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Congressman Hall joins MISD in tribute

by Dave Fette

Muenster Independent School District formally recognized its recent TEA Exemplary Rating with a Celebration of Excellence Monday, Sept. 17, with an assembly at the new high school gym. The Honorable Ralph M. Hall, U.S. Representative from the Fourth Congressional District, was guest speaker, honoring not only the eighth Exemplary rating in a row but additional acknowledgement of performance in six indicators. MISD is the only school district of any size in Texas to achieve that level. The additional indicators include: attendance rate; participation and performance on college admission tests; percent meeting the TAAS/TASP equivalency; percent meeting graduation requirements of the Recommended High School Program; and Comparable Improvement on TAAS reading and mathematics.

Congressman Hall, who was introduced by Student Council President Grant Hartman, has been to Muenster for many special

occasions, said, "You always make me feel welcome. I'm honored to share this occasion that celebrates your place as the best school district in Texas. You've been exemplary friends for years and I'm proud of you."

Hall recalled his memory of Pearl Harbor and compared it to the terrorist attacks of last week as one of his worst weeks in Congress. It was a real low light to contrast with such a highlight as this visit. He said this generation will have a rendezvous with destiny, and expressed his thanks again. "I don't think this performance is unusual because we expect it of you," he said, underscoring dedication to education and the value of education.

Concerning the tragedies in New York, D.C. and Pennsylvania, Hall said, "We've stayed up all night before, but we've never known a week of sorrow like last week. Congress is absolutely united 100 percent behind President Bush." Hall asked for prayers and support for the president. "Before, we knew where our enemies

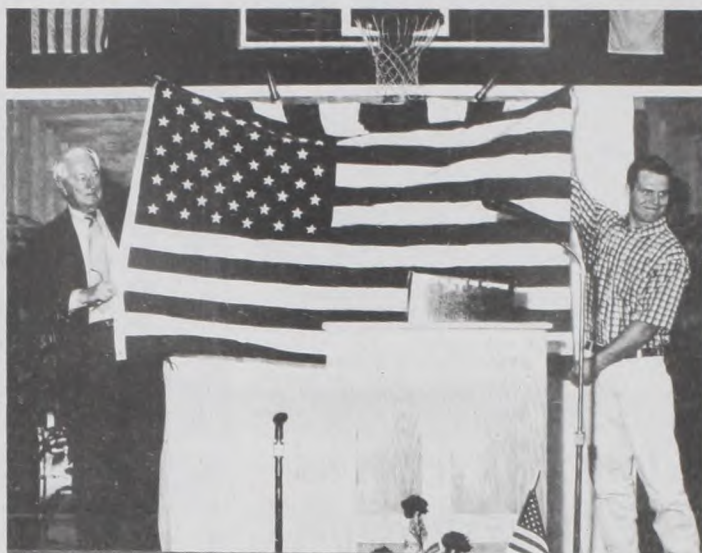
were. Today, we're not absolutely sure," said Hall. Hall used the occasion of the address to call for support of the FBI and CIA to have all the tools to get these people (the terrorists) out of our system. He also called for less restricted use of polygraph tests.

Hall concluded by presenting a U.S. flag flown over the Capitol to the school.

MHS Senior Class President Krystal Hale responded for the student body, saying, "We know the weighty job you have. Thank you and may God continue to bless you in your service to our country." She presented Hall a Taste of Muenster gift.

Rev. Bill Ledbetter of First Baptist Church started the morning ceremony with an invocation. The VFW Color Guard presented the colors. Superintendent Clyde Steelman Jr. welcomed everyone, saying that this assembly is about all that is good about Muenster. "After the shock of tragedy wears off, we look at what we do to achieve high standards and

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U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall presents this American flag to Muenster ISD, represented by Student Council President Grant Hartman after Hall's keynote address celebrating the school's top state rating.
Dave Fette Photo

County adopts \$11,752,387 budget for 2001-2002

by Janet Felderhoff

Cooke County Commissioners Court settled on a \$11,752,387.00 budget for fiscal year 2001-2002. They also adopted a tax rate of .435 cents per \$100 property valuation to help raise money to fund that budget.

Mike Land and Carlos Vigil with the City of Gainesville gave a presentation to Commissioners on a proposed Tax Investment Financing District. The District would focus along I-35 and U.S. Hwy. 82 within the Gainesville city limits. "The basic premise of the Tax Investment Financing District is this," explained Land. "There has been some development along those corridors and its been happening around the growth of value at about

five percent a year and it's been growing at a rate of every dollar invested in the building is about \$1.50 invested in real personal property and those types of items. In a taxing and financing district only the real physical improvements are what's included and what go into the district itself. So the personal property, tangible property, those types of things, the taxing entities still get that value. I want to make sure that's clear." Land said that the value of the land in the proposed district is right at \$52 million.

Land explained that the entity would still get the value of the taxes that are there now. If there is a growth of the appraised value, that growth in value would go into the proposed district. The increment

above the base value is what would go to the district. Money going to the district would be used to make improvements such as roads, water, sewer, etc.

"It's strictly there as a financing tool to increase the availability of development to entice development in the area." Land remarked. "The idea behind it is that without these particular improvements that development may occur, but it may occur at a much later date."

The Gainesville City Council started the process for the district last spring. Each entity will have the opportunity to vote to participate in the district fully or at whatever percentage it wishes to participate.

This item was only presented for consideration and thus no action was required.

Commissioners Court unanimously approved the nomination of Leon Klement and Monta Sewell to the Cooke County Appraisal District (CCAD) Board of Directors. Commissioner Virgil Hess noted that the vote won't take place until October. Both are presently serving on that Board.

Hess asked approval to ask Gary Bottoms of Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG) to update and look over for possible re-writes the Cooke County Historical Courthouse Grant application. Approval was unanimous. Hess said he would bring the application back before Commissioners

Court before proceeding with it.

A resolution supporting Proposition 7 as listed on the Nov. 6 general election ballot was approved. Judge Bill Harris explained that the Proposition allows a Constitutional Amendment

that would authorize the Veterans Land Board to issue additional general obligation bonds and to use certain assets and certain funds to provide for Veterans cemeteries and other items.

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Proposed hospital district tax rate passes

by Dave Fette

The Muenster Hospital District Board of Directors voted by a slim margin of 5 to 4 to adopt the District ad valorem tax rate of \$0.4982 per \$100.00 property valuation. This is an increase of about 109% from the previous rate of \$0.27. The tax should raise approximately \$800,000.00 during the next year to cover projected hospital revenue shortfalls, planned increases in employee salaries and benefits, and needed repair projects. The idea is that if the hospital does better than expected financially the tax revenue will help build up depleted cash reserves and allow next year's tax rate to be reduced. If things go as expected financially the Board will have honored its responsibility to plan for income while the district tries to build its business back up to profitable levels.

Discussion at the midday meeting held at the hospital board room last Friday, Sept. 14 was started by Board member John Aytes who said that after his study of the budget with independent auditor, James Thacker of Dallas, he felt that tax revenue of \$463,000.00 would be enough to keep the hospital safe, that \$800,000.00 was excessive. He urged attacking the front side of the problem to strengthen areas such as surgery and use a broader base of comparison with revenue and deductions from the previous year. He proposed a tax rate of \$0.2882. "We owe it to the community to try to squeeze. We accept the operating expenses and the planned pay increases," said Aytes.

Board member Duane Knabe said deductions from revenue (like bad debts and charity work) were at the heart of consideration. The parties disagree about actual levels of projection. Aytes wanted to use the most recent six months of

figures rather than four months to make projections. Administrator Jack Endres answered that if you use it for one category you must use it for all categories. He used four months because they were the most recent normal months. Aytes added that the political chaos of a 109% tax increase will hinder progress and encourage a rollback election.

Doris Muller stated three points: 1. If a surgeon could be found and recruited, it would take 12 months for his effect to be felt. 2. If MMH could get a health management organization (HMO) to come in, the cost will be higher. 3. Are you willing to borrow money if there is a shortfall?

Endres described how closely the hospital is monitoring and controlling expenses. Aytes asked again to seek a compromise acceptable to the community. Endres said "I hope I'm wrong about this (the budget), but our experienced auditor thinks I'm overly optimistic."

Board member Werner Becker, Jr. noted that major capital expenditures were not in the budget, that would have to come from cash flow. Aytes answered that \$250,000.00 was included for depreciation. Endres answered that those dollars were being used to run the hospital. They were not in a separate account.

Muller said that the voters who want to keep the Muenster Hospital must also support the hospital. Others agreed and Kathryn Hix said that the Board's fiduciary responsibility must be paramount.

The motion to accept the \$0.4982 tax rate for the coming year passed with Carol Grewing, Duane Knabe, Werner Becker, Jr., Don Flusche, and Chas Bayer voting for, and James Walterscheid, Angelo Nasche, John Aytes, and Gerald Hess voting against.

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United Way goals are set for 2002

by Janet Felderhoff

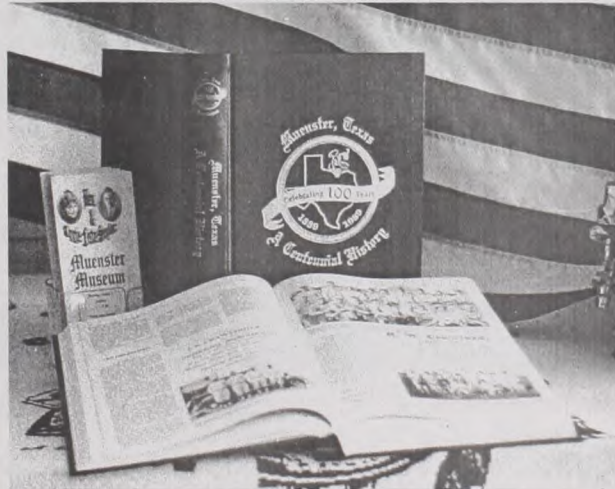
The annual county-wide campaign for United Way kicked off on Sept. 7 with a luncheon at the State Theater in Gainesville. Area Pacesetters had \$205,142.00 in pledges toward the \$325,000.00 2002 goal by the Kickoff Luncheon.

Campaigns will be conducted from now until Nov. 6. Pledges will be accepted for 2002 up through February. Mickey Faulconer is the 2002 United Way chairman. "We're had a great start to the year," remarked Karen Graham of Cooke County United Way. "I think we are going to exceed our goal. If anyone has any questions about United Way or our 16 (service) agencies, call 665-1793.

Muenster's 2002 goal is \$13,700.00. Coordinators are John D. Bartush of Muenster State Bank and Kathy Boone of Cooke County Electric.

Lindsay's 2002 goal is \$2,400.00. Trice Henry is the Lindsay coordinator.

MUENSTER CENTENNIAL HISTORY BOOK NOW AVAILABLE



The Muenster Centennial History Book is once more available. Playfully referred to as the "Muenster Bible" because of the almost daily references to it by so many, the supply of books from the first printing was long ago depleted. In response to many requests for this treasure of Muenster history, the Muenster Historical Commission contracted with the Muenster Enterprise Publishing Co. for a second printing. After expenses, proceeds from sales will benefit the Museum.

Exactly like the original, the books are beautiful, immensely interesting and especially ideal for wedding and Christmas gifts. The Muenster Centennial History Book is available at the Museum, City Hall, and the Chamber Office. The price presently remains \$75.00 due to the delay in shipment. Interested buyers can also contact Celine Dittfurth, 759-4154; Juanita Bright, 759-4482; or Jewel Otto at 759-4243.

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Muenster School Board continues with expansion plans

by Janie Hartman
The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees met for their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 12. Items discussed included drainage repair, clean-up, and future cafeteria and field house building projects.

Repairs to the football field and high school gymnasium parking lot, to control water drainage, was discussed. The district was given several options by USDA Natural Resource and Conservation Service director Richard Connert and engineer Danny Russell to solve the drainage problems, giving recommendations and cost estimates. A terrace to allow water to drain away from the field, either dirt or as a sidewalk with curb and gutter were discussed. Superintendent Clyde Steelman was authorized to begin getting bids locally for work to be done as recommended by the engineers. The parking lot will not need major work, but leveled out for possibly black-top surface in the future.

The City of Muenster made a request to the district to "clean-up" Block #78, east of the football field

parking lot. An ad ran in the paper, but is going to run again for removal of the house located on the property. The new notice will stress "for sale and removal of the house." It was suggested, if needed, to allow the fire department to burn it down.

Discussion continued on the new cafeteria and field house projects. Steelman noted that action needs to start for completion to use by 2003-2004. "We need to think about the impact of increase of students. We have to make a decision if looking for a bond election in the spring," noted Steelman.

In discussing the new field house, athletic director Gordon Martin noted that the freshmen are already doubled-up with locker space and next year there will be 12 seniors leaving and 21 freshmen coming in. "We're out of space right now, but in two years we'll have double whammy."

The new cafeteria under consideration, will feed 500, with a seating capacity of 650. At present, Pre-K begins lunch at 10:55 with junior high and high school finishing at 12:35, without time for everyone to

properly eat. It was noted that some junior high students have only five minutes to eat, spending their lunch time standing in line. When questioned about starting earlier, it was noted, "That's not lunch."

Steelman said that the old cafeteria would convert into classrooms or the district will have to get portable buildings. He also noted that the present classrooms are large enough, it's the

"lab" classrooms that are too small.

If a new band hall was built, the old auditorium could be the library and the present library additional classrooms. A five year plan has a new elementary campus. Other future options in a 10 year plan is to move all vocational classrooms to a new location and change those rooms into elementary classrooms. Most of these ideas are for

possible future growth.

In other business, the Board nominated Leon Klement for another term to the Cooke County Appraisal District Board of Directors. They also hired Dain Rauser as financial advisors.

Consent items approved by the Board were:

- The minutes from Aug. 15, Aug. 29, and Sept. 1 meetings.
- The agreement for the

Education of Nonresident Students between Grapevine-Colleyville ISD and Muenster ISD.

- Budget amendments for 2001-2002 to include TIF grant.
- Authorized Steelman to execute contracts and other documents for the district's participation in the TASB Buy Board Electrical Aggregated Program after concerns on extra increase in electric bills. TASB has a consulting firm that handles 135 district members. Steelman will go with whatever TASB recommends.

Reports given at the meeting included:

- The School Repair and Renovation Grant application has been submitted.
- Technology director Jerry Eckart and several students have been working on taking viruses out of the school's computers. The district now has an updated program that will take out viruses automatically.
- Gwen Trubench noted the new elementary student council is working on several upcoming projects. In UIL academics, many students are trying out for 29 different events under the direction of 16 "coaches."
- Phil Newton noted that UIL is underway in high school, with the district meet scheduled for Mar. 28 in Wichita Falls, and junior high on Apr. 11 at Muenster. Newton also informed the Board that the Student Council and Honor Society will pick up highway trash on Thursday, and that TAAS is now known as TAKS - Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.

A special School Board meeting is scheduled for Oct. 3 to meet with the architect to further discuss the building of a new cafeteria and field house. The meeting will open at 6:30 p.m.



Students, parents and friends gathered early Wednesday morning to pray for America as part of "See You at the Pole," annual time of prayer. The people gathered in front of Muenster Junior High and were led in prayer by Rev. Bill Ledbetter and Barbara Rohmer. Students and adults were invited to an evening rally in Gainesville. Dave Fette Photo

Glenn Polk serves as distribution point for Red Cross in Cooke Co.

This week, Glenn Polk AutoPlex will serve as the official distribution point in Cooke County for the American Red Cross. Monetary donations to help the victims of the Attack on America can be dropped at Glen Polk AutoPlex located at 4330 N. Interstate 35, across from Prime Outlets of Gainesville.

Representatives of the

American Red Cross will be on hand to accept the donations from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Glenn Polk AutoPlex.

For more information on this local effort, contact Kathy Kirby of the American Red Cross, 665-4365 or Regina Jackson, Customer Relations Manager of Glenn Polk AutoPlex.

Lindsay ISD approves \$1.157 tax rate on Aug. 27

by Janet Felderhoff
Lindsay ISD's Board of Trustees held a public meeting on Aug. 27 to discuss the proposed 2001-2002 budget. No taxpayer attended. The proposed budget was unanimously approved as was the Maintenance and Operation tax rate of \$1.157.

During an executive session the Board discussed student discipline. It began at 7:45 p.m. and concluded at 8:15 p.m. No action was taken.

In other business the Board approved the 2000-2001 amended budget as presented. Connor Polk was accepted as a transfer student.

Board members present were Danny Nortman, president, David Arendt,

Carol Conaway, Donna Hess, Earl Cunningham, Richard Connert, and Bruce Bezner.

Earlier in the evening a Facilities Planning Workshop was held. Included in the discussion was the intercom system for K-12. The Board requested that it be brought as action item at the next Board meeting.

Discussion followed on whether to purchase or lease a bus. The purchase was included in the 2001-2002 budget so the Board concluded that purchase was the best route.

Other discussion items were new light fixtures for the kitchen and elementary building, track curbing and surface repair with a

request for more information necessary before a decision is made, replacement of the gym floor, but next summer is the earliest possible time to get it done, and the football field surface was considered for next year.

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Cornyn warns of false charity scams

In the wake of last week's disaster on the East Coast, Texas Attorney General John Cornyn is asking citizens to be alert to individuals operating bogus charities and who prey on the generosity of those sympathetic to victims and their families.

Although the Attorney General's Office has received no complaints thus far, Texans are urged to be vigilant and avoid releasing private information such as credit card numbers via email or over the phone.

Cornyn urges those who have received suspect emails or other bothersome solicitations to contact the

Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division hotline at 800-337-3928 or 800-252-8011. Anyone who has received such an email should forward it to the Attorney General's Office for review at consumerprotection@oag.state.tx.us.

The Attorney General's Office also cautions concerned citizens wishing to do their part by raising funds for disaster relief. Certain legal requirements should be followed, including the registration of public safety groups like firefighters' organizations.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, September 23, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, September 24, 2001 Muenster Hornet Booster Club, 7 PM, gym First Reconciliation Parent/Child Meeting, 7 PM SH Homecoming Fair, 2-3:30	Tuesday, September 25, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Library open 10 AM - 6:30 PM SH Red and White Day 4-H steer entries due for 2002 Youth Fair Lindsay Blood Drive, Ag Bldg., 1-7 PM	Wednesday, September 26, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Library open 2:30 - 5:30 PM GMH Blood Drive, 7 AM - 5 PM SH Queen's Court Luncheon Religious Ed Mass, 6:30 PM SH Volleyball, 7 PM	Thursday, September 27, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Library open 10 AM - 6:30 PM SHS Pep Rally, 3 PM, gym M8/JV @ Collinsville SHJ vs. Nocona, T, 5:00 SHJ vs. Nocona, T, 6:30	Friday, September 28, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Sacred Heart - NO SCHOOL, Teacher Inservice Busy Bee Quilt Show, Post Comm. Ctr., Post Oak, 10-4 MHS vs. Collinsville SH HOMECOMING, Pregame 6:30 PM, Game 7:30 PM SH vs. Houston Cypress, H, 7:00 PM	Saturday, September 29, 2001 ABBA'S Walk for Life, Lindsay ISD Track, 9-11 AM Busy Bee Quilt Show, Post Comm. Ctr., Post Oak, 10-4 SH Alumni Las Vegas Night
Sunday, September 30, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, October 1, 2001 Muenster Hornet Booster Club, 7 PM, gym City Council Meeting, 7:30 PM	Tuesday, October 2, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Library open 10 AM - 6:30 PM	Wednesday, October 3, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Library open 2:30 - 5:30 PM TDH Immunization Clinic, 9-11 AM, Cooke Co. Elec. Co-op C of C Board Meeting, 5:30 PM Religious Ed Class, 7 PM	Thursday, October 4, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Library open 10 AM - 6:30 PM M8/JV vs. Chico SHJ vs. Paradise, H, 6:30 PM	Friday, October 5, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM MHS @ Chico SHJ vs. Prestonwood, H, 5 PM SH vs. Prestonwood, H, 7:30 PM	Saturday, October 6, 2001

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U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall (D), Texas Fourth District

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quality. What our students do that no other students have done in Texas will help be a solution to the world's problems," he said.

Malcolm Martin, Junior High Student Council president, gave the student welcome and the Hornet Band played the National Anthem.

Alison Teafattler, Elementary Student Council

president, read a letter of congratulations from Dr. Jim Nelson, Commissioner of Education, and Shanelle Spakes sang "America the Beautiful."

Father John Ohner, OSA, of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, prayed the benediction to close the program. Congressman Hall stayed afterward to speak with students and well-wishers.

OBITUARY

Wilma Flusche 1920 - 2001

Wilma Lucille (Swindle) Flusche of Saint Jo died at age 81 on Sept. 17, 2001 at 9:10 p.m. in Muenster Memorial Hospital. Mass of Christian Burial was held in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 10:00 a.m., officiated by Father John Ohner OSA. A Rosary Service was held in McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Flusche was born on June 10, 1920 in Cooke County to Robert Randall Swindle and Alma Lucille Warren Swindle. On Nov. 6, 1941 she married Norbert Flusche in St. Mary's Church of Gainesville. After traveling with Norbert while he was in the service, they moved to Saint Jo where they owned and operated a feed store for about 40 years. Wilma was a homemaker and a bookkeeper for the business. She attended a Business course at St. Mary's School in Gainesville. She was a member of the Saint Jo Garden Club for many years, and was a long-time local chairman for the North Texas Rehab, and was instrumental in helping a large number of crippled children. A loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she was beloved by them in turn. Since 1945 she was a member of Sacred Heart Church.

Survivors are her husband, Norbert Flusche of Saint Jo; three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Ed Dill of Cottendale, Texas, Mary and Johnnie Wisdom of Saint Jo, and Lou Ann and Billy Poyner of Saint Jo; and one son and daughter-in-law Norbert "Sonny" and Lina Jo Flusche of Saint Jo. There are nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Also one brother, Ed Swindle of Buckeye, Arizona.

Preceding her in death were her parents and one sister, Imogene Swindle.

Burial in Hood Cemetery in Cooke County was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo. Pallbearers were Leonard Vogel, Tom Vogel, Harvey Lamkin, Doyle Cook, Bill Thomas Meador, and Johnny Flusche.

Sidney Frank Huchton, 82, dies Sept. 17

Sidney Frank Huchton, native of Muenster, died at age 82 at his home in San Angelo, Texas on Sept. 17, 2001. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, Sept. 21 at 10:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, officiated by Fr. John Ohner OSA, pastor. The obituary and photo will be printed in next week's Muenster Enterprise.



Wilma Lucille Flusche

Will your credit card payment arrive on time?

Consumers are justifiably concerned about whether or not their credit card payments will arrive on time due to the tragic events of last week. They are also worried about receiving incoming credit card bills in a timely manner. With the grounding of all commercial aircraft last Tuesday, our nation's mail delivery was affected. Passenger airlines normally carry a significant amount of U.S. mail. If your credit card payment is late, you could find yourself charged with an unwelcome late fee.

The Federal Reserve and the Office of Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) are urging banks and credit card issuers to be flexible with customers in light of the devastating events of Sept. 11.

The OCC also strongly encourages lenders such as credit card issuers to provide additional grace periods before assessing late fees. Individual credit card companies such as Visa and MasterCard are looking at the situation on a day-by-day basis and leaving late-fee decisions up to the individual banks that actually issue the cards to consumers. Other credit card companies say they will work with customers on an individual basis rather than issue a blanket statement.

You may want to consider the following tips to get through this situation:

1. Because many credit card companies impose a late fee one day after the

due date, you need to act quickly!

2. Contact your creditor as soon as possible if you know your payment was legitimately late due to delayed mail service and see if they will waive the late fee. Always write down the name of the person you are speaking to, the date and time, and document what was discussed. You may need to follow-up with your request in writing and send a copy of your dated check.

3. Keep good records or copies of all checks you have sent that might be affected by delays.

4. Check your bank statement regularly for checks that have not yet posted and contact your bank regarding checks that might incur a penalty if late.

5. If you receive your paycheck by direct deposit, check with your bank to see if it was deposited on time to avoid bouncing checks.

6. If your paycheck is mailed to you and was delayed, keep careful records of the checks you write to avoid bouncing a check.

The United States Post Office official website is www.usps.com. You should check it regularly for updates. As of Sept. 18, 2001 their domestic mail update stated, "all cargo air carrier operations affecting the mail have returned to normal. These carriers are now carrying all categories of U.S. Mail, including First-Class Mail, Express Mail and Priority Mail. The



Rowdy and his horse enjoy taking part in trail rides sponsored by the Shawnee Trail Ride Association. The group will be in Muenster from Sept. 21 through Sept. 24. They'll camp at Austin Arena and make an approximate 20 mile ride on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. Each day's ride begins (around 8:30 a.m.) and ends at Austin Arena. The public is welcome for a fee to join with either a horse or wagon. Saturday evening there will be a free dance in the Muenster City Park beginning at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited. For more information contact either the Muenster Chamber of Commerce or Monique Grimmer, Shawnee Trail Association president, at 903-465-1649.

Federal Aviation Administration also has authorized commercial airlines to carry letter-size First-Class Mail.

For further information

you may want to visit the following websites: Federal Reserve: www.federalreserve.gov and Office of Comptroller of the Currency: www.occ.treas.gov.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
Special Election
NOVEMBER 6, 2001

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 52)

Proposition 1 would amend the constitution to relinquish the state's claim to certain disputed land in Bastrop County. The amendment would confirm legal title to that land, excluding any mineral interests, to the individuals who hold a disputed title to the land. The amendment would prevent a loss of title by people who bought and paid for property that was never transferred by the state because of faulty surveys.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to the owners of certain land in Bastrop County."

PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 37)

Proposition 2 would amend the constitution to establish the process for issuing up to \$175 million of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide aid to counties for access road projects to serve border colonies. Generally, a colony is an economically distressed geographic area with inadequate public services (such as water supplies, sewer services, or paved roads) in a county without adequate resources to provide such services. These projects could include the construction of access roads, the acquisition of materials used in maintaining those roads, and projects related to the construction of those roads, such as road drainage. The Texas Transportation Commission, in consultation with the Governor, would be authorized to determine what constitutes a border colony for purposes of selecting the counties and projects that would receive assistance.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonies."

PROPOSITION 3 (SJR 47)

Proposition 3 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt green coffee and raw cocoa held in Harris County from property taxes in order to qualify Harris County as an exchange port for coffee by the New York Board of Trade. The authorization of exemption would not apply to any other county.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation raw cocoa and green coffee that is held in Harris County."

PROPOSITION 4 (HJR 1)

Proposition 4 would amend the constitution by setting the term of the fire fighters' pension commissioner at four years. The constitution currently provides that the duration of all offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution may not exceed two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for a four-year term of office for the fire fighters' pension commissioner."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 32)

Proposition 5 would amend the constitution to allow a municipality to donate outdated or surplus equipment, supplies, or other materials used in fighting fires to an underdeveloped county. Current state law does not allow anything of value belonging to the state or its political subdivisions to be donated to another nation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate outdated or surplus firefighting equipment or supplies to underdeveloped counties."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 45)

Proposition 6 would amend the constitution to require the governor to call a special session of the legislature so that the legislature can appoint presidential electors when the governor determines that it is reasonably likely that the outcome of the election for a presidential candidate's electors will not be clearly determined in time for the appropriate electors to meet before the federal deadline to cast their votes. Under current law, when the people vote for a particular candidate for president, in reality they are voting for that candidate's electors who will meet to cast their votes for president. If the electors are not determined by the certification date, no electoral votes may be cast for the state. The proposed amendment ensures that the state's electoral votes will be cast.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the governor to call a special session for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 82)

Proposition 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue and sell up to \$500 million of additional general obligation bonds to finance additional home mortgage loans to veterans. Additionally, the proposed amendment would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use assets from the land and housing assistance funds to create, operate, and improve veterans' cemeteries.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for veterans' housing assistance and to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide for veterans cemeteries."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 97)

Proposition 8 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue and sell up to \$850 million of general obligation bonds. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds would pay for construction and repair projects or for the purchase of needed equipment by the General Services Commission, the Texas Youth Commission, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the

Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Parks and Wildlife Department, the adjacent general's department, the Texas School for the Deaf, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Safety, the State Preservation Board, the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Historical Commission, or the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$850 million in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for construction and repair projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 47)

Proposition 9 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for filling vacancies in the legislature without an election if only one person is a qualified candidate in the election to fill the vacancy. Under current law, a special election must be held to fill a vacancy in the legislature even if there is only one qualified candidate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the filling of a vacancy in the legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill a vacancy."

PROPOSITION 10 (SJR 6)

Proposition 10 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt certain items of personal property from property taxation by political subdivisions of the state if the property is warehoused temporarily in a location in Texas to be assembled, stored, manufactured, processed, fabricated, or repaired and then forwarded to another location inside or outside Texas. The proposed amendment would authorize a political subdivision that imposes ad valorem taxes, at its option, to tax this type of property after a local public hearing on the matter.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote equal tax treatment for products produced, acquired, and distributed in the State of Texas by authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property held at certain locations only temporarily for assembling, manufacturing, processing, or other commercial purposes."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 85)

Proposition 11 would amend the constitution to allow a schoolteacher, a retired schoolteacher, or a retired school administrator who serves as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district, including a water district, to receive compensation for serving on such a governing body. Currently, state employees or other individuals who are compensated directly or indirectly from state funds are barred from receiving a salary for such service.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow current and retired public school teachers and retired public school administrators to receive compensation for serving on the governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns, or other local governmental districts, including water districts."

PROPOSITION 12 (HJR 75)

Proposition 12 would amend, repeal, or relocate several sections of the current

constitution to improve the clarity, organization, and consistency of the constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and to clarify, update, and harmonize certain provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION 13 (SJR 2)

Proposition 13 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a board of trustees of an independent school district to donate real property and improvements formerly used as a school campus in order to preserve that property. The board may make the donation if the board determines that the property has historical significance, that the donation will help to preserve the property, and that the school district no longer needs the property for educational purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate certain surplus district property of historical significance in order to preserve the property."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 44)

Proposition 14 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a taxing unit, other than a school district, to exempt travel trailers from property taxation as long as the travel trailers are lawfully registered with the state and are not held or used for the production of income.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize taxing units other than school districts to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers that are not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 15 (SJR 16)

Proposition 15 would amend the constitution to create the Texas Mobility Fund, which would be administered by the Texas Transportation Commission. The Fund would finance the construction, acquisition, and expansion of state highways and would pay a portion of the costs of public toll roads and other public transportation projects. The legislature may reserve specific sources of state revenue for the Fund and may authorize the Commission to guarantee the payment of any obligations or credit agreements with the full faith and credit of the state. The attorney general shall determine the legality of any such obligations or credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas Mobility Fund and authorizing grants and loans of money and issuance of obligations for financing the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other mobility projects."

PROPOSITION 16 (HJR 5)

Proposition 16 would amend the constitution to reduce the waiting period required for a valid home improvement lien on a homestead from 12 days to 5 days. Currently, a lien may not attach to a homestead for a home improvement loan if the homeowner executed a contract for the improvements less than 12 days after applying for the loan. In addition, the proposed amendment would

authorize the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on a homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prescribing requirements for imposing a lien for work and material used in the construction, repair, or renovation of improvements on residential homestead property and including the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on real property as a debt on homestead property protected from a forced sale."

PROPOSITION 17 (HJR 53)

Proposition 17 would amend the constitution to allow the state to relinquish claim to certain state land and to clear title defects for persons who claim title to those lands. The proposed amendment would apply to land whose owners have disputed title to the land, but for which no patent from the state, giving clear title to the land, was ever issued. Among other requirements, all of the taxes due on the land must have been paid. Under current law, there is no procedure allowing the state to settle title disputes without a constitutional amendment for each piece of land in dispute.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to settle land title disputes between the state and a private party."

PROPOSITION 18 (SJR 49)

Proposition 18 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to create a program to consolidate and standardize the collection, deposit, reporting, and payment of criminal and civil court fees. If the legislature creates such a program, any new fees imposed by the legislature will not take effect before January 1 of the following year, unless an earlier effective date is approved by a vote of two-thirds of the members of each house of the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote uniformity in the collection, deposit, reporting, and remitting of civil and criminal fees."

PROPOSITION 19 (HJR 81)

Proposition 19 would amend the constitution to allow the Texas Water Development Board to issue up to \$2 billion of additional general obligation bonds. The Board issues bonds to pay for water supply projects, water quality enhancement projects, flood control projects, state participation in water and wastewater facilities, and projects for economically distressed areas. Current law limits the amount of bonds that the Board can issue.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$2 billion."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 6 de noviembre de 2001. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamada al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Last Tuesday America changed forever. The mass destruction in New York and Washington, D.C. are only the beginning of these changes. Words like shock, terror, and disbelief were used repeatedly to describe our initial reactions. But these feelings gave way to more painful, empathetic responses as personal stories of loss began to unfold. We have heard stories of family members who held on to diminishing hopes for the survival of their loved ones as they wearily walked the streets of the city, holding precious photos, begging all who passed by to take a good look, and praying that someone would recognize or have information concerning their whereabouts. Stories of families, especially children, left grieving have touched our hearts and compelled us to do something. So we sent contributions; we gave blood; we offered prayers; and yet that does not seem to be enough. We want to do more, and we can.

The things we do immediately after a tragedy help us to cope with our most eminent feelings, but with long term commitment, we can make a lasting contribution, a contribution that begins and ends with what we teach our children. We can teach our children about freedom: how it came to be in this great country, about those who died pursuing it, and about those who died defending it. We can teach our children respect: respect for their elders, for their parents and teachers, for their political leaders, for their flag, and for their country. We can teach our children the words of our National Anthem, what they mean and why we remove our hats and place our hands over our hearts when we sing it. After all, when it is sung we pay tribute to the thousands who gave their lives unselfishly in the name of America. To show disrespect during this song would only dishonor their memories. We can teach our children to be responsible, productive citizens who believe in the importance of our laws and the need to abide by them. We can teach our children to take an active role in our government and to be informed voters. We can teach our children to be compassionate, caring

individuals who reach out to others in need. We can teach our children the value of cultural differences and that someone else's way is simply different and not weird; and that racial slurs, jokes, prejudice and other injustices are not to be tolerated. We can teach our children tolerance for differences of ideas and how to be good listeners. And most importantly, we can teach our children to pray; to pray for their families, for their communities, and for their nation. These prayers should be offered in unity around the dinner table each evening. And when these lessons are all taught, we find out that in the process our children have developed a great and lasting love for God, for humankind, and for America.

While stories of heroics and sacrifice fill the news media these days, we forget that heroism and sacrifice also fills our homes. As parents raising the future of America, we are heroes to our children as they follow our examples. How we live our own lives is a testament to what we want our children to learn. With a renewed sense of patriotism, we look to the future, a future that will eventually be led by our children. We must be up to the challenge of preparing them. After all, those Americans who came before us were well prepared. The legacy of freedom will live on through our children. Therefore, the future of America resides in our homes, and when we teach our children well, we claim victory over acts of violence and terrorism. God bless America!

Kimberly Walterscheid
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Knife Show

The largest knife show in Texas is returning to the Mesquite Convention Center and Exhibit Hall Sept. 27 through Sept. 29. Some of the world's best knifemakers will be in attendance displaying their handiwork, vintage knife collectors will be buying and trading collector knives dating back to the Civil War and before, and modern knife dealers will be displaying knives utilizing the latest in space age metals and knife components. Show times are Thursday 4-7 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dear Editor,

Please include this letter to all of the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life Friends.

As you know the Cooke County Relay For Life is an annual event that unites friends, families, businesses, and organizations in the fight against cancer. The news reports daily of advances in the treatment and diagnosis of all forms of cancer, and we are proud to say that we play a part in this progress.

On Tuesday, Sept. 25, we are asking you to unite again. Please join us in a "brainstorming" session to discuss new ideas for Relay For Life, and refine old ideas. Your involvement is what has made Relay For Life so successful in the past. We are asking for your ideas and comments so this event will continue to grow and meet the expectations of all those who participate.

We have witnessed by your generosity and involvement that Relay For Life belongs in Cooke County. Help us continue to evolve and meet the needs of our community. Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 25 at the Cooke County Co-op beginning at 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Mary at 759-2226 or Cheryl at 759-2871. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,
Mary K. Endres,
P.O. Box 662
Muenster, TX 76252

Donations for victims

by Janet Felderhoff

Those who wish to donate money to help victims and emergency workers of the attacks on the World Trade Center Buildings or the Pentagon may do so through either the Red Cross or United Way of America.

Locally donations are being accepted for Red Cross at the Cooke County office located in the basement of the Courthouse, at the American Bank in Gainesville, or at the First State Bank in Gainesville. Donations can be mailed to Cooke County Red Cross, Cooke County Courthouse, 100 S. Dixon B6, Gainesville, TX 76241. Checks should have the code DR787 on the stub to designate where the funds are to be used. To learn more about the Red Cross relief efforts, visit web site www.redcross.org.

United Way of America has established the "September 11 Fund" to help victims of last Tuesday's terrorist attacks. Financial donations may be sent to United Way September 11th Fund, 2 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016 for New York or for the Washington, D. C. area to United Way of the National Capital Area, 95 M Street, SW, Washington, D. C. 20024. More information is available at www.uwnca.org or www.uwnca.org.

COMMISSIONERS

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Tony Blair, a Cooke County resident, was approved as a deputy constable for Precinct #4. Blair completed the police academy and passed his test.

Gary Kraher of Precinct #2 registered a complaint against Cooke County EMS. He told the Commissioners that they'd used the EMS on eight occasions. The last time they called them the EMS was told to take the patient to Denton Regional Hospital, not to Gainesville. The patient was taken to Gainesville anyway and five and a half hours later was transferred to Denton.

"What I'd like to know is why we have to go to Gainesville Memorial when a doctor orders him to go to another hospital," asked Kraher. "Gainesville Memorial is a basic trauma center and Denton is a trauma center. Dallas is a trauma center. We have before care-flited this same patient to Dallas because of not the EMS's fault, it's the inefficiency of the hospital's ER room. This particular time was at 5:15 from the dialysis center, called by the dialysis doctor. It was decided by the doctor to take him to Denton Regional where they have the facilities to take care of the end renal (stage) patient. He laid in the emergency room up here for over two hours before an ER doctor even saw him. Five and a half hours later he was transferred to Denton Regional." The next morning after they couldn't stabilize him at Denton Regional he was taken to a

larger hospital by ambulance again where he spent another 11 days, said Kraher.

Kraher wondered why it was necessary to have the cost of an emergency room, emergency room doctor, and ambulance twice when the patient could be taken directly to the requested hospital.

Judge Harris responded, "I don't know that much about it, but my understanding is that personnel of the EMS wanted to get him stabilized before they got on the highway with him. Of course what happened after they got down there they had no control over. Maybe the time problem would not have occurred if the ER room had just checked him and sent him or checked him and tried to stabilize him. I don't know."

Kraher then questioned how the EMS people decided what was an emergency and why they can't transport the patient under a doctor's order to a different hospital. The EMS people say that the patient must be taken to the nearest trauma center and Kraher wondered if that was the law. Judge Harris said it was not.

EMS Director Bob Harbin said, "Under our current medical protocols any unstable patient has to go to the nearest facility."

"A lot of the answers to your questions are medical decisions which you have to depend on professionals to make some of those decisions because that's

what they are there for," remarked Judge Harris. "We can't sit here and make a medical decision based upon complaint and I understand all your complaints."

Kraher responded, "A doctor who has spent 12 years of his life and says, 'Take this patient to Denton Regional,' and we have someone else second guessing him and they're not renal doctors to begin with?" Judge Harris said, "If there needs to be any correction of that then we'll look into that part of it. I'll guarantee you if there needs to be some corrections." He promised that the matter would be considered by the proper authorities who have discretion on making medical decisions and Commissioners Court doesn't.

In other business Commissioners Court:

- Entered into a contract with Texas Department of Public Safety to accommodate Chapter 706 of the Texas Transportation Code.

- Approved purchase of 10 papers for the Oakridge Fire Department.
- Tabled consideration of entering into a tax abatement agreement with Weber Aircraft.
- Approved tax abatement agreement with State Theater.
- Approved public official bonds for Gregory Taylor and Joe Stout of the Sheriff's Department.
- Approved indigent burial of Weldon Thomison.

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Oktoberfest in Fredericksburg planned for October 5, 6 and 7

A news release and brochure from the Oktoberfest Office in Fredericksburg announces dates for the 21st annual event as occurring on Oct. 5, 6, and 7, with principal events held in their beautiful downtown Marktplatz.

Scheduled to perform are 30 musical and dance groups, many ethnic dance bands, as well as the traditionally expected food and drink, shopping, souvenirs, an expanding Kinderpark for children, that features specials for the little ones like jumping castle, slot-car-racing, basketball, rock climbing, super slide, mini-midway-carnival style games, and Sunshine, the Clown.

An Artist Tent will host 40 original artists and crafters displaying their handiwork. Food specialties and delightful refreshments from around the world will tempt hungry and thirsty revelers, especially German and Mexican specialties.

Saint Jo sponsors golf tournament

The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Four Person Scramble Golf Tournament at the Turtle Hills Golf Course in Muenster on Saturday, Sept. 29. The cost is \$50 per person and includes green fees, cart, and prizes.

To register your team, send the names of each player with check payable to Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce to P.O. Box 130, Saint Jo, Texas 76265. For additional information, call 995-2446.

"Oktoberfest is a family event," organizers emphasize, "for people of all ages, seniors to kids." There is easy walking distance. There are nearby historic sites, such as the Pioneer Museum Complex, George Bush Gallery of the National Museum of the Pacific War, the Enchanted Rock and LBJ Ranch. There are dozens of restaurants and grills. There are ample accommodations including motels, campgrounds, and more bed and breakfasts than in any other city in this famous celebration of the Old World in the Texas Hill Country.

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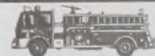
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Magdalene Flusche Zimmerer is 90!

Magdalene Flusche Zimmerer, Mrs. Raymond Zimmerer, celebrated her 90th birthday with 80 guests on Aug. 19, 2001 out on the home place near Hood. It began with a barbecue at noon for her family and her brothers and sisters and/or their spouses, followed by picture taking and an open house until 5:00 p.m.

The event was hosted by her children and grandchildren. In attendance were her husband, Raymond Zimmerer and her children: Ray and Ida Zimmerer, Richard and Delores Zimmerer, Pat Zimmerer, Cliff and Charmaine Zimmerer; and her grandchildren: Tim and Elizabeth Zimmerer, Anthony and Desira Zimmerer, Doug Zimmerer, Matt and Kelly Zimmerer, and Michelle Zimmerer. Magdalene has eight



Magdalene Zimmerer

grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Her actual birthday is Sept. 30.

Additional dinner guests were: her sister, Marie and husband Lawrence Zimmerer; her sister Armella and husband Gus Lutkenhaus; and her brother, Urban Flusche, his

daughter, Sr. Anna Marie Flusche, his son, Gene Flusche, and Polly Dobecka.

Other guests were: Mrs. Andy (Marie) Flusche, Leon Flusche, Rufus and Betty Henscheid, Gerald and Verena Metzler, Doris Muller, Walter and Kathy Lutkenhaus, Mrs. Conrad (Regina) Flusche, James Flusche, Msgr. Hubert Neu, Charles and Mary Neu, Wilfred and Ida Mae Bindel, Tim Bindel, Ann Bayer, Joe and Mariana Simeroth, Paul Fetsch, Robert Fetsch, Ken, Evelyn and Paul Melvin, Monica Noyes, Albert and Imogene Zimmerer, Gordon and Tracy Buie, Werner and Rita Becker, Werner Jr. and Linda Becker, Willard and Rosebell Zimmerer, Diane Eberhart, Jolene Fuhrmann, Margaret Koerner, Julius and Marie Sandmann, Charlotte Klement, and Mrs. Norbert (Marie) Zimmerer.



John and Pat Yosten (shown with their granddaughter, Kate) at 521 N. Cedar received the September Yard of the Month award from Keep Muenster Beautiful. Their yard is filled with spots of beauty. Angels, bird feeders, potted plants and pretty bedding areas make this yard a work of art, and a fun place to relax and to visit. Pat says she really loves attracting the birds to her yard. Birding is a rewarding hobby while being beneficial to our environment. If you have a yard to nominate for Yard of the Month, email eaglephant@ntln.net or maryleex@starband.net. Courtesy Photo

Grief support seminar offered Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23

Home Hospice will be conducting a Grief Support & Guidance Seminar on Oct. 2, 9, 16, and 23. The seminar will be held at the Home Hospice office at 1001 E. Broadway, Gainesville, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The sessions will address various topics involved in the grief process. The purpose of the seminar is to assist bereaved persons to deal with their grief and to find positive ways to cope with this painful experience. Topics addressed in the seminar are: "How do I go on from here?", "Dealing with difficult emotions," "Surviving the holidays and other special days and memorializing," and "Bringing closure to your loss."

Home Hospice also offers support groups for ongoing bereavement care. Bereaved Parents/Grandparents

meets the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hospice office. The Caring Hearts Luncheon is held the last Wednesday of the month at 12:00 noon at the Hospice office. The luncheon is for present caregivers and bereaved families. The Eating Meeting Support Group meets the first Thursday at 5:30 p.m., alternating between The Center, Rohmer's Restaurant, and Dos Amigos in Muenster and The Wooden Spoon in Lindsay.

Anyone who needs assistance is welcome to attend the Grief Support & Guidance Seminar or any of the support groups. There is no charge for any of these services. Call Home Hospice to register for the seminar at 940-665-9891.

Personal

Muenster native Lou Rena (Wolf) Hammond, now longtime resident and business owner in New York City, phoned friends in her hometown Friday with assurances that she and her family were safe and well. To all of us, that was a most welcome call. She mentioned also that she is extremely proud of people there, who are exhibiting a desire to be helpful to each other, showing very visible care and concern. She said, "This is truly a Wake Up Call."

Brittany Hess turns six



Brittany Hess

A birthday party honoring Brittany Renee Hess was held on Aug. 25 by her parents, Darrell and Lisa Hess of North Richland Hills. Her actual birthday was Aug. 21. Family and girlfriends of Brittany's class celebrated with Brittany at her home. Barbecue sandwiches, cake and ice cream were served. Pictures and videos were taken of the event.

Brittany is the

granddaughter of Rachel Hennigan of Muenster and Cathy Hess of Lewisville and the great-granddaughter of Caroline Hess and Odilia Lutkenhaus of Muenster.

Gardening is like mud ... it sticks to you.

If only we fussed over each other as much as we fuss over our gardens.

Cooke County BPW to meet on Sept. 24

The next meeting of Cooke County BPW will be held Sept. 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce in Gainesville. The program will be "Service Organizations in Cooke County." Joann Ring will represent VISTO, Karen Graham will represent United Way, and Kathy Kirby will represent the

American Red Cross. A meal will be provided at a small charge. If you plan to attend please RSVP by Monday, Sept. 24 to Mary Huneycutt, president, at 668-8811 or Angie Hare, vice president, at 668-7687. You may also contact Mary or Angie for more information on Cooke County BPW.

MHMR meets Sept. 27

The Volunteer Services Council of Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma will hold its bi-annual meeting at 12:00 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27, at the MHMRST Administration Boardroom, 5001 Airport Drive, Denison.

Agenda items are: fundraising results and opportunities, approval of 2002 budget, consideration

of dues for Sherman and Denison Chamber of Commerce, approval of Memorandum of Understanding with MHMRST, and choosing financial services.

Please RSVP to Paula Cawthon, Community Relations Director, for lunch reservations at 903-786-4804. All MHMRST volunteers are urged to attend.

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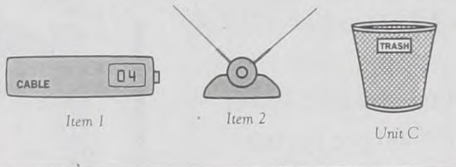


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50th class reunion held Sept. 1-2

The fiftieth class reunion of Sacred Heart School and Muenster Public School was held Sept. 1 and 2. It began with 5 p.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday evening. A happy hour was held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Nortex Communications meeting room. The dinner began at 7 p.m. with The Schneiders catering. After dinner a short program was held.

The program consisted of Henry Weinzapfel as Master

of Ceremonies. John Fisher gave the Invocation; Gracie Fuhrman welcomed all the students and spouses; Dorothy Endres read the biographies of each student; Maurus Rohmer recognized all of the deceased students with a moment of prayer. Don Muller recognized the following: the one who traveled the farthest was Celine Schrage of Salinas, California, the one with the most children was Gilbert Yosten, the one with the most grandchildren was

Gilbert Yosten, and the one with the most great-grandchildren was Helen Cundiff, and also the classmate with the most unusual occupation before or after retirement.

The Benediction was given by Father John Ohner. After the program group pictures were made, along with visiting. The visiting continued Sunday morning at The Center where they gathered for breakfast.



Standing in front of the staircase is: Rita (Hoenig) Cottle, Ella Dell (Starke) Taylor, Henry Weinzapfel, Bernice (Henscheid) Hellman, Emmett Walterscheid, Lillian (Vogel) Walterscheid, Maurus Rohmer, John Fisher, Ernest Wolf, Dorothy Mae (Walterscheid) Yosten, Wilfred Hess, Don Muller and Father John Ohner. On the staircase is: Dan Haverkamp, Gracie (Friske) Fuhrman, Gilbert Yosten, Alvina (Derichswieler) Crow, Willard Zimmerer, Helen (Haverkamp) Cundiff, Eileen (Fleitman) Krebs, Celine (Felderhoff) Schrage, Marianne (Luke) Kuhn, Dorothy (Walterscheid) Endres and Margie (Kathman) Wylie. Courtesy Photo

Kennedy Nicole Tate is one

Kennedy Nicole Tate, daughter of Garland and Sharon Tate of Fort Worth, and granddaughter of Ray and Lou Voth of Muenster, turned one year old on Sept. 1. She shared birthday cupcakes on Aug. 31 with her babysitter, Darla, and friends Riley, Trent and Matthew.

On Sunday, Sept. 2 her parents and big brothers, Jeff and Jeremy hosted a buffet lunch in their home.

Guests included her grandparents, Ray and Lou Voth; godparents Uncle Craig Voth of Dallas and Aunt Jeannene Walterscheid of Muenster. Also aunts, uncles and cousins: Stan, Mona, and Paul Ford of Crowley; Dan, Janet, and Debra Voth, David and Ben Walterscheid all of Muenster; Steve, Brenda, Dominic, and Melissa Fuhrmann of Lindsay;

Sharon Johnson of Dallas; Maddie Voth of Collinsville; and neighbors Jim and Liz Reece of Fort Worth.

On Sunday, Sept. 9 she shared birthday honors with her cousin, Andrew Tate who turned three years old. The two cousins were honored with a lasagna lunch in Kennedy's home. Also helping to celebrate were Kennedy's family, and Andrew's parents Chris and Isabelle Tate and baby brother Kevin of Allen; their grandparents, Wayne and Kathy Tate of Ardmore, Oklahoma; Andrew's grandmother, Ruth Moreno of Plano and his Aunt Gloria Barham and cousin Brandt Barham of Plano. Kennedy and Andrew enjoyed a Winnie the Pooh cake and ice cream with their guests.



Kennedy Tate

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News of the Sick

Reba Fletcher was dismissed from Muenster Memorial Hospital Wednesday morning. Get Well cards may be sent to her, addressed to Mrs. Jack Fletcher, P. O. Box 315, Muenster, TX 76252.

New Arrival

Huchton
Tracy and Jennifer Huchton announce with pride and joy the birth of a daughter on Sept. 11, 2001 at 8:42 p.m., weighing 9 lb. 7 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length at Gainesville Memorial Hospital. They have named her Sadie Elizabeth Huchton. She joins a brother, Dustin Tomlinson, age 9. Grandparents are David and Margie Huchton of Lindsay, Randy Seeds of Gainesville, and Brenda Seeds of Gainesville. Great-grandparents are Billye Huchton and the late John Huchton of Muenster; the late Henry and Rose Hess; the late Evelyn Bearden; Pat Seeds of Gainesville and the late Jim Seeds.

Starting a business workshop offered

To assist new business start-ups, North Central Texas College/Small Business Development Center is providing a workshop, "Basics for Starting a Business." Business consultant, Rebecca How will discuss important business start up processes: defining the business, developing a feasibility study, preparation of a Business Plan, licensing and registering the business, keeping records, and finding sources of capital. The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 9, from 7-9 p.m. at the NCTC/Small Business Development Center at 1-818-7232. Pre-registration is required. Daniel wore a white for more information call baptismal dress that was worn by his mother, his Development Center at 1-sisters Abby and Amy, aunts, uncles, and cousins

Anna Jackson competes for Miss Jr. Teen title

Anna Louise Jackson of Muenster was recently selected to participate in Nationals' 2001 Miss Jr. Teen Dallas/Ft. Worth pageant competition that will take place on Sept. 30. Anna learned of her acceptance into this year's competition as Nationals, Inc. announced their selections last Monday. Anna submitted an application and took part in an interview session that was conducted by Patty Neidert, this year's Dallas/Ft. Worth Pageant Coordinator.



Anna Jackson

Anna will be competing, for her share of over \$20,000.00 in scholarships, prizes, and specialty gifts that will be distributed to contestants. She will be competing in the Miss Jr. Teen division, one of five divisions that will have young ladies between the ages of 6 and 23 competing in modeling routines which include casual wear and formal wear. Most important, Anna will display her personality and interviewing skills while interviewing with this year's Dallas/Ft. Worth judging panel. Personality is the number one aspect that each contestant is judged on during all phases of competition.

If Anna were to win the title of Miss Jr. Teen Dallas/Ft. Worth, she would represent Dallas/Ft. Worth and the surrounding communities at the Cities Of America National Competition that will take place in Orlando, Florida. Over \$60,000.00 in prizes and awards will be

presented at the National Competition while each winner enjoys this expense paid trip of five nights and six days in Orlando, Florida. There is no cost to Anna for participating in the pageant competition. Community businesses, organizations, and private individuals will assist Anna in participating in this year's competition by becoming an official sponsor to her. Through sponsorship, each contestant receives all the necessary training, rehearsals, and financial support which will allow Anna to become a very confident and well-prepared contestant in this year's Dallas/Ft. Worth Pageant.

Any business, organization, or private individual who may be interested in becoming a sponsor to Anna may contact her pageant coordinator, Patty Neidert at 1-800-569-2487.

Baptisms

Luttmer
Daniel Gene Luttmer's baptism was celebrated in Sacred Heart Church, Sunday, Sept. 16, 2001 with Father John Ohner officiating. James and Susan Yosten, uncle and aunt, were his baptismal sponsors. Daniel wore a white baptismal dress that was worn by his mother, his Development Center at 1-sisters Abby and Amy, aunts, uncles, and cousins

at their baptisms. He was wrapped in a white crocheted afghan made by his great-grandmother, Gertrude Voth.

Family members attending the ceremony included his parents Gene and Carol Luttmer; his sisters Abby and Amy; grandparents Alfons and Mary Anne Koessler; great-grandparents Ben and Gertrude Voth; uncles and aunts Joe and Kristy Koessler, Duane and Mary Lin Knabe, Barbara Koessler, and Max and Cindy Koessler; and cousins Debra Yosten, Diana and Amanda Knabe, Samantha and Stephanie Koessler, and Ben Koessler.

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School

Sacred Heart prepares for Homecoming

by Janet Felderhoff
A week of festivities have been planned for Sacred Heart School's Homecoming. Homecoming Queen candidates and members of the Queen's Court were recently elected. Queen candidates are seniors Audrey Barnhill, daughter of Monte and Janet Barnhill; Andrea Bauer, daughter of Robert and Kathy Bauer; Christen Smith, daughter of Scott and Marcia Smith; and Kristen Zimmerer, daughter of Alan and Brenda Zimmerer. Members of the Queen's Court are junior Tiffany

Richey, daughter of Todd Richey and Brenda Green; sophomore Courtney Hartman, daughter of Kenny and Rhonda Hartman; and freshman Jacqueline Bauer, daughter of Robert and Kathy Bauer. On Monday a Homecoming Fair is planned from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Tuesday is Red and White Day for the entire school. High students have Games Night on the football field beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Queen's Court luncheon will highlight Wednesday. Also a Volleyball Night will take

place at 7:00 p.m. Thursday is Picture Day. There will be a Pep Rally at 3:00 p.m. in the gym. Friday there will be no school due to teacher in-service. Members of the freshman class are decorating the football field for the Homecoming game. Pre-game activities begin at 6:30 p.m. The Homecoming game kicks off at 7:30 p.m. when the Tigers host Cypress. There will be a Homecoming Dance after the game until 12:00 or 12:30 a.m. It will be held in the Muenster KC Hall.



Sacred Heart 2001 Homecoming Queen's Court, from left, back - Andrea Bauer, Kristen Zimmerer, Christen Smith and Audrey Barnhill; front - Jacqueline Bauer, Courtney Hartman and Tiffany Richey. Janie Hartman Photo

SBISD observes day of prayer, remembrance

Students and staff members at Sivelis Bend ISD observed the National Day of Prayer and Remembrance declared by President Bush with a ceremony around the flag at school. Since September 14 is also the anniversary of the writing of our National Anthem, all participants sang the Star Spangled Banner and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag flying at half-mast. Students and staff tied red, white, and blue ribbons along the fence in front of the school in remembrance. Eighth grade student Bonnie Freeman told about her brother Josh's involvement in the crisis. Freeman is attending the

Merchant Marine Academy in New York. Along with other cadets, he aided in patrolling and securing the area where the World Trade Center twin towers once stood. At Noon, students and staff observed a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the September 11 terrorist attack on New York and Washington, D.C. Superintendent Brenda Rickard said, "It is important for children to participate in events such as this. It allows them to gain a better understanding of how citizens of our country, or any country, must stand together during difficult times. It is an important part of healing."



Chris Jackson is one of the 16,000 semifinalists named in the 2002 National Merit Scholarship Program. Chris, a senior at Muenster High School, is now eligible to compete for some 8,000 awards worth over \$32 million. Over 1.2 million students in over 20,000 U.S. high schools entered the program, taking the 2000 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. He is the son of Jay and Laura Jackson. Courtesy Photo

School Lunch Menus

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Mon. - Corny dogs, potato wedges, ranch style beans, apple cobbler, pineapple tidbits.
Tues. - Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pears, hot rolls.
Wed. - Sub sandwiches (ham, turkey, cheese) lettuce and tomatoes, apples, chips, carrot sticks, animal cookies.
Thurs. - Chicken pot pie, lettuce salad w/dressing, pineapple cake, peaches, hot rolls.
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Fri. - No school.
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Mon. - Tacos, pinto beans, applesauce, peaches, bread.
Tues. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cheese, bread, pineapple.
Wed. - Fish, black-eyed peas, cole slaw, macaroni and cheese, oranges, bread.
Thurs. - Pizza, corn, salad, apples, bread.

Fri. - Sloppy Joes, baked beans, sweet rice, pears.
ERA ISD
Mon. - Country fried pork steak or beef steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, fresh strawberries, hot roll.
Tues. - Burritos, green beans, Mexican salad or tossed salad, fruit salad, peanut butter cookie.
Wed. - Lasagna or fish sticks, broccoli and cheese, breadsticks.
Thurs. - Chicken enchilada casserole, pinto beans, fruit mix, tossed salad, wacky cake.
Fri. - Turkey sub sandwich, trimmings, potato chips, pickle spears, ice cream.



Chris Jackson, Ashley Klement and Laura Jackson are among MHS students helping to Keep Muenster Beautiful. Courtesy Photo

MHS students keep Muenster beautiful

On Thursday, Sept. 13, Muenster High School students met after school at the beginning of their 2 mile Adopt-A-Highway strip of Highway 82. Twenty-five members from Student Council and the National Honor Society arrived in orange vests with trash bags in hand. For the next hour, they filled bag after bag with garbage. Soon they had managed to successfully remove a great

amount of litter. Also assisting in the trash pick-up were Student Council sponsors Deanna Hellman and Becky Felderhoff. Adopt-A-Highway is a beautification program where volunteers "adopt" a site near a city highway, by making the commitment to pick up litter at the site regularly during the year. submitted by Kelly Grewing, Student Council Secretary

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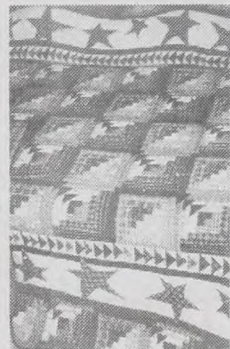
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Dollars for scholarships

Every year Mu Epsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International awards a scholarship to a county high school student who is planning to pursue a degree in the field of education. In the past, the chapter has helped students from Muenster, Lindsay, Callisburg, and Valley View extend their education beyond high school. Mu Epsilon is currently selling chances on a hand-made queen size quilt to raise money to fund their scholarship program. The

chapter members will be selling chances at the Lindsay Oktoberfest on Sunday, Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. in Lindsay Park. The quilt will be on display. Chances are \$1 each and the drawing will be held Dec. 11. You need not be present to win. All Mu Epsilon members have tickets for sale. Please support this worthy cause.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honor society of women educators. The Society promotes professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education. Established in 1929, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has attained major objectives in improving opportunities for qualified women employed at every level of education as well as in advancing the status of women educators. By May 2000, the Society had grown to approximately 150,000 members belonging to over 3,000 chapters located around the world. submitted by Betsy Fleitman



Queen-size quilt to be raffled with proceeds to benefit scholarship program. Courtesy photo

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




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Sports

Cougars clawed by Tigers 48-0

The Sacred Heart Tigers kept their winning record with a one-sided victory over the Covenant Christian Cougars last Friday. The Tigers took a 48-0 victory over the scoreless team from Colleyville.

"We played pretty good defensively, but we're not that sharp offensively," noted Tiger Coach Kris Hogan. "Our coverage teams did a good job and that helped us gain nice field position the entire game."

The Cougar's first offensive attempt lost 9 yards with tackles by Adam Krahl and Luke Endres. A flag and incomplete passes quickly ended the Tigers' first drive. Covenant then got in six plays, punting to the Tiger 43. Five runs by Johnny Krahl took the Tigers to the 22 yard line. Thomas Whitecotton picked up a few more, with a flag assisting in moving to the 12 yard line. Whitecotton gained 8 yards, Krahl 3, then Paul Bartush on a quarterback keeper scored the touchdown. The PAT kick was wide for a 6-0 score with 1:24 remaining in the first period of play.

Tackles by Whitecotton and Jack Biffle and a fumbled snap forced another Covenant punt. A good return put the Tigers on their 40 yard line. Bartush again went airborne, completing a pass to Voth for a 34 yard gain to the 26 yard line. A pass to Zimmerer picked up another 8, then Krahl had the honor of running the ball in for the touchdown. Endres booted the extra point for a 28-0 score with 3:42 left on the clock.

Covenant got in a few more plays when Sacred Heart fumbled on a punt return. An attempted field goal failed and the Tigers played out the clock to half-time.

It didn't take long for Sacred Heart to get two more quick touchdowns. Bartush scored on a 56 yard run, then a few plays later, Endres returned a punt 53 yards and the Tigers had a 40-0 lead with 8:34 on the 3rd quarter clock.

Once again Covenant could not get 10 yards and punted. The Tigers took just a few runs one each by Whitecotton, Endres, Krahl,

called it back. A holding penalty followed, so the Tigers attempted a field goal, but failed.

Colleyville took over at their 25 yard line. Four plays later Aaron Walterscheid intercepted a pass, returned it 23 yards, then fumbled it back to the Cougars. Three incomplete passes and a punt allowed Sacred Heart to play out the last minute of the game.

"We need to improve on fielding punts, but when we did get returns, we did a nice job blocking," added Coach Hogan.

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TEAM STATS

SH	18	1st downs	CC	2
	32/286	Rushes/yds.		25/6
	88	Passing yds.		26
	5/15/0	Comp/att/int		4/19/1
	1/40	Punts/avg.		9/35
	4/2	Fumbles/lost		4/2
	9/100	Penalties/yds.		4/30

Individual Stats
RUSHERS: Thomas Whitecotton, 6/94; Paul Bartush, 6/77; Johnny Krahl, 13/71. TURNOVERS: Aaron Walterscheid, Michael Voth. TACKLERS: Whitecotton, Jack Biffle,



Giving quarterback Mitch Endres time to pitch the ball to a running back includ Shawn Hess (53), Blake Garrison (73) and Brad Felderhoff. Photo by Clifford Sicking

Dogs down Hornets 24-14

The Muenster Hornets returned home Friday night from Millsap with their first defeat of the season. The 2A Bulldogs won the battle 14-24.

"We showed some improvements on offense," said Coach Gordon Martin. "Our specialty teams had some breakdown that cost us field position." Coach Martin believes that was the Hornets' downfall that contributed to the loss.

The Hornets started strong. The second play of the game Dustin Hiser intercepted a Bulldog pass putting Muenster on their own 22 yard line. Eight consecutive runs by Cody Cory moved the ball to the 12 yard line. A quarterback sack lost 3, then Chisam Cain scored on a 15 yard run. Cain booted the extra point for a 7-0 score with 6:16 on the clock.

Millsap quickly got to midfield. A 49 yard touchdown pass play was called back due to off-setting penalties. But the next play the Dogs scored on a 49 yard run. The extra run gave the host a 7-8 lead with 3:53 remaining in the first period of play.

The Hornets started their next drive from their 14 yard line. Cory gained 13 on 3 runs and Mitch Endres 6. A delay flag and incomplete pass put Muenster in a 4th and 10 situation. A bad snap gave Millsap possession on the Hornet 20.

Muenster's defense held the Dogs, taking control at the 16. Cory ran three plays for 21 yards, with Endres picking up 6 more on three runs, but a 15 yard penalty forced the Hornets to punt.

Millsap got in a 36 yard run, then was dropped for a loss by Dustin Walterscheid. Brad Felderhoff stopped the Dogs at the 4, but the next play, Millsap got into the end zone. The PAT failed for a 7-14 score with 3:58 remaining till half-time.

Another flag kept Muenster from driving, forcing a punt. The Dogs turned up their passing attack, moving from midfield to the 4 yard line. With time running out, Millsap booted a 20 yard field goal to take a 7-17 lead at half-time.

The teams exchanged punts with Felderhoff, Shawn Hess, and Grant Hartman getting in some good tackles, keeping the Dogs out of the end zone. Millsap moved the ball into the final quarter, then turned the ball over on downs.

Muenster's offense, aided by flags, moved towards the end zone. Mitch Endres carried four times for 27 yards, the last 5 for a touchdown. Cain added the extra point for a 14-17 score with 8:50 remaining in the game.

The teams again exchanged punts, with Millsap moving 79 yards in 7 plays, scoring on a 5 yard run. The PAT gave the Dogs a 14-24 lead with 2:52 on the clock. The Hornets got in three runs and three incomplete passes, giving the ball back to the Dogs, who killed the clock.

"Overall we improved, but we'll continue to work to get more improvement, especially on offense," Coach Martin concluded.

MU	7	0	0	7	14
MI	8	9	0	7	24
TEAM STATS					
MU		MI			
14	1st downs	13			
32/160	Rushes yds.	29/226			



Andy Davis and Kevin Walterscheid pull down a Covenant Christians' specialty team member during a punt return in Friday night's 48-0 Sacred Heart victory. Janie Hartman Photo

The Tiger kick was covered by Michael Voth on the 17 yard line. The next play, a Bartush to Voth pass, extended Sacred Heart's lead to 12-0. Covenant carried the ball into the second quarter then punted. Voth got a good return to the Tiger 46, but the Tigers couldn't get the needed 10 yards and punted back, rolling to the 5 yard line. On fourth and 8, a bad snap gave Sacred Heart a safety and a 14-0 lead. A free kick put the Tigers near midfield. A Bartush to Jared Zimmerer pass picked up 25 yards. Two plays later, Whitecotton added another 6 points. Endres's PAT kick extended the lead to 21-0 with 8:34 remaining in the second period.

and Bartush to get to the one yard line. Krahl then went around the left tackle for another touchdown. Krahl also ran in the extra points for a 48-0 lead.

Covenant controlled the ball for a first down, then made no progress, losing the ball on downs. A fumbled ball was recovered by the Cougars as the final quarter began, but again, no gain, just a 7 yard loss by a Whitecotton tackle.

From their 18, Sacred Heart got in several good runs. Whitecotton ran for 23, Endres twice for 19, and Bartush 15, to the 25 yard line.

Short runs by Endres and Andy Davis gained 9 yards. Chris Hoedebeck found the end zone, but a clipping flag

Adam Krahl.

Next Action

The Tigers will host Canyon Creek of Richardson this Friday. Canyon Creek is a TAPPS 3A team of 42 varsity players. They have a lot of kids out. With both size and speed, they really fly around the field," Coach Hogan commented, noting their quarterback is the best individual player seen this year. "He can throw the ball very well and has speedy receivers who do a great job fighting for the ball. It will be a nice test for our secondary. Hopefully we can improve in all areas this week and keep our momentum going."

Last week, Canyon Creek lost to Garland Christian 26-3. Game time is 7:30 at the Jungle.

Contest winner gets perfect score

The second week of the Enterprise football contest had a winner with a perfect score! Barbie Barnhill correctly guessed every high school game winner listed and wins the \$25 cash prize.

Every entry was given game five because the wrong opponent was listed against Valley View. Only one entry picked Alvord and Nocona to win, while four missed Sacred Heart. A dozen picked Muenster and Era to win, while 13 picked Callisburg, 14 Gainesville, and 24 believed Lindsay should have defeated Bells. Thirty-seven entries were turned in last week.

In the tie-breaker game, three contestants guessed the Sacred Heart final score correctly, Joseph Davis, David Krahl, and Jon LeBrasseur. Nick Stoffels guessed 49-0, Matthew Fleitman 45-0, Jack Biffle 44-0, and Dale Schilling 52-0.

Missing only one game were Dave Reiter, Nick Stoffels, Jon LeBrasseur, David Krahl, Clint

Fuhrmann, and LeRoy Buddy Charles Edwards, Noah Barnhill, and Joseph Davis each missed two, while Edgar Dyer, Ted Heers, and Rebecca York missed 3. Ten contestants missed 4, with the lowest score being 11 incorrectly picked games.

Oops!

After being notified of a possible mistake in last week's "grading" of the football contest, Barbie Barnhill won the first week's \$25.00 cash prize, after missing only 3 games and off 14 points on the tie-breaker.

DISTRICT 1-AA STANDINGS		
Season	W-L	District
Rockwall	3-0	---
Ambassadors	3-0	---
Lakehill	3-1	---
Sacred Heart	2-0	---
Prestonwood	2-1	---
Tyler Street	1-1	---

DISTRICT 14-A LAST WEEK		
Muenster 14	Millsap 24	
Era 12	Cross Plains 13	
Windthorst 41	Archer City 0	
Petrolia 34	Chico 13	
Alvord 0	Collinsville 46	
	Saint Jo - open	

DISTRICT 1-AA LAST WEEK		
Sacred Heart 48	C. Covenant 0	
Prestonwood 34	Shelton 7	
Ambassador 50	R. Rock Chr. 6	
Lakehill 35	Winston 7	
Tyler Street and Rockwall Christian games were cancelled		

DISTRICT 14-A STANDINGS		
Season	W-L	District
Saint Jo	2-0	---
Windthorst	2-0	---
Petrolia	2-0	---
Muenster	1-1	---
Era	0-3	---
Alvord	0-3	---

The Hornets travel to Callisburg this Friday night to take on another 2A team. "Callisburg's big and mean," noted Coach Martin. "They're not as fast as Millsap as a team. This should be a better match-up." The Wildcats fell to Henrietta last week 7-6, and defeated Blooming Grove the week before 33-6. The game begins at 7:30 p.m. at Callisburg.


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10. Saint Jo vs. Wichita Falls

Notre Dame

At right, Kevin Walterscheid and Adam Krahl bring down a Cougar as Jonny Krahl (30) and Jared Zimmerer (88) move in.

Janie Hartman Photo



Tiger quarterback Paul Bartush takes off on a 55-yard run. Adam Krahl (56) knocks out one defender. Janie Hartman Photo



Cody Cory (2) follows the blocking of Chism Cain (33) and Michael Endres (84). Photo by Clifford Sicking

2001 Muenster Hornets Varsity Football Schedule

We	They	Time
7 Sep. 7	Nocona	H 7:30
14 Sep. 14	Millsap	T 7:30
Sep. 21	Callisburg	T 7:30
Sep. 28	Collinsville	H 7:30
Oct. 5	Chico	T 7:30
Oct. 12	Saint Jo **	H 7:30
Oct. 19	Alvord *	T 7:30
Oct. 26	Petrolia *	H 7:30
Nov. 2	Windthorst *	T 7:30
Nov. 9	Era ****	H 7:30

* District Games ** Homecoming *** Parents Night

2001 Sacred Heart Tigers Varsity Football Schedule

We	They	Time
20 Aug. 31	Era	H 7:30
Sep. 7	CANCELLED	T 7:30
48 Sep. 14	Colleyville Covenant	H 7:30
Sep. 21	Canyon Creek	H 7:30
Sep. 28	Houston Cypress**	H 7:30
Oct. 5	Prestonwood*	H 7:30
Oct. 12	Rockwall*	H 7:30
Oct. 19	Tyler Street*	T 7:30
Oct. 26	Dallas Lakehill*	T 7:30
Nov. 2	Ambassadors*	T 7:30

* District Games ** Homecoming

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM SEPTEMBER 21, 2001

1. _____ 11. _____
 2. _____ 12. _____
 3. _____ 13. _____
 4. _____ 14. _____
 5. _____ 15. _____
 6. _____ 16. _____
 7. _____ 17. _____
 8. _____ 18. _____
 9. _____ 19. _____
 10. _____ 20. _____

TIEBREAKER:

Lindsay _____ Pilot Point _____

Name _____

Phone _____



#55 - Grant Hartman



Shawn Hess takes a sideline break.



Jared Zimmerer brings down a completed pass. Janie Hartman Photo

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Lindsay vs. Pilot Point

#3 - Nathan Hess

18. GO RED!

Collinsville vs. Whitewright

19. Ambassadors vs. Calvary Academy

20. Decatur vs. Lake Worth

Illustration of a tiger

Knights handed 2nd loss

Last Friday the Lindsay Knights fought a battle at Bells, but could not pull out a victory, falling to the Panthers 21-13.

"We came out sluggish, then picked it up a bit," commented Coach Charlie Meurer. "I was pleased with our second half performance, the boys showed they can play." Meurer added that Bells improved over last year's team, playing very competitively.

The first quarter belonged to Bells as the Knights quickly gave up 14 points. Lindsay's opening drive ended in a punt, followed by six Panther plays and 7 points. Three plays later, Bells intercepted a Lindsay pass and returned it for another touchdown giving Bells a 14-0 lead with 4:42 remaining in the first quarter.

Dominic Fuhrmann covered an on-side kick, but the Knight offense could not gain any ground. The punt was partially blocked, giving Bells the ball near midfield. The Panthers carried the ball into the second quarter, but tackles by Tommy Arendt, Chris Horner, Mitch Creed, Adam Anderle, and Matt Baugh gave the ball back to the Knights at the 27 yard line.

The Knight offense opened up when a T. Arendt to Joey Arendt pass gained 14 yards. Anderle then ran for 14. T. Arendt for 15, then Horner for another 10 to the 22 yard line before the Bells defense tightened the line. Runs by Anderle and T. Arendt gained 7, but a flag lost 10. On 4th and 13, an Anderle run came up short and Bells regained control.

Defensive action by Baugh, Anderle, and Creed allowed only 3 yards, forcing a bells punt.

The Knight offense picked up only 2 yards and punted the ball back to the Panthers who ran four plays to the half-time mark.

The first play of the third quarter saw Bells score on an 81 yard run to extend their lead to 21-0.

The Knights surprised the Panthers when Nathan Bruce returned the Bells kick 75 yards for a Lindsay touchdown. T. Arendt added the extra point for a 21-7 score just 44 seconds into the third period.

Lindsay's defense again held Bells for three plays with Brandon Ferguson, T. Arendt, Creed, and Anderle working together on tackles.

From their 38 yard line, the Knights began their first drive of the second half. On 4th and 2, a fumbled punt attempt turned into a first down by Mitch Creed. A T. Arendt pass to Chuck Hinds quickly moved the

Knights to the 12 yard line. Three plays later, Arendt's pass to Rhett Rimmer closed the score to 21-13 half-way through the 3rd quarter.

Tackles by Anderle, Horner, and Ryan Kasparek forced another punt, setting the Knights deep on their 20 yard line. Arendt picked up 11 yards on two runs, then Anderle gained 3. An Arendt pass to Anderle picked up a quick 20. Two short runs and an Arendt pass to Hinds took the Knights to the 25 yard line. A completed pass to Horner put Lindsay inside the Panther 20 to begin the final quarter. The Knights advanced to the 8 yard line, then on 4th and 6, an attempted field goal was no good, giving Bells possession on the 20.

Bells pounded 16 plays against the Knights, eating away at the clock, moving to the 25 yard line before fumbling. Josh Goldsmith covered the ball for the Knights.

Lindsay's attempted air attack had two completions, one to Hinds, another to Horner from Rimmer, but the third throw was intercepted and run into the end zone. The touchdown didn't count due to a flag. Bells ran three plays, using up the clock. The Knight defense, led by Ferguson, Baugh, and Creed dropped the Panthers for a 16 yard loss to end the game.

Lindsay finished the game with Rhett Rimmer behind the center. Rimmer

is the Knights' "3rd string quarterback," coming in after Tommy Arendt was injured with a shoulder strain. Arendt will not see action for a couple weeks. Sam Hellinger has missed all games due to an early injury, but has started no-contact workouts with the team.

L	0	0	13	0	13
B	14	0	7	0	21

TEAM STATS	
L	B
12	9
36/126	36/222
123	39
9/15/2	3/9/0
3/27	3/36
3/0	1/1
5/30	6/45

Individual Stats
RUSHERS: Adam Anderle, 14/51; Tommy Arendt, 11/47. TACKLERS: Matt Baugh, Anderle, Arendt, Mitch Creed. TURNOVERS: Josh Goldsmith.

Next Action
The Knights travel to Pilot Point this Friday to tangle with the Bearcats, who lost to Boyd last Friday 20-6 and slipped by Sanger 8-7 the previous week.

Coach Meurer commented that the contest is hard to prepare for, because, due to the controversy at Pilot Point School, the Knights don't know what or who they will be facing.

"It will be an uphill battle. We need to make a good showing and improve ourselves," Meurer added. The game is at 7:30 p.m. at Bearcat Stadium.



Above, Knight running back Adam Anderle carries through a big hole in the Bells' line with blocking by Brandon Ferguson (50).
Dave Fette Photo



Tommy Arendt throws a good pass for a first down to #88 Travis Alfrey.
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DISTRICT 16-A STANDINGS		
	Season	District
	W-L	W-L
Celeste	2-0	---
Fannindel	2-0	---
Collinsville	2-1	---
Savoy	0-1	---
Lindsay	0-2	---
Q. Boles	0-2	---

DISTRICT 16-A LAST WEEK		
Lindsay	13	Bells 21
Collinsville	46	Alvord 0
Celeste	51	Leonard 13
Fannindel	21	Argyle 19
Boles 0		Detroit 20
		Savoy - open



Winning the Saint Jo Meet included, from left, Kami Klement, Pamela Lutkenhaus, Kallie Gersberger, JoAnna Felderhoff, Chelsea Felderhoff and Stevie Klement.
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MHS teams compete

The Muenster High School Varsity and Junior Varsity girls competed Sept. 1 at the Marcus Invitational Cross Country Meet held in Denton at North Lakes Park.

The varsity runners placed 6th out of nine 1A and 2A teams. The Lady Hornets were led by Joanna Felderhoff's 4th place finish with a time of 13:02. Robyn Hermes (14:56) and Chelsea Felderhoff (15:06) placed 27th and 32nd respectively; Shivaun Beasom (15:11) 33rd, and Jami Gerstberger

(15:13) placed 34th. Stevie Klement (15:39) came in 42nd in a field of over 60 Class 1 and 2A runners.

Varsity Team Scoring: Krum, 36; Lindsay, 74; Liberty Christian, 96; CCA, 96; Pilot Point Ind., 115; Muenster, 130; Detroit, 136; Pilot Point 158; Valley View, 204.

The JV Lady Hornets put forth tremendous effort competing in the 4A and under division with only four runners. Of 144 runners, Whitney Watson turned in a time of 15:09 to take 30th. Amanda Felderhoff (15:27) and Kami Klement (15:47) placed 38th and 47th respectively. Lisa Felderhoff placed 53rd with a time of 15:58.

Muenster Cross Country teams run well at Saint Jo Invitational

Muenster High School, Junior High School, and Elementary were all represented this last Saturday at the Saint Jo Invitational Meet.

The Varsity Girls finished in 1st place against some stiff competition. The Lady Hornets were led by Freshman Joanna Felderhoff who placed first in a field of 85 runners. Kallie Gersberger was close behind, placing 8th. Also receiving medals for

Muenster were Robyn Hermes, Chelsea Felderhoff, and Stevie Klement placing 18th, 19th, and 20th respectively. Jami Gerstberger was just short of a medal, placing 24th.

Varsity Girls Team Scoring: 1, Muenster, 66; 2, Gunter, 76; 3, Jacksboro, 84; 4, Era, 95; 5, Pilot Point, 184; 6, Valley View, 190.

The JV Lady Hornets also finished 1st as a team. Receiving medals for Muenster were Lisa Felderhoff, Amanda Felderhoff, and Kami Klement. Also running for MHS in the JV division were Whitney Watson, Pamela Lutkenhaus, and Tara Swirczynski.

In the Junior High Boys division, Muenster faced 75 runners as individuals, being one member short of a five man team. Malcom Martin led his team with a 4th place finish. Chris Steelman trailed close behind with a 6th place

finish. Dustin Wimmer and Michael Eckart also ran well, placing 33rd and 47th respectively.

The Muenster Junior High Girls finished 5th overall in a division of 98 runners. Jenna Felderhoff made a strong showing with a 5th place finish. Also medalling was Megan Felderhoff who placed 20th. Also competing for the Junior High Lady Hornets were Jace Koelzer (25th), Kelly Endres (57th), Megan Dangelmayr (58th), Sandy Endres (62nd), and Jessica Walterscheid (65th).

Muenster Elementary School was represented in the one mile "Fun Run" of the Saint Jo Cross Country Meet. Colton Steelman was 1st overall with a time of 6:28. Elizabeth Martin placed 5th with a time of 7:18. Also winning medals were Jacy Steelman 11th with a time of 7:40, and Michelle Henscheid 14th, turning in a time of 8:21.

Sacred Heart competes in VV meet

Sacred Heart sent 17 cross country runners to compete in the Valley View Meet.

The junior high Lady Cubs finished 4th as a team. Diana Knabe was the 2nd place individual finisher with a time of 13:31. Whitney Wimmer came in 19th clocking in at 14:38, Hannah Hess 30th at 15:17, and Shannon Hartman 48th at 16:04. Rounding out the Lady Cub finishers and their times were Stephanie Kraewitz 16:41, Lauren Sepanski 17:27, and Lauren Krahl, 18:26.

The Tigerette team finished 13th overall. Individually, Catherine Bartush came in 47th clocking in at 14:17; Kate Sepanski was 51st at 14:25; Rose Bartush 59th at 14:36; and Karen Gehrig 74th with a time of 15:15. Also running for Sacred Heart and their times were Sara Sepanski 15:51, Elizabeth Fette 16:42, and Audrey Barnhill 19:42.

Three varsity Tigers competed in the meet. Dan Bartush finished 38th with a time of 18:42. Matthew Fleitman came in 117th at 22:02, with Zach Barnhill finishing at 23:27.

Sacred Heart will compete at the Ponder Meet this Saturday.

JV Tigers declaw Panthers

The junior varsity Tigers had a growling match against the Panthers of Saint Jo last Thursday evening.

The Tiger offense struggled the first three possessions, having a minus one in nine plays. In the second quarter, things changed. Beginning at midfield, an Aaron Walterscheid pass to Chris Hoedebeck picked up 9 yards. Walterscheid then ran for 3 and a first down. Jeff Reiter then picked up two more first downs, getting to the 14 yard line. His third run of the drive put 6 points on the board. The extra run failed for a 6-0 score with 1:30 remaining in the first half. A quarterback sack by Matthew Fleitman ended the quarter.

Two plays into the 3rd period, Andy Davis covered a fumbled ball on the Panther 28. Three runs by Reiter moved Sacred Heart to the 15, but a major flag, then fumble gave Saint Jo the ball. Tackles by Adam Taylor and Davis forced a punt.

From midfield, Reiter ran four plays and Hoedebeck one to get to the Panther 30. Entering the final period, short runs by Reiter and Walterscheid gained a first

down. Reiter took two more runs to the three, then carried the ball in for the score. A pass from Walterscheid to Hoedebeck gave Sacred Heart a 14-0 lead with 5:37 remaining in the game.

Tiger defense, led by Fleitman, Clayton Truabenbach, and Walterscheid gave Sacred Heart the ball. Several good runs by Reiter took the Tigers to the 24. A fumbled ball was covered by the Panthers, but the next play Hoedebeck intercepted the ball back. Reiter got in several runs before time ran out.

Jeff Reiter carried 24 times for 119 yards as the Tigers' leading rusher.

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County Agent's Report by Craig Rosenbaum

Bermuda Grass Decline

What's happened to my bermudagrass pastures? That seems to be a topic expressed by many ranchers. The answer lies in many separate scenarios and a combination of stresses. The past four summers have taken its toll on agriculture and bermudagrass has not been spared.

Bermudagrass decline is exactly what the term indicates - a loss of stand, a reduction in forage tonnage and an opportunity for weed invasion. This means new weeds for us here in Cooke county like woolly croton that's so prevalent this year.

Now to the problem - what's causing this decline? This week I visited with Dr. David Kee, Extension agronomist, about the possibilities of decline and I am sure we can all identify with some. Minor causes include our soil fertility program where we might experience winter kill from lack of potassium. A 5:1:4 ratio of NPK is needed by the crop for hay production. Also, soil acidity can develop over the years through heavy nitrogen use. Kee says that the forms of nitrogen vary in acidification from most to least by ammonium sulfate, ammonium nitrate, anhydrous ammonia, and urea. Nutrient stratification can also occur which limits P and K movement in the

soil which can lead to poor root activity during extremes of cold, wet, dry, etc. So what is the solution to this fertility dilemma - soil test - don't guess!

How about a traffic pan - we all tend to have more livestock than the stressed pasture can hold. Traffic pans cause rooting zone limitations and are especially bad in wet periods like last winter. You can try some type of physical disturbance of the soil. This is best done in the dormant season from December through January. Identify your traffic pan and choose the right equipment. Kee recommends: Shallow pan, 0-2 inches - light disking; Medium pan, 2-6 inches - aerator/spikes; Deep pan, 6 inches and over - chisel/paraplow. In addition certain legumes can aid in pan penetration. Sweet clover does a good job along with deep rooted native grasses in alkaline soils. In acid soil switch grass and lespediza might be choices to consider.

Now our major causes of decline. First we'll consider what Kee calls Total Nonstructural Carbohydrate Recharge (TNC). This means that the sugars that are in plants used for growth are not there. This is caused basically from overgrazing in the fall and constant grazing. We are not leaving enough plant material going into the winter months. This causes increased

winter kill, it limits response to fertilizer, and limits utilization of spring rains so there is poor root growth for summer drought and poor forage growth in the summer. What can we do to help with this scenario? Destock in late summer so we don't graze everything to the ground. Sell calves and cull cows by September 1, to give grass time to recover. Use of multiple pastures helps. Give some pastures a rest to recharge and graze the standing dormant grass as standing hay. Graze your winter pastures hard or harvest excess in the spring to remove the ryegrass competition from warm season perennial pasture grasses.

And, a final cause of bermudagrass decline can be attributed to our efforts in spring weed control. Ryegrass growth gets excessive in April and usually stays until June. It shades out bermudagrass and so causes other weed problems in the summer. The reason we are seeing so much ryegrass relates back to bare ground and fall overgrazing. In addition we are planting more and more winter pasture. Consider using a cereal grain (wheat, oats, rye) for pasture planting. Again, harvest excess winter pasture in the spring for hay. Cool season annuals like ryegrass make excellent hay for livestock. So treat some ryegrass as a weed and overgraze it early or cut it for hay.

In conclusion bermudagrass decline is a result of multiple management decisions. There is no single cause and therefore no single solution. Recognize your management needs and adjust to increase forage growth. Develop a management plan on an individual pasture situation that best fits your needs.

Weed Of The Week
What's that tall white topped weed in the pastures? It is WOOLLY CROTON, also known to some areas as Goatweed, or Dovedew. It's an annual that flourishes in our southern, summer heat. It tends to be more of a problem in overstocking conditions. This relates back to our pastures declining, offering more open areas for germination of Woolly Croton. Woolly Croton is fairly easy to kill with 2-4-D products. Pastures sprayed about May 1, when croton plants are less than six (6) inches tall, receive good control. Late summer will require some type of mowing to remove this pest when plants are tall and flowering.

2002 Youth Fair Steer Entries

4-Hers who plan to enter a steer at the 2002 Youth Fair need to have those entries completed Tuesday, September 25th. Entries are to be turned in at the County Extension office. All entries must be made on an official entry card with an entry fee of \$5 per animal.

Ag Brief

A mailed survey to 800 corn and soybean growers was answered by about 30%. Of those, 15% said they grew specialty grains. Four types of corn grown on 550,600 acres were waxy, white, high oil, and yellow food. The top three soybeans were seed, STS, and tofu.

Grain and livestock farms nationally had an astounding 27.5% profit last year according to Agri Solutions, up from 5.6% in 1999, reflecting strong market prices for livestock and government payments for grains.

Beef farms and ranches reported a profit of 13.1% contrasted to a 3.3% loss in 1999.

Dairy cattle, the most profitable in 1999, stayed about the same. Swine improved slightly from 5.7% to 6%.



Kelly Robinson

Texas Cattlewomen host speaker at monthly meeting

Kelly Robinson of Tioga, Texas winner of Texoma CattleWomen's \$450 scholarship to attend the Beef Short course in August, was a guest at the CattleWomen's September meeting. She related her experiences at the Short Course and expressed appreciation to CattleWomen.

Members voted to donate \$1,000 to North Central Texas College to provide a scholarship for an NCTC agriculture student. CattleWomen will also donate a \$25 Beef Certificate to NCTC to be used in the auction at the Scholarship Program Roundup on Sept. 29.

First Graders Day in Sherman is Friday, Oct. 13. Trudy Lucas is in charge of CattleWomen's beef presentation to the students. Whitesboro's Peanut Festival will take place on Oct. 20 and CattleWomen plan to have a beef information table with recipes, T-shirts, etc. at the Ole Meat Market in Whitesboro. Ag Day in Durant, Oklahoma is being observed on the same day, and Pat Grote will be in charge of that display.

The October meeting will be on Thursday evening, Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Barbara Henderson's home, north of Whitesboro.

AP slams govt. farm assistance payments

A number of articles were published by the Associated Press on Sunday and Monday charging that government farm assistance payments often go to those needing it least, including universities and large farms, rather than the small farmers most in need. According to the reports, Agriculture Department records show that a number of cities, schools, prisons and universities throughout the country last year received government funding through agriculture programs.

"At least 20 Fortune 500 companies and more than 1,200 universities and government farms, including state prisons, received checks from federal programs touted by politicians as a way to prop up needy farmers," AP reported on Sunday.

Ken Cook, president of the Environmental Working Group and opponent of current farm policy, questioned whether it makes "sense to provide that kind of subsidy."

"I'm sure they do wonderful things, but there has to be another way to support those purposes and direct this money to the people who really need it - farmers," according to Cook.

NCTC Friends of Agriculture plan roundup and auction

In just its first year of existence, the North Central Texas College Friends of Agriculture Scholarship Program has raised more than \$70,000 in scholarships for student.

But the members aren't resting on their past accomplishments. Indeed, they've already planned their biggest event to date.

"We're going to have an auction, door prizes and live entertainment throughout the evening," said T. J. Davidson, chairman of the NCTC Agriculture Department. "We hope

people will come out and support the students and have a good time as well."

The Roundup is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. Sept. 29 (Saturday) in the NCTC Gymnasium. Two or three groups, which have not been named, will perform from 5-7 p.m. A barbeque dinner will be served starting at 6 p.m. The cost for the meal is \$6 for adults over 13 and \$3 for children 12 and under.

A silent auction featuring 36 items such as firewood, pet vaccinations, horse equipment and gift certificates will be conducted from 5-7 p.m.

A live auction will begin at 7 p.m. Items in the live auction will include a 9x12 storage building, pigs, goats, tools, quilts, feeders, pedal tractors and other small farm equipment. Other items will include 100s of pounds of feed, tools and shop projects.

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Ag Briefs

Early weaned cow-calf pairs consume approximately 25% less feed than normally weaned pairs. This could be a management tool for drought-stricken producers. Dry cows will consume 30% less forage and drink 60% less water than lactating cows. It is more efficient to feed calves than to feed cows to sustain milk production.

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Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.17-1.29; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.17; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.10-1.28; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.10; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 99-1.11; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-99; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 90-96; Nos. 2 & 3, 82-90; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 86-92; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-86; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 78-85; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-78.	Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - large frame, \$575-\$700; medium frame, \$425-\$575. Cow-calf pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - large frame, \$700-\$860; medium frame, \$600-\$700. Holstein baby calves, \$35-\$90; Crossbreds, \$100-\$200. Barrows & Gilts: US #1, 230-270, 42-45; US #2, 220-280, 40-42. Feeders (per head): 100-175 lbs., \$60-\$80; 25-90 lbs., \$25-\$50. Sows: Feeder, 400 or less, 30-32; Light wt., 400-500, 32-34; Med wt., 500-600, 35-36; Heavy wt., 600-up, NT. Boars: 300 lb. up, 15-16; 200-300 lbs., NT, Light wt., NT. Sheep (per lb.) Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs., NT; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 80-85; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., 70-75.	Barbados (per head) Lambs: \$25-\$50; Ewes: \$40-\$50; Bucks: \$50-\$90. Ewes: Stocker, 45-50; Thin, 20-30; Fat, 38-45. Bucks: Thin, NT; Fat, 38-40. Goats (per head) Kids: 70-35 lbs., \$20-\$30; 35-55 lbs., \$30-\$50; 55-75 lbs., \$50-\$70; Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$60-\$100. Nannies (per head) Stocker, \$50-\$60; Milk Type, \$60-\$70; Slaughter, Thin, \$30-\$35; Fat, \$45-\$55. Billies (per head) 120 lbs. up Breeders, \$50-\$90; Slaughter, \$60-\$80. Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Nanny, NT, 3/4 Nanny, \$75-\$125; Full Nanny, \$125-\$175. Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Billy, NT, 3/4 Billy, NT, Full Billy, \$75-\$120.
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Muenster JV wins Hornet battle 28-8

The junior varsity Era Hornets traveled to Muenster last Thursday in the JV battle of the Hornets. Muenster's defense took control of the game early. Tackles by Nathan Sicking, Kirk Hartman, John Sturm, and Jared Ledbetter forced an early Era punt. Ricky Endres blocked a high snap punt and Muenster recovered on the Era 10 yard line. Muenster's first offensive play from scrimmage was a 10 yard touchdown run by Clint Miller. The extra point pass failed for a 6-0 score with 5:46 on the clock. Ledbetter's kick had a short return of three yards as Cameron Walterscheid stopped the Era runner. Era's offense controlled the field for several plays, but a fumbled snap covered by Jared Britain returned the ball to the Red Hornet team. Two runs by Miller gained 3 yards, and a Sean Fuhrmann to Ledbetter pass added 4 more, short for

the first down. Era blocked the punt and covered the ball on Muenster's 10 yard line. Tackles by Britain, Sturm, and Ledbetter, and an incomplete pass put Era at 4th and goal on the four yard line. A touchdown pass was good for 6 points, but Daniel Russell prevented the extra points for a 6-6 tie with 9:08 remaining in the 2nd quarter. From their 36 yard line, Miller quickly gained 18, then 5 yards. A keeper by Fuhrmann got Muenster to the 11 yard line. The next play, Muenster was in the end zone with an 11 yard Miller run. The PAT failed for a 12-6 lead with 7:35 on the clock. Defensive plays by Sturm, Hartman, and Endres forced another punt. Fuhrmann ran for 15 yards, then Muenster lost ground. Ledbetter's punt rolled into the end zone. Sturm and Ledbetter dropped Era for a loss. The next play Britain covered a fumble on the Era 20 yard line. Miller gained

two, then Fuhrmann scored with 2:04 left in the first half. A Fuhrmann to Russell pass put Muenster's lead at 20-6. Miller stopped Era for a 2 yard kick return, then a four yard loss by a tackle from Matthew Yosten and Kevin Gann forced another punt. Miller returned the punt 20 yards, then ran for 15 before the half-time break. Miller returned the 3rd quarter kick 24 yards to the 34. Three plays later, Fuhrmann gained 20 yards into Era territory. Then on third and 3, Cody Escobedo broke tackles for a 41 yard touchdown run. A Fuhrmann to Ledbetter pass extended Muenster's lead to 28-6 with 6:29 still remaining in the 3rd period. Tackles by Hartman, Ledbetter, and Miller delayed Era's drive. An interception by Daniel Russell stopped any scoring threat, giving Muenster the ball on their 6 yard line. Runs by Miller and

Fuhrmann took action into the final quarter of play, but soon Ledbetter punted. Escobedo and Walterscheid held Era for a few plays, but the Gold Hornets got to the 3 yard line. Sturm and Ledbetter held Era for two plays and on 4th and goal from the 1 1/2 yard line, Russell and Sicking stopped Era, with Muenster taking over at their 4 yard line. Escobedo and Miller got the ball out to the 15. A false start backed the ball 5 yards. Four plays later, Ledbetter's high snap attempted punt gave Era a 2 point safety for a 28-8 score with 53.1 seconds remaining on the game clock. Hartman and Miller tackles, and a Gann and Justin Wolf sack ended the game with a 28-8 Muenster victory. Leading Muenster's ground attack were Sean Fuhrmann, gaining 94 yards in seven carries, and Clint Miller getting 97 yards in 19 carries.



Zach Swirczynski (21) gets a big gain. Also pictured Bill Haverkamp (70), Brad Endres, Chad Tempel and Collin Walterscheid (82). Janie Hartman Photo

Young Stingers beat Paradise

Muenster's junior high 7th grade football team split into two eleven member teams last Thursday to take on the Paradise 7th grade teams. Both Muenster teams won, while holding the young Panthers scoreless.

In game one, Dustin Wimmer and Casey McAden were captains for the night. Jonathan Bayer returned the opening kick to start the action. Jose Velasquez, on the second play from scrimmage, scored on a 52 yard touchdown run. Bayer ran in the extra points for a 8-0 score with under a minute off the clock.

Muenster's defense, led by tacklers Wimmer, Bayer, Joe Coleman, Velasquez, Brett Walterscheid, Jared Sicking, and Dustin Craig, forced a Paradise punt. From the Panther 35, runs by Wimmer and Bayer moved the Stingers to the 10 yard line to begin the 2nd quarter. Velasquez picked up 4, then Wimmer scored on a 26 yard quarterback keeper for a 14-0 score with 5:12 still on the 1st half clock.

Again Muenster's defense, led by Coleman, McAden, and Velasquez, forced another Paradise punt. Wimmer and Bayer ran 5 runs for 24 yards before the half-time break.

The Panthers took the 3rd quarter kick but again the Stingers, assisted by two penalty flags, stopped any advancement, and the punt went to midfield.

Again Wimmer and Bayer ran the ball into the next period, with Velasquez saving a fumbled ball. Bayer ran to the 14, then ran the ball in for 6 points.



Jonathan Bayer makes an 8-yard gain. Janie Hartman Photo

Wimmer's keeper up the middle boosted Muenster's lead to 22-0 with 3:28 remaining in the game.

Velasquez's kick was fumbled on return and covered by Jared Sicking on the Panther 39. Muenster ran a set of plays, handing the ball over on downs. With 5.4 seconds on the clock a tackle by Walterscheid ended the game - a 22-0 victory for Muenster.

Game two, made up of 7th graders, began when Bill Haverkamp's kick off put the Panthers on the Muenster 31. Three plays later, Haverkamp stole the

ball and ran it 39 yards for a touchdown. Zach Swirczynski ran untouched for the extra points for an 8-0 score with 4:21 on the clock.

Michael Valliere, Haverkamp, Cole Harrison, Chad Endres, Joseph Cowden, and Collin Walterscheid all assisted in holding the 'Cats, forcing a punt. Haverkamp hammered the ball and covered the blocked punt on Muenster's 17 yard line. Three plays later, Paradise covered a fumbled pitch, allowing the Panthers to carry the ball into the 2nd quarter, then punt.

Swirczynski ran two plays, the second a 27 yard run to the end zone. The play was called back by a flag. Two plays later, Swirczynski zigged and zagged through the Paradise defenders for a 24 yard touchdown. C. Endres ran in the extra points for a 16-0 Stinger lead with 2:32 remaining in the first half.

Tackles by Brad Endres, Evan Koesler, Chad Temple, and C. Endres forced a punt on 4th and 15. A rush by Haverkamp made the punt short to midfield. Swirczynski ran four times with a completed pass to Matt Beaver ending the first half.

Muenster's offense began the 3rd quarter. Two runs each by Temple, C. Endres, and Swirczynski picked up 20 yards, but a fumbled snap on 4th and inches gave Paradise the ball on downs.

The next play, the Kittens fumbled and Harrison recovered, setting up Muenster's next touchdown. Temple picked up 9 yards. Swirczynski a first down. Then Swirczynski broke tackles in the back field and raced 22 yards for the score. Two extra point attempts failed for a 22-0 score with 59.4 seconds left in the quarter.

Haverkamp's kick rolled to the 25, was fumbled, and covered by Chad Endres. The Chads ran two plays as the final period began. Aaron Lathrom picked up four, then C. Endres scored on a 20 yard run. Endres also ran in the extra point for the 30-0 score with 5:16 remaining in the game.

Again Muenster's defense held the Kittens, allowing only a 1 yard gain, with tackles by Harrison, Valliere, C. Walterscheid, and C. Endres. Two short runs by Temple, an 18 yard Swirczynski run, and a face mask flag set the Stingers on the 9 yard line. A large gap by the offensive line allowed C. Endres to find the end zone. Again the two extra point attempts failed for a 36-0 score with 37.5 seconds remaining in the game.

Koesler and Temple made the stop on the kick return, with a tackle by B. Endres ending the game with a Paradise loss.

Leading rushers in game one were Jonathan Bayer 13/71, Jose Velasquez 3/57, and Dustin Wimmer 10/32.

Zack Swirczynski led Muenster with 107 yards in 10 carries. Chad Endres was 5 for 44, and Chad Temple 7 for 22.



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