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Society News

Judy Bunge selected Angel Flight at UT

Announcing!
New Arrivals

Jennifer Grasshoff born March 16

Gary and Sherry Grasshoff are the proud parents of a baby girl, Jennifer Erin Michelle, born at 9:59 p.m., March 16, 1983 in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Welcoming the newborn are grandparents, Reverend and Mrs. E. V. Hudson of Houston, Harold E. Grasshoff of Spring and Wanda Lipnicks of Houston. Great grandparents are Nola and Della Grasshoff of Eagle Lake, Ida Swann Grantham of Merigold, Mississippi and Bernice Schoelman of Taitan.

Ambulance Corps to meet Thursday

The Eagle Lake Unit of Colorado County Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Corps will have Doug Stevenson, State vice president of Texas Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, present the program for their regular practice session, Thursday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ambulance Corps Hall.

Mr. Stevenson will bring an update on current E.M.S. legislation now before the Texas House of Representatives.

All ambulance corps members and any interested persons are urged to attend.

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Miscellaneous shower given to Debra Cooper March 11

Debra Cooper, bride-elect of Robert Sheppard, was honored at a miscellaneous shower on Friday, March 11 in Sugar Land. The shower was hosted by Mrs. Dianne Morton and Mrs. Sheila Reagan at Mrs. Morton's home. The bride was presented a corsage of kitchen utensils and then presented with many lovely gifts.

Special guests were the honorees mother, Mrs. Harvey Cooper, her grandmothers, Mrs. Marie Cooper and Mrs. Mae Reagan.

Susan Spalinger honored at tea shower March 5

Miss Susan Spalinger, bride elect of Michael Phillips, was honored with a tea shower, Saturday, March 5. The party was held from 3:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Frank Higgins. Co-hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Jim Clippson, Sr., Mrs. Frank Davidson, Mrs. B. J. Ashby, Mrs. Carl Seaholm, Jr., Mrs. Robert Griffith, Mrs. K. R. Szymanski and Mrs. Bud Kopynski.

Susan and her mother, Mrs. Charles Spalinger, were presented corsages from the hostesses and they greeted guests as they arrived.

The dining table was centered with a large arrangement of silk flowers of shades of pink into shades of burgundy. Silver trays of finger sandwiches with layers of chicken salad and pimento cheese, assorted cookies and a vegetable relish tray were placed on the table.

Mrs. Pete Shultz of El Campo served a cranberry punch from a large glass punch bowl and Mrs. Bill Davis from Houston poured coffee from a silver coffee service.

Susan's gifts were displayed for the guests to view. Susan and Michael's wedding is scheduled for April 16 in the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake.

Altar Society meets

The Altar Society of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church held its monthly meeting at the Diener Hall on March 3.

Prior to the business meeting, delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses, Evelyn Beseda and Adela Emmel.

The president, Emily Stiles, opened the meeting with a prayer. The minutes were read by the secretary, Carolyn Noska, and the treasurer's report was given by Lee Kana.

Mary Theuman gave a report on the January meeting of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women held in Bellville. The DCWC Convention will be held April 24, 25 and 26 at the Ramada Inn in College Station.

The children's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Wednesday, March 30, at 4 p.m. at the Diener Hall.

Plans were discussed concerning the senior party, but no date was set.

The meeting was closed with prayers led by Father Ray Widacki. Reporter.

Barbecue personal shower honors Robert Sheppard

Robert Sheppard of Houston, groom-elect of Debra Cooper, was honored on Sunday, March 13 with a surprise barbecue personal shower. The event was hosted by Johnny Cooper at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Wiese.

Robert was pleasantly surprised by a large number of family and close friends. He received a lovely selection of clothes and gifts.

St. Anthony's PTC meets

The monthly meeting of St. Anthony's P.T.C. of Columbus was held Monday, March 14 with Charles Glueck presiding.

Before the business meeting was held, Sister Rosemary, second grade teacher, shared her slides of Nicaragua. Sister Rosemary worked in Nicaragua in the town of Muelle de los Bueyes on the east coast from January, 1980 until April, 1982. Like the four other sisters with whom she worked, Sister Rosemary was involved in the training of religious lay leaders who direct the Christian communities of the Muelle parish. Work was also done with housewives' groups on themes such as the Bible, nutrition, general health and the importance and role of the women within their families.

Nicaragua is a country struggling to gain its own history and its own destiny in the world community. The new Sandinista government is doing much to improve the lives of the Nicaraguan people. Better roads, electricity in the hill country, better water supplies, more clinics, and better education are all part of the improvements desired and in process for this small Central American country.

Following Sister's presentation, the minutes were read and the treasurer's report given. Father Brian

Glueck, reporter. The next step for the P.T.C. was the election of officers for the next year. Those elected were Christine Grilo, president; Frankie Hudick, vice president; Lorraine Novasod, secretary; Mary Labay, treasurer; and Mickey Glueck, reporter. These officers will assume their duties at the next meeting to be held April 11. All members are urged to attend.

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Smith, Prazak are county champs in spelling

Jodi Smith, an eighth grader at the Sheridan Elementary School, and Rhonda Prazak, a fifth grader at the Eagle Lake Middle School, won the Garwood County Spelling Bees held at Rice High School on Wednesday, March 16 at 10:30 a.m.

Smith competed against three other students. Participating were Dolores Soto from the Eagle Lake Middle School, Felicia Hearn from the Garwood Elementary School, and David Zajick, runner-up, from the Columbus Junior High School. Jodi spelled "barren" and "bathtub" correctly to be declared the

county champion.

Prazak's competition was Kori Klein from the Sheridan Elementary School and Cynthia Engstrom, runner-up, from the Garwood Elementary School. To be declared the junior champion, Prazak spelled "decap" and "defroster."

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By Donnell Pantel
County Extension Agent
Homemakers' Reflections

If you are confused about the new savings options available at the bank, you are not alone. Because Congress passed the Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act in 1980, savings institutions now offer more choices to consumers. Deregulation is intended to make banks more competitive with money market funds.

The most recent deregulation allowed banks to offer superNOW and money market accounts. The new accounts have not only savers back to the banks.

Before investing in superNOW and money market accounts, consumers should be aware of both their advantages and disadvantages.

Both superNOW and money market accounts have many common features. Each requires depositors to maintain an average monthly balance of \$2,500. If the average monthly balance drops below the amount, the account will earn only the five and one-fourth percent interest applied to regular NOW accounts.

Both accounts are also federally insured up to \$100,000, and they allow check writing and telephone transfers. However, money market accounts limit the number of transfers and checks you can write each month.

Banks are allowed to guarantee an interest rate on both these accounts for up to one month. Some of the banks are planning to tie their rates to a market index.

The security and convenience of these accounts might entice you, but keep in mind that neither account is ideal for everyone. Unless you regularly maintain a checking balance of \$2,500, for example, you would probably do better with a regular NOW account.

But money market accounts could be the right move if your savings have been idling away in a five and one-fourth percent passbook account. It may also be attractive if you have invested in a regular money market fund, but prefer the federal insurance and personalized service provided by the banks.

Disadvantages can occur with both types of accounts. But money market accounts may be created in the near future as banks attempt to compensate for paying higher interest rates by charging for services which were once provided free.

If you decide to use one of these new savings options, investigate thoroughly. Read the fine print in the ads and brochures promoting these accounts. Be sure that fees and penalties won't cost you more than the higher interest rates.

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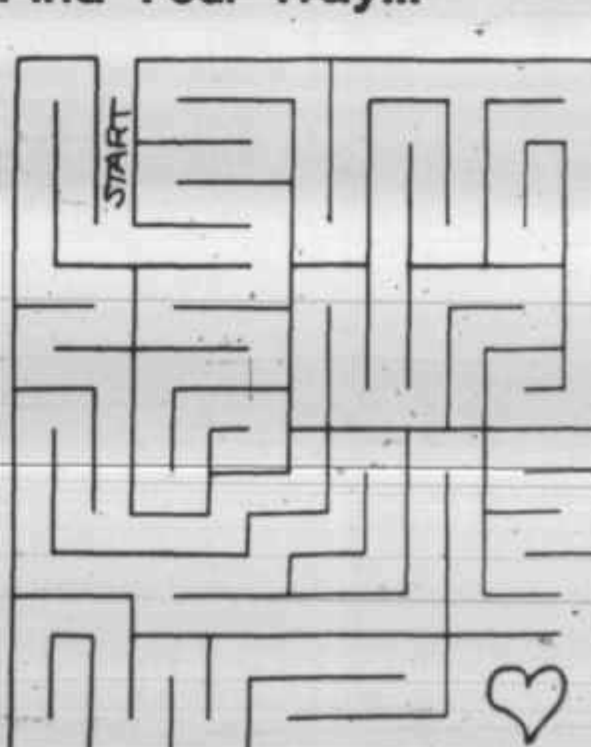


TAKE CARE OF YOUR HEART

Your heart is a very important part of your body. It pumps blood through your blood vessels to every part of your body. Blood carries oxygen and food to all the cells that make up your body. You can see how blood flows through the two parts of your heart in the drawing at left.

Your heart is a very strong muscle. It starts to beat before you are born and continues to beat for the rest of your life without a single rest. You could not live without your heart. That's why it's important to take good care of it. You can learn how in the box below.

Find Your Way...



Use the News
Make a "Healthy Heart" puzzle using today's newspaper. Cut out pictures of foods that are good for your heart, like the ones in the "Wordfind" Glue the pictures to a piece of construction paper.

HEALTHY HEART TIPS

1. Eat a balanced diet that includes the foods in the "Wordfind" below. Go easy on sweets, oily foods, eggs, whole milk, butter, and salt.
2. Get plenty of exercise every day, like running, swimming, bicycling, skating, or jumping rope.
3. Don't smoke—EVER!
4. Have a checkup by your doctor at least once a year.

WORDFIND

These foods are good for a healthy heart. Reading across and down, how many can you find in the letters below? Low fat milk, lemonade, oranges, nuts, graham crackers, strawberries, popcorn, cucumber, peanut butter, bananas, yogurt, carrot, celery, raisins, apple, beans, lettuce, melon, corn, beets, peas, tomato, cereal, rice, fish, chicken:

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