890 settling in Muenster, Texas.

On May 22, 1894 he married Elizabeth Hessell. Her father, Herman Hessell, was born in Munster, Westphalia in 1842 and her mother, Gertrude, was born in Rarings, Germany in 1842. Elizabeth's family came to Muenster just a few months after the establishment of the colony in 1890.

Elizabeth and William lived on a farm four and one half miles northwest of Muenster until his death in 1915. The following spring Elizabeth and her children moved into Muenster where she lived until her death in 1947.

At the reunion photos were displayed as family members registered. Supper was fried chicken and a variety of covered dishes. Grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren were entertained on the Hamric place with a variety of activities including golf,

waterballoons, face painting, and rock climbing.

Adults enjoyed reminiscing about family history with Bertha Hamric and Susie Wieler. The two helped identify family members from old photos brought by relatives.

Those attending included: Mary Felderhoff's children, Arthur Felderhoff, Imelda Rohmer, and Mary Ann Walterscheid of Muenster, and Sister Georgia (LaRue) Felderhoff of Memphis, Arkansas; Rosie Roewe's son, Joe Roewe of Denison; Johnny Wieler's wife, Susie, and daughters Juanita Broome of Virginia and Jean Newbill of Fort Worth; Bertha Hamric and son Dan Hamric of Muenster; Emma Billingsley's son LeRoy of Dallas. Many of these were accompanied by their children and grandchildren.

Lindsay Jr. 4-H elects officers for 1999-2000

At their May 11 meeting members of the Lindsay Jr. 4-H elected Kevin Lutkenhaus to serve as their president for 1999-2000. Others elected were Randi Reed, 1st vice-president; Kevin Neu, 2nd vice-president; John Mosman, 3rd vice-president; Jonathan Zimmerer, council delegate; Jenny Schroeder alternate council delegate; Jeffrey Zimmerer, secretary; Jared Schroeder, treasurer; Sarah Reed, reporter; Jess Trowbridge, parliamentarian; Wes Trowbridge and Josey Kyle, telephone chairman. Officer training is scheduled for August 2 in Leonard Park.

Members who attended and placed in the District Roundup in Commerce during April were recognized. Those recognized included: Foods and Nutritional Educational Activity - Kevin Lutkenhaus and Chelsea Laux, first place

and John Mosman, second place; Safety and Accident Prevention - Johnathan Zimmerer and Randi Reed; Junior Dance - Mary Bayer, Cassey Hess, Kaileigh Hess, Elizabeth Klement, Amy Nortman, Sarah Reed, Jenny Schroeder, Erin Wyrick, and Morgan Webster, second place.

It was explained by Carolyn Lutkenhaus that those who will be 14 years of age by August 31, 1999 will automatically be in the Sr. 4-H Club. Donna Zimmerer announced that the project form need to be completed and were due in the Extension office by June 28.

Chelsea Laux presided over the meeting. The 4-H pledge was led by Nathan Hermes and the USA pledge by Travis Reiter. There were 25 members present and 14 adult leaders.

Saint Jo Opry set for July 10

Sponsors of the Saint Jo Opry, the Country Cut Ups, announced their next show is July 10 in the school auditorium.

Scheduled guests to appear on the show are two young singers, making their first appearances at the Opry, Brant Carpenter of Nocona and Lacy Jade from Ardmore, Oklahoma. Brant is a 1999 graduate of Prairie Valley School. Lacy recently opened for Ricky Van Shelton in a

show in Madill, Oklahoma. Lacy is 15 years old and has been singing and performing since she was five.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. A \$2.00 admission is charged adults, with children 12 and under admitted free. The Opry makes regular donations to area Volunteer Fire/EMS departments, as well as other community service organizations. Concessions will be available.

New Arrivals

Walterscheid

Sam and Cindy Walterscheid announce with pride and joy the birth of their first child, a son, Patrick Allen on June 12, 1999 at 6:20 a.m. weighing 7 lb. 8 oz. and measuring 19 3/4 inches in length, in Denton Community Hospital. Grandparents are Clyde and Sharon Walterscheid of Muenster, and Bob and Frazee Cozby of Carrollton. Great-grandparents are Corinne Cockrell of Denton and Clara Walterscheid of Muenster, and Paul and Bernice Yosten of Fort Worth.

Billmeier

Steve and Melanie Billmeier of Pilot Point joyfully announce the birth of their first child, a son, on Monday, June 28, 1999, at 10:01 p.m. in

Gainesville Memorial Hospital. Evan Turner Billmeier weighed 7 lb. 13 oz. at birth and measured 21 inches in length. Grandparents are Carl and Marian Chappell of Saint Jo and Rudy Billmeier of Pottsville and the late Phyllis Billmeier. Great-grandparents are Glenn Chappell of Nocona and the late Winnie Chappell, James Strain of Adrian, Missouri and the late Winona Strain, and the late Anthony and Christine Nortman of Pilot Point.

Notice!

Home Health will be at SNAP on Tuesday, July 13 to offer blood pressure checks and diabetic checks. This checks will begin at 11:15 a.m.

Makayla is 5

Makayla Knabe, daughter of Daniel and Joana Knabe of Denton turned 5 on June 1. Makayla celebrated her birthday on June 5 with a pizza party at the park in Denton. A Barbie theme was used. Cake and refreshments were served and many gifts were opened.

The children played on the playground and each child had lots of fun trying to break the pinata, which was filled with candy.

Guests included Makayla's parents, Daniel and Joana Knabe; brother, Caleb Knabe; grandmother, Betty Gibbs; great-grandmother, Betsy Knabe; Uncles Andy Knabe, Henry Knabe and wife Marlen Knabe and children Douglas and Stacie, all of Muenster; friends Ryan and Cody Holloway and their mother, Zachary and Josh Crane and

their mother, Kirsten Holmes and her mother, and Alaina and Joshua Berry and their mother, all of Denton.

Makayla handed out party favors to all her friends, and a good time was had by all.



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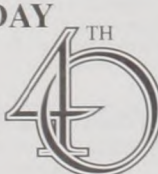
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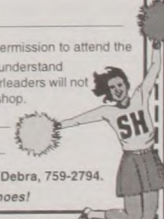
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Newest Gainesville doctor has area roots

The newest member of Cooke County's medical community has roots that run deep in the Red River Valley. A native of Nocona, Dr. Mark Gibbs brings not only his knowledge of family medicine, but his knowledge of the area, to serve the residents of North Texas.

Dr. Gibbs joined the medical practice of Dr. Robert R. McLeroy and Dr. Douglas Lewis - McLeroy and Lewis Medical Clinic of Gainesville - on July 1. A family practice physician, Dr. Gibbs looks forward to serving the needs of the entire family - from the delivery of the newborn to pediatrics, adolescent medicine, the care of adults and the elderly.

Mark Gibbs was born in Wichita Falls, Texas, "just in time to drive back to Nocona," in 1970, to John and Donna Gibbs. He graduated from Nocona High School in 1988, and attended Midwestern State University on an academic scholarship from 1988 to 1992, earning a Bachelor of Science degree. He was a member of many academic honor societies, including the Mortar Board, Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society, Gamma Sigma Epsilon Chemistry Honor Society and Order of Omega Honor Society. He was also a member of the Kappa Alpha Order and the Pre-Med Club at Midwestern State.

He received his medical degree from The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Medical School in 1996 and began his internship and residency training at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth. Dr. Gibbs completed his residency in family practice June 23.

During his tenure in Fort Worth, Dr. Gibbs worked at emergency centers in South Texas, Quitman and Decatur and primary care clinics in Fort Worth and Arlington. He was also a game physician for high school football teams as well as The Ballpark at Arlington.

Dr. Gibbs has a history rich in the practice of medicine. His father is a pharmacist, who, with his wife, celebrated 30 years of ownership of Gibbs Drug Store in Nocona May 1. Dr. Gibbs' brother, Paul, and wife, Patty, are also both

pharmacists, and are partners in the business. Dr. Gibbs also has an uncle who is a pharmacist.

"I'm as proud of her as I can be," says Dr. Gibbs when describing his wife of seven years. Shirley, born and raised in Montague, Texas, attended high school in Nocona with Mark. She is a teacher and a coach, holding a bachelor's degree and teacher certification from Midwestern State University. She has held coaching positions in Houston and Fort Worth, and is certified to coach in all the major girls sports, including volleyball, softball, basketball, track and soccer.

"She's my greatest asset," says Gibbs proudly.

The other loves of his life are the couple's two beautiful children, Lauren Michelle, a mischievous and energetic three-year-old, and Lindsey Anne, an angelic ten-week-old. Angelic, says her sleep-deprived father, when asleep.

The Gibbs are of the Catholic faith, and have yet another connection to Cooke County because of that faith. They were married at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay. The church is easily seen from their new home in south Lindsay.

Dr. Gibbs is a man with his priorities in order. "Medicine is not my whole life. My career will come, as long as I have for my family, religious, and social life in order. These are the most important things," he stated. When asked to summarize his philosophy of practice, Gibbs simply stated "I want to provide quality care to the community, to be part of the community."

Dr. Gibbs is a member of the American Medical Association and the Texas Medical Association. He is licensed in the state of Texas in the practice of family medicine.

Dr. Gibbs also holds privileges to perform endoscopy and obstetrical services and looks forward to providing a full range of services to his patients.

Dr. Gibbs is officed at the McLeroy and Lewis Clinic, 1625 North Grand Avenue in Gainesville. Appointments are now being accepted and may be made by calling 940-665-9863.



Dr. Mark Gibbs, left, with daughter Lauren, and wife Shirley with infant Lindsey. Courtesy photo

Project offers nursing home residents free legal advice

"People in nursing homes have legal rights," says Mina Loomis, managing attorney for the Nursing Home Advocacy Project, a statewide toll-free hotline aimed at clarifying legal issues often faced by residents of nursing homes. "Usually it's a family member who calls us," says Loomis, "but sometimes it's the resident."

Loomis refers many of the calls she gets to other watchdog agencies such as the state's Long Term Care Ombudsman or the Department of Human Services Long Term Care Regulatory Division. These are safeguards for people in nursing facilities, Loomis points out. Nonetheless, some who phone the Nursing Home Advocacy Project hotline experience problems for which legal assistance is essential.

What are some of these? "There are some of the obvious violations that you read about

in newspapers," says Loomis. "Elderly residents who have been neglected to the extent that they develop bedsores, or become malnourished or dehydrated, or wander off and get hurt. Some of the violations are more subtle. These can be things like threatening to transfer a patient who complains, or a patient whose family complains. It can be the act of swearing or yelling at a resident. Or it can be something like undressing the patient for medical treatment in front of an open doorway." Nursing home residents, Loomis points out, have among their other rights, the right to privacy and to dignity.

"What we provide here at the Nursing Home Advocacy Project hotline," Loomis says, "is a way people worried about whether or not their rights have been violated can talk to a lawyer free of charge. That way we can determine if a legal solution is necessary."

If it is - that is, if there's enough evidence to file a lawsuit on the patient's or the family of the patient's behalf - the hotline will assist the caller by locating legal help. "And not just any lawyer," insists Loomis. "All of the attorneys we refer our cases to know elder law and are willing to work at a reduced fee."

Lawsuits have a better chance of success these days. "It used to be that victims who were old and infirm were more or less written off," Loomis recalls. "This isn't the case anymore. Recently juries have awarded damages in the millions to residents who have suffered severely or died as a result of abuse or neglect on the part of nursing homes."

Loomis says she and other hotline attorneys are ready to take calls anytime during normal business hours. The toll-free number is 1-888-343-4414. The Nursing Home Advocacy Project is funded by private donations and by the Texas Bar Foundation. For more information, call or write Nursing Home Advocacy Project, Suite 1100, 815 Brazos, Austin TX 78701.

Sacred Heart Church offers adult ministry classes here

by Barbara Rohmer
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School News

Two from Muenster attend HOBY

Jackie Bartush, daughter of Chuck and June Bartush, and Diane Britain, daughter of Allan and Norma Britain attended the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Seminar in Irving at the University of Dallas.

Diane, representing Muenster High School and Jackie, representing Sacred Heart High School, joined more than 250 other young leaders from high schools throughout Texas on June 4-6.

HOBY Leadership Seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores to interact with distinguished leaders in business, government, education, and the professions to discuss present and future issues.

The goal is to provide them with a stimulating forum for learning about the American incentive system and the democratic process, while broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self-development.

HOBY Ambassadors are also challenged to return to their

communities to perform at least 100 hours of community service within the 12 months following the Seminar.

The HOBY Seminar challenges them to think about the many issues affecting the world, and helps them understand that as a leader, they have the power to make a positive impact in business, government and society. HOBY helps them see the leadership potential in themselves, and understand that goals and dreams are important regardless of what profession they choose.

HOBY was established by veteran actor Hugh O'Brien following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer.

O'Brien said that one of the things Dr. Schweitzer said was that the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves. O'Brien started HOBY to seek out, recognize and develop outstanding leadership potential among the nation's youth.



Getting into the spirit of cheerleading are, Rebecca Grewing, Laura Heers, Kristia Cloud, and Anne Walterscheid (front row from left). The girls were among the group that took part in the MHS Mini-Cheerleading Camp last week. Photo by Janie Hartman

MISD painting date rescheduled for July 24

Those who planned to help paint the old high school halls at Muenster ISD should change the date on their calendars from July 10 to Saturday, July 24 from 8 a.m. until ??

Parents, students, and teachers are welcome to come and join the fun of giving the old high school halls new life by repainting them at the Muenster ISD Painting Party.

High school students can earn Student Council hours. Sixth grade students and up are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Susie Fleitman at work, 759-4614, ext. 609, or home 759-2976.

Just A Thought

Treat each person with dignity. They're all God's special creations.

UIL scholarships awarded to seven Lindsay seniors

Gary Hamilton, principal at Lindsay High School, is pleased to announce winners of the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation scholarships. In addition to scholarships in excess of a quarter of a million dollars given to Lindsay High School seniors at graduation ceremonies in May, over \$42,000 in scholarship assistance has been made available to seven 1999 graduates of LHS. Mr. Hamilton received word from the University Interscholastic League in Austin recently, the TILF scholarships have been awarded to Abril Aberasturi, Amy Arendt, Erica Fuhrmann,

Patrick Lusk, Elizabeth Luttmir, Emelia Schad, and Gayle Walterscheid.

Criteria for winning a TILF scholarship is extensive UIL participation in addition to competing and performing at the State UIL meet. Lindsay High School is the current AA UIL Academic state champion. Principal Hamilton stated that a big emphasis on education instilled by parents and teachers contribute to the success of Lindsay students. "We are constantly trying to increase our standards and productivity at Lindsay ISD. I am proud to be associated with students of this caliber," said Hamilton.

Hughes attends National Medical Leadership Forum

Maureen Hughes of Granger, Indiana participated in the 1999 National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine from June 28 - July 8, in Chicago. She is the granddaughter of Stewart and Christine Hughes of Rosston, and the great-granddaughter of the late T.R. and Vena Settle.

Maureen, in the class of 2000 at Saint Joseph High School, was among a select group of outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America and around the world who have met the qualifications required to participate in the Forum. Maureen was selected because of her outstanding academic achievements and her interest

in the profession of medicine. On June 28, Maureen joined her fellow Forum students in Chicago for ten days of discovery and mentorship at some of America's most prominent and technologically-advanced medical institutions.

Students also had the opportunity to study and learn from some of America's most distinguished medical leaders. Topics discussed included breakthroughs in genetic research, cancer research, AIDS, sports medicine, neonatal and pediatric research, computers in the world of medicine, public health, clinical decision-making and bioethics.

Library News by Kay Broyles

The Friends of the Muenster Public Library Board were the 1999 recipients of the Library Leadership Award from the Northeast Texas Library System (NETLS). The Award was presented at the annual NETLS awards luncheon on June 14, 1999 at Mesquite, Texas. The board's leadership was recognized for their success in involving so many organizations and individuals in the new library project, for their successful fundraising and grant writing, for their support of library legislation, and for their continued support and efforts to run the daily operations of the library. The group received a certificate, an audio book, three videos, and a collection of fourteen new books for our library. The current board members are: Tom Valliere, Jeanette Meurer, Janie Hartman, Ramona Felderhoff, Pat Stelzer, Nancy Walter, Jerry Eckart, and Jewel Otto, City Council Liaison.

The summer reading program is in progress. Children may sign up any time during the summer. The program has been adapted for high school students. High school students only have to read 10 books to receive an ice cream certificate and their name in the lottery for prizes at the end of the summer. Numerous students have already joined the program.

More non-fiction books have arrived for on our shelves. These books were purchased with a grant from the Texas Book Festival.

Our Texas history section now has several new books: *900 Miles on the Butterfield Trail* by A.C. Green, *Maps of Texas and the Southwest* by James Martin, and *The History of Texas* by David Edward.

Those interested in math and science will enjoy the following books: *The Clone Age* by Lori Andrews, *The Universe and the*

Teacup by K.C. Cole, *Weather* by William Burroughs, *Nature's Keepers* by Michael Tobias, *The Illustrated Longitude* by Dava Sobel, *Tapped Out* by Paul Simon, and *Wilderness at Risk* by Glen Evans.

The *Y2K Personal Survival Guide* by Michael Hyatt, and *Research Writing for the Information Age* by Judith Arnold are available for those who want to keep updated in the changes in the computer world.

In the medical field we have more new books: *Crystal Clear Guide for Sight for Life* by Johnny Gayton, *Estrogen The Natural Way* by Nina Shandler, *The Prostate Cure* by Harry North, and *The Reality of Breastfeeding*. We also have *The New Diabetic Cookbook*, *The Anti-Arthritis Diet*, and *Larry North's Slindown for Life*.

Other new books include: *Joan of Arc* by Regine Pernoud, *Crazy Horse* by Larry McMurtry, *The Militia Threat* by Robert Snow, *The MERCK Veterinary Manual*, *The Official Blue Book for Used Cars* and *The Elements of Fly Fishing*. We also have new fiction books available. We are striving to have new books in a wide range of interest. Please come to the library to preview our new collection.

Take Note

The Muenster High School National Honor Society will be picking up trash on Saturday, July 10. Meet in the Park at 8:00 a.m. Please be prompt!

Just A Thought

When you see a person in need, don't wait for someone else to help.



Diane Britain



Jackie Bartush

The Koala Maze is at Sikes Senter Mall

The Koala Maze! is in Wichita Falls July 1 through July 25 at Sikes Senter Mall. River Bend Nature Works and Sikes Senter Mall are bringing this interactive exhibit to the North Texas area. The Koala Maze is fun and entertaining while providing a strong educational message about conservation. This is the first time the Koala Maze has been in Texas and we are excited to be able to bring this exhibit to our area," states Beverly Williamson, Executive Director.

The Koala Maze is a 2,400 square foot maze that is walkabout through the coastal regions of Australia. Visitors walk through the exhibit, answering questions about the

Koala to determine which way to go. Three interactive rooms include the Marsupial Room, the Koala Room and the Eucalyptus Room. Listen to Koala sounds, hang on a tree like a Koala, learn about the other wildlife in Australia, hear a mix of marsupial murmurs, learn about a Kangaroo's pouch and even find out what a Koala smells like!

The exhibit will be open during Mall hours, seven days a week. The fee is \$3.00 per person. If you have a group of 10 or more wishing to go through the Maze at a specific time, please call River Bend Nature Works at 691-0482 for additional information.

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Sports



All-American cheerleaders, from left Keri Felderhoff, Kelly Felderhoff, Jackie Henscheid, and Ashley Klement. Photo by Janie Hartman

Four MHS cheerleaders selected for All-American NCA team

The Muenster Varsity Cheerleading Squad recently returned from a National Cheerleaders Association summer camp where four of their team members, Kelly Felderhoff, Keri Felderhoff, Jackie Henscheid, and Ashley Klement received top recognition as being selected on the NCA All-American Team. The camp was held at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

The National Cheerleaders Association is selecting the "All-American Team" award at each of over 1,100 camps it administers across the United States. As a member of this team, the four girls represent the top ten percent of all students attending NCA camps.

Keri was selected as an All-American mascot. The award is based on mascot skills involving character antics, leadership, and her ability to get the crowd involved. This was Keri's first year to attend NCA camp.

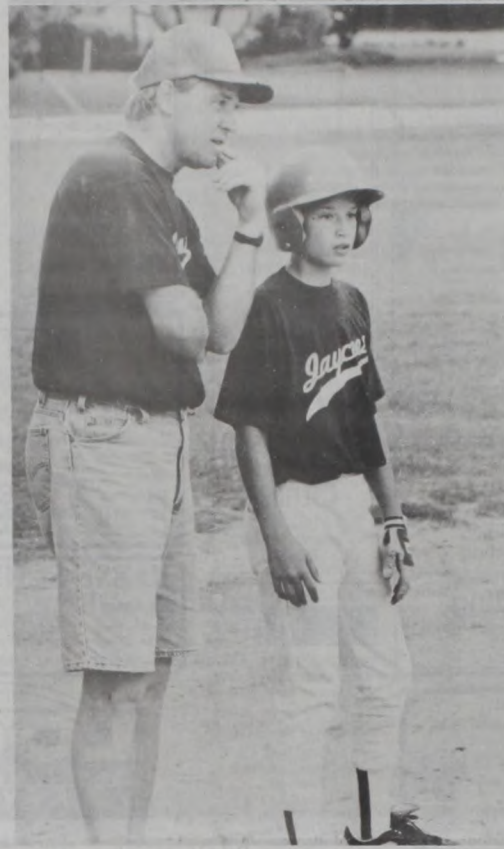
Kelly, Jackie and Ashley were selected as All-American Cheerleaders. The winners for this award were based on their cheerleading technique, leadership, and all around cheerleading ability. This was Jackie's second year to be named to the team.

The girls' names will be added to the plaques in the MHS trophy case with previous All-American winners from Muenster High School.

As NCA "All-American Team" members, cheerleaders and mascots are eligible to travel with NCA and will be featured in various Bowl games throughout the U.S.



Above, Jaycee Chad Temple strikes at the ball as Muenster Driller Chris Moser keeps control of the ball. At left, Jaycee Coach Tim Felderhoff and Sean Fuhrmann watch action from third base. Photos by Janie Hartman



Morton Museum exhibit features Cooke County baseball history

Batter Up! Welcome to the latest exhibit at the Morton Museum of Cooke County - "Play Ball!" "Play Ball" examines the history of baseball in Cooke County. The game has been played in the county since at least 1889. At that point, bats were hewn from timber cut in the county and hard rubber balls were used. The game rapidly evolved from that period, gaining in popularity. Several teams have played here over the years including the Gainesville Cookies, Gainesville Gainers, the teams in the T&O League, the Gainesville Tigers, and later the Gainesville Owls. The game was also played at Camp Howze during W.W.II.

The exhibit will be on display through the middle of August. The Morton Museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 until 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 12:00 until 5:00 p.m. For information, please call 940-668-8900.

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Hole in one

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Farm & Ranch

Agricultural groups amend food safety lawsuit against EPA

Instead of following established rules and procedures, the Environmental Protection Agency is basing important decisions about food safety and crop protection products on assumptions and incomplete science, according to an amended law-suit filed recently by the American Farm Bureau Federation, the American Crop Protection Association and other farm groups.

The complaint, filed in U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C., seeks to require EPA to follow statutory requirements when it assesses and reassesses crop protection products under the 1996 Food Quality Protection Act and other food safety laws: The complaint asks EPA to:

- Issue complete, updated regulation specifying the information the agency needs

to evaluate crop protection products.

- *Obtain updated, scientific data on crop protection products before they are reassessed, instead of relying on unrealistic models and assumptions based on outdated information.
- *Adopt formal policies and procedures, including notice-and-consent rule making, before implementing FQPA requirements.

Lawsuit amended

The amendments were added to a lawsuit filed June 2 that asked EPA to issue rules - nearly two years overdue - governing the use of pesticides under specific emergency conditions that threaten entire crops.

The amended complaint supports the basic purpose of FQPA - to employ sound science and accurate data to

determine safe levels of pesticide use. The lawsuit claims, however, that EPA had ignored laws requiring the agency to obtain data on actual pesticide use levels and disclose procedures it will use to set new standards.

"The lackadaisical, unscientific manner in which EPA is implementing our nation's food safety law means all pain and no gain for struggling farm families and American consumers," said AFBF President Dean Kleckner. "FQPA is a complex but delicate law. EPA needs to make clear that it is operating under established rules, not whim."

EPA taking shortcuts

According to Kleckner, the lawsuit attempts to stop EPA's hasty rush to judgment in assessing many vital crop protection products that allow American farmers to produce a safe, abundant and affordable food supply.

"EPA is taking shortcuts to implement FQPA," he said. "The greatest food safety risk Americans face today may be the slipshod course EPA has chosen to implement FQPA through assumptions and best guesses. Farmers are at risk. Consumers are vulnerable. All Americans deserve better."

Farmers need access to foreign markets

Unilateral sanctions on agricultural exports must end, the American Farm Bureau Federation told the Senate Banking Committee, as the committee considered reauthorization of the Export Administration Act.

"Not only do unilateral sanctions inflict no economic damage on the target country, they often result in little change in the foreign policy actions of that nation," said Andrew Whisenhant, AFBF board member.

Whisenhant said U.S. farmers and ranchers depend on access to customers around the world for the sale of one-third of their production. However, they have been denied access to five export markets due to unilateral economic sanctions: Iran, Libya, Sudan, Cuba and North Korea, he said.

"This loss of market access is not negligible," Whisenhant said. "Given today's low commodity prices and declining agricultural exports, we simply cannot afford to have our access to export markets cut off."

The Export Administration Act provides the legal framework for export controls based on national security and foreign policy. Since the act expired in 1994, its provisions have continued by executive order through the International Emergency Economic Powers Act.

Senate Banking Committee Chairman Phil Gramm and Sen. Mike Enzi (R-Wyo.), recently released draft legislation re authorizing the act.

"In crafting a rewrite of the Export Administration Act, we strove to find the balance between the need to control some very sensitive items for national security purposes and the need to promote healthy exports of the goods, services and technologies that keep our economy running strong," Enzi said in a statement. "This draft provides a framework that focuses more resources on the critical technology exports and fewer resources on those items that have marginal benefit to our national security."

Whisenhant told committee members that Farm Bureau appreciated the committee's efforts to reform U.S. policy on export controls in a manner that would create an exemption for agriculture.

"We believe that provisions such as those written into the act are what the United States needs in order to begin to restore the international reputation of our agricultural producers as reliable suppliers," he said.

But Whisenhant added that the EAA specifically excludes Cuba from its list of exemptions, thereby keeping current export controls, or sanctions, on Cuba intact. He urged the committee to revisit this specific exception of the EAA recognizing the positive effects of engagement with undemocratic nations like Cuba.

"U.S. unilateral sanctions on trade with Cuba have now been in effect for more than three decades with no tangible results," the farm leader said. "Meanwhile, leading agricultural economists predict that U.S. exports to Cuba could reach \$1 billion annually if the sanctions were lifted. Cuban citizens are hungry for U.S. products and want to engage in trade with Americans."

Whisenhant added that the future of American agriculture depends upon access to foreign markets. "Especially today, when agricultural exports are projected to decline from \$60 billion in 1997 to \$50 billion due to Asian financial crisis, any action such as an embargo or sanction does direct and long-term harm to farmers and the agricultural economy."

County Agent's Report

MORE GRASSHOPPER HELP FOR HOME LANDSCAPES AND GARDENS

Many of you have called in recently for help with the current grasshopper "plague". Some data from Dr. Jim Reinert just came to our attention. Jim did some feeding bioassays last summer and identified the following chemicals with potential for grasshopper suppression. In addition Dr. Mike Merchant, Extension Urban Entomologist, has checked the following products out in area stores around our A&M Center at Dallas.



Horticulture in Denton County) and one of his local nurserymen, former CEA-Horticulture, Mr. Stan Lovelace, did a nice survey of grasshopper damaged plants in Denton County. As this looks like another potentially plentiful year for 'hoppers, I thought some of you might be interested in the results of this interesting demonstration.

Fifty-five kinds of ornamental plants were observed for grasshopper damage in 1998. Thirty-two were largely ignored by grasshoppers under heavy grasshopper populations. The principal grasshopper species involved was the differential grasshopper.

Observations were made during the late summer of 1998 from customer landscapes in rural areas in northwest Denton county. This area had received heavy damage from grasshoppers during the exceptionally hot and dry summer of 1998.

Plants that Mr. Lovelace observed being eaten "with relish" by grasshoppers included: Althea (hibiscus); Amaryllis; Bachelors' button; Bush honeysuckle; buddleia (butterfly bush)**; Canna lily; Cherry, laurel; Chrysanthemum; Daylily; Elaeagnus (Russian-olive)**; Hardy Hibiscus; Holly; Nellie R. Stevens**; Iris; Liriope**; Mondgrass; Peach; Photinia; Privet; Purple loosestrife; Rose; Tradescantia; Weigela; Wisteria; **heavily damaged.

Plants that grasshoppers were NOT observed feeding on included: Almond (flowering**); Artemisia; Aster (hardy); Barbary (pigmy); Burning bush (dwarf); Calliopsis (American beautyberry); Coral berry; Grape myrtle; Dianthus (perennial); Eucydonus; Forsythia; Grape*; Jasmine (confederate); Juniper; Lantana; Lilac (Persian); Mexican bush sage; Moss rose; Nandina; Passionvine; Penstemon; Petunia (dwarf Mexican); Pine (eldarica or Austrian); Purslane; Rock rose; Salvia greggii; Spirea (bridal wreath); Thrift (perennial); Turk's cap; Verbena (perennial) Yaupon (dwarf).

Cooper and Lovelace caution that under the worst circumstances, even the unpreferred plants listed here might be consumed. Use the lists as a guide rather than a guarantee for a grasshopper-proof landscape.

Exceptionally valuable plants should be covered with floating plant covers, such as Remy fabrics, to keep grasshoppers off. Insecticides provide only partial protection during grasshopper outbreaks.

The information given herein is for educational purposes only. Reference to commercial products or trade names is made with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsement by the Cooperative Extension Service is implied.

Just remember, in a true outbreak situation, these chemicals provide only partial protection, as new grasshoppers are continually entering the landscape from surrounding farmland and pasture areas. All of the products listed do require some time to kill, so don't expect grasshoppers to die immediately. And, remember to -

READ AND FOLLOW ALL PESTICIDE LABELS; they are the law and do change, so be responsible. Many of the products mentioned are not labeled for vegetable gardens. When vegetable gardens are to be protected check labels for harvest intervals along with vegetable crop to be protected. Only use those products that have a vegetable garden label.

On the non-chemical side, for sensitive plantings, such as roses or vegetable gardens, floating row covers should provide protection from grasshopper feeding. Make sure there are no grasshoppers under the fabric when it is laid over the plants to be protected. Floating row covers are spun polyester or geotextile fabrics that protect the plants from cold and insects, while allowing sunlight through. These fabrics may be available through your local coop or organic supply store or can be ordered through the mail. Two vendors are Harmony Farm Supply (707) 823-9125, and Gardens Alive (812) 537-8650.

Grasshopper Preferences for Ornamental Plants
Last year John Cooper (CEA-

*Talstar (bifenthrin) and Scimitar (lambda cyhalothrin) provided the best residual control, killing grasshoppers for over 5 days after treatment. These products are for commercial applicator use on turf and ornamentals, but there is at least one homeowner product that contains bifenthrin. Ortho Ready-to-use Houseplant & Garden Insect Killer contains 0.012% bifenthrin.

*Orthene (acephate) provided much superior control compared to Sevin. We have consistently recommended Sevin for grasshopper control, but at least in this study Sevin had less than one day residual killing power for differential grasshopper. Orthene, on the other hand, when applied to hibiscus foliage, provided over 5 days residual killing power - though not at as high a level as bifenthrin or lambda cyhalothrin. Orthene is also slower to kill than the above products.

*Diazinon provided some residual control for 1-5 days.

*Permethrin, which I have recommended, was not tested; but should still be one of the products we suggest. Permethrin can be purchased under the trade name Spectracide 3X and Spectracide PRO.

76th Legislature Session results

One measuring stick Texas Farm Bureau uses to gauge the success of their work in Austin each session is their list of TFB priority issues. These issues are determined by the TFB Board of Directors prior to the start of the Texas Legislature. For the 76th Legislature just completed, Farm Bureau targeted 14 priority issues. Here's a run down of items concerning North Texas agriculture.

Disaster relief: SB 706 failed. This bill attempted to allocate state funds for agriculture disaster relief.

Soil and Water Conservation funding: HB 1, contains funding for the program. Also HB 1592, provides \$1.1 million to the

State Soil and Water Conservation Board to address specific water quality issues and \$9.163 million for brush control.

Farm trailers: SB 518, amends current state law to allow farmers and ranchers to legally borrow or loan a registered farm trailer as long as the trailer is used for legitimate farm/ranch purposes.

Electric restructuring: SB 7 provides adequate protection for rural electric customers in any restructuring bill.

Water well exemption: No bills were filed that affected the exemption for domestic and livestock wells capable of producing 25,000 gallons a day or less.

Railroad rights-of-way: HB 1886 , to protect the private property interests of landowners alongside abandoned railroad lines failed to pass.

Property rights: No bills were filed impacting the state's rule-of-capture for underground water.

Dairy compact : HB2000, allowing Texas to participate in a proposed Southern Dairy Compact, failed.

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Sheep (per lb.)
Lambs: 82-89. Ewes: 45-60. Bucks: 30-38.

Barbados (per head)
Lambs: \$30-\$40. Ewes: \$30-\$40. Bucks: \$50-\$115.

Dairy Goats (per head)
Kids: \$15-\$30. Nannies: \$30-\$75. Billies: \$50-\$100.

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