

Muenster Memorial Hospital Board appointment to finish Hess's term

by Janet Felderhoff
Muenster Memorial Hospital's board of directors has been short one member since Dennis Hess resigned in May to accept a position on the City Council. Three people expressed interest in filling the remainder of his term. Of the three Laura Hennigan had previous experience. Board President Don Flusche recommended that she be appointed due to her experience. Hennigan's appointment was unanimous. Others expressing interest in serving were Joey Anderson and Jerry Walterscheid.

Recent and upcoming changes in department personnel were announced by Administrator Jack Endres. Director of Nurses Joan Walterscheid will be retiring in December. She plans to work more in the area of diabetic education as an outpatient service.

Kay Bynum of the x-ray department will also be retiring soon. Teresa Moseley is now the director of radiology. Sally Fisher has been hired for that department. She is being trained to do the mammograms and should be

certified before the end of the year. Grace Rippy has returned to the hospital staff as laboratory supervisor.

Endres informed the Board that he had received a letter from the office of Rusty Duncan notifying the hospital that Charlie Stelzer has left it a \$20,000 bequest. The donation will be used to purchase needed equipment and a plaque memorializing the donation placed in the hospital.

Proposed budgets for 1999-2000 for the hospital and St. Richard's Villa were reviewed by the Board. The actual budget will be adopted at the August 24 regular meeting of the Board. Subject to the release of the county's certified property tax roll, a meeting was set for noon on Wednesday, August 4. The purpose is to determine if the Board will propose an increase of the tax rate. If an increase is proposed, a record vote will be taken to place the item on the agenda for the regular board meeting. A public hearing date will also be set. The date of that meeting (if there is a proposed tax rate increase) will be announced in the

August 6 issue of the *Muenster Enterprise*.

Endres reported on the efforts of Texas Organization of Rural Community Hospitals (TORCH) in Washington during July. He went as a representative of the group from this area. Endres spent time personally explaining the facts to Congressman Ralph Hall, Representative Mac Thornberry, and Representative Charles Stenholm.

When the Balanced Budget Act went into effect it proved to be crippling to rural (100 or fewer beds) hospitals. TORCH decided to do a thorough cost report based on the information from 59 participating rural hospitals. This report based on hard facts to prove the rural hospitals' case was presented in Washington.

It showed that before the Balanced Budget Act (based on the financial figures of the 59 hospitals) the average rural hospitals was in the red -9% and after the Balanced Budget Act the average fell to a -14%.

It is TORCH's goal to have the required percentage of revenue derived from Medicare dropped from 60% to 50% to

acquire a Medicare care dependent hospital designation and to have the cost report information taken from the most recent reports instead of cost reports from the late 80s as is now done.

Urban hospitals met with their delegates in Washington the day before TORCH. Endres reported that the urban hospitals unanimously supported the rural hospitals' position. The larger hospitals won't be able to handle the influx if a lot of the rural hospital were to close, he explained.

Town hall meetings are in the process of being planned throughout the state to discuss the issue. At least one of the area's delegates to Washington will attend each meeting.

The purpose of these meetings will be to get the people from Congress to the rural areas where they can personally assess the impact that the Balanced Budget Act has had on rural hospitals. Also it will allow our representatives to discuss with the rural people the impact that the closure of small hospitals would have on the rural communities.



The first day of practice for the Muenster Hornets included several conditioning drills. Above, players jump hurdles to build leg strength and coordination. Janie Hartman photo

Council wants to push the limits

by Dave Fette

More areas immediately adjoining Muenster city limits are proposed for involuntary annexation into the city. According to the state law, if city services are available to an area adjacent to an area where they are being used, then that area may be annexed. The City Council is looking at many areas where city services, water, sewer, fire and police protection and city maintained streets are available on one side of the street and proposing to annex the property on the other side of the street to a depth of 300 feet or the width of a city block. The City intends to enlarge the tax base to pay for the services that are available. They must, in turn provide those services whenever

requested. Any land currently in agricultural production will be taxed at ag rate until it becomes further developed. Public hearings on annexation must be held before the City Council can finalize a decision to include a property within the city limits.

During a discussion of amendments to FY99 budgets, Herb Knabe reported that the volunteer fire department wanted to spend money on a series of training videos instead of fire training school attendance this year. It has been very difficult to coordinate schedules and these videos do qualify to certify firemen. City Administrator Steve Broyles reported that they are having computer problems that require manual See CITY COUNCIL, pg. 3



Members of the Sacred Heart football team take off, running lines, under the direction of Coach Dale Schilling. The Tigers began practice Monday morning, with workouts and drills in preparation for the upcoming season. Janie Hartman photo

Muenster ISD welcomes new Hornet coach, Hall

Joining the coaching staff at Muenster ISD this season is Pat Hall. With the resignation of Coach Randy Tankersley and Gordon Martin moving to lead football coach, the school was in need of another assistant coach.

Hall was raised in Springtown, Texas and graduated from the high school there. He then graduated from the University of North Texas in 1999 with a bachelor of science degree in Kinesiology (sports studies).

This is the first coaching assignment for Hall, who did one student coaching at Lewisville. Hall will assist with varsity and junior high

football, basketball and track, and coach the junior varsity boys basketball team. Other duties at school will include 7th grade science, 6th grade physical ed and Sophomore health.

Coach Hall comes from a family tradition of educational professionals, including his father, who has coached at Azle and Fort Worth Brewer.

The family unity and small town were some reasons Hall gave for coming to Muenster. "I like the school and the community. This (Muenster) is a good deal for a coach to get into."

Coach Hall and his wife Lisa now live in Denton.

Volunteer defenders seek financial support

by Janet Felderhoff

Muenster has a group of men who perform an immeasurable service to the community. They don't punch a time clock for the work they do, but they are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They must be prepared to respond quickly when a call comes. It might be in the middle of the night, at meal time, during work hours, or during family time. Sometimes the call or calls keep them up all night and after a tiring night they report to their regular jobs the next morning.

These men are the volunteer members of the Muenster Fire Department. It is their chosen responsibility to protect Muenster and the surrounding community from the ravages of fire. Firefighting is only one of their responsibilities. When stormy weather threatens Muenster Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) members also perform the service of storm watchers. They watch the skies around Muenster from designated vantage points and report any suspicious clouds.

In recent years MVFD has accepted the role of first responders. This means that when an emergency call goes out for this area such as an accident, heart attack or other health emergency, MVFD responds and cares for the victims until the Cooke County EMS can arrive. This can mean lives saved since MVFD can usually arrive on the scene within minutes and the ambulance can take 20 minutes or more since it must come from Gainesville. The number of calls that MVFD answers has increased considerably since becoming first responders for the county.

Besides all of the usual responsibilities of volunteer firemen, members of Muenster's department have recently spent hundreds of man hours building a new truck to complete its fleet. This 1999 truck will replace the 1961 Chevrolet.

As in the past to save money, the body for the '99 truck was built by Neal Flusche. "In an effort to keep cost down, local help has been used, borrowed, and donated," said MVFD Chief Herbie Knabe. "Most firemen have

some hours, a few have many hours of work put into each truck built since 1992. A truck like the one built this year bought from a manufacturer would cost about \$85,000. We will have a little over \$54,000 (without equipment) in this truck upon completion."

Glenn Hess of Glenn's Paint and Body Shop donated painting of the new vehicle. He was assisted by Ryan Hess, Brad Schilling, Casey Sandmann, Lucien Gehrig, and Jimmy Fisher. They all

donated hours of time to the project. It is anticipated that the new truck will be finished and on display for the Barbecue.

The local firemen will hold their Annual Barbecue on Saturday, August 14. Proceeds from this event will be used to finish paying for the new firetruck. "This has depleted our funds to zilch," remarked Knabe. "We should have waited another year (to add a truck), but we can't use the old see FIRE DEPT., page 2

reenactments, authentic stagecoach rides, silent auction, chuck wagon barbecue dinner, rodeo parade, shopping and sight seeing.

For information on entering the longhorn cattle drive, horseshoe tournament or baking contest, call 940-995-2470.

Saint Jo celebrates rodeo and Pioneer Days this weekend, August 6 & 7

Join in on a true western celebration in an authentic cowtown. The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce and the Saint Jo Riding Club have joined forces in order to make this year's Rodeo and Pioneer Days festivities bigger and better than ever.

Rodeos will take place Friday and Saturday, August 6 and 7, at 8:30 p.m. Following each rodeo will be a dance held at the rodeo grounds. The rodeo parade is scheduled for Saturday, August 7, at 6:00 p.m. For information on entering the rodeo and/or parade, call 940-995-2680.

Pioneer Days festivities will be held on Saturday, August 7, on the downtown square. Featured events are pancake breakfast, longhorn cattle drive into town, horseshoe tournament, baking contest, fish fry luncheon, mule jumping contest, gunfight

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Hornet Coach Pat Hall

MISD finalizes dress code changes

As the new school year is gearing up, many of us are getting our wardrobes in gear. With the "Sales Tax Holiday" in effect August 6, 7, and 8, this weekend promises to be one of great shopping values. "It is hard to determine yet if gaining the lower prices is

worth fighting the inflated crowds," remarked Muenster High Principal James Hopper. "At any rate, Muenster ISD would like to alleviate any questions you may have regarding school clothes when purchasing for students in grades 6-12."

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Lindsay school ready to start August 12

by Janie Hartman
Lindsay ISD students begin the new school year on Thursday, August 12, with teachers reporting Monday, August 9.

There will be several new faces in the classrooms, on the field and on the court this year.

Deborah LaCella will head the special education department. LaCella lives at

Lake Kiowa and comes from Whitesboro ISD. Also joining the department are Mary Davis and Christie Dickerson as aides.

Joining the coaching staff are Mark Earnhart, Fred Grindel and Kristy Krebs Hanks.

Grindel has 22 years of coaching experience, coming from Denton Ryan High School. A McMurray college graduate, he will be the Knights' offensive line coach, a junior high basketball coach and track assistant.

Earnhart, a S&S high school grad, an alternate 400m hurdler of the 1984 Olympic team past law enforcement officer and an East Texas State graduate, will have his first coaching job at Lindsay. He will be the football receiver coach, high school boys basketball coach and assist in the track program.

Hanks, a Lindsay graduate,

will be a classroom aide and coach the first semester and a teacher and coach the second half of school. She will assist in girls athletics.

Speaking of sports, Brenda Clark will supervise the varsity cheerleaders, Diane Neu the drill team, Dora Erwin, the spirit squad and Lorna Goin the middle school cheerleaders.

Classroom teachers have little change. In the elementary, Beverly Neal moved from special ed to fifth grade, replacing Sharon Hermes, who took a leave of absence.

ELEMENTARY and MIDDLE SCHOOLS
Kindergarten - Jane Otto and Denise Schumacher
First - Judith Knight and Donna Rohmer
Second - Charlotte Murrell and Rosanna Webb
Third - Deborah Hundt and Barbara Tombaugh

Fourth - Donna Walterschied and Jack Degarmo
Fifth - Patricia Eberhart and Beverly Neal
Music - Patricia Schully
Reading - Mary Woody and Monica Johnson-Parkhill
Sixth - Reta Johnson and Carol Luttmer
Seventh - Sara Lester and Shelia Jones
Eighth - Lorna Goin
7-8-9 Science - Brenda Clark
Special Ed - Denise Davis, aids - Christie Dickerson and Diane Neu
Coach, P.E. - Marshall Earnhart and Donald Neu
Secretaries and aids - Ktheen Lutkenhaus, Janice Stoffels, Doris Rauschuber and Dora Erwin
Assistant Principal - Roland Knight
HIGH SCHOOL STAFF
Loretta Deborde - art, home ec
John Erwin - coach, history
Elizabeth Fleitman - math
Tom Flucker - counselor/supervisor
Brenda Fuhrmann - secretary/pupil acct.
Fred Grindle - coach, ?
Alan Gustine - history, boys basketball
Frank Hacker - CAD

Gary Hamilton - principal
Rhelda Harris - Spanish
Craig Hertel - English, UIL
Mary Holland - yearbook, accounting/business
Deborah LaCelle - special ed
Charles Meurer - athletic director/coach
Edward Schad - math/physics
Elaine Schad - technology director
Larry Schumacher - vocational
Molly Sicking - science

Phyllis Tucker - librarian
SUPPORT STAFF
Marilyn Cox - business manager
Rose Mary Fangman - Lunchroom manager
Joel Hale - director of maintenance
Sharon Hoenig, Margie Huchton and Pat Neu - Cafeteria
Karen Privett - maintenance
Superintendent - Travis Scott

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truck in an emergency situation."

Firemen and their spouses will begin serving up the all-you-can-eat barbecue meal at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. At 8 p.m. the auctioning of donated items begins. Included among the many auction items will be the old '61 Chevrolet firetruck. The raffle takes place at 10 p.m. There is free admission to the swimming pool from 7 to 9 p.m. This is a great opportunity for area people to get out and socialize with their neighbors, enjoy a tasty meal and help the fire department at the same time.

67 years of service
Muenster's volunteer fire department was first organized in 1932. Records don't exist for the first 10 years, either because it wasn't recorded or they no longer exist. The department's first fire truck was a 1928 Dodge with a chemical tank and a hose for fire fighting. Sometime in the '40s Muenster acquired a 1940 open-bed Dodge from World War II to carry hoses. This truck and another of about the same vintage, but with a small tank and PTO pump served the Muenster area until 1958. At that time the MVFD purchased its first Class A pumper. It is still owned by the department.

In 1961 the city bought a 1961 Chevrolet truck and built a tank, bought a pump and made a rural truck. This is the vehicle that is still being used and is soon to be replaced by the 1999 model. Twenty-nine years after the purchase of the first Class A pumper the department bought a replacement.

Muenster VFD worked to accumulate funds to purchase a 1992 quick attack firetruck, a 1996 rescue truck equipped with the jaws of life, first aid equipment, a heart defibrillator and other necessary equipment. In 1995 they bought a 1993 truck with a 2,500 gallon tank.

This year the department is finishing its fleet with a 1999 truck to replace the 1961 model. Upon completion of the new vehicle the 1961 model will be taken out of service. Knabe hopes that this will be the last truck that the department needs for many years.

There are currently 23 members of the Muenster VFD. The number had dropped below 20, but recent additions have raised the numbers. Recruits who meet the criteria are welcome.

1999 Property Tax Rates in MUENSTER HOSPITAL DISTRICT

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for MUENSTER HOSPITAL DISTRICT. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$346,527
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$346,527
Last year's tax base	\$132,540,448
Last year's total tax rate	0.26145 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$346,527
This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$130,072,023
This year's effective tax rate	0.26641 /\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$346,527
This year's adjusted tax base	\$130,072,023
This year's effective operating rate	0.26641 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.28772 /\$100
This year's debt rate	0.00000 /\$100
This year's rollback rate	0.28772 /\$100

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Schedule B	
1999 Debt Service	
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).	
Total required for 1999 debt service	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	\$0
- Excess collections last year	\$0
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$0
- Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.90% of its taxes in 1999	\$0
- Total debt levy	\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at C.C.A.D. 201 N. Dixon, Gainesville, TX 76240.

Name of person preparing this notice: Doug Smithson
Title: Chief Appraiser
Date prepared: August 2, 1999

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The MUENSTER HOSPITAL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 3.72 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on August 13, 1999 at 12:00 PM at Muenster Hospital Board Room.

FOR the proposal:	Don Flusche	Charles Bayer
	Werner Becker Jr	Duane Knabe
	Margie Starke	Phil Endres
	Lora Hennigan	Jack Murdock

AGAINST the proposal:
PRESENT and not voting: Gerald Hess
ABSENT:

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average residence homestead value	\$56,422	\$56,422
General exemptions available	\$0	\$0
<small>(amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)</small>		
Average taxable value	\$56,422	\$56,422
Tax rate (per \$100)	0.26145	0.27450
Tax	\$147.52	\$154.88

Under this proposal, taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$7.36 or 4.99 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$0.01305 per \$100 of taxable value or 4.99 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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Sunday, August 8	Monday, August 9	Tuesday, August 10	Wednesday, August 11	Thursday, August 12	Friday, August 13	Saturday, August 14
	VFW Meeting 8 p.m. Sacred Heart Teacher In-Service Week	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center TDH Immunization Clinic 9-11 a.m., Cooke Co. Electric Co-op SH Open House & Orientation, 6:30 p.m. / SH Pre-School Parent Orientation & Open House, 7 p.m.	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center SH Alumni & Friends Meeting, 7 p.m. - Cafeteria Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. - The Center Restaurant	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Tillage Field Day, 9 a.m.-Noon, south of Pettit Equip. SH 1st Grade Open House 6-7 p.m. / SHHS Freshmen Parents Open House 7 p.m. Muenster Elem. Howdy night 6 p.m.	MHS Red & White Scrimmage 6 p.m. Public Hearing for Muenster Memorial Hospital tax increase, noon, MMH MHS V and JV Scrim. H - 6 p.m.	Muenster Volunteer Fire Department BBQ, Muenster Park, 6 p.m.; Auction 8 p.m.; Raffle 10 p.m.; Pool Open 7-9
Sunday, August 15	Monday, August 16	Tuesday, August 17	Wednesday, August 18	Thursday, August 19	Friday, August 20	Saturday, August 21
Muenster Swimming Pool Closes for Season	Sacred Heart School begins 7:50 a.m. Muenster High begins 8 a.m. Muenster Elementary 7:40 a.m.	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Library Board meeting 7 p.m.	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Sacred Heart Alumni & Friends meeting 7 p.m. - Cafeteria	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster High School V & JV Scrim. at S&S 6 p.m.	Budget Hearing for MISD, 7 p.m., Admin. Building	Forestburg Watermelon Festival

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OBITUARIES

Frank J. Bezner, Sr. 1908 - 1999

Frank J. Bezner, Sr. a former area resident and long-time Hereford resident died at age 91 on Sunday, Aug. 1, 1999 in the Hereford Regional Medical Center. Rosary service was held Tuesday at Rix Funeral Home. Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Anthony Catholic Church, officiated by Msgr. Orville Blum. Burial in St. Anthony Catholic Cemetery was directed by Rix Funeral Home.

A long-time resident of Deaf Smith County, Frank J. Bezner, Sr. served on various boards, including Hereford National Farm Loan Association; Consumers Fuel

Co-op; Deaf Smith Water District; Deaf Smith County Farm Bureau; Federal Land Bank; ASCS Office; and previous election judge for Precinct 1. He served the Knights of Columbus as Grand Knight, District Deputy, and Faithful Navigator of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus. He was a past member of the Hereford Rotary Club, a member of the Hereford Senior Citizens Association, and the Hereford Country Club.

Survivors are a son Frank J. Bezner, Jr. of Hereford; six daughters, Marcella Crabtree of Canyon, Bernadette Kalka of Hereford, Carol Ann Bedwell of

Abilene, Laverne Schaff of Canton, Massachusetts, Jane Matthews of Hereford, Judy LaFleur of Ft. Collins, Colorado. Also two brothers A.J. (Doc) Bezner of Dalhart, Louis Bezner of Amarillo, and five sisters, Ursula Borer of Toledo, Ohio, Rita Howerton of San Leandro, California, Frances Reynolds of Amarillo, Elizabeth White of Dumas, Sister Loretta Bezner of Garrison, New York. Also 23 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to St. Anthony School Endowment Fund, or Hereford Senior Citizens Center.

Nancy Ovie Vaughn 1918 - 1999

Mrs. Lucian (Nancy) Vaughn of Saint Jo died at age 81 on Aug. 3, 1999 at 10:05 p.m. at Renaissance Care Center in Gainesville.

Survivors are her husband, Lucian Vaughn of Saint Jo; one daughter Audette Kincaid of Sanger; one son Lucian Vaughn Jr. of Saint Jo; five grandchildren; and two sisters Bonnie Russell of Minneola and Dorothy Reynolds of Grand Prairie.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Grover Howard and Fannie Langford Howard; and one brother Otis Howard.

Nancy Ovie Vaughn was born on May 23, 1918 in Bonita, Texas. On Sept. 30, 1939 she married Lucian Vaughn in Montague County. She lived her entire life in the Saint Jo area. A member of First Baptist Church in Saint Jo for more than 66 years, she was a Sunday school teacher for many years, and played the organ and piano for the First Baptist Church during church services and for funerals since age 15. She was a long-time member of the Twentieth Century club; was a homemaker; and spent her

entire life serving God, her family and her community.

Funeral service was held Thursday, Aug. 5 at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Saint Jo officiated by Rev. John Sursa and Rev. Mel Caraway. Burial in Illinois Bend Cemetery in Montague County was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo.

Pallbearers were Ancil Thurman, Gene Parker, Dudley Sparkman, Al Felderhoff, Harold Loper, and Ron Davis. Honorary pallbearers were James Collier Cooksey and Lloyd Hutson.

City Council

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reading and reporting of water meters.

Still in the development phase is a policy to guide replacement of street curbing, at city expense, when a street is being repaired or resurfaced. Street Commissioner John Pagel seemed to be against the idea when replacement was considered for cosmetic reasons. This means less street will be fixed over a time, but the curbing is in the city right of way. Replacement is intended only when the curbing is broken or crooked enough to impede the flow of water. Broyles is drafting a suggested policy to present to the Council at the next meeting.

Other items of discussion and/or action by the City Council included:

- The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission has informed the City of unacceptable levels of sludge in the city water treatment ponds. City workers will try using a kind of sludge eating bacteria before resorting to more expensive dredging.

- Greg Rohmer was appointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

- The municipal swimming pool will remain open through August 15.

- The City is joining in a resolution to the Texas Municipal League to prohibit the use of the gasoline additive MTBE as a gasoline oxygenator in Texas. Big problems have been encountered by MTBE contamination of ground water in some other states.

- The new water tower is planned to be completely on-line next week.

- The next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m. since Monday the 6th is the Labor Day holiday.

- Monthly bills totaling \$124,999.17 were approved for payment. About half of these bills were for capital improvements such as the water tower and do not occur in a regular basis. Normal city operating bills are usually around \$60,000 to \$70,000.

Prime Outlets to observe Texas sales tax holiday

Texas consumers will receive a major break on purchases of apparel and footwear in time for back-to-school shopping. Late last month Texas Comptroller Carole Keaton Rylander announced the three-day sales tax holiday that will be observed over the week-end of Aug. 6-8. Consumers can maximize their savings at any one of four Prime Outlets centers located throughout Texas including Prime Outlets at Gainesville.

Most individual items of clothing and footwear priced less than \$100 will be exempt from sales tax. The tax break will apply regardless of how many items are purchased; however, any single item that is priced above \$100 will be taxed on its full price.

Exemptions include clothing and footwear that are used primarily for athletic activities or protective wear. For example, golf cleats and

football pads will be taxed, whereas golf shirts, tennis shoes, and baseball caps will not. Accessories such as backpacks, jewelry and watches, handbags, briefcases and wallets will be taxed as usual.

At Prime Outlets, where manufacturer brand names are regularly sold at 20% to 70% below traditional retail prices, the extra exemption of 8.25% sales tax will mean

substantial savings. Lists of taxed and non-taxed items will be available in each store to help customers identify specific merchandise that can be purchased tax-free Aug. 6-8.

Center hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sundays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For additional information on Prime Outlets at Gainesville, visit the company's site at www.primeoutlets.com or call 877-GO-OUTLETS.

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Notice
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In Texas, it is caused by several species of ticks including Lone Star ticks, American dog ticks, and brown dog ticks that carry the spotted fever organism (rickettsia). Infection takes place when disease-causing rickettsia are inoculated into the skin via the bite of a feeding tick or by its body fluids penetrated into the skin. Whenever ticks are handled, it is important to wash hands immediately.

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- How do you remove an attached tick?
- Use tweezers to grasp the tick at the surface of the skin. If tweezers are not available, use a tissue or paper towel to protect your fingers.
- Exposure to the tick's body fluids may lead to infection.
- With a steady motion, pull the tick straight out. Do not twist or jerk the tick as this may cause the mouth parts to remain on the skin.
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Jesse Chisholm's cattle trail from Texas to Kansas passed the outskirts of Head of Elm on the way to the Red River Station where the cattle herds were driven across the Red River and into Indian Territory. Also, the California Trail was routed through the young pioneer town. It was traveled by many on their way to the gold fields of California and by others seeking new opportunities on the western frontier. Saint Jo was dubbed "Gateway to the West" by historians.

Captain I.H. Boggess owned 300 acres around the Elm Creek Spring and he saw the potential of the area, so he opened the Stonewall Saloon and laid out a town. Boggess sold half of his interests to Joe Howell.

It is recorded in the *Montague History Book* that the two men finished laying out the town by using a grapevine for a tape measure. Captain Boggess left a jug of whiskey under a shade tree on the square for the volunteers who helped survey. Howell was a nondrinker, but was persuaded to take a drink to celebrate this occasion. The single drink made him ill. This led his partner, Boggess, to name the new town Saint Jo, since "ole Joe was so saintly." This was in August of 1873.

In 1873, the town's first public saloon and first permanent building was built. The saloon's north wall was made of native stones, thus it was named Stonewall Saloon. Its second floor was a rooming house. This building still exists today and has served several purposes through the years, after County Prohibition in 1897 put the saloon out of business.

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IT WAS NEWS THEN

30 YEARS AGO
August 1, 1969
Sacred Heart School faculty has 22 members, including two priests, one brother, ten nuns and nine lay teachers. Muenster Public School has 22 faculty members, and needs one more, a band and music teacher. School starts August 25. Jaycee Fish Fry is big success. Total of 623 plates sold, total weight of fish bought for the event was 482, with about 20 pounds trimmed off before frying. Five members of Muenster Softball Team, Alvin Hartman, Glenn Richardson,

Willie Walterscheid, Adam Wolf and Leonard Reiter are named to All Star Cooke County Softball League. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Klement will move to North Carolina State University where he will work on his Ph.D. New Arrivals: a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Haverkamp; a son for Mr. and Mrs. John Hensley; a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Perryman.

10 YEARS AGO
July 21, 1989
Area officials study future possibility of a regional cooperative landfill. Muenster's

Minibus program and drivers Pat Walterscheid and Traci Stoffels provide a real, local service; in 1998 there was a total of 1082 trips for passengers ranging in age from five to 93. Winner in the Cooke County Young Farmers and Ranchers Ranch Rodeo is Cross N Ranch. Obituaries: John C. Schmidkofer of Lindsay dies at age 88; Edmund Loerwald dies in Hereford at age 81. Weddings: Debra Leigh Nortman and Donald Joseph Neu are married in St. Peter's Church; Karen Joyce Stamatis

and Jeffry Lynn Metzler marry in St. Peter's Church.

10 YEARS AGO
July 28, 1989
Second annual Muenster Madness Bike Rally is set for Saturday, August 12 at 8:00 a.m. - will benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Eric Gray and 15 other Texans from Muenster, Texas visit Munster, Westphalen, Germany. Obituary: Aloys C. Kleiss dies in Paris, Arkansas at age 76. Wedding: Karen Mershon marries James D. Pelzel at St. Augustine's Catholic Church of Oak Harbor, Washington. New Arrivals: Amanda Marie Rohmer to Bill and Laurie Rohmer; Jessica Jean Bartel to Walter and Celine Bartel.

Sister Aloysia Kleiss celebrates 60th year as a nun in Olivetan Benedictine convent.

50 YEARS AGO
August 5, 1949
Anxious to eradicate flies, mosquitos and other insect pests, city is fogged with 100 gallons DDT solution, as polo continues to spread across Texas. Muenster's Volunteer Firemen and their "little firefighter" help save thousands of acres of hay near Marysville. Community Lumber Company will hold formal opening on Saturday, August 6. Four weddings in Muenster this week: Elfreda Luke and R.N. Fette are married in Sacred Heart Church on August 1; Ida Mae Neu and Wilfred Bindel

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are married in St. Peter's Church on August 2; Mary Jo Williams and Ray Tempel are married in Sacred Heart Church on August 3; Johann Seyler and Lambert Bezner are married in St. John's Church on August 4. At St. Mary's Church in Gainesville Sylvia Mosser marries Eugene Krebs New Arrivals: Wayne Walte Klement to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Klement; Nellie Marie McElreath to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus McElreath; Judith Ann Elliot to Mr. and Mrs. G.J. Elliot; Sheila Voth to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Voth; Gloria Jean Gieb to Mr. and Mrs. Gen Gieb; Dianne Dolores to Mr. and Mrs. George Gehrig.

Lifestyle

Bindels celebrate golden wedding anniversary

by Elfreda Fette
Observing 50 years of marriage, Wilfred and Ida Mae Bindel celebrated their golden wedding day with a day-long event on Saturday, July 31, 1999. Honored by their children and grandchildren who hosted an Open House at Sacred Heart Community Center from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., the Bindels joyfully greeted many friends and recalled old friendships throughout the day.

Their children and spouses are Cynthia Dennis of Cedar Park, Texas, Phyllis and Lionel Garcia of Lewisville, Guy and Lisa Bindel of Wichita Falls, Brian and Vickie Bindel of Pilot Point, Ben and Tina Bindel of Muenster, and Tim Bindel of Muenster. There are twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

During the Open House, punch, cake by Betty Rose, and an assortment of pick up foods were served. Many pictures were on display for guests to enjoy. The original wedding dress was shown.

Mass in Sacred Heart Church followed at 5:00 p.m., celebrated by Father Thomas Craig, pastor and Msgr. Hubert Neu, brother of Ida Mae Bindel. A special Golden Anniversary blessing was given to the Bindels by the pastor after Communion. Immediate family members

gathered again in the Community Center for a dinner catered by Rohmer's Restaurant.

Briana and Stephanie Bindel, granddaughters presided at the guest book.

Decorations in the reception area included an arrangement of a dozen yellow roses, and a topiary arrangement of assorted yellow spring and summer flowers. White lace cloth covered the anniversary table, which held the decorated two tier cake and crystal candle holders with lighted candles. Guest tables were centered with gold ribbon and gold star baskets of mixed flowers.

A game of "Remembrance of the Wedding Day, August 2, 1949" was played, to see who could remember all or most of the details.

Highlighting details referred to the day, August 2, 1949 when their wedding was one of four held for Muenster residents that week - when Ida Mae Neu, daughter of Joe J. and Ida (Flusche) Neu of Lindsay became the bride of Wilfred Bindel, son of Frank and Marie (Fleitman) Bindel of Muenster.

As was the custom, recalled by many, wedding Masses in those days were held at 8:00 a.m. Father Conrad Herda OSB officiated the Nuptial High Mass in St. Peter's

Church, assisted by Father Herman Laux OSB, and Rev. Hubert Neu of San Antonio.

Mrs. Wm. Fleitman, groom's aunt was organist and the church choir sang the Latin Mass, and "Ave Maria" at Offertory.

The bride wore a white summer satin wedding gown, designed with sheer yoke above a fitted bodice; slim fitted long sleeves; a ruffle of Chantilly lace at the waistline dipping to form a peplum; and a full gathered skirt sweeping into a long train. Her imported French illusion veil was fingertip length, drifting from a sweetheart headdress. The bride designed the gown and veil. She wore a gold cross and chain jewelry, carried a blue rosary, and white roses on a white prayer book, gift from the groom.

Attendants were Imogene Neu (Hoenig), bride's cousin wearing an orchid organdy gown; and Gertrude Bindel (Wimmer), groom's sister wearing a yellow organdy gown. They carried white linen handkerchiefs and wore white carnation corsages.

Leonard Bindel, groom's brother and Rupert Hoenig, groom's cousin were best man and groomsmen.

Mass servers were Leroy Kupper, Harold Neu, James Hermes, Alfred Hermes, and

Henry Fleitman, cousins of the couple.

Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass, a breakfast was hosted by the bride's godparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Henschel. A noon meal was hosted by the

bride's parents. As was the custom, the wedding party went to Boyd and Breeding Studio for portraits. In the evening, a reception in the Lindsay School Auditorium began at 5:00 p.m., with

parents of the couple hosting 150 guests.

Antoinette Neu (Bayer) and Adeline Bindel (Livingston) secured guest signatures.

The three tiered white wedding cake was decorated with orchid and yellow roses. Reception assistants were Verena Henschel (Metzler), Eleanor Hoenig (Pelzel) and Betty Jean Fleitman (Felderhoff).

A dance followed in Lindsay Hall. Upon return from a wedding trip to New Mexico, the couple resided on a farm northwest of Muenster. Their retirement home is on Hickory Street in Muenster.

Wilfred and Ida Mae Bindel have lived in the Muenster area all 50 years. He was a farmer; carpenter; gardener; sales person, and maintenance man for Sacred Heart Schools for a almost 20 years. He is a member of Knights of Columbus; VFW Post 6205; and St. Joseph's Society, and served in the Armed Forces during W.W.II. His hobbies are dominoes, rummy, games, his grandchildren, reading, and walking.

Ida Mae loved being on the farm; always had a nice garden; canned a lot of fruits and vegetables and truly stayed busy with six children, and sewing, crocheting and quilting. When all her children were grown, she went to work as a salesperson and department manager at Wal-Mart for 17 years. Now, in retirement she quilts, reads, walks, and truly enjoys her grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Bindel on their wedding day, Aug. 2, 1949



Local volunteers attending the ACS Leadership Summit included, from left, front: Aly Burroughs, field representative, district 13; Christine Weinzapfel, income development chairman; back: Dr. Audrey Morrill, patient services chairman; Charla Taylor, volunteer involvement chairman; Cheryl Pollard, unit president.

Local volunteers attend A.C.S.'s Leadership summit

Volunteers touch the lives of everyone. On July 31, Cheryl Pollard, Christine Weinzapfel, Charla Taylor, and Dr. Audrey Morrill were four of over two hundred Texas volunteers to attend the American Cancer Society's third annual Leadership Summit held in Austin.

Through the Leadership Summit, volunteers from across Texas gathered to coordinate their cancer control activities, share successes, and obtain the knowledge and tools they need to help fight cancer in their own community.

Workshops were offered to volunteer board presidents as well as those involved with breast cancer, prostate cancer, volunteer recruitment, public relations, patient services and fundraising efforts.

"Volunteers have a direct impact on lives in Cooke County," says Barbara Jamron, R.N., Ph.D. Chair of the Board, Texas Division. With our help the American Cancer Society can provide Hope, Progress and Answers to

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To find out more about the local programs and services of the American Cancer Society or to volunteer call 1-800-ACS-2345.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

Take Note

The Illinois Bend Cemetery Association will meet Saturday, August 7. The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. followed by a lunch at noon. Everyone is welcome to attend. Bring food and good will.

Just A Thought

People know you for what you've done, not for what you plan to do.

St. Anne's Society plans supper honoring nuns

The St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart met in the Sacred Heart Community Center S.N.A.P. room at 7:00 p.m. on August 1, 1999. President Toni Hess led opening prayers. Nancy Nystrom read the minutes from the last meeting, which were approved as written.

Treasurer Tillie Otto gave the expense report, and fund raising ideas for next year were discussed. Some suggestions were collecting pennies from members of St. Anne's, holding a bake sale or quilt raffle, or asking members for donations in lieu of baked items. Members were asked to consider these ideas or report on other ideas at the October meeting.

The group then planned a covered dish supper and social on August 29 at 6 p.m. in the S.N.A.P. room to honor the nuns at Sacred Heart. This social will take the place of the September meeting. Members of St. Anne's are asked to bring a food item to share at supper, then stay for Bingo afterwards.

Tillie Otto read a short article on Spiritual gardening, and Toni Hess read an article on deciding how to view events of the day.

Bea Hess won the attendance drawing, and then the meeting ended with prayer.

Please remember the Supper and Social on August 29 at 6 p.m.

Reunions

There will be a Sicking Family Reunion on Sunday, Sept. 5 at the Myra school building. All Sicking relations are encouraged to attend. The event begins at noon. All are asked to bring a covered dish. For more information contact Hilda Prescher, (940)736-3292.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cory Dean Klement
nee Brenda Jean Stephenson

Stephenson, Klement wed in Gainesville

by Elfreda Fette

The wedding of Brenda Jean Stephenson of Era and Cory Dean Klement of Muenster was held on July 17, 1999 in First United Methodist Church of Gainesville, with Rev. Dr. Joe Pool, pastor, officiating the traditional double ring vows at 3:00 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Wallace and Doris Stephenson of Era. She is a 1989 graduate of Valley View ISD and a 1992 graduate of Texas Woman's University and is employed as the second grade teacher at Valley View Elementary.

The groom is the son of Marcie Klement of Muenster and the late Roman Klement. He is a 1985 graduate of Muenster ISD and is employed by Community Lumber Company of Muenster.

The bride was escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, before an altar decorated by three tall candelabra with lighted votives, entwined with ivy.

She was wearing a white satin and chiffon wedding gown designed by Venus. The sleeveless princess style gown, which featured a fitted bodice

overlaid with pearl-adorned, re-embroidered lace fell to slipper length in front, and swept into a formal train. The skirt and train had a chiffon overlay. She chose a waist-length veil of illusion sprinkled with pearls, and softly gathered and attached to a headpiece of re-embroidered lace and pearls.

Her cascade bouquet held bridal white and bridal pink roses with stephanotis and ivy.

ATTENDANTS

Sherri Gum of Era, friend of the bride was matron of honor. She was gowned in a sleeveless princess georgette floor length gown which featured a square neckline with shirred shoulders and back sash bow.

Hannah Hagemann and Susanna Hagemann, nieces of the bride were flower girls. Matthew Hagemann, bride's nephew was ring bearer.

Ryan Klement of Denison stood with his brother as best man.

Jay Mollenkopf of Lewisville and Rodney Hess of Denton, friends of the groom were ushers.

Wedding music was presented by Anita Wilson,

organist and Christy Hesse vocalist, including Purcell's "Voluntary" and Clark's "Trumpet Tune" for the wedding marches, and "Ave Maria," "The Rose," "Sunrise, Sunset," "The Wedding Song," "One Hand, One Heart," and "The Lord's Prayer," during the ceremony.

RECEPTION

A reception followed in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church in Gainesville.

Betty Rose Walterscheid baked and served the bride's three tiered white wedding cake which was decorated with pink and white carnations and alstroemeria on top and between layers. Sara Reed, bride's niece helped serve the wedding cake. The two-layer groom's German chocolate cake, which featured a K monogram on top, was served by Lynn Blackwelder, cousin of the bride and Paige Fortenberry, friend of the bride. Amanda Reed, bride's niece served the punch.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's mother, Marcie Klement at The Smokehouse in Lindsay; gifts were presented to their

attendants by the couple.

Upon return from a wedding trip to The Mayan Riviera in Mexico, the couple will reside in Muenster.

Years Ago

50 YEARS AGO

July 29, 1949

New teachers for 1949 at Muenster High School are Lawrence B. Bruns, shop and manual training instructor; Doyle Hood, coach and physical education instructor; Mrs. Doyle Hood, elementary grades; Ralph Maglaughlin, vocational agriculture instructor; and Ruby Kelly, home economics. Obituary: Paul Himmels, 54, native of Muenster, dies in Windthorst. City saves 26,000 gallons of water a day since repair of five major leaks in main line is completed. Watermelon garden on vacant lot adjoining Texaco Station is Muenster's newest recreation and refreshment spot. New Arrivals: Deborah Ann Fette to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fette; a son to Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Bedford.

Frank Beyers celebrate 50th anniversary

by Elfreda Fette

Surrounded by their children and spouses, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and numerous friends and relatives, Frank T. and Bernice Beyer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 25, 1999 with a Mass of Thanksgiving in St. Peter's Catholic Church of Lindsay. Father Sebastian Beshoner OSB officiated at 10:00 a.m.

Family members participated in the special liturgy of the anniversary Mass. Amy Sandmann, a granddaughter was Lector. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by grandchildren Jennifer Covington, Michelle Secrest, Shelby Beyer, Josh Sandmann, and Jeff Shannon.

Altar servers were Bryan Covington and Cody Secrest, both grandsons and Brian Sandmann, great-nephew.

Eucharistic Ministers were Judy Secrest, Skipper Bezner, Barbara Bezner, and Kevin Block.

Special music was presented by Laura and James Neusch, and Mrs. Lawrence Neusch.

Ushers were Frank Sandmann and Donnie Sandmann, nephews.

Following Mass, a noon meal was served in Conrad Hall, catered by the Hermes Sisters, and hosted by the Beyers' sons, daughters and their spouses; Ronny and Sharon Covington,

Ricky Beyer, Glen and Barbara Beyer, Judy and Doug Secrest, Debbie and Diamond Sandmann, and Janell Shannon.

The Beyers' grandchildren are Shawna and Chris Hammond; Jennifer Covington; Bryan Covington; Christi, Michelle, and Cody Secrest; Shelby, Emily, and Molly Beyer; Amy and Josh Sandmann; Jeffrey Shannon; and John Ed and April Doty who were unable to attend.

Great-grandchildren are Caleb and Payton Covington; and Brittany Covington.

At the reception granddaughter Amy Sandmann registered guests. The ivory anniversary cake was made by Betty Rose Walterscheid and decorated with metallic gold leaves. The cake was placed on a gold lamé table cover. Daughters of the honor couple cut the cake, which grandchildren served.

Residents of Lindsay, Bernice Beyer is now retired from Weber Aircraft, and Frank Beyer is retired from Muenster AMPI. Before that he farmed and operated a filling station.

Their special hobbies are gardening, keeping up with their yard work and visiting friends and relatives and having them return the visits. Their yard, garden and flowers are showpieces.

A special video was presented to the anniversary

couple by their children showing family history to the present.

Recalled in conversations during dinner and in reminiscing throughout the afternoon was the Beyers' wedding day on July 20, 1949, when Bernice Grewing, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grewing of Muenster became the bride of Frank Beyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beyer of Lindsay. Celebrant of the Nuptial Mass and double ring ceremony at 8:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church was Father Cyril Lange OSB.

Anthony Luke was organist and the Sacred Heart Men's Choir sang the Latin Mass. Mass servers were Willard Hartman, Lee Roy Berend, John Dave Meurer, William Walterscheid, and Carl Walterscheid.

For her wedding, the bride chose a white, slipper satin formal gown, designed with fitted bodice, full skirt and

formal length train, a yoke of imported French illusion, and long fitted sleeves that came to petal points over her hands. Her fingertip illusion veil was edged with Chantilly lace and was held by a wreath of traditional pearly "orange blossoms."

She carried a white orchid atop a mother-of-pearl prayer book, gift from the groom. Also an antique lace handkerchief from her paternal grandmother, Mrs. S. Grewing, and she wore blue earrings from her sister Rosalee.

Maid of honor was Rosalee Grewing, wearing yellow marquisette, and bridesmaid was Rosalee Beyer wearing orchid marquisette. They both wore open crown net picture hats, net gloves, and carried nosegays of white carnations.

Robert Beyer, groom's brother was best man and Henry Grewing, Jr., bride's brother was groomsman. Eugene Schmitz and Edgar



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beyer

Myra VFD BBQ set for September 11

The Myra Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting their 21st annual All-You-Can-Eat Bar-B-Que Cookout Saturday, September 11 at the Myra City Park.

The menu will include barbecue beef, Suzie Q's, beans, and trimmings, homemade pies and cakes for dessert with tea and kool-aid to drink.

Serving will begin at 5 p.m., continuing until 9 p.m. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 years and under.

Doug Martin and the Rustlers will provide live entertainment. An auction will begin at 7 p.m.

If raining, the event will be moved into the old school building.

Mages were ushers.

A wedding breakfast was served in the home of a brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Swirczynski; and a noon meal was served in the home of the bride's parents. At 5:00 p.m. a reception was

held in the parish hall, and 200 guests attended the buffet supper. Mrs. Harold Schmitz, bride's cousin presided at the bride's book. Bernice Luttmer, a close friend served the 3 tier wedding cake. A dance followed in Lindsay Hall.

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New Arrivals

Koesler
Max and Cindy Koesler announce with pride and joy the birth of their first child, a daughter, Samantha Rose Koesler, on July 27, 1999 at 7:38 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 2 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length in Muenster Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Alfons and Mary Ann Koesler, and Duwayne and Sharlene Schilling all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Ben and Gertie Voth, Caroline Schilling and the late Frank Schilling and Charlie Wimmer all of Muenster.

Abeyta
Amanda Pennington and Orville Abeyta of Nocona are parents of a daughter, Summer Lynn Abeyta, born in Muenster Memorial Hospital on July 26, 1999 at 3:49 p.m. weighing 6 lb. 4.9 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. She joins a sister Marian Pennington age 4 and a brother Brandt Pennington age 3. Grandparents are Bobby and Julie Pennington of Montague, Lanell Abeyta of Nocona and Rodney and Tammy Morgan of Nocona.

Becker
Werner and Victoria Becker of Austin, announce the birth of their son, Ryan Christian Becker, at 7:12 p.m. July 20, 1999 at Renaissance Women's Center in Austin, Texas. He weighed 8 lb. 9 oz. and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Werner and Linda Becker of Muenster, Bob and Freida Patterson of Carrollton, Sue Stanard of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Robert Stanard of Colorado Springs, Colorado. Great-grandparents are Werner and Rita Becker of Muenster, the late Henry and Amelia Krebs, Ray and Dorothy Patterson of Wolfe City, Burke and Martha Stanard of Kemp, and the late Joe and Lenora Johnson of Mineola.

Lofton
A.J. and Melissa Lofton are proud parents for the first time of an 8 lb. 1 oz. daughter born July 29, 1999. She was 19 inches long. Her name is Rebecca. She is the first grandchild of Cindy Bindel Dennis of Cedar Park, Texas

and Mac Dennis of Austin, and the great-granddaughter of Wilfred and Ida Mae Bindel, Dorothy Dennis of Austin and Dorothy Lofton and Alvin Lofton.

Mikkelson
Chris and Amanda Mikkelson of Gainesville are parents of a son, Jonathan Gavin Perry Mikkelson, born in Muenster Memorial Hospital on July 30, 1999 at 7:38 a.m. weighing 7 lb. and measuring 20 inches long. He joins a brother Jesse Dewayne Mikkelson, age 5. Grandparents are Jim and Barbara Mikkelson of Gainesville, Flora Wright of Gainesville and Robert and Margie Wright of Chico.

Harper
Robert and Tera Harper of Gainesville are parents of their second son, Robert Dale Harper III, born on June 29, 1999 at 5:47 a.m., weighing 6 lb. 7 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. He joins a brother Kyle James Harper age 3. Grandparents are Otis and Debra Pierce of Bonham, Dean Layman of Fort Worth, and Lee and Charlotte Carnes of Gainesville.



As Sacred Heart School prepares to open, so does the playground. Following some sewer problems, the decision was made to move the manhole rather than move the playground. The area was raised by the level of one landscaping tie and several new layers of gravel were added to the existing layer. Donations are still needed to cover the costs involved and these can be dropped off at the church office and mailed in. Volunteer workers included Raymond Zimmerman, John Bartush, Chris Dangelmayr, Ron Dangelmayr, Ernie Martin, Mike Dangelmayr, and Scott Felderhoff. Courtesy photo

MHMR monthly meeting

Denison: The Mental Health Family and Consumer Support Group of Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, August 12, 7:15-8:30 p.m. The meeting place will be Gainesville Memorial Hospital, 1016 Ritchey, Gainesville, in the Roberts Meeting Room, at the O'Neal Street entrance.

The program will feature John Brooks, B.A., MHMR Service Coordinator, who also has a Masters Degree in Divinity and is an ordained Minister, and Pastor of a Non-Denominational Church in Dexter, Texas. The topic of discussion will be "Coping With Mental Illness; Blending Spiritual and Secular Supports." Family Members, Mental Health Consumers, and interested community members are invited to attend.

The Consumer Peer Support Group will hold their meeting in the Roberts Room at 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. and are invited to stay for the informational meeting. For more information call Judy Foster at 903-786-4812

Conserve H₂O
Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants. A layer of mulch will slow the evaporation of moisture.



Library News

by Kay Broyles

Summer reading program will be ending August 19. Now is the time to complete your summer reading logs in order to be a part of our end of the summer reading party which will be held August 24 at 4:00 at the City Park Pavilion. Refreshments will be served, and certificates and door prizes will be given.

The Friends of the Muenster Public Library have hired an architect, Bill Hidell of Carrollton, to design the new library. Rick Reynolds of Muenster has been hired to be the project manager. We hope to be able to start building in the fall. Funds are still needed in order for this to happen. We appreciate the continued support of the community with this project.

The library will be having a combination book sale/yard sale at the city-wide yard sale on September 11. If you have items to donate for our sale, please contact the library or Janie Hartman.

The library board accepted the resignation of Jeanette Meurer. We are grateful for the time and the work that she has

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The Texoma program currently has 25 volunteers each serving 1044 hours per year. Local organizations currently receive services from Foster Grandparents valued at \$134,415 per year. The program is funded for 68 volunteers to provide services to special needs children and contribute a value of \$365,608 per year to the community based on minimum wage).

In Gainesville, Foster Grandparents volunteer at Lead Start, J.M. Lindsey Elementary and the Gainesville State School.

Foster Grandparent volunteers receive a stipend of \$2.55 per hour served as well as accident insurance, annual physicals and transportation assistance. Forty hours of pre-service training is provided and four hours of in-service training monthly. The stipend does not affect any type of assistance a person might be receiving. Persons over 60 years of age may apply by calling 1-800-677-8264 or 903-813-3589.

The Foster Grandparent Program is funded through the Corporation for National Service and is locally sponsored by the Texoma Council of Governments.

There is a basic charge of **\$35.00** for wedding stories and golden wedding stories used in The Muenster Enterprise.

Announcements

Members of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary #6205 need to note the change of meeting from Monday, August 16 to Monday, August 23. The time is 8 p.m. as usual. This change was made so as not to conflict with the 100th annual national convention of the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary. The convention takes place in Kansas City, Missouri from August 14-21.

"SUMMERS LAST BLAST"

An auto auction, swap meet, and silent auction will be held in conjunction with the annual "Summers Last Blast," Saturday, August 14, at 10:00 a.m. at the 4-H complex on Harrold Street in Vernon.

There will also be an auto-related swap meet held at the same location Saturday, August 14, 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 15, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

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School News

Leslie Eddleman choreographs dances for Red N Motion

The 1999-2000 school year promises to be an exciting one for the Sacred Heart Red 'N Motion Dance Team. The team has come under new leadership and has 34 members which makes this year's dance team one of the largest ever.

Red 'N Motion already started their part of the football season on July 26 with dance camp. This year's camp was taught by Leslie Eddleman. Mrs. Eddleman is a

former Dallas Cowboys cheerleader who was with the squad from 1988 to 1991. Camp started early in the morning on the 26th and ended on the 29th with an afternoon performance for family and friends.

This year's dances are fresh and fast-paced and are sure to be crowd pleasers. Some of the dances include surprise props such as brooms for the dance on the week of Halloween. Eddleman not only put a lot

of time and effort into choreographing and teaching the dances, but will also be coaching the dance team at practices during the year.

Red 'N Motion has almost all new leadership this year. Hayle Dangelmayr is joined by Tracey Sellers to share the responsibilities of sponsor. Officers are lieutenants Jackie Bartush and Diane Becker, juniors, and captain Gina Yosten, senior. All three are first time officers.



Sacred Heart Red 'N Motion Dance Team completed their annual dance team camp at the Sacred Heart Community Center last week. Dave Fette photo

DRESS CODE

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. It should be noted that in all cases, acceptability of dress and grooming will be determined by the administration. Student's dress and grooming should adhere to the following guidelines:

Hair should be neat and clean at all times. Regarding hair, the following is prohibited:

- Boys hair extending below the top of the collar, or over the eyebrows.
- Drastic or unnatural coloring.
- Two toned.
- Hair cut in a strip regardless of the length of the remaining hair.
- Razor cuts or other designs.
- Facial hair.
- Sideburns below the bottom of the ear.

Regarding clothing, the following is prohibited:

- Shirts/blouses short enough to expose the midriff when the arms are raised.
- Mesh or see-through blouses.
- Anything bearing the symbol or emblem of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products.
- Extremely revealing or tight clothing.
- Shorts and skorts.
- Tank tops with straps less than 3" wide.
- Camouflage or other military type gear.

Skirts or dresses which exceed 6 inches in length from the floor to the hemline. (From a kneeling position). In the case of a slit skirt or dress, the measurement is from the floor to the top of the slit.

- Clothing with distracting, inappropriate, suggestive, negative, or distasteful words, phrases, or images. These include but are not limited to: satanic symbols, skulls, daggers, or images depicting or promoting violence.
- Socks must be worn with shoes. Open toed shoes do not require hosiery, however, socks must be worn with sandals.
- Cotton sweat pants.
- Sagging of the pants.
- Pants which are excessively frayed.
- Pants which drag the floor or are excessively baggy. (Pants must not measure more than three inches from the knee when pulled laterally). Bell-bottoms must not cover the shoe.
- Shirts with arm holes that are wide enough to expose either undergarment or the chest area.

Regarding accessories, the following is prohibited:

- Earrings on boys.
- Sunglasses.
- Hats/headgear.
- Body piercing, other than girl's earrings.
- Chains, regardless of how or where they are worn.
- Portable radio. CD/tape players.
- Beeper and cellular phones.

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Due to ever-changing styles and fads, it is impossible to foresee future clothing alternatives. Therefore, the administration reserves the right to determine acceptability in issues not addressed in the dress code. All dress and grooming deemed by the administration to be inappropriate or distracting to the educational process is prohibited.

Conserve H₂O
Use a broom to clean driveways and sidewalks. Using a hose to push around a few leaves and grass clippings can waste hundreds of gallons of water.

Lunch Menu

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ERA ISD
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Thurs. - Nachos w/ground beef, Pinto beans, tossed salad, peaches, chocolate pudding.
Fri. - Barbecue sandwich, pickle spears, French fries, ice cream.

LINDSAY ISD
Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, bread.
Fri. - Burrito, refried beans, applesauce, oranges, bread.

Muenster Elementary prepares for 1999-2000

Muenster Elementary will join the other county schools in Gainesville High School August 10, for staff development. Muenster Elementary teachers will return to the Muenster Campus for staff development on August 11 and 12. Teachers will ready their classrooms on August 13. Classes begin on August 16, at 7:40 a.m.

The Staff Development Schedule on the Muenster Campus includes a Welcome from Steve Cooper, superintendent, followed by sessions on Student Portfolios, Gifted and Talented Curriculum, Science Curriculum, Computer Curriculum, At Risk Students, and Agriculture in the Classroom. Teachers will also review the school survey and update the campus plan.

Late Registration at Muenster Elementary
Students that did not register in the spring and wish to attend Muenster Elementary School may register the first two weeks in August from 8:00 to 3:00 in the school office or in the superintendent's office. To complete registration, parents will need to bring copies of school records, immunization records, social security card and birth certificate.

Howdy night scheduled for August 12
Howdy Night is scheduled for August 12. Parents have an opportunity to meet their child's teacher and learn about the grade level requirements regarding discipline,

homework, curriculum and classroom procedures. Each teacher will give a fifteen-minute presentation followed by a question and answer period. The Pre-kindergarten presentation begins at 6:00 p.m. The presentations for the remainder of the grades immediately follows the pre-kindergarten presentation in fifteen-minute increments.

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If you are planning to hunt migratory game birds, such as dove and waterfowl this year, you must be certified under the

Harvest Information Program (HIP). HIP certification will automatically be printed on the license at the time of purchase after the brief series of questions have been answered. Lifetime license holders must also be HIP-certified in order to hunt migratory birds.

The objective of HIP, which was initiated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is to create a harvest database of

ducks, doves, geese, and other migratory birds. This is the second year Texas has fully participated in this federally-mandated program.

For the avid outdoorsperson, the Super Combo license includes a resident combination hunting and fishing license plus all seven state hunting and fishing stamps for \$49. Sold separately, the face value of the package is \$82.

August 11 new year licenses will be available from more than 3,000 outlets statewide including Gehrig Hardware, Ace Hardware, and 82 Liquor in Muenster. TPW sells about 3.5 million hunting and fishing licenses annually through its 28 district offices, more than 100 state parks and hundreds of retailers across Texas.

In addition to the electronic, point-of-sale system, customers can use a toll-free license service (1-800-LIC-4-U) that serves both Texans and out-of-state residents. This allows customers to buy licenses by phone with credit cards 24 hours a day. Persons ordering by phone or mail during peak periods should allow two weeks for delivery.

Tigerettes Cross County First day of workouts

Monday August 9 6:45 am SH Gym



Stretching and jumping were only two areas covered at Hornet practice. Janie Hartman photo



High school football began on Knight Field Wednesday morning. At right, receiver coach Mark Earnhart demonstrates pass defense



coverage, which was attempted by Lindsay players. Janie Hartman photo



Tiger Coach Kris Hogan checks his teams passing performance as Jeff Hartman makes this completion. Janie Hartman photo

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Thank You

On behalf of the Sacred Heart Football Teams, Dance Teams and Cheerleaders, I would like to thank all those who helped make our annual fish fry such a nice event.

Thanks to Lenny, Wally, Norb, Babe, Mark & Don for preparing the fish. Henry, Nick, Tony and Jeremy for supplying the fish and to all the folks who brought food. To Henry Knabe and H & W Crew for everything and to Dale for the drinks.

Special thanks go to Kathy & Bob Bauer and Kathy's parents for the use of their home and yard and their gracious work and hospitality in hosting this event.

Mike Stoffels

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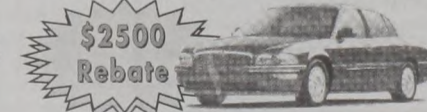


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Farm Bureau policy development begins

Helping farmers now is both right and wise

by Bob Stallman, president Texas Farm Bureau

All of America, it sometimes seems, is one big boom town, and to enter the new millennium with an economic force that will not be denied. The stock market has zoomed to new records, new businesses and new jobs are created every day. Leave the cities, however, and drive across rural America and the picture changes. Many farmers and ranchers are swept up in an economic crisis that is so deep and so severe, that rural America is verging on economic collapse. In many ways, our state saw the crisis sooner, and was more profoundly affected than elsewhere.

In 1996 and 1998, it was drought that dealt Texas agriculture a crippling blow. It takes more than one year to recover from disasters of that magnitude, but in 1999, timely

Farmers and ranchers accept that difficult times are part of the profession. Today, however, agriculture is dealing with a series of events stacking up like boxcars slamming into one another in a giant economic train wreck.

Last year, federal help averted the coming catastrophe. It was the difference, for many farmers, between giving up during a dismal 1998 and putting seeds in the ground one more time. This year, once again, we face another national decision. Should we invest in agriculture again? If we do not, then the face of agriculture in America will be forever altered, and I believe, for the worse.

The American Farm Bureau Federation has advanced an agricultural recovery program that is both affordable and responsible. I helped draft it. I think it is right for agriculture and right for America. The plan would invest \$9 billion in

Some will wonder out loud, "Why don't farmers and ranchers pull themselves up by their bootstraps? After all, the Freedom to Farm Act, while phasing out price supports, will provide market flexibility. Isn't that enough?"

The short answer, "No, it is not enough." In fact, the Freedom to Farm Act, for agriculture, remains mostly a broken contract. Often forgotten in the debate is that 1996 legislation promised increased attention to expand world markets for agricultural products and a reduction in the enormous regulatory burden on agriculture (the AFBF relief plan also addresses these issues). Neither has happened, and there are no bootstraps to grasp.

For many Americans, living in a time of unprecedented prosperity, these events seem far away and quite unimportant. Just beneath the surface however, looms a question that it is time to answer. "Who will grow our food in the not too distant future?" Will our fruits and vegetables come from family farmers in California, Florida or the Texas Rio Grande Valley? Or perhaps we are comfortable with the notion they will come from Mexico.

Will our beef come from the plains of Texas, or from Australia? Will our rice be grown in the fields of Texas, California and Arkansas, or the Far East? On our own soil, we know the "who" and the "how." Across our own borders, we can never know.

Will America become a nation dependent on imports for our food? Can we remember how easy it was for foreign powers to slow the flow of oil? Is food not at least as important?

We need a full and complete examination of our national agricultural policy. The full weight of foreign governments stands behind the farmers and rancher of other lands. Our own farmers and ranchers cannot compete with that.

No farmer or rancher that I know likes being in this predicament. They would like nothing better than producing for a market at a profitable price. In days not too far

ahead, perhaps we can arrive at that point, but is we lose the cream of our skilled agricultural producers at the dawn of new century, it will mean very little.

In 1999, the answer is immediate federal assistance. The answer for a new century is long term, meaningful agricultural policy that addresses market reality, not wishful thinking and empty promises of global free trade that does not exist.

County Agent's Report by Craig Rosenbaum

TILLAGE FIELD DAY

Company representatives will demonstrate and answer questions on various tillage equipment at the Tillage Field Day scheduled for Thursday, August 12, from 9:00 a.m. till noon. Location will be directly south of Pettit Equipment on land farmed by Craig Williams. Demonstrations and producer use will be conducted on discs, chisels, field cultivators, and other tillage equipment. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

STATE FAIR ENTRIES

A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 17 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cooke County Fairgrounds for 4-H members and parents who wish to enter the State Fair of Texas Youth Livestock Show. Entry fees, entry data and forms will be completed at this time. Additional information can be obtained by calling the county Extension office at (940) 668-5412.

When to cut for best hay

USDA experiments show that cattle prefer afternoon cut hay over morning cut hay.

Cutting hay after the forage has had time to soak up the sun creates a higher percentage of highly digestible sugars and carbohydrates, making a higher quality hay to feed this winter.

Farmers and ranchers in Texas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization, are mulling over issues and answers as they prepare to write the policies that will guide the organization in the year 2000.

"Policy is what sets Farm Bureau apart," said Tim Hartman, president of the Cooke County Farm Bureau. "No other organization that I know of goes to such great lengths to determine the true grass roots objectives of Texas farmers and ranchers."

Each summer, a policy development meeting is held in each of Texas Farm Bureau's 13 Districts. There, officers and leaders from County Farm Bureaus surface and discuss the issues that are important to farm families.

Tim and Janie Hartman, Robert and Gloria Klement, and Edwin Knight attended a policy development on June 22 in Fort Worth.

"This year, I would say that the low prices top the list," Tim said. "Water, taxes, regulations and the declining Ag export market are also getting some attention."

After these discussions, policy resolutions will be addressed at the state

convention in Corpus Christi in late November. Approved state resolutions become policy at that time, and national resolutions will go to the national convention in Houston, in January.

"Once passed, all these resolutions become Farm Bureau policy and our volunteer leaders and staff will work to get them implemented," Tim said.

Off-farm income is money-maker

Off-farm income continues to provide the vast majority of income to farm operator households. Figures from a 1997 Agricultural Resource Management Study indicate the average annual farm operator household income to be \$52,347. Of this amount, \$46,358, or over 88 percent, is attributed to off-farm sources.

Earning from farm activities averaged \$5,989 per household. The U.S. average household earnings from farming activities in 1997 as a percent of average household income totaled 11.4 percent.

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rains will at least provide a crop. Trying to sell that crop, however, will be an exercise in frustration. Commodity crop prices have flirted with record lows, levels that will not recover the cost of production in many cases.

Yet bankers have to be paid. Equipment must be replaced or repaired. Seed and fertilizers must be purchased. The children of farm families need shoes and school clothes, and a chance at higher education. The economic state of many farm families is too focused on surviving today to plan for the future.

preserving America's ability to produce its own food and fiber. Less than half would be earmarked for much needed direct assistance to farmers and ranchers. The rest would go toward immediate export initiatives to help boost commodity prices and toward reform and expansion of the federally supported risk management safety net.

On July 20, the Texas Farm Bureau Board of Directors adopted a resolution stating the serious nature of this farm crisis, and endorsed the AFBF plan for relief.

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For economical brush control, properly managed goats can help. Goats prefer leaves of brush and low-quality forage to the lush grasses. To efficiently control brush, "over graze" the brush.

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Soft & Gentle
BATH TISSUE
4 ROLL
79¢

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6.7-11 OZ.
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ALL SPORT Drink 32 OZ **59¢**

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IDAHO MASHED Potatoes 13 OZ **\$1.15**

KRAFT ASSORTED BBQ Sauce 18 OZ **79¢**

KRAFT ASSORTED Salad Dressings 16 OZ **\$1.99**

Instant Nestea 3 OZ **\$2.89**

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KRAFT Miracle Whip 32 OZ **\$2.09**



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1/2 GALLON
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BLUE BELL 6 PACK **2 FOR \$6.00**

Farm Fresh Produce

RED SEEDLESS Grapes
79¢ LB.

OLATHE Corn
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GREEN, Lettuce 2 FOR **\$1.00**

10-12 OZ. AMERICAN OR ITALIAN BLEND Dole Salad 2 FOR **\$3.00**

FRESH TANGY Lemons 4 FOR **\$1.00**

CALIFORNIA BARTLETT Pears **79¢ LB.**

GARDEN FRESH Broccoli EACH **69¢**

MEDIUM/LARGE YELLOW Onions 3 LBS. **\$1.00**

RED RIPE CELLO 4-PACK Tomatoes EACH **99¢**

ASSORTED LAYS® OR WAVY LAYS® Potato Chips
REG. \$1.49
99¢



ASSORTED FRITO LAY® Lunch Packs 2 FOR **\$5**

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SELECT GROUP HUNT'S BBQ Sauce 18 OZ **69¢**

SHURFINE Sandwich Bag 80 CT. **2\$1 FOR**

PURINA FIELD MASTER Dog Food 17.6 LB. **\$3.99**





60 OZ. ULTRA POWDER OR 128 OZ. LIQUID Sun Detergent
EACH **\$2.79**



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SHURFINE HASHBROWNS Potatoes 20-32 OZ. **79¢**

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