

## OBITUARIES

### Thomas Preston Haley IV

January 7, 1918 - January 30, 1993

Thomas Preston Haley IV, age 75, passed away January 30, 1993, in Galveston.

He was born January 7, 1918, in Houston to Thomas Preston Haley III and Jeannie Lynn Vineyard.

Survivors include his wife Yvonne Haley of Lane City; daughter, Nancy Lynn Haley of Austin, Texas; son, Ernest of Lane City; son, Thomas Preston Haley V of Pasadena; and grandson, Randall Bryant of Lane City.

Funeral services were to be held Wednesday, February 3, at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Smithville.

Local arrangements were under the direction of Dulany Funeral Home in Eagle Lake.

Sympathy is extended to the family in their loss.

### Archie Robert Nash Jr.

April 27, 1949 - January 23, 1993

Archie Robert Nash, age 53, passed away January 23, 1993, at 12:45 a.m.

He was born April 27, 1940, to Archie and Doris Nash in Diboll, the eldest of four children. He attended public school in Lufkin and furthered his education at Huston-Tillotson College earning a bachelor's degree. Later he attended Prairie View A&M University receiving certification in physics.

Archie was united in marriage to Carol Chavis on June 23, 1978.

He was united in Christ at an early age in Diboll. Later in Houston, he was united with the Greater Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Rev. R.L. Franklin, pastor, where he initiated a Boy Scout troop.

As a Boy Scout leader, he exemplified his commitment through his good works in helping people help themselves.

Archie started his teaching career at E.H. Henry High School in Eagle Lake as a basketball and football coach and mathematics teacher.

Leaving Eagle Lake, he was employed at Aldine High School as math teacher and football coach.

For the last 22 years of his teaching career, Madison High School was his home, culminating 32 years of dedication to the teaching profession.

Because of his love for sports, he generously gave of his time to the Marlin Athletic Department and other organizations. He was a referee for the City of Houston Parks and Recreation and SBOA.

Archie was a member of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge F & A.M. of Texas, Dawn of Light #79.

His mother, Doris Nash, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Carol; his father, a daughter, Doris Eta Francis and son-in-law, Glen; one son, Robert; two grandchildren, Renaldo and Sarah Michelle Francis; step-mother, Georgia Nash; two sisters, Eleanor L. Brown of Houston and Joyce Williams of Los Angeles, Ca.; one brother, Finis Nash of Huntsville; five aunts, Olga Hargrove of Houston, Gertha M. Amos of Austin, Leleatha A. Polk of Long Beach, Ca., Libby Lofton of Houston, and Genevieve Lacy of Gardena, Ca.; mothers-in-law, Luevian Chavis of Eagle Lake and Mary Stevens of Houston; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and loved ones.

Memorial services were held Saturday, January 30, at 12 noon, with Rev. R.L. Franklin, officiating. Interment followed at the Houston Memorial Gardens. Arrangements were under the direction of Paradise Funeral Home in Houston.

Active pallbearers were Eddie Dinkins, Fred Carvin, Hampton Armelin, Calvin Williams, Thomas McDougald and Reginald Moteyer.

Honorary pallbearers were Finis Nash, Maurice Davis, John Gatlin, Dwight Paige, C.D. Moten, Billy Williams, Jimmie Washington, Wellington Armelin, Robert Nash, Robert Douglas, Nick Gatlin, John Sutton, Roy Armelin, Rev. Albert Jackson and Cleveland Stephens.

The booklet is available from LCRA at P.O. Box 20, Austin, TX 78767 or by calling 1-800-776-5272, ext. 3235.

LCRA will also publish a flood warning map in early 1993 with historic highs and other stage information at the major river gauge sites and

the Highland Lakes dams.

They plan to install signs in populated areas denoting the 100-year flood elevations for use by surveyors. The staff is erecting high water markers at the nine major bridges downstream also, to show the peak stage during the 1991-92 flood. Aluminum caps have been imbedded in the concrete showing how high the water rose. Staff gauges with stages marked have been placed in the water to provide a reference point for residents hearing announcements of rises in the water.

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## LCRA improves flood alert system

Near the anniversary of the Christmas 1991 flood on the Colorado River, The Lower Colorado River Authority General Manager Mark Rose announced new LCRA initiatives to improve the flood alert system and decrease future flood losses.

Rose outlined the new projects in a statewide press conference.

The 1992 flood began with heavy rains on Dec. 19, 1991 and record high water persisted through February in the Coastal Plains downstream and in Lake Travis, LCRA's only flood control reservoir. Flood waters reached into about 350 homes and caused other damage amounting to a total of \$23 million in losses along the lower Colorado River, not counting agricultural losses.

Foremost in the LCRA plans is educating residents and prospective owners of floodplain property to the potential for rising waters and resulting property damage.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the LCRA have published a booklet, "Current Danger". The booklet discusses the required protocols to allow water to rise in the floodplains of the Highland Lakes to protect downstream residents and the consequences of these and other flood management operations.

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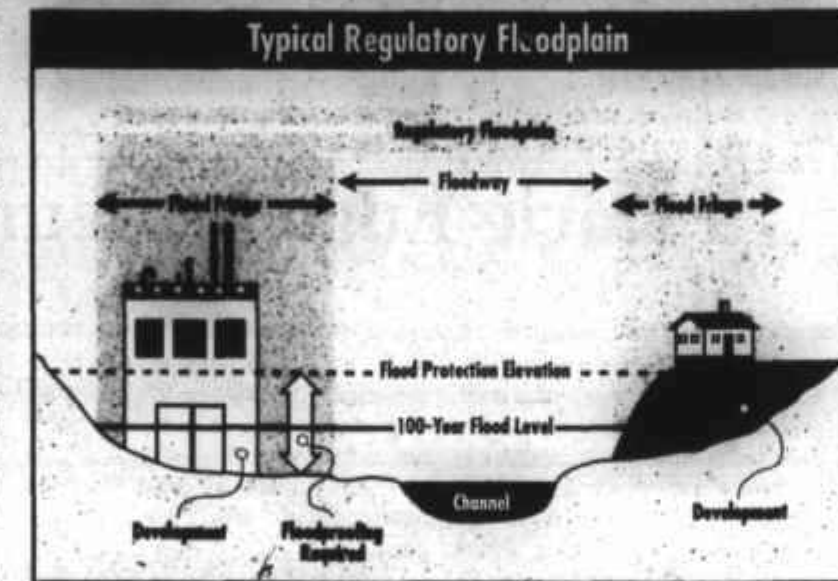
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## Two local artists shown at Live Oak Art Center

Jo Didner, an artist from Egypt, Texas, will display a series of recent paintings in the Live Oak Art Center gallery. Pat Johnson, another contemporary artist from the Fayetteville area, will have drawings and ceramics on display in the studio reception area of the center. The show will open with a preview reception Feb. 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. and continue through March 5.

Didner's oil paintings were previously done on a scale of about 8 feet by 8 feet. In the last two years she has gone to the other extreme, choosing to work in a size of about 7 by 10 inches.

When asked about which art had influenced her work, she cited varied sources as the prehistoric cliff paintings in Ares de Maeste near Barcelona to the frescoes of Goya in the church of San Antonio de la Florida in Madrid.

A 1979 University of Texas graduate in art and design, she returned to Austin in 1984 to get another degree in painting. Born in Columbus, Jo's move to Egypt in 1988 has returned

the presentation of these exhibits continue the LOAC's commitment to the work of artists from this area.

The public is invited to attend the preview reception on Feb. 5 and meet the artists. The Live Oak Art Center, located at 1014 Millam Street, Columbus, is open Wednesday through Saturday 10 to 5.

## ANNOUNCING NEW ARRIVALS

### Anna Claire Cooke

Dr. and Mrs. Shannon Cooke of Jackson, Mississippi, announce the birth of their second child, a girl, born on January 23, 1993, at the Woman's Hospital in Jackson.

The baby was named Anna Claire and is welcomed home by her brother, Hunter.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Major Bengé of Eagle Lake. The mother is the former Becky Bengé.

### Jesse Dakota Ross

Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Ross of Sheridan announce the birth of their second child, a boy, born on January 20, 1993, at 10:17 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

The baby was named Jesse Dakota and weighed eight pounds, six ounces, and measured 20-1/2 inches long. The attending physician was Dr. Russell Thomas.

The baby is welcomed home by Courtney, age two.

The maternal grandparents are Forrest and Jean Strader of Sheridan. The paternal grandparents are Jim and Lucy Ross of Sheridan.

Great grandparents are James B. and Jewel Ross of Sheridan, Herbert Wilson of Ace, Cecilia Sanchez of New Caney and Boots Strader of Shepherd.

### MaChelsea Dion-Chaquelyn Thomas

Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Thomas of Eagle Lake announce the birth of their second child, a girl, born on January 22, 1993, at 10:50 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

The baby was named MaChelsea Dion-Chaquelyn and weighed seven pounds, four ounces, and measured 20 inches long. The attending physician was Dr. Russell Thomas.

The baby is welcomed home by her sister, MaCesly, two years old.

Maternal grandmother is Debra McTeer of Eagle Lake. Paternal grandparents are Erlene Upson and Oliver Pettus of Eagle Lake.

Great grandparents are Edna McTeer and Bessie Williams from Eagle Lake. The mother is the former Marsha McTeer.

### Michael Anthony Waligura Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Waligura of Garwood announce the birth of their second child, a boy, January 23, 1993, at 2:15 a.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

The baby was named Michael Anthony Jr. and weighed seven pounds, four and three-quarters ounces, and measured 21 inches long. The attending physician was Dr. Russell Thomas.

The baby is welcomed home by Kimberly Michelle, seven years old.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Kroboth of Houston. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mike J. Waligura of Garwood. Great grandparents are Mrs. Justine Kroboth of Hallettsville and Mrs. Sophia Scholz of Wharton.

The mother is the former Colleen Waligura.

## Join in Celebrating

Mrs. Charlyne S. Spaniel came on board as the principal of Saint Anthony School on August 1, 1992. She had retired from nineteen years teaching math in the Rice CISD and Lamar CISD on May 31, 1992. Mrs. Spaniel raised a family of six children before going back to college to earn her Teaching Certificate in 1973.

Mrs. Spaniel says she finds the responsibilities of this new position to be challenging, exhausting, but never dull.

"When someone steps into the doorway, I'm never sure what he or she is going to say or do. I am happy that I have a high energy level and a sense of humor," Charlyne added that the first thing she had to adjust to was the student body. "I had to learn to walk ready to be hugged at knee-level by the Little Ones without falling on my face. I am getting better with practice."

Mrs. Spaniel says she is impressed with the sense of quiet in the school rooms and halls and has been delighted with the support and cooperation the faculty and staff have given her in this new job.

Charlyne is active in community and parish activities in Eagle Lake where she lives with her husband, "Sonny" and was a member of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Ambulance Corps for seventeen years. She serves as the Drug Abuse Coordinator for the State Council of the Knights of Columbus, and is a member of the Knights and Ladies of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre.

Charlyne enjoys having her six children and ten grandchildren around as much as possible. Music and sewing are favorite pastimes.

— G. Stolle

Mrs. Jenny Tait is the second grade teacher and assistant principal at Saint Anthony School having held these positions for six years. Jenny says the toughest part of the job was getting acclimated to being back in the classroom after ten years of staying home and raising a family. She says the students had changed and so had teaching "styles".

First Communion in May is the "Light at the end of the tunnel" for Jenny. All year she works to prepare the second graders for this important day in their lives. She says all the struggle is worth it when she sees them receive the Body of Christ for the first time.

Jenny doesn't spend all her time at school, even though it may feel like it. She enjoys following her daughters as they participate in sports and cheerleading. Sewing and crafts take up any "spare" time. "I live it is in the future for Jenny — at least in her dreams, but it won't be by because she doesn't want to fly in a plane." — C. Sunderman

Mrs. Betty Janow is Saint Anthony School's staff. Mrs. Janow, a reading specialist, teaches reading to students in grades one through five. The institution is privileged to have someone of her caliber guiding these students.

Mrs. Janow taught previously in the Rice CISD and at San Antonio area schools. As a matter of fact, she wrote the curriculum guides for the remedial and advanced reading programs at North East ISD in San Antonio. In addition, she has served as a facilitator for numerous reading and ESL workshops at district, state, and regional levels. Recently, Betty served on the Archdiocesan Accreditation team.

In her free time, Betty enjoys stamp collecting, crocheting, sewing, cooking, reading, and gardening. Being the wife of an Eagle Lake resident, she has had the opportunity to work at the renowned Wildwood Inn. In addition to these activities, she enjoys traveling with her husband, Ron, a retired Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Air Force.

— C. Barlow

Mrs. Carolyn Bartosh is Saint Anthony School's staff. Mrs. Bartosh is a member of its faculty. She has nineteen years teaching experience with students of them on SAS campus. She is presently teaching Language Arts in sixth, seventh, and eighth grades but has previously taught in all eight grades.

Mrs. Bartosh was honored as the District and State Convention Teacher of the year in 1992. She has served as sponsor of the Library Club and Saint Anthony's Express News Bulletin.

Carolyn is presently the school's mentor for Writing Across the Curriculum and is on the Archdiocesan Textbook and Accreditation Committees.

Carolyn's hobbies include reading, ceramics, gardening, cooking, sewing, fishing and bow hunting. Besides her busy life as mother, wife and teacher, she finds time to help her husband with the many tasks in their ranching business in Fayette County.

Saint Anthony School is indeed lucky to have such a devoted and multi-talented teacher! — B. Janow

Mrs. Toni Rooks is the fourth grade teacher at Saint Anthony School. She is a recent graduate of Texas Lutheran College where she earned a BA in Multidisciplinary Studies, specializing in reading; she graduated Magna Cum Laude. Before coming to SAS, Mrs. Rooks worked in the Columbus ISD for six years as a paraprofessional.

Toni believes that all age groups have great qualities if someone takes the time and patience to discover them. She has unlimited patience and concern for all her students and finds special pleasure in the excitement young students have when they run to her with bread making, calling, "Mrs. Rooks! Mrs. Rooks!" and launch off on some special story. Or the lovable second graders who always want to hug her. She finds time to listen to the older students when they want "to tell you something, Mrs. Rooks."

She said her most exciting teaching event occurred while she was making many, many attempts to explain a certain concept. One student had been having a very difficult time trying to grasp it, but suddenly exclaimed out loud, "I got it!" "All the effort was worth the beam of satisfaction he had on his face," she said.

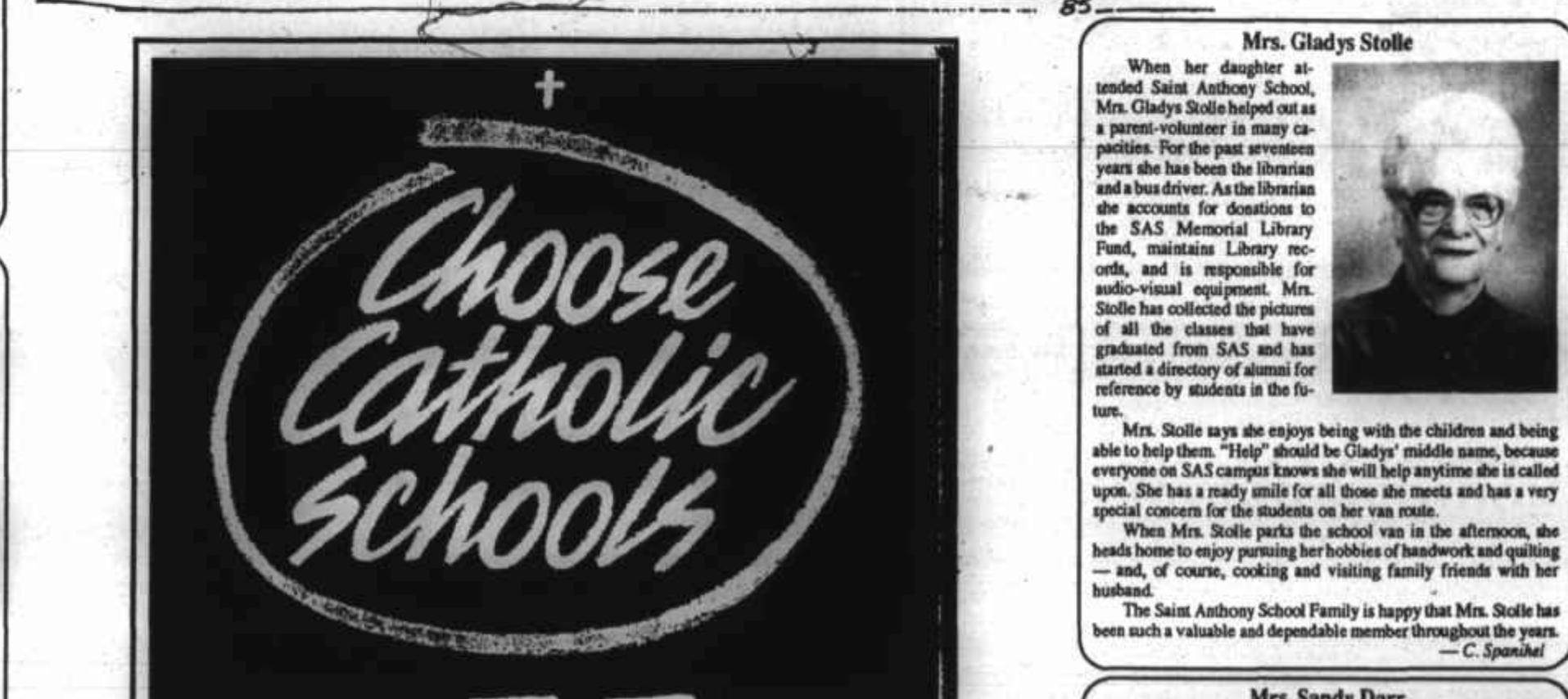
Toni likes people and studying their cultures, reading, and sewing. She stays busy keeping up with her children, Michelle and Michael, and husband, Tommy.

Toni shows such deep concern for the students and never shows impatience or raises her voice. She is a great asset to the faculty of SAS. — C. Spaniel

## SAINT ANTHONY Catholic Schools Week



January 31 through February 6



## The Good News in Education

**Mrs. Debbie Gregory**

Debbie Gregory, Pre-K-Kindergarten teacher at Saint Anthony School, is a 1983 graduate of Baylor University with a BS degree. Since graduation, Debbie has taught and directed several pre-school programs. In Baylor, she organized and directed a Mother's Day Out program for her church which is still active. Upon moving back to Texas in 1985, Debbie became director of the pre-school program at St. Andrew's in Houston until her husband, Jordan, was born, at which time she decided to stay home with him. After Debbie, Jon, and Jordan moved to Columbus in 1989, Debbie substituted in the Rice and Columbus school districts until she was hired three years ago at Saint Anthony School. She taught kindergarten for one year and is in her second year of Pre-K.

Debbie now has a second son, Seth, who is one. She is very active at First Baptist Church in Columbus. She has many interests, but her favorites are reading, playing board games, and handcrafts such as cross stitch. She enjoys living in Columbus and participating in many of the small town activities that make Columbus such a special place to live.

The patience Debbie has with the twenty-five, super-animated little ones in her class is always heart-warming. She is an asset to the faculty of SAS. — D. Baron

**Mrs. Tracey Wegenhoff**

Mrs. Tracey Wegenhoff has enjoyed teaching at Saint Anthony School for almost six years. She presently teaches Science to grades four through eight and seventh and eighth grade Fine Arts. Tracey and her husband, Jon, have two children, Tracey, age 5, and Jake, age 2.

Mrs. Wegenhoff holds a Bachelor's Degree in Biology from Wichita Falls and is a graduate of Texas A&M where she received her BS in biology. She has worked for the Department of Veterinary Pathology and Diagnostics and as a research assistant for Mississippi State University. While in college, Tracey worked hard to become a member of the Texas A&M's Q&A Team. Her diligent efforts were rewarded with the honor of being the first female ever to receive the coveted Biologist of the Year Award at the University of Wyoming.

Tracey's assignment for Mrs. Wegenhoff was as a high school chemistry teacher.

Tracey enjoys reading and rock collecting as her hobbies. She is also interested in sewing, music, travel, and bird watching. The Live Oak Art Center is fortunate to have Tracey as an active member, and she is on the Library Board for the City of Columbus.

Tracey says she is delighted with the teaching atmosphere at SAS. She plans to remain a strong part of the excellent faculty of Saint Anthony School. — L. Novosad

**Mrs. Cynthia Sunderman**

Mrs. Cynthia Sunderman joined the Saint Anthony School faculty eight years ago. During these years, Cynthia has taught Math, Religion, Music and Choir. She is presently teaching fifth, seventh, and eighth grade math classes, and choir in grades five through eight. She is a home-room teacher for seventh grade.

Cynthia has achieved great success with the SAS Choir. This past summer she traveled to Omaha, Nebraska, with ten choir members to attend the NWPA and Western Guild Convention. The Convention theme was "Gather the Children". Two of the SAS students were chosen to sing as part of a sextet during the closing concert.

One of the highlights of Cynthia's teaching experiences occurred recently when the School Choir was singing for the funeral of a parishioner. Cynthia said the students realized they were singing for the Mass was their ministry to their parish family, instead of just another performance. "Their conduct and reverence while they were singing was overwhelming," says Cynthia.

Someday Cynthia would like to travel, but for now she enjoys teaching and working as a Music Minister in her parish in Eagle Lake. "As if I'll ever want to stop," Cynthia says and keeps pace with her two sons presently attending Rice High School.

**Mrs. Lorraine Novosad**

Mrs. Lorraine Novosad was born and reared in Brooklyn, New York. She is married to Chris and has two children - Chris, a college student, and Lorraine, a high school freshman. Lorraine recently graduated from Texas Lutheran College with a BA in Multidisciplinary Studies with a specialization in reading.

Lorraine says, "I think the most exceptional thing that I might have ever done was going back to college at my age, especially graduating in four and one-half years going mostly part time."

Lorraine graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Prior to her teaching at Saint Anthony School, she substituted at Columbus Elementary School for six years. Still earlier, she had worked as a teacher's aide at SAS and taught computer literacy, religion, and art. Currently, Lorraine has the fifth grade home room where she teaches language arts, reading, computer, and religion to fifth, sixth, and eighth grades.

Her hobbies and special interests include: rock collecting, camping, sewing, traveling, and arts and crafts.

Saint Anthony School is delighted to welcome back Mrs. Novosad. — T. Wegenhoff

**Mrs. Debbie Baron**

Mrs. Debbie Baron is the pre-professional assistant in the Pre-Kindergarten class at Saint Anthony School; she has worked in the program for two years.

Debbie has been substituting for other grades for three years. The students in Pre-K are very vivacious and entertaining which makes her job at SAS interesting and enjoyable.

When her duties are complete at school, she works at her husband's real estate office.

Any spare moments are spent with her three daughters and husband.

— D. Gregory

**Mrs. Rose Koehl**

Three years ago, Mrs. Rose Koehl moved with her husband to Columbus and was hired as the first grade teacher at Saint Anthony School.

She attended Texas A&M University and received her BS in Early Childhood.

Rose says the best thing about teaching is being with the students — you never know the next thing that little ones will do or say.

Rose enjoys working on athletics and other craft items in her spare time. — J. Durr

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