



Webelos, the oldest group of Cub Scouts at Day Camp, participate in a joint activity Wednesday in the Muenster City Park. Some shoot on the archery range while others decorate "collecting bottles" as a requirement for their craftsman pins. The Day Camp is an annual event conducted by the Frontier Trails District, Boy Scouts of America. Dave Fette Photos



NCTC summer enrollment highest on record at over 1,700

Enrollment at North Central Texas College reached an all time high this summer, with more than 1,740 students registered throughout the college's three campuses. "North Central Texas College is certainly the fastest growing public community college in Texas, percentage-wise, over the past couple of years," said Dr. Ronnie Glasscock, NCTC president. "Our goal to educate our community continues to be our top priority. I think it shows by the number of students who

are turning to us for their educational needs that we are fulfilling our mission." Rusty Waller, dean of institutional research, said the majority of the growth came from Denton County with more than 1,157 students registered at the Corinth Campus this summer, compared with 1,092 in the summer I and III sessions of 2000. This is an increase of more than 20 percent. Summer I sessions begin the first week of June and continue Monday-Thursday for five weeks. Summer III sessions begin

at the same time and are generally night courses conducted for 10 weeks. Headcount at the Gainesville Campus fell only slightly—from 546 students last year to 526 students this year. However, contact hours, which are the actual number of hours students have with their instructors is up more than 20 percent from 60,000 hours to more than 72,000 hours. System-wide, Waller said, enrollment increased 3.4 percent from 1,686 last year. Please See NCTC, Page 4

Muenster ISD Board hires two new teachers for 2001-02

by Janie Hartman
The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees met on June 12 and 13 to take care of elementary, junior high, and high school personnel for the 2001-2002 school year.

Kyra Mann, wife of Coach Kenny Mann, was hired as high school theater arts teacher, One Act Play coach, 7th grade literature, and elementary reading instructor.

Ryan Lovelace, in his first teaching job, was hired as the industrial technology teacher. The district is still searching for a counselor.

In other business, Coach Gordon Martin, athletic director, stressed the importance of moving forward with enlarging the facilities in the athletic department. He also reported that the insulation of the high school is almost complete.

The 2001 TAAS preliminary results were in. "The students did extremely well," Mr. Steelman noted. "Most students scored extremely high." (See related story in this week's Muenster Enterprise).

Other items from the agenda included:

- The district will use Jim Robertson to collect delinquent taxes. Robertson also services most of the taxing entity, which should be less confusion to the taxpayer and easier for the tax offices.

- The Board accepted two more transfer students for a total of 83 being accepted into the district, up 10 from last year. "We're getting more than we anticipated," Steelman said.

- Renewed the agreement between Muenster ISD and Sivel's Bend ISD.

- Breakfast and lunch prices were discussed, noting that breakfast doesn't make any money, and the cafeteria should be self-funding. "We save a lot of money by doing a lot of in-town shopping," Steelman added. "And the cooks make homemade items instead of buying ready-made. Raised prices would give the lunch room the opportunity to purchase foods the kids really like. We don't have the funds for more options. If we get a

new cafeteria, we will be able to have hot and cold meals." Prices were raised as follows: Lunch - elementary, from \$1.10 to \$1.25; junior high and high school from \$1.25 to \$1.50; and staff from \$1.50 to \$1.75. Breakfast prices were raised to 75¢ for elementary students; \$1.00 for junior high and high school; and \$1.25 for the staff.

- The Board approved the depository contract with Muenster State Bank.

- Approved making application for district credit card. Presently, personal credit cards are used when making reservations or blank signed checks are going out.

- Debate continued on air conditioning the gymnasium. Bids will be taken for possible future budgeting purposes. The district already has bids on science equipment, band uniforms, band instruments, technology, and industrial arts equipment. The district may get maintenance and operation notes to pay for these items.



The Celebrant Singers, a talented and internationally renowned non-denominational Christian music ministry group from California, will be presented live in a free concert in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on Saturday, June 23, at 7:00 p.m. They will also participate as music ministers at all weekend Masses Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Courtesy Photo

Gainesville PowerSports open now on I-35

Gainesville PowerSports has a commanding presence on Interstate Highway 35 in Gainesville with the opening of its new state-of-the-art dealership at 900 N. I-35. Owner Terry Reson, his family, and staff closed the old location on East Highway 82 and moved to the new prime location,

opening for business on Tuesday. The new dealership features a huge, modern showroom to showcase a greatly enlarged inventory of Yamaha, Kawasaki, and Polaris motorcycles, ATVs and personal water craft. Lighting and displays emphasize the utility,

beauty, and excitement available today for the road, trail, and water. The parking and outside display areas are completely paved and the building fully air-conditioned for customer convenience and comfort. Reson says their dramatically larger selection is increasing every day, "so we're selling even harder and offering our customers much more in selection and service." The parts inventory is completely computerized and they have a much

larger selection of accessories in stock. Terry and Vickie Reson bought Gainesville Kawasaki-Polaris four years ago on Highway 82 continuing Archie Hale's business and expanding to include Yamaha. They continue to offer great deals featuring \$0 down and payments as low as \$30.00 per month. The whole family at Gainesville PowerSports welcomes everyone to come in and experience the excitement at their new home!



A new high-rise sign is visible on Interstate 35, marking the location of Gainesville PowerSports and its high-tech excitement inside the showroom with a growing selection of motorcycles, ATVs and watercraft. Dave Fette Photos

NOTICE

Plans are in progress for the dedication of the new Bettie M. Luke Muenster Public Library on Saturday, July 7 at 10:00 am. The community is urged to watch for announcements of developing plans, as they are completed.

CCAD proposed budget shows \$52,824 increase

by Janet Felderhoff
A Public Hearing was held Thursday, June 14 on the Preliminary 2002 Cooke County Appraisal District's (CCAD) Appraisal and Collection Budget. Those present voiced no strong objections.

The Preliminary Budget, if adopted as is, would be an increase of \$52,824.00 from the 2001 budget. Proposed increases include an average 4% salary increase, the addition of another appraiser to the staff, and funds to purchase a different vehicle.

Entities in the County were sent copies of the Preliminary 2002 Budget on June 14 for their budget planning purposes.

Since the full CCAD Board wasn't present, it was decided to wait until the July meeting to vote on the 2002 Budget. Members present were Marvin Knight Jr., Leon Klement, Monta Sewell, and Michael McHorse. Don Hobbs was absent.

During the regular meeting the Board discussed policy amendments regarding binding arbitration and retaining Jim Robertson as legal counsel. It was noted that it would be less expensive than paying attorney Peter Low to drive up for a 15 minute meeting. Since the wording wasn't as wanted, the Board tabled the item until the next meeting.

Chief Appraiser Doug Smithson reported on the 2001 notices of appraised value which were mailed out in late May. The Appraisal Review Board is scheduled to begin hearing protests on June 25. Tax payers must file an appeal by June 26 if they plan to do so.

Office Manager Beverly Medley remarked that 9,000 notices had been sent out, but so far the number of appeals is down from last year.

The Board unanimously approved the Financial Audit for 2000.



Robert, Michele and Kristen Knauf of Weinzapfel Street were awarded the June Yard of the Month based on their effective use of native plants. A wildflower garden, native plants and buffalo grass highlight their yard. Other June nominations were 602 N. Hickory, 202 N. Hickory, 307 W. Ninth and the corner of Ninth and Main. The Yard of the Month is sponsored by Keep Muenster Beautiful.

Courtesy Photo

MISD on its way to another exemplary rating, preliminary TAAS scores released

Preliminary scores for the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills tests for 2001 have been released to the Muenster Independent School District. Final scores will be released to school districts in August of 2001. MISD students were again above the state average on every section of the TAAS test. This year's 10th graders had a 100% passing rate on the Exit Level TAAS Exam that tested the reading, writing, and math proficiencies of students. Students must pass the exit exam to fulfill graduation requirements.

TAAS scores are reported to districts in three group reports which include: 1) All Students, 2) All Students not in Special Education, and 3) Special Education Students. Groups 1 and 2 are further divided into sub-categories which include: 1) Male/Female, 2) Ethnicity, 3) Economically Disadvantaged, 4) Title I, 5) Migrant, 6) Limited English Proficient, 7) Bilingual, 8) English Second Language, 9) Gifted & Talented, and 10) At-Risk. Hispanic, white and economically disadvantaged students all improved their passing rates. Overall, 97 percent of the approximately 217 students tested in grades 3-8 and 10 passed all tests taken.

Muenster ISD students continue to out-perform students in all areas of the state on the TAAS test. This is the eighth straight year that the percentage of students passing the TAAS has been at the Exemplary level (over 90%). This impressive record of performance is solid evidence that all students can learn when educational objectives are clear and aligned with rigorous state curriculum requirements. We're testing more students and the passing rate continues to stay at a high level.

Critics of the TAAS claim that subjects that are not on this test are neglected in elementary school. Our eighth-grade students are disproving these assumptions. Currently, eighth-grade students are the only pupils whose TAAS test includes sections on science and social studies in addition to math, reading, and writing. We are particularly pleased to see the strong performance posted by this year's eighth graders, who are the Class of 2005. These youngsters will be the first students who must pass the 11th-grade exit test, now under development, in order to receive their high school diplomas.

The Texas Learning Index (TLI) is another clear indicator that students are mastering the state's academic criteria and not just mastering TAAS objectives. The TLI is a score that describes how far a student's performance is above or below the passing standard. The minimum passing standard is 70 on all tests except Writing, Social Studies, and Science, which require a minimum passing rate of 1500. Scores were as follows on the TLI and passing rate for "All Students Not in Special Education":

Grade	Test	MISD-TLI Class Average	Passing Rate	Maximum TLI Score for Section Tested
3	Math	87.5	100%	93
	Reading	90.1	93%	94
	Writing	1786	100%	2350
4	Math	87	100%	91
	Reading	92.8	100%	98
	Writing	1786	100%	2350
5	Math	86.5	100%	93
	Reading	92.5	97%	101
	Writing	1786	100%	2350
6	Math	88	100%	92
	Reading	92.9	100%	100
	Writing	1786	100%	2350
7	Math	89.9	100%	93
	Reading	93.8	100%	99
	Writing	1786	100%	2350
8	Math	88.6	100%	92
	Reading	95.7	100%	99
	Writing	1897	97%	2520
10	Math	87.3	100%	92
	Reading	82.6	100%	97
	Writing	1867	100%	2440

This level of success is phenomenal. We are so proud of these students and their teachers. It is this type of performance gain that prompts other districts to examine what Muenster ISD is doing to prepare students for post secondary education opportunities. We could not have compiled this strong record without hard work from students, dedicated service from teachers and administrators, and encouragement from parents and school board members. Muenster ISD is considered by many residents and area communities to be a college preparatory school. The district's focus is not how much better the students perform academically compared to other schools, but to set high academic standards that will prepare students to enter college, technical school, or the work force.

While we still must work with some students who are struggling, Muenster ISD students, in general, are ready for a new challenge. A new generation of tests (TAAS II), more complex and based upon new, more rigorous state curriculum criteria (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills), is now being created. TAAS II will be administered for the first time in the 2002-2003 school year.

For additional information on the TAAS test or preliminary results please come to the MISD administration building or call 759-2281.

Submitted by Clyde W. Steelman, Jr., Superintendent, MISD

Thanks from Joe Hoening Family

The family of Joe Hoening wish to thank so many friends and relatives for the visits and good deeds done for him during his illness and stay at the Renaissance Care Center. A special thanks to all his friends from Sacred Heart Parish and Cooke County who brought and prepared the food, those who sent flowers, and prayers. A special thanks to Fr. John, Fr. Sebastian and Fr. Neu and all who participated in the funeral services.

A special thanks to ALL who were his friend during his 97 years and took time to talk to him when he just wanted to chat.

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Valley View Area C of C holds June meeting

The Valley View Area Chamber of Commerce held their regular June meeting at the David's Park in Valley View with 20 members attending. A covered dish meal and visiting were enjoyed. The MADD Bike Rally the group worked on May 26 was discussed. The regular meeting in July will not be held, but will be assisting with the park dedication ceremony in the future.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, June 24, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm St. Peter's Parish Picnic, Lindsay	Monday, June 25, 2001	Tuesday, June 26, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Storytime, 10:30 AM, Muenster Library MMH Board Meeting, 8:00PM	Wednesday, June 27, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Thursday, June 28, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm Texas Cleanup Day, 8:00AM - noon, Denton	Friday, June 29, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Saturday, June 30, 2001 Swim Lesson Registration, 9-11 AM, Muenster Pool Bodie Truelsenbach Memorial Dance, 8 PM - 1 AM, VFW Hall
Sunday, July 1, 2001	Monday, July 2, 2001 Bereaved Parent/Grandparent Support Group Meeting, 7 PM, Home Hospice Office	Tuesday, July 3, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Storytime, 10:30 AM,	Wednesday, July 4, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center FOURTH OF JULY	Thursday, July 5, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm Blood Drive, 12 - 5 PM, KC Hall	Friday, July 6, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	Saturday, July 7, 2001

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Obituaries

Veronica Hoagland 1912 - 2001

by **Elfreda Fette**

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Veronica Mary Gudd Hoagland of Muenster on Monday, June 18 in Sacred Heart Church at 10:00 a.m., officiated by Father John Ohner OSA, pastor.

Mrs. Hoagland died at age 88 in Muenster Memorial Hospital on June 15, 2001 at 1:00 a.m.

She was born on Sept. 21, 1912 in Taylor Springs, Illinois to Peter Gudd and Mary Margaret Gudd, the youngest of three children. In 1935 she married Theodore McCoy. They became parents of one son, Peter McCoy, who is now deceased, having died Aug. 11, 2000. Her first husband, Theodore McCoy preceded her in death in 1960. Later she married Joseph C. Hoagland in 1962. He preceded her in death in 1967.

Veronica Hoagland was a nurse in New York City for 30 years. She lived five years in Pennsylvania and five years in New Jersey before moving to Mexico City, where she resided near the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe before moving to Muenster in 1972. In 1971 she had become acquainted with Rev. Alfred Hoenig, Joe and Susie Hoenig, John and Margaret Fisher, Joe Walter, Al "Shorty" Walter, Louise Trubenbach, and several other Muenster people, who were on a trip to the Holy Land that year.

Encouraged to visit Muenster, she later decided to move here, built a home here in 1971, and moved into it in 1972. She enjoyed traveling back and forth between Muenster, Acapulco, and Mexico City for several years before finally settling in Muenster permanently. This decision was made because she was impressed with the friendliness and hospitality of the Muenster people. For



Veronica Hoagland

fifteen years, she was a volunteer worker at Sacred Heart School until suffering an incapacitating illness in 1992.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Parish, St. Anne's Society, and the Catholic Daughters of America.

Survivors are a daughter-in-law Maria McCoy; three grandsons Martin McCoy of Carrollton, Joseph Ronald McCoy and his wife, Amanda of Muenster, and John Anthony McCoy of Muenster; two great-grandsons Bennigan McCoy and Michael Peter McCoy both of Muenster. Preceding her in death were her first husband Theodore McCoy; her second husband Joseph Hoagland; two brothers Leonard and Peter Gudd; and one son Peter McCoy.

On Sunday, June 17, Rosary Service was held at McCoy Funeral Chapel led by Caroline Hess and Louise Trubenbach. Vigil at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel was led by Father John Ohner OSA.

Participants in the special liturgy for the funeral Mass were altar servers Chuck Bartush, Sylvan Walterscheid, and Alvin Hartman. Amanda McCoy, granddaughter, gave the First Reading, from the Old Testament. Nancy Walter gave the Second Reading,

from the New Testament. Grandsons John and Joseph McCoy presented Offertory gifts of bread and wine at the altar. Eucharistic Ministers were Lorena Taylor, Annette Bayer, and Carol Grewing.

Music Ministers were Christy Hesse, Katie Cox and Linda Flusche. Sacred music included "Loving and Forgiving," "Shepherd Me, O Lord," "Servant Song," "I Have Loved You," and "Turn To Me."

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Amanda McCoy, granddaughter. She noted high points of Mrs. Hoagland's life, as already mentioned above, and described her meeting with several Muenster people, who all became her life-long friends. She mentioned that Mrs. Hoagland lived many years near the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe before moving to Muenster. She recalled that in 1969 Peter McCoy married Maria Gonzales in Mexico City at the Basilica. She told that a good friend was Abbot Alfred Hoenig, who officiated at that wedding.

In 1972 she moved to Muenster and devoted time and energy working for Sacred Heart School, library and cafeteria, and Sacred Heart Church.

Known by most as "Ronnie," friends knew her as strong in her faith, her devotion to the Virgin of Guadalupe, but also as a person who enjoyed friends, card games, Canasta, poker, blackjack, and others. Many recall swimming with her in her backyard pool. Ronnie loved birds, the color green, crocheting, knitting, and traveling to Acapulco often, the beach and brilliant sunny days.

In conclusion, Amanda stated: "She was strict, stern, stubborn, and full of endless love for life and family... she especially loved her grandsons who

Msgr. Hubert J. Neu was honored by his brother and sisters and their spouses, and a large assembly of friends and other relatives with two events on the 50th anniversary of ordination to priesthood on June 10, 2001 with observances in Conrad Hall of Lindsay.

Hosting the event were Charles and Mary Neu; Ida Mae and Wilfred Bindel; Ann and James Bayer; Celie and Ray Hoenig and their families. A noon dinner for family and clergy was catered by Rohmer's Restaurant. Open House from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. was attended by relatives, friends, family, former neighbors, and members of his high school graduating class of 1944.

Conrad Hall was appropriately decorated by

called her 'Gram'... she was the best mother, grandmother and great-grandmother anyone could hope for... we'll always remember her personality and will miss her forever....

"Through the hardest of times she had a good sense of humor, even when she was very ill... she has etched herself in our hearts and minds forever."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Harold Flusche, Ted Henscheid, Ricky Wimmer, Butch Fisher, Joseph McCoy, and John Anthony McCoy.

Among friends who came from out of town to attend the funeral were: Cari Winn of Austin; John and Rosa Ergas of Mesquite; Mrs. Bengfort of Lindsay; Martha Orona of Myra; Jackie Trammell of Gainesville; Jackeline Trammell of Dallas; Bertila Russell of Denton; and Frank Hess of Madill, Oklahoma.



Msgr. H.J. Neu

Debbie Neu and helpers. Tables held arrangements of wheat and grapes, and large floral arrangements were placed in windows. Pick up foods were presented with punch at an attractively decorated table, which also held a special three-tiered cake made by Betty Rose Walterscheid, decorated with wheat and grapes and a gold chalice and white host figurine on the top layer.

Special guests included Bishop Joseph Delaney of Fort Worth, Msgr. Charles King of Immaculate Conception Church Denton, Rev. Reinhard, OSA and Rev. Ed Andrews OSA of St. Mary's, Gainesville, and Rev. Sebastian Beshoner OSB, of St. Peter's, Lindsay. Other special guests were an uncle Mike Neu Sr. of Yucca Valley, California; Mike and Fran Neu of Glendora, California, and Ron Neu and Eva of California.

Friends and relatives come from Dallas, Fort Worth, Decatur, Sherman, Pilot Point, Wichita Falls, Richardson, Valley View, Grapevine, Idalou, Arlington, Lake Kiowa, Gainesville, Lindsay, Lewisville, Austin, Cedar Park, and Muenster.

Msgr. Hubert J. Neu was born on May 28, 1927 in Lindsay, son of Joe J. and Ida Flusche Neu. He attended St. Mary School in Gainesville from 1933 to December 1936, Lindsay School from January 1936 to 1940, Lindsay High School from 1940 to 1944, and St. John Seminary in San Antonio from 1944 to 1951.

His first assignment was associate pastor at St. Bernard, Dallas 1951-54. Other associate pastor assignments include: St. Monica, Dallas, 1954-60; St. John, Ennis, 1960-62; St. Bernard, Dallas 1962-64. In 1962 he was substitute pastor at Our Lady Queen of Peace in Wichita Falls. His pastor assignments were St. Matthew, Arlington 1964-77; Our Lady Queen of Peace, Wichita Falls 1977-81; Most Blessed Sacrament, Arlington, 1981-95. His present assignment as pastor of St. Patrick Cathedral, Fort Worth began in 1995 and continues to the present (2001). He was elevated to Monsignor on Sept. 20, 1974.

Other positions that Msgr. held or is still holding include: Notary, Dallas-Fort Worth Marriage Tribunal 1952-57; Judge, Dallas-Fort Worth Marriage Tribunal 1957-69; Spiritual director, Dallas Curia Legion of Mary, 1953-55; Member of Clergy Relief Association, Dallas-Fort Worth 1954-59 and 1964-69; Member of Clergy Relief Association, Fort Worth, 1969-76; Member of Dallas-Fort Worth Diocese Building Commission, 1963-69; Member of Fort Worth Diocese Building Commission 1969 to present (2001); Member of Dallas-Fort Worth Diocese Administrative & Finance Board 1968-69; Member of Board of Directors of Catholic Charities.



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Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

As co-chairman of this year's American Cancer Society Relay For Life of Cooke County, we would like to sincerely thank the residents of Cooke County for their generosity and support. 30 teams participated in this year's event, raising over \$101,000 for the American Cancer Society's research, education, advocacy and service programs. The outstanding support received proves that the people of Cooke County are truly committed to the fight against cancer.

We want to applaud the 88 survivors that participated in the opening lap and the survivor's reception. They are the reason we continue the fight, because each year there can be more and more people living wonderful lives following a diagnosis of cancer.

A special thanks to the Relay For Life committee, volunteers which numbered over 100, and the team captains along with their teams, who worked to make this event a success.

We also greatly appreciate all the underwriters and those who donated their goods and services to this event. Because of your generosity, this enabled 100% of all the money raised by walkers to go toward the fight against cancer.

Again, thank you for supporting the American Cancer Society, and remember, it's not too early to become involved in Relay For Life next year!

Sincerely,
Rita Bayer
Christine Beaulieu Weinzapfel
2001 Relay For Life Co-Chairman, Cooke County

Indigent Defense Bill Passed

The Texas Legislature passed several measures this session affecting the Texas Criminal Justice System. This Austin Update will report on legislation that provides equal access to justice and reparations made available by the 77th legislature for those who are wrongfully imprisoned.

Under federal law, defendants in criminal prosecutions are guaranteed legal assistance for their defense. Texas law echoes this federal guarantee by requiring courts to appoint attorneys for indigent defendants charged with crimes that are punishable by imprisonment. Because there have been no statewide indigent defense standards, representation has not been uniform.

Senate Bill 7 sets deadlines for the appointment of attorneys, requires judges to set qualifications for attorneys, and creates a statewide task force to distribute grant money to counties providing indigent defense. The bill also establishes new guidelines for attorneys appointed in a capital murder case including at least five year's experience in criminal law and participation in continuing legal education courses. The new system would go into effect January 2002.

The Texas Legislature also addressed situations in which persons are wrongfully convicted of crimes. I was a House Sponsor of Senate Bill 536 that will expand eligibility for compensation and increase the maximum compensation available to a claimant who has been wrongfully imprisoned.

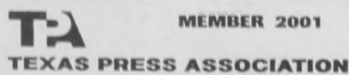
Under current law any person that has been wrongfully imprisoned must have served the sentence in whole or in part, pleaded "not guilty to" the original charge, and must not be guilty of the crime for which he or she was sentenced in order to receive compensation.

Senate Bill 536 would extend the \$50,000 cap to \$25,000 for each year of wrongful imprisonment, but only if it was less than 10 years. If the time served was in an excess of 10 years the compensation would be \$250,000. Repayment would be in 4 equal annual installments unless the prisoner was entitled to less than \$40,000. Senate Bill 536 would go into effective on September 1, 2001.

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To the Citizens of the Muenster Hospital District:

If the hospital districts are combined, the new law requires that doctors' offices, the lab and X-ray facilities be maintained in Muenster. If the districts are not combined, there is no guarantee that any facilities will be maintained. Would it not be more important to have facilities guaranteed than have nothing?

I personally support and recommend that you vote for and support the merger of the two districts as the most reasonable method to improve medical treatment and facilities in this area. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Earl J. Fisher
216 W. Fourth
Muenster, TX 76252

Memorial benefit dance set for Saturday, June 30

The second annual Bodie Walterscheid at 759-4397 or Margie Endres at 759-4938. Tickets are \$15 each with a limited amount being sold. No coolers will be allowed, with set-ups available. The VFW will sell cold beer, all brands for \$1.25. All proceeds go to the local social concerns.

Benefit dinner and auction scheduled for June 29 in Era

Era friends of the Michael Hunter family will hold a hamburger/hotdog dinner and auction benefit on Friday, June 29 for the Hunter family. Mr. Hunter died June 5 as a result of a fall at work. He leaves behind a wife and three children ages 6, 11, and 14. The Hunters live between Era and Sanger and attend the Era School system.

The event will be held in the school cafeteria from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A live auction will start at 7:00. A silent auction will also be held from 5 to 7 p.m. with various items. Also following the live auction, various students will hold a chore auction. The friends are accepting donations to the auction. To have your item picked up call Branda Timmons 665-5961 Ext. 15, Denise Pearse 726-3251, or Jackie Endres 665-7582, or you may drop them off to those above or at the school administration office. Bank accounts for gifts are set up at GNB locations.

Where to draw the line?

A gentleman recently asked me that question, concerning the content of numerous letters printed in The Enterprise about the hospital merger issue. I said I had not limited any letters except those which accused intentional wrongdoing and therefore invited a libel suit or those few gutless unsigned letters which deserved no attention.

Letters received this week, that I chose not to print, convince me that personal attacks are an obvious tactic of some of the combatants in this controversy over the future of our local hospital. We at The Enterprise will no longer participate in these attacks. They deserve an airing in court, if true. I will not be the judge.

Ideas that suggest solutions and questions that prompt thought are welcome but not the destructive comments about one's intent and purpose.

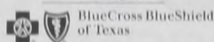
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NCTC Enrollment

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summer to the current total of 1,740. The contact hours throughout the NCTC system increased 12 percent from about 159,000 last year to nearly 178,000 this year. "The increase in contact hours is more substantial than the number of students," Waller added, "because contact-hour enrollment is the amount of time we get to spend teaching the students, it is our biggest priority. In terms of contact hours, we have experienced the highest percentage growth of any other college of our kind in Texas since 1998. These figures are certainly encouraging and show that the college is working hard to fulfill its mission of serving Cooke, Denton and Montague counties."

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Lifestyle

Russell, Sofio exchange vows in Sacred Heart Church

by Elfreda Fette

The wedding of Amanda Jade Russell of Valley Ranch, Irving and Michael Gregory Sofio of Valley Ranch, Irving was held in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on June 2, 2001 at 3:00 p.m.

Father John Ohner OSA, pastor, officiated for the Nuptial Mass with double ring vows.

The bride is the daughter of Bryan and Glenda Russell of Muenster and the granddaughter of the late Maurice and Geneva Pagel. Parents of the groom are JoAnne Ballash of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Rocco and Melinda Sofio of Coppell, Texas. He is the grandson of Mrs. Ida Sofio of Coppell and the late Joseph and Pauline Bonanno.

The bride is a 1997 graduate of Sacred Heart High School. She is employed at HCA, The Healthcare Company of Dallas.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Coppell High School and is owner and chef of Rocco's Pasta in Arlington.

Presented at the altar by her father, Bryan Russell and given in marriage by her parents, the bride was wearing a Paula Versalona designer formal princess style gown of imported ivory Italian matte satin. Her strapless A-line gown was accented with a wide band of pearls and silver bugle beads across the top of the bodice. Beading also trimmed the hemline and edged the cathedral length train. Matching beading marked the three back seams of the back bodice, to the end of the train.

She wore a rhinestone tiara with silk illusion banded with satin edging that was imported from Spain. The cathedral length veil extended over the train. Her bridal bouquet was a tussie mussie of fresh ivory Vandella roses with stems tied and braided with ivory and silver ribbon. For "something old," a crystal rosary from her late grandmother Geneva Pagel was entwined in the bouquet. "Something blue" was a special gift from a family friend, Doris Muller, who embroidered in blue, the words "Amanda and Michael Sofio, June 2, 2001 and they lived happily ever after" into the hem of the bridal gown. "Something borrowed" was a diamond watch from her late grandmother and borrowed from her mother, Glenda Russell.

ATTENDANTS
Lisa Miller of Muenster, bride's sister was matron of honor, wearing a sleeveless silver satin A-line gown with a beaded inset trim on the bodice, and a sweep train.

Bridesmaids were Dianna Ballash of Las Vegas, Nevada, Gia Ballash of Las Vegas, and Theresa Sofio of Irving, all sisters of the groom, and Lucy Endres, bride's cousin of Muenster, and Gayle Turner, bride's friend of Midlothian. They wore ice blue satin A-line gowns and carried kissing balls of blue and ivory flowers.

Flower girls were Kelsey Pagel and Miranda Pagel, bride's cousins, wearing dresses similar in design to the bride's. They wore tiaras.

Ring bearer was Garrett Miller, bride's nephew and godchild. He carried the rings tied with ribbons in a velvet-lined silver box and presented them at the altar.

Jason Dalton of Flower Mound, friend of the groom was best man. Groomsmen were Anthony Sofio of Coppell, groom's brother, Daniel Bonanno of Massapequa, New York, groom's cousin, August James Azzarello of Irving, groom's friend, Clint Kendrick of De Soto, groom's friend, and Brent Turner of Midlothian, groom's friend.

Ushers were Byron Dalrymple of Coppell, Joseph Rooney of Carrollton, Marshall Sorokwasz of Coppell, Todd Steen of Keller, and Cody Weaver of Rusk, all friends of the groom.

Altar servers were Eric Endres, Jenni Endres, and Emily Endres of Muenster.

Participants in the liturgy of the Mass were the bride's aunt, Renate Pagel who gave the First and Second Readings from the Old and New Testaments, respectively. The bride's aunt and godmother, Marlene Endres and the bride's uncle and godfather, Dwayne Pagel, and the groom's aunt Net Dano and groom's uncle Danny Bonanno presented Offertory gifts of bread and wine at the altar. Eucharistic Ministers were Lisa Miller, Rachel DeJernett, Mary Endres, and Dianne Pagel.

Music Ministers were Christy Hesse and Ruth Felderhoff. Sacred songs included "Edelweiss Blessing" and "Surely The Presence" as preludes. "May Your Lives Be Blessed" at seating of the grandmother

and mothers; Pachelbel's "Canon in D" for processional; Purcell's "Trumpet Voluntary" for entry of the bride; "Father, Make Us One" at the Unity Candle; "Bridal Prayer" at Offertory; "Wedding Song" and "Panis Angelicus" at Communion; "Ave Maria" at the Blessed Mother's shrine, and "Hymn of Joy" for the recessional.

Altar arrangements of mixed ivory flowers and candelabra were on the altar, with spiral candelabra at each side. Pew markers were silver and tulle bows. Silver ribbon stretched along both sides of the center aisle, for the wedding party and bridal march. Guests were ushered in from the side aisles.

RECEPTION

A reception, dinner and dance, hosted by parents of the bride and groom, followed at the Sacred Heart Community Center.

Presiding at the guest book were Carrie Clyde and Stacy Clyde, groom's cousins of Arlington.

The bride's three tier round cake, made by Betty Rose Walterscheid and iced in ivory fondant, held a top arrangement of six fresh ivory porcelain roses. The base of each layer was

banded with silver satin ribbon, and had fresh roses tucked randomly at the base of each layer.

The groom's chocolate cake was iced with chocolate fondant and decorated with shaved dark chocolate and chocolate covered strawberries. Cake servers were Joan Walterscheid; Sharlene Hartman and Marlene Endres, bride's aunts; and Kelly Endres, Sandy Endres, Shannon Hartman, and Dainah Hartman, all cousins of the bride.

The reception area was elegantly decorated with varying heights of ivory columns entwined with ivy. Ivory and silver tulle was draped between columns. Each was topped with a lush fern. A circle of ivory rose garland was suspended from the center of the ceiling. Ivory tulle draped from the centerpiece to the corners of the room.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by Rocco and Melinda Sofio at the Dutchman Restaurant in Lindsay.

Since returning from their wedding trip to The Atlantis Hotel on Paradise Island in the Bahamas, the couple is residing at Valley Ranch in Irving.



Mrs. Michael Gregory Sofio ...nee Amanda Russell ...

Cooke County Youth Concert & Rally a great success!

The approximately 275 youth and others who took advantage of the opportunity to attend the Cooke County Youth Concert at NCTC gymnasium on Friday, June 8th had an evening of music, drama, inspiration, and encouragement. It was a free concert made possible by the contributions of twelve churches and several businesses in the Cooke County area.

The program's events were started off with former Dallas Cowboy and Athletes in Action representative, Carl Miller, who was the Master of Ceremonies. He gave a welcome, opening prayer, and sparked the

audience's interest in what was going to transpire that evening.

First up was a drama troupe from Longview, "The Messengers", which returned for other awesome drama vignettes during the course of the evening. The male group, "Rhythm," from Dallas followed by singing and playing some of their lively Christian music.

Intermission time included back-stage visits for those who won back-stage passes and free t-shirts being hurled into the audience to those fortunate enough to catch one. The next group to perform was "Aurora." This group was comprised of three sisters from Atlanta, Georgia.

Their tight harmonies and dancing accompanied their Christian faith and contemporary music, which came in pop, Latin-tinged, and other rhythm-heavy forms that ministered to and entertained the audience.

The key speaker for the evening was Dallas Cowboy tight end, Jackie Harris. He inspired and encouraged the youth. Points of his message included the emphasis that the choices

made today reach throughout eternity. He also encouraged the youth to have the heart and work ethic of a champion so that dreams can become reality, and that they were to glorify the Lord in whatever He gives them the opportunity to do in life.

Carl Miller and meeting and receiving autographs from the performing groups and speakers wrapped up the evening with closing words.

Dr. Dennison receives PhD in Baltimore, MD

Dr. Cheryl Renee Dennison is a member of the graduating class of The Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing in Baltimore, Maryland. She was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree at commencement exercises on May 24, 2001. Her research focuses on lifestyle modification in the prevention and management of cardiovascular disease. Dr. Dennison is a nurse practitioner in the field of preventive cardiology at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

Dr. Dennison is the daughter of James and Marcia Dennison of Lindsay, and the granddaughter of Armella Cler of Muenster and Billie Dennison of Saint Jo. Attending were James



Dr. Cheryl Renee Dennison

and Marcia Dennison and Jimmy and Danah Dennison and their triplets, Alaina, Kirsten, and James IV, and Armella Cler. They left May 23, and returned June 1, enjoying visits in Baltimore and in Delaware.

Hollie Jo Fuhrmann receives assistantship

Hollie Jo Fuhrmann, the daughter of Pat and Ruff Fuhrmann, has received a half-time assistantship from the New Mexico State University Department of Anthropology for the 2001-

2002 academic year. The assistantship entails 10 hours of work per week, a salary of \$6,100/academic year, and in-state tuition status. The work will include tasks as grading, meeting students during set office hours, development of examinations, test monitoring, periodic teaching, and research involvement. Hollie will also be given the opportunity to assume the responsibilities of a graduate assistant the following academic year. Hollie will be pursuing a Master's Degree in Medical Anthropology with a focus on Anthropology of Reproduction.

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Jacksons celebrate 60th

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jackson, formerly of Muenster, now long-time residents of Azle, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Monday, June 11. They were married in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on June 11, 1941. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Weinzapfel of Muenster and he the son of Mrs. Leona Jackson of Azle.

He is now retired from the City of Fort Worth where he was a building inspector and she is retired from the Texas Department of Human Services.

Hugh "Cotton" and Dora Jackson are parents of eight children. There are 16 grandchildren. To their delight, their tenth great-grandchild, Emily Nicole Amity was born on the anniversary day. She is the daughter of Tony and Hester Amity of Las Vegas, Nevada and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson of Anchorage, Alaska.

Dora recently returned from a 16-day tour of Europe, including a four-day international family reunion of the Weinzapfel family held in Ungersheim, Alsace, France. Included in attendance there were more than 60 American and 200 European family members. Included on her trip were stops in Switzerland, Austria, Italy, Monaco, and Lichtenstein. All this time, children and grandchildren visited with Mr. Jackson.

When friends and family gather, reminiscing takes them back to the original wedding day, June 11, 1941. The solemn, impressive Nuptial High Mass was held

at 9:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, officiated by Rev. Frowin Koerdt OSB.

The bride wore a white slipper satin wedding gown designed with a long train. Her fingertip veil was held by a halo of pearls; she carried an arm bouquet of white carnations and gladioli; her white rosary was a gift from her brother, Seminarian Thomas Weinzapfel....

Juanita Weinzapfel, her sister, was maid of honor, wearing a blue brocaded chiffon gown over a hooped skirt, and carrying an arm bouquet of pink carnations and gladioli.

Best man for Mr. Jackson was a friend Dan Feeny of Fort Worth.

A reception followed in the home of the bride's parents where a buffet dinner was served. The three-tiered wedding cake was placed before a white-satin draped bay window in the dining room.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson left mid afternoon, by car, for their home in Fort Worth. She is a graduate of Sacred Heart School and Holy Angels Academy in Jonesboro, Arkansas and St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Fort Worth. Mr. Jackson is a graduate of Azle High School and is associated with the W.C. Stripling Company as an assistant manager. They are making their home in Fort Worth. Information from *Muenster Enterprise* 1941. Please note, updated in paragraph 1.

Reminiscing and memories added to the aura of the anniversary.



Mr. and Mrs. Hugh "Cotton" Jackson

Nathan Kincaid Endres graduates in New York

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Endres have returned home after a ten day trip to upstate New York. They attended the graduation from medical school of their grandson, Nathan Kincaid Endres on May 27.

Nathan is the son of Dr. Richard Endres and Dr. Martha Kincaid of Sodus, New York. He attended the University of Rochester School of Medicine for four years, capping the last year with a one month rotation to the Institute of Neurology in Krakow, Poland. He was selected by the faculty for the Doran Stephens Prize, which is awarded to a graduate who shows promise of developing the personal and professional qualities of an inspiring teacher, a talented investigator, a kindly and able physician, in the manner of the late Dr. Stephens, a graduate of the first class of the school. As clinical faculty, Martha and Richard, his parents wore robes and academic regalia and participated in the ceremonies.



Nathan Endres

In June, Nathan will begin a five year residency training program for the specialty of Orthopedics at the University of Vermont Medical Center in Burlington.

In addition to his studies in Sodus, New York and then Brown University in his formative years, Nathan worked two summers on the Texas prairie putting up hay for his grandfather and an uncle.

Weekend Walter reunion held in park

Descendants of the John and Susanna Trachta Walter family held their biennial reunion June 8 and 9 at the Muenster Park. One hundred eighty people from six states and Japan joined in the celebration. Six of the John and Susanna Walter children are living and all were in attendance:

at noon. Joe Walter, the oldest surviving family member, opened the day's events with prayer. He also memorialized the four family members who died since the last Walter reunion: Frank Bayer of Muenster, Austin and Tyler Karr of Troy, and Trey Chapman of Flower Mound.



Sharing a three-day reunion in their hometown were these members of the John and Susanna Trachta Walter family, from left, Sylvia Everette, Genie O'Dowd, Romana Bayer, Rose Hofbauer, Marie Endres and Joe Walter. Courtesy Photo

Joe Walter of Gainesville, Romana Bayer, Rose Hofbauer, and Marie Endres all of Muenster, Sylvia Everette of Olney,

There have been 13 births since that time. The remainder of the day was spent visiting and reminiscing.

A special feature of this reunion was the publication of a Walter Family Cookbook. Recipes had been collected for the last two years from family members, including treasured recipes from deceased family members. Of special interest was a recipe for popovers in Susanna Walter's handwriting.

On Sunday morning many family members gathered for worship and assisted as lecturers, servers, and Eucharistic Ministers, and provided music at the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church.

Illinois, and Eugenia O'Dowd of Houston.

Activities began with a golf tournament Friday afternoon at Turtle Creek Golf Course. A hamburger supper, swimming party, and a dance were held at the park Friday evening. Music for the dance was provided by The High Cotton Band, two of the members being Kirk and Kyle Graham, grandsons of Joe Walter and sons of Mary Jo Graham.

Festivities on Saturday began with a potluck meal


New Arrival

Klement

Sophia Marie was born to Philip and Debbie Klement of Flower Mound on May 8, 2001. Weighing 9 lb. 1 oz., she was born at Baylor Medical Center in Grapevine. She is sister to Zachary and Olivia. Grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Claude White of The Woodlands, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dooley of Montgomery, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Klement of Temple. Sophia is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Ollie Klement of Muenster.

Blood drive July 5

Texoma Regional Blood Center is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Thursday, July 5 at the KC Hall in Muenster. Donations accepted from 12 - 8 p.m.



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School News

Governor Perry signs bill providing gun accident prevention in schools

IN a landmark safety measure for Texas elementary schoolchildren, Senate Bill 430 has - with Governor Perry's signature - become law, requiring that visiting school resource officers offer to provide students with annual instruction in a firearm accident prevention program as determined by each school district.

According to the new law, the firearm accident prevention program must include the specific gun safety message: "Stop! Don't Touch, Leave the Area. Tell an Adult." This safety message is the core theme of the National Rifle Association's award-winning Eddie Eagle GunSafe™ Program. The new law further stipulates that the NRA's Program may be included as part of each school's instructional program, and may include Eddie Eagle animated videos and activity books.

The gun accident prevention measure was originally proposed in the House by Rep. Phil King (R-Weatherford) and Rep. Manny Najera (D-El Paso), but did not come to the full House for a vote. Instead, they amended its language to SB 430, a general school safety bill, and the bill's original author and supporter of the Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program, Senator Florence Shapiro (R-Plano) agreed to accept the amendment.

This groundbreaking legislation provides elementary school children with an unprecedented opportunity to receive life-saving lessons in firearm safety and accident prevention. "Accidental shootings involving children are often the result of the parents' failure to teach gun safety," commented Rep. Phil King. "Often no one has taught the children what to do, or what not to do, if they should find a gun. Eddie Eagle is a great program, and every child can benefit from it."

The new law will take effect Sept. 1, 2001, and must be implemented in the 2001-2002 school year. The legislation does not require intensive or time-consuming instruction. The lessons, which might use workbooks and/or animated videos, can be tailored to the individual requirements of each school, and could last as little as 15 minutes, or be presented in short lessons throughout the school year.

The NRA's Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program has been taught to more than 15 million children across the country since its inception 12 years ago. The program does not teach gun handling, gun nomenclature, or gun use. It makes no value judgments about whether guns are good or bad, and does not promote gun use or participation in any shooting sports. It instead

teaches children four important steps: "If you find a gun: STOP! Don't Touch, Leave the Area. Tell an Adult."

Specifically designed for young children from pre-kindergarten through sixth grade, the Program was developed through the combined efforts of qualified professionals, including clinical psychologists, reading specialists, teachers, curriculum specialists, urban housing safety officials, and law enforcement personnel.



Sara Sepanski

Sepanski departs for United Kingdom study

Sara Sepanski, a senior at Sacred Heart High School, has been selected to participate in the 2001 People to People Student Ambassador Program. During the next three weeks Sara will be visiting England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland. She will be traveling with two delegation leaders and 22 other Student Ambassadors from the Denton County area and a 17 member delegation from Florida. The trip will include home stays in England and Ireland.

Founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower, the aim of the People to People Student Ambassador Program is to give young people a greater understanding of people throughout the world. This goal is accomplished through an exciting program of varied educational activities that acquaint students with the political, economic, and cultural characteristics of the countries visited. The timeless attraction "It's a Small World" at Disneyland

was opened in honor of the goals and aspirations of People to People.

Over the past five months, Sara has been attending orientation meetings in Flower Mound, Texas, where she has met the other Student Ambassadors from the north Texas area with whom she will be traveling. In addition, each Student Ambassador had to produce a four-color brochure on his or her city of residence, and compose and present an audio/visual report on the history, religion, geography, currency, food, fashion, flag, or government of the countries to be visited. Each student is also required to keep a daily journal during the trip.

Sara departed June 19 from DFW Airport for London, England. She is scheduled to return July 9. Once the trip is over, the work is not yet finished. Final reports and presentations are due Sept. 15. Sara will earn up to four college credit hours for her work and trip.

221 children enjoy Vacation Bible School

Two hundred and twenty-one children ages 4 years through 5th grade enjoyed the week they spent at Sacred Heart's Vacation Bible School held June 11 - 15. During the week they pretended to be a western gold-mining town named SonCreek Junction. During their stay they studied stories from the Acts of the Apostles and learned about the importance of telling the truth, sharing, forgiving, and sharing the good news with others. They also sang songs, played games, memorized Bible verses, watched Veggie Tale puppet shows, had water balloon

Klement for Preschool A; Cecilia Wimmer for Preschool B; and Jennifer Hoedebeck for Preschool C. Teachers for kindergarten were Megan Hennigan (A), Clarissa Hess and Jayna Biffle (B), and Sara and Kate Sepanski (C). Teachers for first grade included Cheryl Beavers (1A) and Dianna Felderhoff (1B). Second grade teachers were Nancy Nystrom (A), and Lisa and Chelsea Felderhoff (B), and Mary Callahan (C). Teaching third grade were Diane Britain (A), Kristie Lutkenhaus (B), and Crystal Hess and Charlie Sue Switzer (C). Fourth grade teachers were

Sacred Heart Honor Roll

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Jacqueline Bartush, Melanie Bartush, Keith Felderhoff, Jessica Koessler.
Juniors: Andrea Bauer, Elizabeth Fette, Sara Sepanski.
Sophomores: Mary Jane

Callahan, Oliver McElroy.
Freshmen: Cindy Hartman, Katie Sepanski.
Grade 7: Joelle Fuhrmann, Mark Gehrig, David Walterschied, Debra Yosten.
Grade 6: Stephen Davis.
Grade 4: Kaitlyn Felderhoff, Matthew Flusche, Samantha Wimmer.

"A" HONOR ROLL

Senior: Diane Becker, Holly Hartman, Michael Miller, Kendal Sellers.
Junior: Kelly Fetsch, Mattie Sicking, Aaron Walterschied, Kristen Yosten, Kristen Zimmerer.
Sophomore: Catherine Bartush, Joseph Davis, Matthew Donohue, Chris Fuhrmann, Clint Fuhrmann, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Charlie Sue Switzer, Jana Truengenbach, Michael Voth, Thomas Whitecotton.
Freshmen: Andrea Bonin, Lisa Endres, Karen Gehrig, Amy Trevino.
Grade 8: Rose Bartush, Paul Bartush, Jacqueline Bauer, Andy Davis, Christine Fetsch, Katie Flusche, Stephanie Henscheid, Stephen LaChance.
Grade 7: Nicole Bayer, Adam Dangelmayr, Shannon Hartman, Diana Knabe, Whitney Wimmer.
Grade 6: Neil Flusche.
Grade 5: Kara Felderhoff, Colby Richey, Lauren Sepanski.
Grade 4: Natalie Endres, Jared Flusche, Mackenzie Herr, Joseph Hesse, Kalyssa Pollard, Richie Sweeney, Daniel Wimmer.

"B" HONOR ROLL

Senior: Travis Bayer, Grace Cochran, Jeff Hartman, Dana Miller, Nicholas Taylor.
Junior: Audrey Barnhill, Luke Endres, Sara Rogers.
Sophomore: Daniel Bartush, Alicia Cochran, Katie Cox, Jessica Davies, Marty Farrell, Crystal Hess, Patrick Knapp, Jonathan Krahl, Therakul Pulpanyawong.
Freshmen: Tony Koessler, Christina Weinzapfel.
Grade 8: Dillian Connell, Jordan Smith.
Grade 7: Angela Cox, Jacqueline Flusche, Hannah Hess, Aaron Krahl, Sarah Whitecotton.
Grade 6: Zachery Bartush, Charlotte Bartush, Kristen Miller.
Grade 5: Nolan Hartman, Lauren Krahl, Tyler Rohmer, Joshua Yosten.
Grade 4: Kirk Felderhoff, Tanner Herr, Mitchell Hesse, Lisa Miller.

Spoiled Onions

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Fun at Vacation Bible School. Far left - Kendi Bayer enjoys high swinging fun; right - Blake Haubold works on a craft; above, from left - Ryan Felderhoff, Alexander Jordan Henscheid and Taylor Reiter practice for the week's closing program. Janie Hartman Photo

competitions, and ate snacks. They did crafts such as decorating bandannas and making western vests from paper sacks. The fifth grade classes had a special craft project in which each child made a rosary.

During the week the children collected items and donations for Abba Women's Center in Gainesville. These were brought to the closing celebration on Friday. At the closing celebration each class did a dance or gestures to a Contemporary Christian or SonCreek Junction song that they had been practicing all week. Parents and grandparents were invited to attend. It was a fitting conclusion to a fun week.

Directors for this year's VBS were Tina Weinzapfel, LeAnn Mollenkopf, Annette Bayer, and Barbara Rohmer. Denise Pagel was in charge of Crafts; Joell Kemp directed the Stories and Games, David Nystrom headed up the Music. Renate Pagel and Jill Reiter were in charge of snacks. Tina and LeAnn directed the closing celebration. Coordinating the nursery was Debbie Cochran.

Teachers included Mattie Sicking and Ashley

Two scholarship winners are announced from Valley View

The Valley View Chamber of Commerce awarded two scholarships during Valley View Senior graduation. Recipients of these scholarships are Jennifer Wilson who will be attending University of Texas to major in Business and Design, and Daniel Ford who will attend Tarleton State University to receive a degree to become a city manager.

Thank You

The loss of a loved one is never easy but thoughtfulness of family and friends has helped us through this difficult time.

Gene was a loving husband, cherished father and doting grandfather to his grandchildren and great grandchildren. To his many friends he was ever loyal.

Our thanks go to our local fire department and paramedics for their professionalism and care in working with Dad when he collapsed.

The funeral Mass and liturgy was a comfort to all of us. Dad would have loved the music.

The meal served by the Catholic Daughters gave us all a time to visit with out of town family and friends. The KC's generous use of their facilities is greatly appreciated.

Last of all a special thanks goes out to all who took the time to come by, bring food, offer Masses or spiritual bouquets and donate to the Sacred Heart Trust Fund.

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Michael Miller: versatile young artist

By Vince Bonin
 Why do you think I date everything I do? It's because it isn't enough to know an artist's work. You also have to know when he made them, why, how, and under what circumstances. There will undoubtedly be a science one day—maybe they'll call it "the science of man"—that will seek to understand man through the man-creator. . . I often think about this scene, and I intend to leave as much information as possible for posterity.

—Picasso

The prolific artist Picasso—painter, drawer, ceramic artist—is one of two key influences of a recent graduate of Sacred Heart High School. Michael Miller, when discussing art works he produced while studying under Patti Bayer, evinces a profound connection with the sometimes abstract, sometimes realistic, always visceral master of the 20th century. First, both use vivid colors, and secondly, both care that others know the "why, how and under what circumstances" of their work.

"I was kind of thinking of paperweights," Miller said in the living room of his family home on Hickory, as he held up charcoal drawings of three objects.

A sense of humor quickly emerges from this pensive fellow. Turning to a life-size, kinetic wire torso and head, with pliable parts, he jokes about a sword fight. Then he mentions that a holder for a hat was one impetus to create the piece!

Next, he describes how three 10-inch by 11-inch Styrofoam, thin squares, painted in blues, reds and other colors evoking the sea culture was created with a wondrous cutter, which is a battery-operated implement with a heated thin wire. "The blues stick out more than anything," he said. "I am drawn to the Corral Reefs. The Mayan Culture inspired me. I'm using traditional, primary colors on that."

"I was happy with my results," he said, adding with a placid smile, "These have been repaired many times" because of travels to various contests.

Pointing out some line detail, he remarked, "The fins inspired me. I look to nature to find rhythm and design."

Picasso once said, "After all, why trouble to work if it is not to improve oneself?" Hearing Miller profess his allegiance to nature brings to mind that quotation because Miller is a man positively tuned by the rhythm and design of nature. Peaceful of spirit, purely joyous spontaneously, calm in speech pattern, he demonstrates a man centered in surrender to suffering as well as renewing.

Some of the works he's showing were entered in his school's league competition, as well as the Gainesville Area Visual Arts competition.

Like Picasso, Miller is versatile. He holds an enlarged color photograph of his Grandmother (Wilda) Stoffels house, explaining that his camera angle exaggerates the tree's contribution.

The spiritual symbolism of brokenness receives a Holy emphasis in Miller's broken wine bottle glued back together with colored hot glue. Miller grins as he remembers asking for volunteer bottle breakers in the other art class. Looking at all the cracks, Miller waxes: "Because of God's love, we have to let the people in."

Not wasting any time, the soon-to-be-matriculated student at a private college in Kansas holds up a wintergreen mask with thick gold projectiles for hair and hieroglyphic markings on the sides. Miller notes how the ancient Egyptian form (700 B.C.) of writing involving symbolic markings and drawings bears steadily into his work. According to the book *Egyptian Hieroglyphs for Everyone: An Introduction to the Writing of Ancient Egypt*.

The alphabet of the hieroglyphs was not like the simple 26-letter alphabet of the English language. There literally hundreds of picture signs. These represented sounds, combinations of sounds, and ideas as expressed in

determinatives. Visiting with Michael, cognizant of the total centering on the person he is with, one confirms his alliance with the ancient form.

Entering the Picasso pattern to know all about his process, Miller resolutely traces his Sacred Heart art instruction to Sister Monica in the sixth grade. "We watched a lot of history, King Tut I remember. Bayer has taught him from fourth through freshman years, then again this year."

Recalling the chronology spreads a playful smile. He took off from art sophomore year to do theater. He was part of the enthusiastically received "Bottle Dance," in which he broke a bottle once. This year he broke bottles on purpose!

Musings follow about performing on stage to creating pieces that people pause to look at. "As a visual artist I am learning to be open. There is less pressure to perform. You have an idea what you're going to do with a piece. Surprises happen along the way."

One parallel to theatrical art is evident. In theater actors become other characters, which are not them yet have emotional qualities that can be owned by the actor. As a visual artist he communicates moods and themes that are not all his at the moment, yet at some point he has known them in some way.

He pauses to show another item—glass fragments in oranges and yellows like hands displayed on top of 14" by 26" box he and his father Robert Miller made, with a black light to create an aquarium.

From small to large, a triangle of multi-colored sections—which admittedly lots of his favorite color, Mustard Yellow. Originally this was to be a rectangle; however, Bayer, at the last minute said to add a section.

"I felt rushed, but trusted her. I was sort of excited that she thought enough of my art."

An intriguing eye looms at the top of the triangle. "I thought of the pyramid on the dollar bill," Miller said,

instantly reinforcing, "But this is not the focus point; the patch (where it transformed from a rectangle to a triangle) is."

"The big thing I've learned is you can work with mistakes. You just look at it, analyze it."

Picasso, whose "blended look" appeals most to Miller, has a famous epigram that seems to correspond. He said, "I do not seek; I find."

Miller found that for the Youth Fair this year he could create marbled effect on a picture frame. He mentioned "crackle it."

For the future he can envision designing for a place like Pier One, or maybe establishing a Café in which the fixtures—such as the chairs—would be painted by him. In this café there would be music and poetry nights.

To fit in somewhere: bright colors. If he were to do a house interior, it would have bright colors. One might not see Miller as parallel with bright colors, yet if one were to sit around long enough and focus, as he does on his art work, one would know the inner child.

For example, gleefulness radiated as he talked about teasing his boss at The Center, by saying, "Who wants to be a Philonaire?!"

The response obviously worked. All three of his bosses were up for positions at church. In his first time to vote, he delighted in voting for all three!

The serious Miller is concerned about such issues as high inflation in Turkey, free abortions and contraceptives in Africa, blocks to help the AIDS situation in Africa where the rate is high, the distribution of condoms in public schools, drug/alcohol education.

"I have a lot of concerns, but I don't let them eat at me. Once a week I pray the Rosary."

His mother Betty Miller, dietician at Muenster Memorial Hospital, proudly volunteers that he has started inviting his sister Julie to pray the Rosary with him.

Continuing with concerns, he said, "Money is not necessarily bad. I went to the Federal Reserve on a field trip. I was told it's only cotton and linen."

While on the subject of enlightenment, he returns to Bayer. "She opens up about herself."

And so has Michael Miller, revealing a gifted mind and heart. As Picasso alluded, an artist may be quiet; however, he is ticking like a clock inside, tracking his history, his present and his future.



Michael Miller displays one of his pieces of art done in the abstract. Courtesy Photo

This year is Patti Bayer's last to teach art. Next year she will still show skills of versatility in handling subjects, adding photography as a new one. A few pay tributes:

Jacqueline Bartush—designer of all the backdrops for the musical *Guys and Dolls*. "Mrs. Bayer gives very good advice about art work. She always make us do our best. On one of my collages I was designing a magazine cover. She helped me with how to make the letter stand out. Also, I use the lessons of the color wheel and complementary colors all the time. When I made a Medusa mask, I placed 1st at

district. I used complementary colors, purple and yellow, black lips. Art is a good way to release stress, definitely express myself."

Dr. Jack Murdock—"Indeed Patti is a versatile individual. She has built a strong art program, she was an excellent science teacher and now she is our technology coordinator and compute teacher. She has taught science and art during the same year and she has taught computers and art during the same year. She is indeed a uniquely versatile individual."

Era Community Club

The Era Community Club will hold their June meeting at 8:00 on Monday, June 25 at the Era Community Club, inviting all residents to the Community Center to discuss the Walking Club, future Community Club improvements, calendars, future craft show and cook off and the Christmas Parade.

The group recently celebrated Memorial Day with a community picnic where more than 150 people enjoyed cook out and old fashioned sitting.

Officers: Mike Graves, president; Lynn Peters, vice president; Gayle Knight, secretary; Lola Rust, historian; and T. Jack Martin, sergeant at arms.

ATTENTION:

Immediately following the Jayces Golf Tournament, Saturday, July 7th, there will be a Benefit Auction for Laura Talor. Any items which can be donated would be greatly appreciated. There will be several autographed items donated by the Dallas Mavericks, Stars, Cowboys and Texas Rangers. Former Texas Rangers Pete Incaviglia and Mike Munoz have been involved in collecting items.

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Deadline for Sacred Heart Religious Ed program nears

Deadline to register for Sacred Heart Church's 2001-2002 religious education program (CCD) for public school children is due Monday, June 25. After that date there will be an additional \$5 fee. The classes are for children in kindergarten through 12th grade, and meet on Wednesday evenings 7 - 8 p.m. beginning Aug. 29. On the last Wednesday of each month the students attend the regularly scheduled 6:30 p.m. Mass with their families and have class afterward.

Registration forms and consent forms were sent to returning students. Additional forms are in the west entrance of Sacred Heart Church or at the business office. Forms and registration fees may be dropped in the collection or taken or mailed to the business office. The mailing address is Sacred Heart Church, Attn: Barbara Rohmer, 714 N. Main, Muenster, TX 76252. Call Barbara at 759-2511, Ext. 16 for more information or if you would like to volunteer as a teacher, substitute, or helper.

Sports

75 attend basketball camp

Fundamentals, fun, and a lot of sweat were the three major ingredients of last week's Hornet Basketball Camp held at the MHS gymnasium!

Under the guidance of MISD coaches Amy Binder, Kenny Mann, and Jeff Presnall, 28 fourth through sixth graders and 47 seventh through ninth graders spent last Monday through Friday becoming more skilled at ball handling, dribbling, passing, and shooting. Camp participants learned various skills such as jab and cross pivots, form set shots and jump shots, show & go head fakes, and even "the Hardaway" advanced dribble move!

Fun also blended well with the fundamentals of the game, as teams and individuals competed in various events. A Three-on-Three Tournament was held with the girl's winning team consisting of Kallie Gerstberger, Jessica Walterscheid, and Allison Teafatiller. The boys' Three-on-Three champs were Dustin Felderhoff, Derek Endres, and Bret Walterscheid. The afternoon session's Team

Shooting Competition concluded with the Shooting Comets claiming the championship and the Texas All-Stars finishing as runner-up. Other special individual awards included the following:

- Free-Throw Contest**
- Caitlyn Barrett (4-6 Girls)
- Jeremy Lutkenhaus (4-6 Boys)
- Kelly Endres (7-9 Girls)
- Zach Swirczynski (7-9 Boys)
- Best Ball-Handlers**
- Christina Eckart (4-6 Girls)
- Colton Steelman (4-6 Boys)
- Mindy Walterscheid (7-9 Girls)
- Chase Cain (7-9 Boys)
- Best Dribblers**
- Jenni Luke (4-6 Girls)
- Tanner Herr (4-6 Boys)
- Allison Teafatiller (7-9 Girls)
- Derek Endres (7-9 Boys)
- Best Form Shooter**
- Taryn Schinigo (4-6 Girls)

- Levi Trubenbach (4-6 Boys)
- Stevie Klement (7-9 Girls)
- Michael Eckart (7-9 Boys)
- Hustle Award**
- Alison Miller (4-6 Girls)
- Eric Hellman (4-6 Boys)
- Krystal Wolf (7-9 Girls)
- Aaron Walterscheid (7-9 Boys)
- Most Improved**
- Delana Sicking (4-6 Girls)
- Scott Endres (4-6 Boys)
- Megan Felderhoff (7-9 Girls)
- Jeff Walterscheid (7-9 Boys)
- Camp MVP**
- Lia Heers (4-6 Girls)
- William Vogel (4-6 Boys)
- Tara Swirczynski (7-9 Girls)
- Sean Fuhrmann (7-9 Boys)
- Coach Binder, Coach Mann, and Coach Presnall would like to thank all the campers and their parents for making this year's camp such a success!



Participants in Hornet Basketball Camp.

Courtesy Photo

Free softball camp set for Mon., Tues.

Sacred Heart Softball Coaches Kip Callahan and Beth Bartush will be conducting a **FREE** fast-pitch softball camp on Monday and Tuesday, **June 25-26**. The camp is opened to all age groups and will be at the Oak Street City Ball Park from 9 to 11 a.m. daily. Any questions, call 759-5293.



Above left - Sandy Endres; above - Brett Walterscheid working on dribbling moves. Courtesy Photos

Hoedebeck makes team

Jennifer Hoedebeck, a Sophomore member of the Sacred Heart Tigerette softball team, was named to the *Star Telegram* 2001 Softball Team. Making First Team honors in private schools as an outfielder,

Hoedebeck also was named to the Second Team TAPPS All-State selection. The Tigerettes finished runner-up at the TAPPS Class 2A/A State Tournament last month.

Ranch Rodeo Aug. 17-18

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The fun starts Friday, Aug. 17 at 8:30 a.m. For more information, call the Rehab Center at 940-322-0771.

Teams sought for Ruth Hess tourney

Saturday, July 7 the Muenster Jaycees have scheduled their 14th Annual Ruth Hess Golf Tournament. It will be at Turtle Hill Golf Course with a shotgun start at 2:00 p.m. Entry fee is \$240 per

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Farm & Ranch

Pasture workshop set for June 27

A one-day pasture management workshop sponsored by the Academy for Ranch Management at Texas A&M University is scheduled June 27 at the John "Chip" Merrill ranch south of Fort Worth.

"This one-day workshop will be strictly an introduction to pasture management and will include field observations people can use when they go out and evaluate their own forage conditions," said Ray Hinnant, one of the instructors for the Academy for Ranch Management and senior research associate at Texas A&M.

Sen. Roberts endorses bill

Sen. Pat Roberts (R-Kan.) endorsed a bill that would allow freer trade and more contacts with Cuba, despite opposition from President Bush. Roberts endorsed the "Bridges to the Cuban People Act" sponsored by Sens. Christopher Dodd (D-Conn.) and Lincoln Chafee (R-R.I.).

The bill would authorize the unrestricted sale of food, farm equipment, agricultural commodities, medicine and children's products to Cuba. It also would remove travel restrictions on U.S. citizens, fund scholarships for Cuban students to study in the U.S. and raise the amount of money Americans may send to family and friends in Cuba.

"This workshop will cater to absentee landowners or people who've inherited land but work in the city. By attending this workshop, participants will be able to make their own projections so that they will meet their grazing goals."

Cost is \$50 and pre-registration is required prior to the event. Participants can register by phone at (979) 845-5580 or online at <http://rangeweb.tamu.edu/arm>. To register by credit card, call (979) 845-5580 for a credit card authorization form. The registration fee includes lunch.

The program will start at 10 a.m. Topics will include the many aspects of evaluating pasture conditions and trends. Merrill will discuss management practices he has implemented on his ranch, while Dr. Charles Taylor, director of the

Academy for Ranch Management, and Hinnant will discuss ranch management ideas and techniques.

The workshops are designed to provide absentee or new ranch owners and managers with scientific information and technologies for ranch management. Limited enrollment assures maximum individual interaction with instructors.

Veneman explains Bush farm policy

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman recently made her first major address on farm policy that the Bush Administration will pursue. The most important priority will be expanding U.S. agricultural trade.

That will include reducing farm barriers to U.S. agricultural products and a Free Trade Area of the Americas treaty (FTAA). They will also be working to reduce tax and regulatory burdens on farmers and ranchers, and will encourage development of new uses for agricultural products and research into food safety.

Secretary Veneman made the following points on where the Bush administration will be going on farm bill legislation:

Farm policy should be crafted in the context of the food and fiber industry as a whole, and should not focus exclusively on commodity production.

Farm policy makers are struggling to find a new approach, because the farm economy has fundamentally changed.

There were 7 million farms in the U.S. in 1930, and 70 years later we still speak of the farm economy as if nothing has changed.

Many links of the food chain change and continue to change. Policy is not yet addressing those changes.

The Bush administration will focus on four primary areas in farm policy:

- (1) Boost agricultural trade.
- (2) Reduce tax and regulatory burden's while protecting our natural resources.
- (3) Support food research to enhance food safety and new uses for agricultural products.
- (4) Create a safety net consistent with free market principles for United States producers; but at the same time recognize the fine line between an adequate safety net and an unhealthy dependency.

One of the key questions to be asked by those concerned with ag policy is, "What is the sustainable level of funding for ag spending?" The secretary does not favor expanding farm programs to include commodities not currently covered by the farm bill.

Veneman expressed concern over the House Agriculture Committee's approach in designing the next farm bill, which has been to solicit specific recommendations from farm and commodity groups. She said she believes the next farm bill must move beyond commodity price programs - a package that moves policy forward for the whole food system.

County Agent's Report by Craig Rosenbaum

KARNAL BUNT

There is much discussion of the new infestation and regulated areas for Karnal bunt in the Texas wheat crop. Dr. Travis Miller, TAEX program leader for soils and crop sciences offers the following information about the disease and best management practices.

In the spring of 1996, Karnal bunt (*Tilletia indica* Mitra) was found in a sample of durum wheat seed in Arizona. Subsequent investigation revealed that Karnal bunt had been distributed in durum wheat planting seed, and that it was widespread in Arizona and New Mexico, and found in limited regions in California and Texas. Following this discovery, movement of wheat and wheat equipment was quarantined in the entire state of Arizona, parts of New Mexico and California, and in El Paso and Hudspeth counties of Texas. A national survey was initiated over the next two years, with samples of wheat being submitted from most of the wheat producing regions of the U.S. This survey found an infestation in San Saba County in 1997 in hard red winter wheat, which was the first ever detection in this class of wheat.

Infested fields were quarantined for a period of 5 years, and around each field for a radius of 3 miles, a regulated area was established in which all wheat is examined in the field before delivery to an elevator. In quarantined fields, wheat, durum wheat and triticale may not be planted for a period of 5 years, which is the estimated longevity of bunt spores in soils.

Upon infection, the bunt does not generally affect an entire kernel. Typically, only a portion of a kernel, starting at the embryo end, is blackened or "bunted" and eroded with a mass of black spores with the offensive odor. Although Karnal bunt and common bunt or stinking bunt have a similar "fishy" odor, they differ in that the common bunt typically decays the entire infested kernel. Karnal bunt seldom effects yield and usually effects less than 1 per cent of the kernels in a field while infested kernels have an objectionable "fishy" odor they are not usually detected in finished wheat products until infestation levels reach about 3%, which is an extremely high level for field infestations.

Karnal bunt is relatively weak as far as crop damage compared to wheat diseases common to the Texas crop or to other smuts and bunts that are common in the state. It generally enters a field on infested wheat seed, plant parts, livestock, manure or infested soil carried on agricultural equipment. While spores can move in the wind, they are relatively heavy and are not believed to be carried long distances. Approximately 42% of all samples tested in that

county were determined to be infested. In addition, one positive sample was found in a field on the eastern side of McCulloch County, near the western San Saba County border. A new region of infection was also found, with several positive samples being found in Throckmorton and Young Counties. This new region with several positive samples prompted the USDA-APHIS to declare the entirety of Throckmorton and Young Counties as "regulated." In addition to quarantining the fields from which positive identification was made, the regulated status will require that all elevators be tested for presence of the disease, all wheat harvested be checked for presence of the disease before hauling to an elevator or out of the county, a prohibition of hauling of wheat or triticale hay from the regulated area, requiring all harvest and tillage equipment to be subjected to steam cleaning prior to movement from the regulated area and other restrictions designed to reduce the possibility of spread of the disease to other locations or into commerce. Wheat that is found to be positive must be heat treated to kill the organism before it can be used. One effective way to treat such wheat is processing in steam flaking equipment.

Upon wheat harvest, growers must make plans for the coming crop year. If a field is quarantined and the grower still wants to plant a winter grain and/or forage crop, choices would include oat, barley and cereal rye. If in a regulated area but not a quarantined field, this would leave the options open for wheat and triticale as well as oat, barley and rye. Be especially conscientious about using best management practices in regulated areas. Best management practices to reduce the potential for

contamination from Karnal bunt would include:

• Purchase and plant only high quality, conditioned seed that is inspected or from an area known to be free of the disease.

• Use an effective seed treatment fungicide at planting

• Plant rye, oats or barley rather than wheat or triticale in infested fields or those in question.

• Prevent infestation by using only equipment known to be free of the disease (includes tillage, planting and harvest equipment). Thorough steam cleaning may be required to prevent the spread of the disease from infested fields.

• Make certain that animals grazing wheat fields have not previously been in infested fields or been fed with infested wheat or triticale grain or hay.

• Don't import hay from infested or suspected fields, either your own or from elsewhere.

The most feasible way to remediate the problem appears to be through voluntary cooperation between farmers, elevator operators, the grain industry and government agencies. Early detection and awareness are vital in preventing the spread of this disease which can have major impacts on the marketing of Texas wheat.

The major cause for concern relative to this disease, compared to other bunt and smut diseases is marketing. The U.S. and many wheat buying and producing countries either have quarantines or severe restrictions in place to prevent movement of infested grain into their countries. The mere suspicion of the presence of this disease in a very competitive wheat market is adequate to cancel wheat sales or at minimum significantly reduce wheat price.

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<p>Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.15-1.32; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.15; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.14-1.21; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.14; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 98-111; No. 2 & 3, 90-98; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 92-101; No. 2 & 3, 85-92; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 87-92; No. 2 & 3, 75-87; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 83-87; No. 2 & 3, 72-83.</p> <p>Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.05-1.24; No. 2 & 3, 98-1.05; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 98-1.11; No. 2 & 3, 90-98; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 92-101; No. 2 & 3, 85-92; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 89-95; No. 2 & 3, 82-89; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 80-89; No. 2 & 3, 71-80; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 75-85; No. 2 & 3, 63-75.</p> <p>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.) Slaughter bulls, yield grade 1-2, 1,200-2,050 lbs., 50-64. Slaughter cows: #1-3, 41-50; Cutter, 22-41.</p>	<p>Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - large frame, \$700-\$810, medium frame, \$500-\$700. Cow-calf pairs/calves under 250 lbs. - large frame, \$750-\$880; medium frame, \$550-\$750. Holstein baby calves, \$22.50-\$65; Crossbreds, \$90-\$225.</p> <p>Barrows & Gilts: US #1, 230-270, 48-52; US #2, 220-280, 46-48.</p> <p>Feeders (per head): 100-175 lbs., \$50-\$70; 25-90 lbs., \$30-\$50.</p> <p>Soys: Feeder, 400 or less, 30-34; Light wt., 400-500, 35-36; Med wt., 500-600, 37-38; Heavy wt., 600-up, 39-40.</p> <p>Boars: 300 lb. up, 12-19; 200-300 lbs., 20-24; Light wt., NT.</p> <p>Sheep (per lb.): Feeder lambs 40-60 lbs., 95-1.03; Light lambs 60-90 lbs., 80-85; Fat lambs 90-120 lbs., 75-80.</p>	<p>Barbados (per head) Lambs: \$35-\$45. Ewes: \$35-\$40. Bucks: \$50-\$135.</p> <p>Ewes: Stocker, 48-52; Thin, 32-37; Fat, 40-48.</p> <p>Bucks: Thin, 32-38; Fat, 38-42.</p> <p>Goats (per head): Kids 20-35 lbs., \$20-\$35; 35-55 lbs., \$30-\$50; 55-75 lbs., \$50-\$70. Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$70-\$90.</p> <p>Nannies (per head) Stocker, \$45-\$60; Milk Type, \$70-\$90; Slaughter, Thin, \$30-\$40; Fat, \$40-\$50.</p> <p>Billies (per head) 120 lbs-up Breeders, \$70-\$90; Slaughter, \$60-\$100.</p> <p>Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Nanny, NT; 3/4 Nanny, \$70-\$90; Full Nanny, \$125-\$200.</p> <p>Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Billy, NT; 3/4 Billy, NT; Full Billy, \$125-\$250.</p>
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