

## Muenster puts out welcome mat for 27<sup>th</sup> Germanfest

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
For 27 years Muenster has sponsored a Germanfest each April. The featured facets have changed and broadened over the years as the Chamber of Commerce endeavors to make the three-day event as fun and appealing to as many people as possible.

New this year is a Rock Climbing Wall for all ages of adventurers and Jurassic Park with its slides and dinosaurs (appeals up into the teen years). These will be located in the children's area of the Park. Also back are the Giant Slide and Austin P. Roadman Show with his armadillo puppet. Other entertainment for the young and young-at-heart include Jim McNeely and Side Street Circus, Karneval and Kinder Theater, mimes, magicians, clowns, and storytellers.

Kelly McGuire is the Texas Stage's featured

entertainer for Saturday and Sunday. Also performing are Kenny and the Kasuals, Billy Hogan and Cheyenne with Shane Wimmer of Muenster, Hi Roller Band, Brave Combo, Bois D'Arc, and Parrish Family.

**Recording artist Kelly McGuire is the featured entertainer**

Opening Ceremonies are at 6 p.m. at the Tanz Halle on Friday. The popular group Alpenfest returns to Tanz Halle. Other groups are The Polka Kings, Dutch Treat, Napper Sisters, Side Street Circus, and Ruth & Christy.

People with a competitive

spirit might enjoy some of the events such as Nagelschlagen where a nail spike is hammered into a tree stump. The contestant who can get it in the least amount of hits goes to a finalist competition until the Grand Champ is found. Finalists receive prizes and the Grand Champ gets a trophy. Saturday offers the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Metric Century Bicycle Rally at 11 a.m. The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Germanfest Fun Run begins at noon on Sunday. Again the North Texas BBQ Cook-Off kicks off with registration beginning at 5 p.m. Friday.

There will be \$1,000 total cash prizes awarded. There is usually a party atmosphere at the Cook-Off site. Visitors are often invited to sample some of the participants' specialties.

Craft booths offer a variety of items for purchase. Besides the usual tempting array of sausages, krauts, salads, strudels, and other sweets there will be some new items. Added to the food menu are pretzels, catfish, skillet potatoes, ice cream, grilled pork chops, frozen chocolate covered bananas, and German style roasted nuts.

Butterfield Stage will be selling raffle tickets for a 1965 Mustang, completely restored. Drawing is May 6. Tickets are \$10 each, three for \$20, eight for \$50, or 20 for \$100. Proceeds benefit Butterfield Stage and the Performing Arts for Cooke County.

This is the eighth and final year for the Tarrant County Walkers to sponsor a Volksmarch at Germanfest. "How do you say goodbye and not feel like you have lost a friend? The saying 'all good things come to an end, sooner or later' is what the Tarrant County

Walkers must say to our friends in Muenster," remarked Anna Cottrill group spokesperson. She said that the group was welcomed in Muenster with open arms and truly made to feel a part of the Germanfest celebration.

The Tarrant County Walkers said, "Ein Dankeschon fuer unsere Freunde in Muenster!" Some of the people and things the group expressed appreciation to included Margie Starke of the Chamber of Commerce for making sure that they had the permission they needed to use facilities; the Muenster High School for use of the gymnasium during rain events; Police Department; medical coverage; area residents, and the famous "Honey buckets".

*This year's Volksmarch features Rohmer's Restaurant*

Each year the group features a symbol of Muenster an award for taking part in the German Volksmarch. In 1999 it was the steeple of Sacred Heart Church. In 2001 it was a Glockenspiel to show the group's appreciation to Fischer's for supplying sausage and cheese at checkpoints during the Volksmarches. This year is Rohmer's Restaurant because Rohmer's opened every Sunday morning since the event began to provide breakfast for Volksmarch workers.

Anna remarked, "For those walkers who have meant to come and walk with us, but never seemed to make it, and to all of our faithful walkers, please come and join in the fun of a Germanfest Volksmarch the weekend of April 27 and 28. There will be two Volksmarches on each day. "Help the Tarrant County Walkers say 'Auf Wiedersehen' to a small town with a "Huge Heart" and to thank them for making us feel that we are a part of their great festival. Germanfest in Muenster helped to widen the volkssport spirit here in North Texas."

For more information on the Germanfest Volksmarch contact Anna Cottrill at 817-788-0307 or e-mail aecottrill@prodigy.net.

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## Cooke County hires vet's service officer

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Judson Perry of Gainesville was hired to serve as Cooke County's new Veteran's Service Officer. The position was filled at a special meeting of Commissioners Court held at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 23.

There were six applicants for the part-time position. County Judge Bill Freeman appointed Commissioners Virgil Hess and Bill Cox to review the applications and rank them according to federal mandates (certain individual such as Gold Star Mothers and Veterans get priority consideration). They narrowed the field to four candidates.

The four candidates were interviewed by Commissioners Court Tuesday. "We had six good applicants," remarked Judge Freeman. "It was a hard decision to have to pick one of the four. All four had excellent military careers. All are well qualified. It was a hard decision to choose one applicant." The vote was a unanimous 5-0 for Judson.

The Veteran's Office is open three days a week for a total of 24 hours a week. The schedule will be

announced after Judson begins his duties on May 1, said Judge Freeman.

Cooke County Commissioners Court opted to join Public Power Pool (P3) during its regular meeting on April 22. Power Pool guaranteed that it would not enter into an agreement that wouldn't save Cooke County at least \$3,082.00 a year. The P3 projection is a savings of \$9,641.00 a year.

Cooke County can get in almost immediately because an aggregation process is going on now. To do so the County must waive the normal 30-day waiting period, explained Judge Freeman. The County will then be bound to that deal for the coverage period which is usually a year, but sometimes up to 18 months.

"I think we can save between \$3,000 and \$10,000 a year of taxpayers money and I think we ought to do it," said Judge Freeman. Commissioners agreed and the agenda item passed 5-0.

The retirement of Junior Durham, maintenance supervisor, is about two months away. It was earlier decided that someone should be hired for the

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**Germanfest**  
**Muenster, Texas**  
**April 26-28, 2002**

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Wildflower - The Texas Shooting Star - is in full bloom west of Muenster. Janie Hartman Photo

## Texas Shooting Star blooms in Muenster

Area residents who enjoy and appreciate the beauty of Texas wildflowers have a rare opportunity to view a local field of the Texas Shooting Star, just a few miles west of Muenster, on the north side of the highway, at the corner of Hwy. 82 and County Road 351, approximately 2 1/2 miles west of town. The Texas Shooting Star is relatively rare, but has been thriving in a small prairie hay meadow that has never been plowed or cultivated.

Since the flowers have been in bloom about a month now, there is likely to be only about one more week left at this stage. The Texas Shooting Star is a protected State wildflower and Texas treasure and may not be dug up for transplanting.

The owner of the property says "You are welcome to come, see and enjoy... Bring your camera. But observe and leave as it is. This is private property."

## MISD Board candidates respond

There are two positions open on the Muenster ISD Board of Trustees, Place 3 and Place 4. Nick Walterscheid, incumbent is running unopposed for Place 3. Rudy Koesler for Place 4 challenges Tim Felderhoff, incumbent.

Felderhoff is self employed in the oil field. Koesler is a retired teacher and independent business owner. Walterscheid is a service man for Cooke County Electric Co-op. Each candidate was presented a list of questions and given a 24-hour period to complete them. Their responses follow.

**What adjustments, if any, would you like to see in the MISD budget for next year?**

**Felderhoff:** The most important adjustment is the already proposed pay increases for the teaching staff. This would be a well-deserved raise for the excellent teachers at MISD who are a large part of the school's academic successes. **Koesler:** All programs need sufficient funding within the limits of the budget to

meet the needs of each department.

**Walterscheid:** I would like to put more money toward personnel. This would help us add more AP classes and would help reduce the work load on the current teachers. Also, I would like to add an elementary counselor.

**What is your opinion of the AP (Advanced Placement) classes offered in junior high?**

**Felderhoff:** The Pre AP classes in junior high are excellent for students who plan to take the AP classes in high school. These Pre AP classes smooth the transition from regular classes to Advanced Placement classes, which help our students become better prepared for and more attractive to colleges.

**Koesler:** The AP programs in junior high are good. The Pre AP classes feed the high school AP programs. The sooner a student can begin training in the AP curriculum, the better. This all translates to money saved and the best

preparation for college success. The higher the AP test score, the more classes the student can get credit for in college. This allows the student to finish college early or get a graduate degree in the same amount of time that is usually spent on an undergraduate degree.

Since students who do well in AP courses usually do well on the SAT, scholarship money becomes more available. Anything we can do to put money in the parents' pockets is an asset to MISD.

**Walterscheid:** AP classes in junior high prepare students for high school AP classes. These classes allow for accelerated students to participate in a more challenging environment.

**What do you believe is high priority in long-range building plans?**

**Felderhoff:** I believe the highest priority is fixing the roof and renovating the present junior high building. Next would be a new cafeteria and a new elementary.

**Koesler:** The highest priorities in the long-range building plan are to replace the antiquated lunchroom and to provide a much needed new elementary facility.

**Walterscheid:** A cafeteria is the first priority. We are currently in need of cafeteria space and more classrooms. As we continue to grow, an elementary facility will become a major concern.

**What have you contributed to the school district in the past?**

**Felderhoff:** I have been a member of the School Board the last three years and have supported all school functions and fundraisers the past 10 years.

**Koesler:** I have made many contributions to M.I. S.D. in the past:

a) teacher of woodworking and drafting at M.I.S.D. for 29 years; retired 2001.

b) member of the district site-based management committee for 15 years

c) member of See SCHOOL BOARD, Pg. 2

A Muenster Milling trailer blocked Main Street for a short time last week Thursday when workers attempted to move products from the feed mill to the warehouse. Pulling onto the street, the truck became unhooked, losing its load. Assisted by workers and equipment from R & R Pipe, Flusche Enterprises and Rumber, the trailer was lifted onto another truck and moved with no injuries and only slight damage to the truck.  
Janie Hartman Photo



# NCTC Regents approve three new education programs

The Board of Regents gave final approval to three new educational programs at North Central Texas College at the regular April meeting.

The three programs are a Marketable Skills Award in Graphic Arts, a Surgical Technology Certificate Program, and an Office Systems Technology Degree Program.

"It's always nice to see the college coming up with programs that benefit our community in terms of technology and what the job market needs," said Dr. Milton Dickson, chairman of the board. "I've always felt NCTC does a great job of staying innovative and responding to the needs of its students. This is another fine example of that."

The Surgical Technology program is a one-year (36 credit hours) certificate program that prepares the student to assume the responsibilities of a Surgical Technologist. Surgical Technologists will participate in all aspects of preparing and monitoring instruments and procedures in the sterile operating room environment. The courses will be taught in the classroom, the Surgical Technology lab, and at clinical sites throughout the NCTC service area.

The NCTC Surgical Technology program has applied for initial accreditation and will begin the self-study process during the 2002-2003 academic year.

"Surgical technologists work with, and under the supervision of, surgeons, registered nurses, or other surgical personnel," said

Maurice Robeson, dean of applied sciences at NCTC. "They help set up the operating rooms with surgical instruments, equipment, sterile linens, and sterile fluids. They assemble, adjust, and check nonsterile equipment to ensure that it is working properly. During surgery, technologists participate in the numerous activities involved in the surgical process."

The objectives of the Office Systems Technology program include preparing students to become employable through training in the occupational area; providing adequate information, learning opportunities, and hands-on practice to become proficient in using computer applications and office machines; and providing professional guidance and ethical foundations for the office environment.

The program's flexibility allows the student to concentrate on accounting, human resources, office management, secretarial/administrative assistant skills, or web page development. It is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills directly related to their career.

"The Office Systems Technology curriculum is designed to prepare students for a variety of careers related to office technology and to update and sharpen current skills," said Debbie Huffman, who will be the coordinator of the program. "Workforce boards in our service area say administrative and

clerical support occupations are expected to increase in the number of jobs available."

NCTC will offer both a two-year degree and a one-year certificate in the program. For information about the program, contact Debbie Huffman at 904-668-7731, ext. 416.

The Marketable Skills Award in Graphic Arts curriculum is designed to provide students who are interested in working in the area of graphic arts an opportunity to develop computer and design skills that are in demand in the marketplace today, Robeson said.

Upon completion of four lecture/lab courses, the student will be able to participate in a cooperative education experience to enhance workplace skills.

In other business, the Board of Regents declared that all three candidates who are up for re-election this year are unopposed. Under Texas Law, since the candidates are unopposed, an election is not necessary. The cost of running an election is about \$3,000 said Dr. Steven Broyles, dean of administrative services.

"We will notify all of the voting precincts that the election has been cancelled within the next few days," he said.

Regents included Dr. Milton Dickson of Gainesville, board chair for the place five seat; Jack Endres of Muenster, in the place four seat; and Troy Idom of the Callisburg area for the place three seat.

The final major item of the meeting was the announcement that long-

time tennis coach Dr. Bob Chaloupecky will step down from his position after 32-years following the end of the 2003 academic year.

"It is with regret that I ask the board to accept Dr. Chaloupecky's resignation," said Dr. Ronnie Glasscock, NCTC president. "Dr. Chaloupecky has been a part of NCTC for so long, he is as much a part of this institution as anyone I know."

In action items, the Board of Regents:

- \* Accepted the resignation of Tom Klineck, human resources director. Klineck has taken a position with the city of Fort Worth.

- \* Approved several bids to purchase furniture for the third floor addition of the Corinth Campus.

- \* Approved the naming of the NCTC athletic complex. The names include: Lions Park for the athletic complex; Darwin Fields for the baseball and softball fields; Dr. Robert Chaloupecky Tennis Center for the tennis courts; Lions Field House for the NCTC gymnasium; and Lion Club House for the indoor batting facility.

- \* Updated the LEGAL Policies for incorporation into the college district's policy manuals.

- \* Accepted a resolution amending the authorized TEXPOOL representatives.

- \* Approved an interlocal government agreement for the provision of connectivity to the education service center, Region 9 Private Wide Area Network.

- \* Approved a landscaping bid for irrigation required by Corinth City Ordinance.

## From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Back in the 20s, when I was going through the elementary grades in school, there were only a few ways for kids to get there.

Some rode horses, some rode in horse-drawn carts or buggies, but a larger number of us walked. I was one of the lucky ones. We lived only a mile from the school, but many others were looking at several miles each morning and evening.

Some of us, becoming bored with just walking home were often looking for some excitement, which sometimes got us into a bit more trouble than we had bargained for.

During those years quite a number of people who had small farms in East Texas would load their necessities and themselves in a covered wagon, and make the trip to West Texas to pick cotton on the big cotton farms there. Mechanical pickers had not yet been invented, and a family could usually earn enough cash to get home again and make the winter.

One evening as we were making our way home, one of these covered wagons was traveling the same direction as a number of us kids were,

when an older boy and myself noticed how the wagon would jar as it dropped off a rock in the road.

Well, after a few words between ourselves, we picked up a larger rock which we would place in front of the rear wheel, and we were having a grand time watching the wagon raise up as it crossed the stone and then make a jarring drop as it came down.

We were having so much fun we failed to notice a man in the wagon watching our performance, and it was not until the older boy saw the barrel of a shotgun looking down on us from under the wagon's cover, that we realized the people in the wagon didn't appreciate our efforts.

"He's got a gun!" my partner exclaimed, and in nothing flat we were in the deepest part of the bar ditch, scared to death.

Looking back at the incident, I don't think for a moment the man would have shot us, but I'll bet, for years he had a big grin on his face as he remembered two scared smart alecks as they ran for cover.

## MISD SCHOOL BOARD

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superintendent's advisory council

d) member of campus council advisory committee

e) member of Sunset Review Committee for vocational programs

f) member of Cooke County Youth Fair Committee for 12 years.

g) earned highest rating on yearly teacher evaluation.

h) twice voted Teacher of the Year

i) business experience blended with teaching experience to produce students with hands on skills who are able to compete in the world of work.

**Walterscheid:** I have been on the school board for the past three years. I have also been involved with many school related organizations, such as PTO, Vocational Ag, and the Athletic Programs.

*What do you feel you have to offer as a Board member?*

**Felderhoff:** As a Board

member the past three years, I have attended many workshops on the duties and responsibilities of a school trustee. Also, I have one child in college and three in junior high and high school, which provides me a good perspective of the educational process.

**Koessler:** My worth as a board member is twofold. First, as a former teacher, I know what can be produced. And second, as a member of Muenster's business establishment, I know what the community needs and expects from M.I.S.D. graduates.

**Walterscheid:** After three years of being on the board, I feel that I have gained valuable knowledge of the school district's operations. I will utilize this knowledge to make the best possible decisions concerning MISD.

The election will be held Saturday, May 4 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Muenster ISD.

## SMALL BUSINESS FOCUS BY JACK FARIS

A Taxing Tale for Small Business

It wasn't the lead story on the evening news, and it didn't make page one in most newspapers, but an April 12 announcement by the Internal Revenue Service brought relief to more than a half million small-business owners across the country. The IRS issued final rules allowing many more small businesses to use the cash accounting method for computing taxes.

Talking about whether to use the cash method or the accrual method is not the stuff of cocktail party conversation, and even members of Congress admit their eyes glaze over when the subject comes up. But to small-business owners, it's a big deal.

Under the accrual method, most small-business owners need help from a tax consultant or accountant to keep track of inventories and accounts receivable and determine what they owe the IRS. That's money out of their pockets. The accrual method requires a business owner to pay taxes on money he hasn't even received. Cash flow is a major concern of most small-business owners and paying the IRS before getting money from customers often leaves a business owner short of cash.

It's a simple matter of fairness: A contractor who spends a year building inventory for work she's anticipating ends up paying taxes on the value of the inventory, regardless of whether it's been used or not. A paint business ran afoul of the IRS when, after previous audits had accepted the cash method of accounting, a subsequent audit ruled the firm should have been using the accrual method. The reason: material costs exceeded 15 percent of revenue. The result: a \$200,000 tax bill.

NFIB and others have been working for at least 20 years to change the rules. Many, including members of Congress and tax lobbyists thought The Tax Simplification Act of 1986 fixed the problem. But the IRS, citing the "legislative history" of the Act, didn't agree.

But it's the dawn of a new day in Washington. In the past year, the Bush Administration and the leaders at the Treasury Department and the IRS took a genuine interest in the problem. So did U.S. Sen. Kit Bond (Mo.) and other members of Congress. With their help the new rule was issued and will be effective immediately.

That rule states that qualifying businesses with less than \$10 million in annual revenues can use cash accounting for tax purposes. The rule change will benefit more than 500,000 small businesses by reducing administrative costs, allowing deduction of supplies when purchased and eliminating taxes on income never received.

This is but one example of the vagaries and complexities of the IRS Code. The accounting issue has been resolved, but House and Senate committees have held hours of hearings and countless meetings have been held over the years between small-business groups and the IRS. Unwitting small-business owners have paid thousands, perhaps millions, of dollars in fines and interest charges. There is much more that needs fixing.

That is why small-business owners believe the entire Code must be rewritten and simplified and why last year's tax relief must be made permanent, rather than repealing it in 2011, as currently planned.

**Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group. A non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1943, NFIB represents the consensus views of its 600,000 members in Washington, D.C., and all 50 state capitals. More information is available online at [www.nfib.com](http://www.nfib.com).**

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Sunday, April 28, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, April 29, 2002 MISD - No School	Tuesday, April 30, 2002 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, May 1, 2002 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center TDH Immunization Clinic, 9-11AM, Cooke Co. Elec. Co-op Deadline to register for Lifeguard Classes C of C Board Meeting, 5:30PM MAY CROWNING, 6:10PM Religious Ed Class follows	Thursday, May 2, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER	Friday, May 3, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Ident-a-Kid, 9-11 AM, foyer MISD new gym	Saturday, May 4, 2002 MISD & LISD Board of Trustees Election, 7AM-7PM Joycee Ballpark Benefit Raffle, 6 PM, SH Comm. Center
Sunday, May 5, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, May 6, 2002 Bereaved Parent / Grandparent Support Group Meeting, 7 PM, Home Hospice	Tuesday, May 7, 2002 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, May 8, 2002 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center C of C Breakfast, 7:30 AM, Rohmer's Restaurant Religious Ed Class, 7 PM	Thursday, May 9, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Friday, May 10, 2002 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Saturday, May 11, 2002 AQHA Cutting, Austin Arena
MHS - State Track Meet						
Teacher Appreciation Week						

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# Obituaries

## Paul Anton Arendt Jr. 1922 - 2002

by **Elfreda Fette**

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Paul Arendt, Jr. of Lindsay on Friday, Apr. 19, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Peter's Catholic Church, officiated by Father Eugene Luke, OSB.

Paul Arendt, Jr. age 79, died on Tuesday, Apr. 16, 2002 in Gainesville Memorial Hospital of complications of a heart condition.

Survivors are his wife of 54 years, Mary Arendt of Lindsay; a son Adam Paul Arendt of Lindsay; daughters and sons-in-law, Janet and Earl Cunningham, Pat and Steve Zimmerer, and Gina and Chris Craigie all of Lindsay. There are seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild including Tony Cunningham of Gainesville, Michael Cunningham of Whitesboro, Dalana Cunningham, Ryan Zimmerer, KyLeigh Zimmerer, Brandon and Brianna Craigie all of Lindsay; and the great-grandchild Kelli Cunningham of Whitesboro.

Also surviving are a brother, Johnnie Arendt of Lindsay; sisters Elizabeth Hoberer of Lindsay, Marie Herr of Gainesville, Ann Herr of Muenster, Lucille Voth of Muenster, LuElla Zimmerer of Lindsay, Flo Walterscheid of Muenster, and Joanie Huffine of La Feria, Texas, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents Paul and Susie Neu Arendt Sr., a son, Anton Arendt; brothers Ulrich, Aloys, Ernest, Patrick, Andrew, and Arthur Arendt; his father-in-law and mother-in-law Adam and Mary Wolf.

Paul Anton Arendt, Jr. was born in Gainesville on Apr. 27, 1922 to Paul and Susie Neu Arendt, Sr. He married Mary Frances Wolf on Apr. 12, 1948 in Gainesville. They celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on Apr. 12, 2002.



Paul Arendt, Jr.

He was a farmer and rancher, a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church, and St. Peter's Society; a member of Knights of Columbus Council #1167, a former Grand Knight and a member of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus; a member of the VFW Post #1922, a veteran of W.W.II having served in the Army Air Force, and in the 8th Air Force in England.

Some of his main hobbies were four-wheeler riding over a wide area, any outdoor activity such as fishing, hunting, gardening, and he treasured opportunities to visit with friends and relatives.

He was eulogized as a loving and devoted husband, daddy, grandpa, "pa-pa", great-grandpa, brother and friend.

Preceding the day of funeral, a Knights of Columbus Rosary Service was held Thursday in St. Peter's Church, with four Fourth Degree Knights in full ceremonial regalia, as honor guard. Five other Knights of Columbus in formal ceremonial attire, each led one of the five decades of the Rosary, with changing position of their ceremonial sword at each decade.

Participating in the funeral liturgy with Father

Eugene Luke OSB were altar servers, great-nieces of Mr. Arendt, Rachel and Laura Zimmerer, and Kristen Hoberer.

Readings from the Old and New Testaments, respectively were given by Dalana Cunningham and KyLeigh Zimmerer, granddaughters. Offertory petitions were read by KyLeigh Zimmerer, substituting for Suzanne Cunningham, granddaughter-in-law, who was unable to attend because of the illness of her child.

Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by daughters of Mr. Arendt: Janet Cunningham, Pat Zimmerer, and Gina Craigie, and son Adam Arendt.

Eucharistic Ministers were Earl Cunningham son-in-law, Adam Wolf brother-in-law, Brenda Wolf sister-in-law, Brenda Fuhrmann niece, and Rudy Zimmerer nephew.

Sacred music was given by the Guardian Angel Choir of Lindsay, including "Amazing Grace," "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling," "Be Not Afraid," "On Eagles Wings," "Irish Blessing," and "How Great Thou Art."

The eulogy was given by Ryan Zimmerer, who said, in part... "With the help of family and friends, we have celebrated his memory... he was loved by many... we have found their stories comforting... the lake memories, the fishing and hunting trips... his great, story-telling ability - if he's not telling God a story now, it's because he's still telling it to St. Peter... he had a story for everyone..."

"...Some symbols of Grandpa's life... He was a veteran of W.W.II... served in the Army Air Force, inducted Nov. 22, 1942... served in the 8th Air Force in England... honorably

discharged Oct. 3, 1945. ...As a Christmas gift last year, Tony gave this W.W.II veterans cap to Grandpa, who said he would wear it proudly, so today Tony wears it proudly in honor of Grandpa..."

"Many Sundays we spent on the farm, riding four-wheelers, with Grandpa in the lead... Usually built for one, Grandpa's was customized with a rear-view mirror and a nice cushion for Grandma..."

"...Barbed wire, tractors and cows, that's how Grandpa made his living... Dominos and cards... games of 42... 25 years of the Domino Bunch... the Friendship Circle... The Texas Rangers Baseball Games!!! how Grandpa and Grandma enjoyed watching those games... On Grandpa's last day he mowed his hay bales, mowed the grass, and again watched a Texas Ranger baseball game! His last words, the next morning were 'It was tied 10-10 when I went to bed'... Now he is in heaven after a long, rewarding life. Help us rejoice in his new life in the Kingdom of God. As Grandpa would say 'May God Bless You, and You'll Come.' He will be waiting for us."

Burial in St. Peter's Cemetery was directed by Clement-Keel Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Tony Cunningham, Michael Cunningham, Ryan Zimmerer, Dennis Hermes, Tim Wolf, Darrell Wolf, Danny Wolf, and Jay Arendt. Honorary pallbearer was Brandon Craigie.

Friends and relatives attended from Windthorst, La Feria, Denton, and areas of Cooke County.

For those who have asked, the family suggests memorials sent to the Lindsay Volunteer Fire Dept. P.O. Box 143, Lindsay, Texas 76250.



Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform, presents the Hero of the Taxpayer award to Congressman Ralph Hall (D-TX) for his voting record in support of reducing the tax burden on hardworking Americans. Hall has been one of the leading Democratic supporters in the House of Representatives of legislation that would reform the tax code and reduce the tax burden on taxpayers. In key votes last year, Hall supported legislation passed by the House that reduced the marriage tax and the estate tax, cut all income tax rates, lifted restrictions on Medical Savings Accounts, reduced individual and business taxes and provided a health insurance tax credit, among others. "Tax relief and reform remain one of our most important domestic policy issues," Hall said. "Americans are paying too much in taxes - and our system of taxation is far too burdensome and intrusive. We need to develop an alternative that is fairer and simpler - and that reduces the burden on taxpayers." Courtesy Photo

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position with enough time to train a replacement. The salary was appropriated in the Budget. Salary will be commensurate to Precinct #2.

• Approved April 2002 minutes of Lake Ray Roberts Planning and Zoning Board.

• Approved final plat for Country Estates North Phase II, Lots 1 and 2, located off of CR 428 in Precinct #4.

• Awarded bids for RC-250, MC-800, and Priming Oil to both bidders. Merchant Energy Patrol of Eldorado, Kansas and Bridges Asphalt Products of Garland.

• Awarded bid for Hot Mix Cold Lay to APAC of Bridgeport and for Hot Mix Hot Lay to J. R. Thompson of Cooke County, JAGO of Denton, and APAC of Dallas.

• Awarded bid for Chip material to Dolece of Oklahoma City, Mountain Creek Sand & Gravel, and Hanson of Irving.

• Approved 2002-2003 Budget Calendar that begins in June.

• Set Subdivision Regulation Workshop date for May 15 at 9 a.m. Judge Freeman will provide an outline to Commissioners before that time.

• Approved sending an interlocal ETJ proposal to Valley View.

• Accepted the cul-de-sac in Twin Creek Estates of Precinct #2 and released the escrow money, \$7,680.00, back to the developer.

## Earl Eugene "Smokey" Koelzer 1928 - 2002

by **Elfreda Fette**

Mass of Christian Burial was offered for Earl Eugene "Smokey" Koelzer on Friday, Apr. 19, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster, officiated by Father John Ohner OSA, pastor. Mr. Koelzer died on Apr. 17, 2002, at 8:32 a.m. at age 74 in Muenster Memorial Hospital, suffering from Myositis, an inflammation of the muscular system.

Survivors are his wife of 53 years, Beatrice Koelzer of Muenster; two daughters Molly Sicking and husband Wesley of Muenster, and Beverly Yosten of Denison; and three sons, Earl Koelzer, Jr. and wife Janet of Denton, Jim "Smoke" Koelzer and wife Carol of Muenster, and Louis Koelzer and wife Evelyn of Montague. There are 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Also surviving are one sister, Celine Dittfurth and one brother, Ivan Koelzer both of Muenster.

Preceding him in death were his parents and one brother, Urban Koelzer.

Earl Eugene "Smokey" Koelzer Sr. was born Jan. 3, 1928 in Muenster to George Koelzer and Antonia Schilling Koelzer. He was a member of Sacred Heart Parish, attended Sacred Heart School. At age 17, he entered the U.S. Navy on July 17, 1945. He first served on the Troop Ship, USS Mann, then served mostly as a fireman in Guam. He was released on Aug. 15, 1946 and returned to Muenster to work in the oil field. On Oct. 19, 1948 he married Beatrice Fuhrmann in St. Peter's Church in Lindsay. They moved to Houston about a year later, where he attended the University of Houston for one year before returning to Muenster. He was employed by Leo Haverkamp in the well service business for about 20 years. Then he and Paul Shobe were partners in oil field construction for about five years. For the



Earl "Smokey" Koelzer, Sr.

following ten years, he worked as a pumper before retiring.

He loved doing things with his family, such as camping, fishing, gardening, and really loved collecting antiques. He was a lifetime member of the Muenster Post VFW.

Preceding the day of funeral, a Rosary Service was held in McCoy Chapel of Muenster at 4:00 p.m., led by Carol and Jacé Koelzer. Vigil at 7:00 p.m. was led by Father John Ohner OSA.

Participating in the special funeral liturgy with Father John Ohner OSA were altar servers Alvin Hartman and Butch Fisher.

Readings from the Old and New Testaments, respectively, were given by granddaughter, Wendi Moore. Offertory Petitions were read by Melanie Koelzer, a granddaughter. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by grandchildren Demi and Dalton Koelzer, Jacé Koelzer and Shelbi Sicking.

Sacred music was presented by Ruth Felderhoff and Christy Hesse including "On Eagles Wings," "Ave Maria," "How Great Thou Art," "Song of the Angels," and "Amazing Grace."

Eucharistic Ministers were Julie Rauscher and

Karen Williams, both nieces; and friends Viola Rohmer, Imelda Rohmer, and Regina Pels.

The eulogy and remarks of remembrance were given by Cliff Moore, who stated, in part... "Smokey is survived by his wife of 53 years, Beatrice, five children, Beverly, Earl Jr., Louis, Jim, and Molly whom he referred to as his "Full House," three Jacks and a pair of Queens! Surviving also are a brother Ivan and a sister Celine; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren..."

"...Smokey made his mark through his character... his faithfulness... his energy and enthusiasm, quick wit, sound advice... quick to listen and understand... quick to help anyone in need..."

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"He endured his illness of Myositis with grace, courage and faith in God's love... Smokey's passing is a new beginning and fellowship with his Creator... and a new beginning for us as we continue on in the legacy that he began."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Pallbearers were Jeremy Yosten, Wesley Koelzer, Philip Koelzer, Roy Fuhrmann, Robert Loerwald, and David Dittfurth. Honorary Pallbearer was Staff Sgt. Bradley Yosten.

For those who have asked, the family has suggested memorials be sent to the Myositis Association of America, 755 Cantrell Avenue, Suite C, Harrisonburg, VA 22801-4366.

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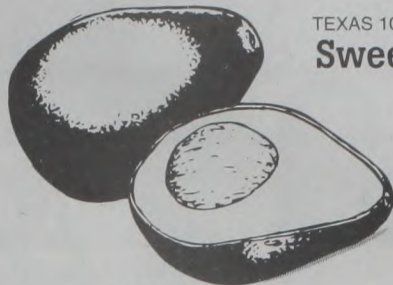
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# Lifestyle

## St. Anthony's Church of Bryan, Texas is site of wedding ceremony

**by Elfreda Fette**  
Mr. and Mrs. Casey Kupper are at home in Frisco, Texas since returning from their wedding trip. They were married in St. Anthony's Catholic Church of Bryan, Texas on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2001 in a double ring Nuptial Mass celebrated by Father David L. Williams, pastor at 2:00 p.m.

The bride is the former Michelle Pauline Mazurkiewicz, daughter of Teresa and Steve Everts of Galveston and Mike Mazurkiewicz of Hempstead. She is the granddaughter of Pete and Marie Marino of Bryan and the late Eddie and Martha Mazurkiewicz. She is a 1997 graduate of Ball High School in Galveston and a 2001 Cum Laude graduate of Texas A&M University. Currently she is employed in the Floral Department at MJ Designs in Frisco.

The groom is the son of Billy and Lisa Kupper of Valley View. His grandparents are Margaret Kupper of Muenster and the late John Kupper, and Paulo and Anna Borysowicz of Dallas. He is a 1996 graduate of Valley View High School, attended Texas A&M University and graduated from the University of North Texas. Currently he is a Para Planner, in training to be a Financial Planner with Quest - a Raymond James Company in Dallas.

The couple chose to be married in St. Anthony's Church, becoming acquainted with it while students at TAMU, and because the bride's parents and aunts were married there.

The bride wore a formal wedding gown with a scoop-neck, thin straps, white satin bodice with a petite satin bow in the center just below the empire waistline. Intricate and delicate pearl



Mr. and Mrs. Casey Kupper  
...nee Michelle Mazurkiewicz

and other beadwork traced a design to the dropped waistline. The dress had a full tulle skirt with a chapel train enhanced with a center row of petite bows. She wore a set of pearl earrings, necklace, and bracelet, a gift from the groom. The bridal bouquet was a dozen white silk roses, accented with light blue and silver ribbons and a white bow, made by the bride.

In keeping with tradition and sentiment, her "something old" was her great-grandmother's shawl, her grandfather's handkerchief, her

grandmother's brooch, and her uncle's cross pin.

"Something new" was a crystal rosary, gift from the groom's parents, to tie up her flowers.

"Something borrowed" was her step-grandmother's handkerchief. "Something blue" were ribbons in her bouquet.

### ATTENDANTS

Maid of honor was Laila Goldouzian of College Station, friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Alaina Fullen of San Antonio and Sara Howell of Atascocita, both friends of the bride, and Jennifer Popp of Lindsay, sister of the groom,

Melanie Stelter of Cypress, cousin of the bride, and Kim Stobaugh of Gainesville, sister of the groom.

They wore navy blue, sleeveless satin tops with floor length organza skirts. Two delicate bows enhanced the front of the waistline. They carried bouquets of dark and light pink roses accented and tied with light blue ribbons, and made by the bride.

Flower girl was Stephanie Marino of Gilmer, godchild of the bride. Honorary flower girl was Molly Stobaugh of Gainesville, niece of the groom (carried up the aisle by her father).

Chandler Ferguson of Austin, friend of the groom, was best man.

Ashley Clifton of Valley View, friend of the groom, Jeff Ferraro of Prosper, and Matt Spezia of Houston, both friends of the couple, Tony Okonski of Navasota, cousin of the bride, and D.J. Mazurkiewicz of Galveston, brother of the bride, were groomsmen.

Chris Walterscheid of Grapevine, groom's cousin, was ringbearer.

Jason Glenn of Dallas, friend of the groom, Andy Popp of Lindsay, and Craig Stobaugh of Gainesville, both brothers-in-law of the groom, and Kirk Vaughn of Houston, friend of the couple were ushers.

Jeff Ferraro and Matt Spezia were lectors.

Presenters of Offertory gifts of bread and wine at the altar were JoJo Pike of Longview, aunt and godmother of the bride, Edward Mazurkiewicz of Hempstead, uncle and godfather of the bride, Jimmy and Janell Kupper of Valley View, uncle and aunt and godparents of the groom.

Eucharistic Ministers were Vince LeMoine of College Station, friend of the couple, Lisa Kupper, mother of the groom,

Jennifer Popp, sister of the groom, Betty Rose and Jerry Walterscheid of Muenster, aunt and uncle of the groom.

Musicians were Josiah Foster and Steven David, both friends of the groom, Virginia Sanders and Paul Faille, both cousins of bride, and Andy Gammons, friend of the couple. Selections included "Ave Maria," "Let It Be," "The Wedding Song," "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," "Canon in D," "Grow Old With Me," "Set Me Like A Seal," "One Bread, One Body," "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman," and "Wedding March."

### RECEPTION

The dinner and dance reception were held at the Lakeview Club in Bryan. Upon entering the reception guests viewed pictures of deceased family members of both the bride and groom with roses in remembrance, along with pictures of the bride and groom, which were all under an archway made by tulle. The guest book was placed on a lectern which was made by the bride's father. Brianna Patrenella, step-cousin of the bride, presided at the guest book.

As guests made their way into the hall, there were tables with silver platters of cheeses, fruits, and crackers - and an elegant silver punch bowl. Also, there was a silver wine fountain. The hall was elegantly decorated with lights, tulle and flowers. The tables were covered with white cloths with blue ribbon and ivy down the center. Each table held a three-tiered candle holder in the center tied with ribbon bows and had roses in the middle. Votive candles were placed on the ends of the tables. The head tables were also covered in white, and held greenery and silver candle holders. There were two large floral arrangements on the floor in

front which were made by the bride.

The cake table was covered in white lace, and held both the wedding cake and the groom's cake. Both were made by the groom's aunt, Betty Rose Walterscheid of Muenster. The 4-tiered white wedding cake had four free-standing cakes around the base. All were covered in assorted roses and ivy. The groom's chocolate cake had chocolate-covered strawberries on top and down the sides. Betty Rose served the wedding cake, and Rosie Faille, the bride's aunt, served the groom's cake.

Following the dinner, and to start the dance, there was a Grand March for the members of the wedding party which was led by Floyd and Laura Okonski of Navasota, uncle and aunt of the bride. The rehearsal dinner was held Friday, Aug. 17 at the Parish Hall. There was home-made ethnic food prepared by grandparents and mothers - lasagna, sauerkraut with sausage, and pierogi: stuffed dumplings.

## Nursing job fair on May 1

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"Slim Down" is a four-week program, which features four workout sessions in GMH's first-class cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation center, four healthy meals, four nutrition classes, four weeks of menus and 40 recipes.

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Following the exercise sessions, "Slim Down" participants enjoy healthy, low-fat meals while dietitian Lucy Krahl discusses weight loss basics, calorie accountability, behavior modification and working through food challenges.

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Cost of the four-session course, meals and manual included, is \$50 per person; with discounts applicable to couples and multi family member households. Reservations and a physician waiver are required. Payment is due by April 29 and is non-refundable. Space is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call 940-612-8340 or 940-612-8389.

#### Deer proofing

The only foolproof way to keep deer out of an orchard is fencing; some repellents have worked fairly well. Mix 1 dozen eggs in 5 gallons of water and spray on trees. Reapply after heavy rainfall. Spray 2 tablespoons of Tabasco sauce per gallon of water on trees. Repeat every 2 weeks.

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## Bong, Woodmansee exchange vows March 30

by **Elfreda Fette**  
Sara Janay Stoffels Long and Daniel T. Woodmansee of Gainesville were united in Holy Matrimony in a Nuptial Mass celebrated in St. Mary's Catholic Church by Father Reinhardt Sternemann OSA on Wednesday, Mar. 30, 2002 at 10:30 a.m.

The bride is the daughter of the late Meinrad John Stoffels and the late Anna Mae Fuhrmann Stoffels of Muenster. The groom is the son of Ira Jean Lindsay Woodmansee of Buda, Texas

and the late Ronny Louis Woodmansee of Austin. The groom is employed at a ranch outside of Gainesville and the bride is employed at Sack-N-Save in Gainesville.

Friends and family members attended the Nuptial Mass. After the event, the couple left for a wedding trip to Austin, Lake Buchanan, and Buda, Texas.

The couple and family plan to reside in Gainesville.



Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Woodmansee  
...nee Sara Stoffels Long...

## May 2 is meeting date for Texoma Cattlewomen

The next meeting of Texoma CattleWomen will be held in Sherman at the Farm Bureau on May 2. Texoma CattleWomen are now selling bumper stickers, in the traditional colors of Red, White & Blue for \$2 each that states the following: Beef! AN AMERICAN TRADITION TexomaCattleWomen.

You can pick up tickets for the Cattlemen's Ball at either the Farm Bureau in Sherman or Gainesville, price is \$5.00 advance, and \$7.50 at the door. It is taking place on April 26. The featuring entertainer will be Troy McKinney and his Hard Luck band. Troy

is the local TSCRA Field Inspector. Don't forget this and all monies raised will go towards beef promotion and scholarships.

A membership drive is still in full swing at this time. The group is working for the betterment of the beef industry and act as a clearinghouse for information. The Texoma CattleWomen is very active in beef promotion, education, scholarships and legislation.

For further information please call Gloria Klement (940) 759-2912 Muenster, Ann Knight (903) 665-4608 Era, or Kelly Collums (940) 665-8092 Gainesville.

## Ident-a-Kid cards offered on May 3

Muenster ISD will be offering individuals, any and all ages, a chance to get a photo ID. On Friday, May 3, from 9-11 a.m., Ident-a-Kid Services of America will be in the foyer of the new gym taking information and photos.

The cost is \$6.00 for one, or if extra copies are needed, four for \$10 (same person).

Everyone is welcome. This is a nonprofit service by the school. Information given is guaranteed to be secured.

A photo ID of a child could be important, not just for safety, but for travel. Cards should be available by May 23.

For more information, contact Gerri Eckart at MISD, 759-4614, ext. 607.

## NCTC Ambassadors sponsor fundraiser

The North Central Texas College Presidential Ambassadors are sponsoring a fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity starting at 8 a.m. Saturday (April 27) at the Wal-Mart parking lot in Gainesville.

There also will be a place for volunteers to bring aluminum cans for donation to Habitat for Humanity on the Wal-Mart parking lot.

"We are selling 'studs' 2X4 boards for \$5 each," said LaDonna Simmons, a

member of the Presidential Ambassadors. "Our goal is to sell 200 studs. These donations will help build house No. 4 in the Gainesville area for Habitat for Humanity."

"We hope a lot of people come out and show their support for our community project."

For more information, contact Simmons at (940) 665-0351 or at (940) 668-2533.

## NAMI announces training

Linda Zweifel, Director of Education for the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI), will be the featured speaker for Mental Health Awareness Training for the Faith Community - Strength In Love - The Compassionate Congregation. The training will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Waples United Methodist Church, 830 West Main, Denison.

The training is sponsored by Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma (MHRST) and NAMI-Grayson, Fannin, and Cooke. There is no charge to attend. Everyone is invited, but the targeted audience is ministers,

pastors, chaplains, family members, friends, mental health professionals, and persons with mental illness.

The program topics will include: common myths about mental illness, facts about mental illness, stigma, a family's spiritual journey, helping others, intervention, referrals, pastoral references, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, panic disorder, resources, and general questions.

For more information or to register for the training, call Paula Cawthon, MHRST Community Relations Director, at 903-786-4803.

## Stop and smell the roses in Whitewright

The annual Mother's Day rose and garden tour in Whitewright is a treat for the eyes and nose.

On Mother's Day weekend, May 11 and 12, 20 of the small-town's gardens will be open for the public, with rose petals waiting.

This annual event features grand, historic homes as well as antique roses you probably won't see anywhere else. Horse drawn carriages will transport passengers to the various

gardens; also, old garden roses will be for sale in the downtown area.

Maps for the rose tour are available at any of the garden tour sites. The maps will also be in front of the Whitewright Visitor's Center, 125 West Grand Street, downtown. You may start the tour at any garden along the way; tours begin at 9 a.m. and last until 6 p.m.

For more information, call 903-364-2024 or 903-364-2000.

## 4-H'ers to compete in district contests

The district 4-H Spring Round-Up will be held Saturday, April 27. Fifty-five Cooke County 4-Hers will be competing in five different contests that will be held simultaneously in several locations throughout the district.

The rifle contest will be held at the Outback Shooting Range in Cumby. Cooke County will be sending 4 teams.

Several contests will be held on the campus on

TAMU in Commerce. Contests in which Cooke County 4-Hers will be competing in are: the Nutrition Quiz Bowl, the Consumer Decision-Making and the Fashion Show.

The final district contest that will have Cooke County 4-Hers participating in will be happening in Gainesville. It will be the Horse Judging Contest that will be held at the North Central Texas College Equine Center.

## Pertussis rate increases

Whooping cough, or pertussis, is back. It is afflicting older children and teenagers, as well as adults, at a rate more than 50% higher than in the 1980s.

Babies who receive the combination DtaP immunization for diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis are protected. The DtaP wears off, and it's not available for those over age seven.

Adolescents and adults with a cough lasting longer than two weeks should have diagnostic tests and if pertussis is identified, the patient and contacts should be treated with the appropriate antibiotics.

A pertussis vaccine for older people is in development. Studies show that 1/3 of the dose given children can be an effective booster for teens and adults.

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## Auxiliary plans Buddy Poppy sale

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 6205 held their regular meeting Monday, Apr. 15, in the Post Home.

President Frances Bayer presided. Opening ritual was led by Conductress Linda Knabe, Chaplain Ethel Hesse, and Patriotic Instructor Hilda Sicking pro tem. Roll call and minutes of the previous meeting were read by secretary Ida Bindel. Agnes Hesse, treasurer pro tem gave her report.

District I meeting will be May 4 and 5 at Lake Texoma. State Convention will be June 26-30 at Hyatt at DFW. The week of Apr. 21-27 is National Volunteer Week. Rehab chairman Ethel Hesse gave her report. Members honored the

Volunteer Fire Department recently after their regular fire drill, with lunch consisting of ham and cheese sandwiches, chips, dips, and pickles.

Members decided to have Buddy Poppy sales after Masses on Sunday, May 19.

In the election of officers, all remained the same except Juanita Knabe is the new treasurer, accepted by acclamation.

Agnes Hesse reported books are in order. The charter was draped in memory of Elizabeth Koessler. Ethel Hesse served lunch to 11 members and also won the door prize.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held May 20 at 8 p.m.

## Miranda celebrates 7

Miranda Sue Pagel, daughter of Renate and Jacob Pagel, turned seven years old on April 16, 2002. She celebrated her special day with a party in her home on April 19. Her cake was baked and decorated by her mother and carried out the Harry Potter theme.

Guests included her parents; her siblings Kelsey, Derek, Collin, and Logan; her grandparents Pat and Tommie Sue Hess; aunts, uncles, and cousins Marlene, Kelly, and Sandy Endres; Sharlene and Dainah Hartman; Randy, Lisa and Garrett Miller; Stuart Hess and Annie Wheeler; friends Jill and Alaina Reiter; Dustin Wimmer; Tori Dyess;

Michelle Sicking; Brooke Walterscheid; and Brooke Hess.



Miranda Pagel

## Grandson of Mary Sicking earns prestigious scholarship

Sam Dostart, 16 year old son of Paul and Joyce (Sicking) Dostart of La Jolla, California, received the good news on April 15 that he had earned the Governor of California Scholarship Program Award by scoring in the top 5% of high school students in the state of California on the California Standards in Achievement Reporting (STAR) examination (also called the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT 9), which is taken by all 9, 10 and 11 graders in California.

The Governor's Award consists of a \$1,000 scholarship, which will be held in trust, earning interest, until Sam begins college. Earning the Governor's Award also allows Sam to receive a \$2,500 award based upon the results of his Advanced Placement Chemistry examination, and an additional \$2,500 award based upon the results of his Advanced Placement Physics examination.

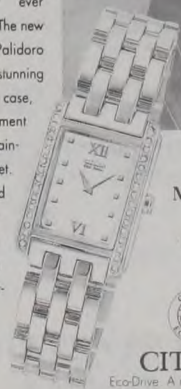
Sam received the good

news of receiving the Governor's Award after returning from his Spring Break which was spent with his church youth group in Mexico where he served as foreman of a building team that constructed a cafeteria for a school in rural Mexico. This was Sam's second year spending Spring Break with the church group building structures in poverty-stricken areas of Mexico, which have no electricity and no running water. Sam's church in La Jolla, California, provides the lumber, nails, roofing and other materials with which the youth construct the facilities in Mexico.

Sam is currently a 10th grade student at La Jolla High School. He is the nephew of Cliff and Kathy Sicking of Muenster; and of Bryan Sicking, and Bill and Rhonda Sicking of Myra; and the grandson of Mrs. Mary Sicking of Gainesville. Sam's brother Zach Dostart is a junior at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, California.

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| Five to Nine Years of Service .....       | Ruby     | Twenty to Twenty-Four Years of Service .....     | Diamond        |
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 Second Row: Janine Fuller, Sharon Williams, Rita Lusk, Margie Endres, Jason Mann, George Marquez, Robert McDaniel (for Dr. Mac), Bob Nethery, Lynn Peters  
 Third Row: Condoa Parent, Lin Welborn, Donna Hooper, Debbie Huffman, Carolyn Emerson, Dr. Bill Franklin, Jack Endres  
 Fourth Row: Cynthia Nalley, Ruth Ellis, Dr. Scott Delys, Lee Daniel, Dr. Rhett Davy, Peggy Connally, Gary Bush  
 Back Row: Debbie Pounds, Sam Dunlap, Ron Cowart, Mike Benefield, Gie Archer, Ron Bautch, Robert Adams  
 Dr. Gerald McDaniel, not pictured, was awarded posthumously. Not Pictured: Lisa Bellows, Karen Fletcher, Van Hedrick, Mary Kaden, Dr. Anita Lang, Val Lile, Dr. Patrick Maguire.



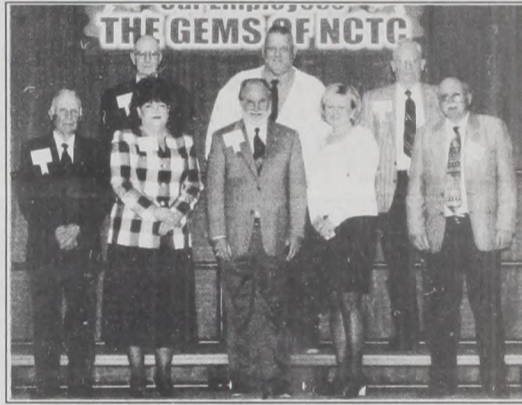
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 Not Pictured: Dr. Jo Church, Cecilia Hoeng, Lee Switzer.



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Front Row: Nancy Kirk, Jane England, Wanda Kirk  
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 Not Pictured: Dr. Pam Shepard.



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# Russell Fette skydives in Chile

by Dave Fette

The United States Air Force Academy Parachute Team, Wings of Blue performed on April 6 and 7 at the largest international air show in Latin America in Santiago, Chile. Cadet Second Class Russell Fette of Muenster is a member of the demonstration team of 11 cadets and four Air Force cadre who were invited by the Chilean Air Force to the Feria Internacional del Aier y del Espacio 2002 (FIDAE 2002) at Los Cerros Air Force Base. The United States Southern Command specifically requested the Wings of Blue demonstration which were performed before crowds as large as 250,000. The jumps were made from 8 to 10,000 feet with flags and freefall maneuvers made visible to spectators by the use of smoke canisters carried by the jumpers and followed by precision canopy landings. Cadet Fette was the first jumper to put his heel on the target on both days and carried the Air Force Flag. He attained his 300th skydiving jump on this trip.

The Wings of Blue is part of the 98th Flight Training Squadron at the USAF Academy whose primary role is to provide jumpmasters and instructors for the basic freefall parachuting course. Cadets spend time beyond their jumpmaster duties in competing in national competitions and providing demonstrations for airshows, sporting events and others including international trips.

In addition to the pure exhibition duties, the team spent much of their time in Chile as ambassadors from the United States, visiting with Chilean military and crowds of spectators. At their home near Colorado Springs, Colorado, Wings of Blue jump from a Twin Otter aircraft, the same as that used by their Chilean jump team hosts, Boinas Azules (Blue Berets). Boinas Azules

presented their jump wing badges to their US guests after the demonstrations and the cadets responded with gifts from USAFA.

The Academy parachuting program trains over 1,100 students each year. All cadets who meet the physical requirements will have the opportunity to jump sometime after their freshman year. The freefall program at the Air Force Academy is an experience that will be remembered for a lifetime. After intensive ground training, cadets get to learn first hand how it feels to jump out of an airplane and free fall for 10 seconds before pulling their own ripcords. Cadets learn to handle stress and also discover how they would likely perform in a combat environment. Those who successfully complete five freefalls are awarded the coveted Parachute Badge and Rating. The Academy has the only parachute school in the Air Force authorized to grant these awards.

Sophomore cadets who have completed the basic freefall course may take the advanced training necessary to try out for the parachute team. The training consists of more than 100 jumps and intensive practice in jumpmaster and instructor techniques. Approximately 25 cadets per year who succeed in this training are made members of the Wings of Blue.

Russell Fette, son of Dave and Pam Fette and a 1999 graduate of Sacred Heart High School, is near the end of his third year at the Air Force Academy studying Engineering Mechanics. He also spends time in military training and duties, sings with the Cadet Catholic Choir, serves on the Parish Council at the Academy and pursues several outdoor interests. His grandparents are Elfreda and the late R.N. Fette of Muenster, Texas and Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Robert R. Gosney of Belton, Texas.



USAFA Cadet Second Class Russell Fette makes his 300th parachute landing at the International Airshow in Santiago, Chile. At right, top, one of the younger spectators tries on his parachute and, below, he poses with the Chilean Air Force jump team emblem.



## Home Hospice ... when caring matters most

On Friday, April 5, Donna Johnson, Social Work Supervisor for Home Hospice Cooke County was named *Social Worker of the Year for 2002* by the Texas New Mexico Hospice Organization during its annual convention in Houston, Texas. Over 150 hospices throughout Texas and New Mexico are members of TNMHO representing thousands of staff members and volunteers. Nominated by several of her co-workers, Johnson was chosen from among her peers to receive this award by the Texas New Mexico Hospice Organization's Awards Committee. "It is an honor to receive this recognition, both for me personally and for the staff with whom I am privileged to work, a staff which boasts five other members who have previously been recognized in their particular fields and all of whom are honored to be invited into the homes and lives of our patients and families as they journey from this life," stated Johnson.

Johnson, who joined the staff of Home Hospice in 1990, is a 1967 graduate of Whitesboro High School and received her Bachelor of Science in Social Work from Texas Woman's University. Having been involved in hospice social work in this area for 13 years, Johnson is well known within this social service community. She provides training throughout the area to staff



Donna Johnson LSW, receives plaque from TNMHO President Sue Mistretta.

members at long-term care facilities and hospitals, schools, service organizations, churches, businesses and others about issues that surround hospice care and the work of Home Hospice. Johnson provides leadership for AREAS (Aids Resource Education and Support), a group which meets monthly to provide support to those who have AIDS; their family members, loved ones, caregivers and those who have experienced an AIDS related loss. As one of the driving forces in bereavement care for Home

Hospice, she led the development of the Home Hospice Grief Support and Guidance Seminar, a four-part supportive seminar designed to help those who have experienced a loss in their life, and led this seminar for many years.

Johnson works with the terminally ill patients and their loved ones as part of the team helping them to enjoy the highest possible quality of life during whatever time remains. On any given day she may be helping a caregiver understand their spouse's condition and cope with the

approaching death, discovering all the community and state options available to help with care, working with Social Security to establish benefits due a patient or spouse, helping a child deal with the approaching death of their parent or grandparent, working to find resources in the community to help pay bills or buy food, holding a hand, providing a listening ear, or a myriad of other tasks found under the umbrella of hospice social work.

Johnson says of her work at Home Hospice, "I can't imagine a more rewarding career. When I think of all the wonderful people I have met at work, in the field, in the community and through support groups, many of whom have become life-long friends, I am amazed by all that Hospice has brought into my life. Hospice is not about work. Home Hospice is about serving. God has provided me a wonderful family and the opportunity to be a part of a team whose mission is to serve very special individuals and families."

For more information on Home Hospice or hospice care in general, or volunteer opportunities with Home Hospice, call 940-665-9891.

## Cruise nights on the square

Come to Downtown Decatur around the Historic Wise County Courthouse for the 2002 season of Cruise Nights on the Courthouse Square. Held every first Saturday May through October (excluding July) this event will host its first show of the year Saturday, May 4. Registration begins at 4 p.m. and remains open until 7 p.m. at which time judging will begin. Awards

are presented at 8 p.m. in 17 classes including; Antiques, Classics, Sports, Trucks, Rods, Customs, and Special Interest.

Downtown merchants will stay open late for visitors and streets will be closed to traffic. Call Danny Craven (940) 466-3050 of the Wise County Antique Auto Club or Decatur Main Street (940) 627-2741 for more information.

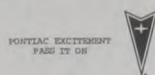
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### AARP luncheon

The AARP Yearly Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 2, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The menu includes beans, cornbread, slaw, dessert, and drink. Price is \$5.00 for adults, and children under 6 years, \$3.00. Location is First Methodist Church, Main and Denton Streets.



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# School



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## Muenster Jr. High wins district

Muenster Junior High won the Academic District Championship in a meet held on the Muenster campus on April 10th. School was dismissed at 12:45 so the meet could begin by the scheduled 1:00 start. The entire staff of MISD was utilized to conduct the well run meet. Several judges from the community also volunteered their time to contribute to the success of the endeavor. MISD wishes to thank those who gave their time for the benefit of all the students in District 17-A. The results of MISD students are as follows:

**Calculator:** 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Colin Walterscheid, 1<sup>st</sup>; Matthew Abney, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Matt Beaver, 4<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 338 points 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Travis Felderhoff, 1<sup>st</sup>; Malcolm Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Noah Barnhill, 5<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 629 points  
**Dictionary Skills:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Michael Valliere, 1<sup>st</sup>; Melissa Cox, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Kyle Colwell, 4<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 212 points 8<sup>th</sup>: Kelly Endres, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Jordan Walterscheid, 6<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 144 points  
**Editorial Writing:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Brad Endres, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Megan Felderhoff, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Michael Valliere, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>; Malcolm Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Ryan Fuhrmann, 4<sup>th</sup>; Leah Vinson, 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Impromptu Speaking:** 7<sup>th</sup>:

Amber Fuhrmann, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Libby Orsburn, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Bret Walterscheid, 4<sup>th</sup>; 8<sup>th</sup>: Ryan Hennigan, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Karen Flusche, 5<sup>th</sup>; Brianna Fleitman, 6<sup>th</sup>  
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**Mathematics:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Krystal Wolf, 1<sup>st</sup>; Brad Endres, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Collin Walterscheid, 3<sup>rd</sup>; TEAM: First, 374 points 8<sup>th</sup>: Malcolm Martin, 1<sup>st</sup>; Michael Eckart, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Travis Felderhoff, 3<sup>rd</sup>; TEAM: First, 523 points  
**Modern Oratory:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Amber Fuhrman, 3<sup>rd</sup>; 8<sup>th</sup>: Crystal Fuhrman, 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Number Sense:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Colin Walterscheid, 1<sup>st</sup>; Krystal Wolf, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Zach Swirezynski, 3<sup>rd</sup>; TEAM: First, 254 points 8<sup>th</sup>: Michael Eckart, 1<sup>st</sup>; Malcolm Martin, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Travis Felderhoff, 3<sup>rd</sup>; TEAM: First, 514 points  
**Ready Writing:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Krystal Wolf, 1<sup>st</sup>; Michael Valliere, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Megan Felderhoff, 5<sup>th</sup>; 8<sup>th</sup>: Ryan Fuhrman, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Kelly Endres, 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Science:** 7<sup>th</sup> Earth Science: Brad Endres, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Megan Felderhoff, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Colin Walterscheid, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Kyle Caldwell, 6<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 233 points 8<sup>th</sup> Life Science: Malcolm Martin, 1<sup>st</sup>; Michael Eckart, 6<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 117 points

**Spelling:** 7<sup>th</sup>: Megan Felderhoff, 1<sup>st</sup>; Michael Valliere, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Melissa Cox, 5<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: First, 273 points 8<sup>th</sup>: Casey McAden, 1<sup>st</sup>; Leah Vinson, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Brianna Fleitman, 3<sup>rd</sup>; TEAM: First, 305 Points

## MHS "3-peats" championship

For the third year in a row Muenster High School came home with the undisputed overall team championship in Academics. Muenster scored 173 points on the way to their victory, well ahead of the second place team who scored 80 points. MHS also won team championships in Spelling, Number Sense, Mathematics, and Computer Science, in addition to placing second team in Science.

The two-day meet was held in Abilene, Texas on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University. Twenty-seven competitors and alternates went to Abilene, with everyone hoping to place high enough to reach the immediate goal of advancing to the state meet. Twelve students made the cut and will advance to the state meet in Austin in early May. Anyone who placed in the top 3 individually or was a member of a first place team earned the distinction of getting to compete in the state meet. With a field of over 80 schools in the pool, Muenster ISD continued to exhibit their successes in the academic realm. Results of the successful two-day meet are as follows:

**Computer Science:** Chris Jackson, 1<sup>st</sup>; Pamela Lutkenhaus, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Chris McLaughlin, 4<sup>th</sup>; 1<sup>st</sup> Team: Christopher Jackson, 1<sup>st</sup>; Pamela Lutkenhaus, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Brady Howell, 5<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Number Sense:** Chris Jackson, 1<sup>st</sup>; Derek

Felderhoff, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Whitney Watson, Team: 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Science:** Chris Jackson, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Pamela Lutkenhaus, Grant Hartman, Team: 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Chris was also Chemistry winner in the Science competition.  
**Spelling and Vocabulary:** Ashley Hess, 1<sup>st</sup>; Kelly Grewing, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Rachel Clark, 4<sup>th</sup>; TEAM: 1<sup>st</sup>  
Once again Chris Jackson was the individual high point scorer in the region. Chris scored 60 points individually, and contributed to another 30 points in team competition.  
Coaches for the events are Gerri Eckart in Spelling, Gordon Martin in Science, and Jerry Eckart in Number Sense, Math, and Computer Science.



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS - Muenster Junior High UIL Academic Participants Janie Hartman Photo

## Lindsay ISD Honor Roll

**5<sup>th</sup> 6 WEEKS All "A" Honor Roll**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Jennifer Wilson, Nabeel Anwar, Megan Ward, Rahim Noorani, Jeff Grindle, Dominic Fuhrmann, Daniela Brewer, Kristan Tucker.  
**11<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Genevieve Knauf, Alex Hellingner, Sayuri Fujita, Sara Luttmner, Pat Zimmerer.  
**10<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Lori Kasparek, Whitney Neu, Lindsey Williams.  
**9<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Rameez Anwar, Jessica Bezner, Cheryl Knabe, Travis Reiter, Daniel Kendall, Kelsey Tucker, Joni Erwin, Hayden Vestal.  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Mallory Block, Allison Hundt, Elizabeth Klement, Diane Knauf, Stephanie Metzler, Michelle Rauschuber.  
**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Jillian Bezner, Levi Hermes, Autumn Murrill, Amy Nortman, Joe Otto, Chandni Patel, Karissa

Reiter, Jennifer Schroeder, Laura Zimmerer, Rachel Zimmerer.  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Mary Bayer, Ashley Caillier, Lauren Creed, Elizabeth Dieter, Chelsea Hermes, Keith Hermes, Dillon Otto, Jaden Perry, Jennifer Rauschuber, Jayden Root, Kimberly Schumacher, Sarah Stoffels.  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Nick Bezner, Kelly Laux, Rhiannon Robinson-North, Amber Nortman, Pooja Patel, Natalie Rose.  
**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** John Block, Dianne Brown, Dax Fleitman, Dillon Hanson, Colton Hermes, Shirley Hess, Hayley Hughes, Adam Krebs, Greg Luttmner, Katie Neu, Austin Reiter.  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Todd Bezner, Jessica Block, Logan Chaney, Emily Conway, Carol Ann Dickerson, Kailyn Gum, Austin Hermes, Kelsey Hermes, Vanessa Hess, Geron Horn, Jonathan Husman, Troy Kirby, Christopher Klement, Greg Knauf, Allison Metzler, Katie Nortman, Madison Parkhill, Macy Perry, Thomas Rohmer, Jason Schumacher, Savannah Stoffels, Amelia Wyrick.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Taylor Atkins, Megan Caillier, Alexandra Fogle, Lauren Hicks, Caitlin Huston, Lucinda Krahl, Nick Lewis, Raneer Morrison, AJ Summerlin, Stephanie Zwings.  
**1<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Brittany Biffle, Darryl Block, Travis Block, Matt Brown, Hannah Burt, Kevin Conway, Shannah Daymude, Cade Early, Nick English, Rachel Fuhrmann, Terrell Grewing, Cassidy Gum, Cade Hess, Dylan Hughes, Kristina Neu, Jerrod Redder, Chisam Reiter, Neely Rose, Nick Rose, Brianna Sandmann, Wyrick.

Megan Schumacher, Caylee Turner, Rose Wyrick.  
**"A-B" Honor Roll**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Adam Anderle, Megan Anderson, Tommy Arendt, Jacque Bezner, Ania Deputch, Svenja Dickhaut, Laura English, Brandon Ferguson, Josh Goldsmith, Clay Gouard, Taren Hall, Josh Hoberer, Austin Krebs, Cody Lee, Cathy Lusk, Mark Neu, Robin Neu, Christina Otto, Sophia Rahman, Amber Selby, Faith Skinner, Chad Stoffels, Hannah Trammell.  
**11<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Joey Arendt, Corrie Crosby, Kyle Endres, Elaine Hess, Chelsea Laux, Jamie Price, Renee Sandmann, Katie Schneider, Adam Schreiber, Alex Shauf, Emmy Trammell, Jalynn Wilson, Stacie Yosten.  
**10<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Sarah Camp, Keith Dieter, Stephanie English, Daniel Fuhrmann, Sam Hellingner, Katie Hoberer, Kevin Lutkenhaus, Ashley McPherson, Kendyl Odell, Rebecca Reiter, Mitchell Ward, Amber Wolf.  
**9<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Daniel Aberasturi, Kristen Alexander, Bradley Anderle, Cody Anderle, Lauren Connert, Ryan Dickerson, Jacob Geray, Laura Hellman, Nathan Hermes, Stephanie Hermes, Heidi Hess, Dana Huchton, Trinity Otto, Amy Polk, Kaylee Privett.  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Bradley Arendt, Pat Bayer, Megan Benton, Kristopher Creed, Matthew Eberhart, Olivia Erwin, Jacob Guling, Jonathan Hall, Dustin Hughes, Adam Kasperek, Adam Koelzer, Tiffany Martin, Derick Murray, Ethan Reiter, Jacob Root, Clint Williams, Erin Wyrick.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Brittany Anderle, Sanaa Anwar, Sabrina Bezner, Travis Endres, Julie Hanson, Amanda Hess, Kaileigh Hess, Josh Jones, Kelly Mitchell, Dustin Neu, Liz Neu, Heather Odell, Brian Sandmann, Johnathan Zimmerman.  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Krystal Arendt, Garrett Block, Joey Block, Madisen Burrows, Rhea Claire Galubenski, Josh Heilman, Jessica Hermes, Hillary Hoelker, Taylor Horn, Michelle Husman, Neil Jones, Clayton Starnes, Morgan Webster.  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Kyle Bezner, Kelsey Hawkins, Rose Hermes, Ashley Hess, Kayla Hess, Kristan Hoberer, Derek Hundt, Mustafa Hweidi, Beverly Knabe, Nichole Metzler, Kendall Neu, Casey Shauf, Sam Sparkman, Jon Michael Sweney.  
**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Zohaib Anwar, Cody Brown, Matt Dieter, Mitch Dieter, Haley Haverkamp, Brett Hermes, Ryan Kendall, Kristin Martin, Wesley Morrison, Cammi Neu, Sarah Redder, Conner Skinner.  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Justin Anderle, Robert Arendt, Dakota Butler, Kelly Cross, Bethani Eberhart, Rebecca Fuhrmann, Regan Gore, Tyler Hundt, Alicia Meeck, Josh Timmins.  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Tiffany Brewer, Caroline Dieter, Dean Fleitman, Jordan Fleitman, Connor Fuhrmann, Amelia Haverkamp, Amber Hess, Taylor Krebs, McKenzie Neu, Matt Reed, Taylor Stringfellow, Catherine Washak, Benjamin Zimmerman.  
**1<sup>st</sup> grade:** Paige Dill

## Essay contest announced

The Downtown Development Association of Gainesville and the 11th Texas Calvary Company B of Gainesville sponsor the Col. Young Essay Contest held in conjunction with the Cross Timbers Campaign, a Civil War Reenactment. It will be judged by the North Central Texas College History Department. The contest is open to all students in high school or middle school. "Texans in the Civil War" is the subject and can be about anyone from the main leaders to the student's own relatives (men or women) who played a role in the Civil War. The length should be two pages

double spaced and sources should be listed separately. The essays are due May 3 and should be turned in at NCTC History Department on the Gainesville Campus. One overall best essay will be chosen from the high school and middle school divisions. A \$50 cash prize and an engraved marble plaque will be awarded to the winner of each division. Questions or inquiries should be directed to Gina Dill of the downtown Development Association at (940)665-3931 (work) or (940)665-8529 (home) or to Rodney Hess, teacher and reenact or at (940)891-1376.

## Arendt advances to state

Mindy Arendt, Era ISD high school student, advances to the State academic meet, after finishing 2nd in Prose Interpretation at Regional competition last Saturday, Apr. 20, in Nacogdoches. Mindy is the daughter of Andy and Jean Arendt and granddaughter of Mary Ann Arendt of Lindsay. Other Era students traveling to Austin on May 3-4 as alternates are Josh Bruno in News Writing and Parker Zangoie in Ready Writing. The accounting team of Katie Coleman, Vincent Broadbent, and Chad Romines finished 2nd at Regional, but only first advances. If the Era team has the highest score of all non-advancing Regional teams, they can compete at State as the wild card team.

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Stats from TNRCC

## Deadline nears for poster contest

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fraternal communications said. Elementary school students in grades kindergarten through fifth may submit one original poster no larger than 20" x 20." Judges will evaluate posters based on eye appeal, originality and theme. Winners will receive cash awards. To receive an entry form and the complete rules for the contest, contact Shawna Pittman in the Communications Department at (800) 292-2548 or (210) 828-9921 ext.

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# A statement from Era ISD

Era ISD Superintendent Kit Mason stated, "In spite of recent financial difficulties, Era ISD is doing a fabulous job of educating students." The school's financial problems have been the focus of many recent rumors concerning the District. Mason says, "The District is doing everything it has to do to get back on sound financial footing. Several personnel cuts have been made and budgets tightened for next year. The District has implemented a plan for nearly \$300,000 in salary reductions for next year. Additionally, the Texas Education Agency is working with the District to delay collection of overpayments which will make it easier to work through this situation."

The current plan projects the District to be back to a positive financial position in less than two years. Mason said, "Rumors have been circulating in the county for some time about Era ISD closing. The rumors are just that, rumors! We will be here next year and for many years in the future and we will be providing the same excellence in education that we are today. Gaining student population would help in our efforts to recover from the financial problems. (At the last Board meeting) our Board approved fifty-nine transfer applications for next year, but we would still be open to consider additional transfer students."



The Muenster Hornet Band presented their Spring Concert last Saturday at Sacred Heart Church. Watch next week for

pictures of the 6th and 7th grade band's performance. Janie Hartman Photo

## Muenster ISD Honor Roll

### Fifth Six Weeks "A" HONOR ROLL

**1st Grade** (Mrs. Dankesreiter) Sean Chism, Steven Flusche, Austin Hennigan, Trevor Muller, Miranda Pagel, Christina Rohmer, Michelle Sicking, Abby Walterscheid, Brooke Walterscheid, Payton Sanders. (Mrs. Fredrick) Brianna Bayer, Tori Dyess, Brooke Hess, Trevor Hess, Hunter Klement, Daniel Lutkenhaus, Lauren Rohmer, Alex Roller, Travis Sicking, Emily Vance.

**2nd Grade** (Mrs. Budish) Luke Crabtree, Blake Grewing, Emily Hellman, Nicole Pagel, Stacy Youngblood. (Mrs. Heers) Tyler Anderle, Chelsey Caldwell, Andi Felderhoff, Olivia Haverkamp, Kameron Heady, Joey McAden, Allison Pagel, Landon Presnall, Chloe Schneider, Blake Voth, Jace Wann. (Mrs. Hess) Jimmy Abner, Lana Heers, Paige Hennigan, Andi Hess, Dalton Koelzer, Cole McAden, Jamie Salisbury, Dain Schmidtkofer, River Stewart, Kendra Walterscheid.

**3rd Grade** (Mrs. Anderle) Dillon Bayer, Briana Bindel, C.J. Harrison, Taylor Klement, Danielle Lewis, Kelsey Pagel, Tanner Silmon, Tiffany Teafatiller, Lacey Trubenbach, Phillip Vogel, Garrett Walterscheid. (Mrs. Endres) Cathy Aston, Michelle Henscheid, Hayley Hess, Lindsay Kelley, Brianna Klement, Spencer Nielsen, Shane Presnall, Taylor Reiter.

**4th Grade** (Mrs. Klement) Jodi Abner, Eric Hellman, Jacob Klement, Delana Sicking, Levi Trubenbach, Christopher Valliere, Steven Valliere. (Mrs. Presnall) T.J. Acuna, Matthew Bain, Scott Endres, Shaina Felderhoff, Lia Heers, Jackie Klement, Abigail Loyd, Katie

McAden, Derek Schmidtkofer, Corey Sicking.

**5th Grade** (Mrs. Hale) Noel Barnhill, Jordanne Hellman, Elizabeth Martin, Josh Sicking. (Ms. Hettler) Brandon Bindel, Brandy Dangelmayr, Samantha Endres, Victoria Wright.

**6th Grade** (Mrs. Chism) Christina Eckart, Cletus Fuhrmann, Dillena Hundt, Alison Teafatiller. (Mrs. Schneider) Cassie Hale, Laura Heers, Alison Miller, Bhavin Mistry.

**"A-B" HONOR ROLL**  
**1st Grade** (Mrs. Dankesreiter) Alyssa Stewart. (Mrs. Fredrick) Tommy Harrison, Brittany Pagel.

**2nd Grade** (Mrs. Budish) Chase Hammer, Mark Jones, Andrew Loyd, Joseph Monday, Kendall Reiter, Stefani Tucker. (Mrs. Heers) Kayla Acuna, Shane Sicking. (Mrs. Hess) Kalyn Dangelmayr, Jordan Fredrick, Demi Koelzer, Hunter Nobile.

**3rd Grade** (Mrs. Anderle) Zachary Gunnels, Ryan Hennigan, Will Taylor, Josh Voth. (Mrs. Endres) Tyler Acuna, Devon Kubis, Jason Luke, Derek Pagel, Jacy Steelman, Alley Trubenbach.

**4th Grade** (Mrs. Klement) Ashton Barrett, Chad Henscheid, Ryan Henscheid, Amanda Hundt, Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Natalie Valliere, Sara Walterscheid. (Mrs. Presnall) Toby Dyess, Christina Hale, Raynee Hogan, Andrew Koelsler, Ryan Neal, Tyler Pagel.

**5th Grade** (Mrs. Hale) Brooklyn Caldwell, Paul Crabtree, Kailob Miller, John Monday, Madchen Moseley, Holly Rohmer. (Ms. Hettler) Matthew McAden.

**6th Grade** (Mrs. Chism) Caitlyn Barrett, Emily Endres, Craig Grewing, Rebecca Grewing, Garrett Hennigan, Lindsey Watson.

(Mrs. Schneider) Heather Harrison, Hillary Swirczynski, William Vogel, Lee Walterscheid.

**"A" HONOR ROLL**  
**7th Grade** - Brad Endres, Zach Swirczynski, Michael Valliere, Collin Walterscheid, Krystal Wolf.

**8th Grade** - Malcom Martin.

**9th Grade** - Sean Fuhrmann, Adam Vinson.

**10th Grade** - Kristi McAden, Melinda Walterscheid.

**12th Grade** - Chisam Cain, Grant Hartman, Chris Jackson, Pamela Lutkenhaus.

**"A-B" HONOR ROLL**  
**7th Grade** - Jonathan Bayer, Kyle Caldwell, Catherine Cox, Megan Felderhoff, Amber Fuhrmann, Kendra Guthrie, Evan Koelsler, Jessica Walterscheid.

**8th Grade** - Noah Barnhill, Danielle Bindel, Michael Eckart, Kelly Endres, Jenna Felderhoff, Brianna Fleitman, Ryan Fuhrmann, Tiffanie Klement, Jacé Koelzer, Josh Patrick, Leah Vinson, Dustin Wimmer, Jordan Walterscheid.

**9th Grade** - Derek Felderhoff, JoAnna Felderhoff, Lana Fisher,

A.J. Fleitman, Carrie Grewing, Clint Miller, Ruthie Muller, Tara Swirczynski, Mindy Walterscheid, Whitney Watson.

**10th Grade** - Michael Bruce, Keisha Davis, Robyn Hermes, Anna Jackson, Bridgette Klement, Kristian Koesler, Kristen Osborn.

**11th Grade** - Cody Cory, Michael Endres, Richard Endres, Amanda Felderhoff, Mitch Felderhoff, Kyle Fuhrmann, Jami Gerstberger, Kelly Grewing, Kami Klement, Megan Lippe, Cindy Tempel, Tyler Walterscheid.

**12th Grade** - Eric Bayer, Laura Drachenberg, Lacy Endres, Krystal Hale, Brittany Haverkamp, Shawn Hess, Ashley Hess, Ashley Klement, Kimberly Klement, Crystal Lutkenhaus, Chris McLaughlin, Kay Lee Price, Shanelle Spakes.

## School Lunch Menus

### WEEK OF APR. 29 - MAY 3

#### MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - No School.

Tues. - Hot dogs w/chili and cheese, potato wedges, pinto beans, peaches, pumpkin bread.

Wed. - Ham and cheese sandwiches, chips and salsa, lettuce and tomatoes, apples, cookies.

Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pears, hot rolls.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, French fries, applesauce, ice cream.

#### SACRED HEART S.N.A.P. MENUS

Mon. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, French fries, ice cream.

Tues. - Corn dogs, green beans, salad, fruit.

Wed. - King ranch chicken, corn, salad, fruit.

Thurs. - Lasagna casserole, mixed vegetables, lettuce, fruit, garlic toast.

Fri. - Pizza, black-eyed peas, salad, fruit.

#### LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Cheese enchilada

w/chili, ranch style beans, cole slaw, pears, bread.

Tues. - Corny dog, baked beans, lettuce, salad, mixed fruit, bread.

Wed. - Chicken patty sandwich, French fries, lettuce, pickle, ice cream.

Thurs. - Spaghetti and meat sauce, peas, combination salad, oranges, bread.

Fri. - Chicken fajitas, corn, tomato, lettuce, peaches, bread.

#### ERA ISD

Mon. - Pepperoni or cheese pizza, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, chocolate pudding.

Tues. - Chicken strips or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, peaches, hot roll.

Wed. - Crispy tacos, pinto beans, trimmings, apple brown Betty.

Thurs. - Turkey pot pie or fish sticks, tossed salad, green beans, strawberry applesauce.

Fri. - Barbecue sandwich, French fries, pickle spears, ice cream.

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# Sports

## Sacred Heart teams take district track championships



The Sacred Heart High School track teams dominated the TAPPS 2A District Track & Field Meet, hosted by Sacred Heart at Hornet Stadium on Saturday, Apr. 20.

The Tigerettes tallied a final score of 255 points for the District Championship. Abilene Christian finished in 2nd place with 92, followed by El Paso Jesus Chapel with 44, Bethesda 41, Prestonwood 40, and the Highlands 16.

The Tigers also outdistanced the other schools in the district, scoring 223 points. Abilene Christian followed with 99, Jesus Chapel 92, Prestonwood 58, Trinity Christian 40, and The Highlands 22. Also competing was Lighthouse and Immanuel.

The top three finishers in each event advance to the State Meet May 3-4 at Baylor University in Waco. They are as follows:

**100m Dash:** 1, Garrett, AC, 11.19; 2, Revalles, JC, 11.38; 3, Langford, TC, 11.47.

**200m Dash:** 1, Northrup, AC, 23.0; 2, Johnny Krahl, SH, 23.10; 3, Hunter, JC, 23.16.

**400m Dash:** 1, Michael Voth, SH, 53.39; 2, Andy Davis, SH, 56.66; 3, Chappa, H, 57.37.

**400m Relay:** 1, SH, Johnny Krahl, Chris Hoedebeck, Michael Voth, Thomas Whitecotton, 45.0; 2, Jesus Chapel, 45.23; 3, Abilene Christian, 45.72.

**800m Run:** 1, Cavoutti, AC, 2:12.44; 2, Schexnaider, H, 2:12.57; 3, Valles, JC, 2:19.07.

**800m Relay:** 1, Abilene Christian, 1:38.92; 2, SH, Thomas Whitecotton, Chris Hoedebeck, Clint Fuhrmann, Kevin Walterscheid, 1:39.58; 3, Jesus Chapel, 1:40.52.

**1600m Run:** 1, Daniel Bartush, SH, 5:06.61; 2, Schexnaider, H, 5:11.34; 3, St. John, P, 5:12.68.

**1600m Relay:** 1, SH, Johnny Krahl, Clint Fuhrmann, Michael Voth, Kevin Walterscheid, NA.

**3200m Run:** 1, Daniel Bartush, SH, 11:25.15; 2, St. John, P, 11:28.31; 3, Stokes, L, 12:25.14.

**110m Hurdles:** 1, Clint

2:35.37; 3, Clark, P, 2:44.13.

**800m Relay:** 1, SH, Raney Bauer, Kate Sepanski, Mary Jane Callahan, Jacqueline Bauer, 1:54.85; 2, Prestonwood, 2:04.29; 3, Abilene Christian, 2:21.53.

**1600m Run:** 1, Rose Bartush, SH, 6:09.52; 2, Karen Gehrig, SH, 6:19.50; 3, West, P, 6:22.43.

**1600m Relay:** 1, SH, Raney Bauer, Jacqueline Bauer, Kate Sepanski, Andrea Bauer, NA; 2, Abilene Christian, NA.

**3200m Run:** 1, Catherine Bartush, SH, 14:14.73; 2, Karen Gehrig, SH, 14:32.50; 3, Lilly Nasche, SH, 14:54.18.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Andrea Bauer, SH, 16.21; 2, Hall, JC, 18.05; 3, Druery, 20.16.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Hall, JC, 55.81; 2, Lisa Endres, SH, 56.97; 3, Michelle Bayer, SH, 59.34.

**TEAMS**  
SH - Sacred Heart  
AC - Abilene Christian  
B - Bethesda  
L - Lighthouse  
JC - Jesus Chapel  
I - Immanuel  
P - Prestonwood  
H - Highlands  
TC - Trinity Christian

Chris Hoedebeck passes the baton to Kevin Walterscheid. The Tiger 800m relay team finished 2nd and advances to state. Walterscheid also placed 2nd in 300m hurdles.  
Dave Fette Photo

## Two SH golfers compete at state

Two Sacred Heart golfers competed in the TAPPS State Golf Tournament earlier this week. Jack Biffle and Audrey Barnhill had the honor of playing on the oldest public golf course in the state of Texas, Brackenridge Park Golf Course in San Antonio.

"Jack and Audrey enjoyed the opportunity to play on such a wonderful course," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur, noting that Brackenridge hosted the PGA tour for many years. "It was an honor to play on the same course as such great golfers."

Biffle shot 75-75 for a two day total of 150, good for a 3rd place state medal. The championship boy golfers shot 146 for a tie and had to have a playoff to determine the championship.

Barnhill settled for 7th place after shooting a 99-101 for a two day total of 200. The winner in the girls division scored a 158.

Coach Jon also got in some play time at Brackenridge.

## AQHA event May 11 in Muenster

The AQHA cutting with NCHA cutting, an American Quarter Horse Association - approved special event will be held May 11 at the Austin Arena in Muenster.

For additional information about AQHA, including showing, racing or recreational riding programs, contact AQHA at 806-376-4811.



Elizabeth Fette wins the 400m prelim by inches, then placed 1st in the finals by a wide margin.  
Dave Fette Photo

## Lady Hornets in regional qualifiers' meet

The Muenster Lady Hornets made a good showing at last week's regional qualifiers meet in Lindsay. The girls finished in fourth place as a team, with over 20 1A - 3A schools represented. The Lady Hornets finished behind Wilmer-Hutchins, Commerce, and Van Alstyne.

The 1600m run was won by JoAnna Felderhoff, followed by Kallie Gerstberger with times of 5:45.96 and 5:46.40. Felderhoff also finished second in the 800m run with a 2:26.83 finish, and is a member of the Regional-bound 1600m relay. Other relay runners were Stevie Klement, Pamela Lutkenhaus and Alisha Walterscheid, who finished 3rd, clocking in at 4:18.86.

Gerstberger's time of 12:23.69 in the 3200m run was good for 4th place, with the 800m relay finishing 6th at 1:54.39. Running the 400x2 race were Robyn Hermes, Megan Lippe, Lutkenhaus, and Walterscheid.

Muenster Hornet Cody Cory placed 6th in the pole vault, clearing 9' 6".

The Muenster competitors will travel to Abilene this weekend to take part in the Regional Track and Field Meet at Elmer Gray Stadium, on the Abilene Christian University campus.



Raney Bauer and Kate Sepanski ran first and second legs in the 800m relay Saturday and placed 1st. Both had other 1st place finishes in the meet.  
Dave Fette Photo

Fuhrmann, SH, 16.93; 2, Travis Hess, SH, 20.85; 3, Hon, JC, 212.05.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, DeBard, 43.40; 2, Kevin Walterscheid, SH, 46.12; 3, Adam Krahl, SH, 47.91.

**GIRLS**

**Pole Vault:** 1, Davis, AC, 6' 6"; 2, Hill, AC, 7' 4"; 3, Polman, B, 7' 0" 3"; Lynn Sicking, SH, 65' 9".

**Shot Put:** 1, Andrea Bauer, SH, 29' 8.25"; 2, Hill, AC, 22' 2.25"; 3, Wright, AC, 21' 9.75".

**High Jump:** 1, Catherine Bartush, SH, 4' 4".

**Long Jump:** 1, Andrea Bauer, SH, 16' 2.5"; 2, Jacqueline Bauer, SH, 15' 2"; 3, Evans, L, 14' 10".

**Triple Jump:** A, Andrea Bauer, SH, 33' 6"; 2, Jacqueline Bauer, SH, 31' 11.5"; 3, Hall, JC, 28' 9".

**100m Dash:** 1, Mary Jane Callahan, SH, 13.28; 2, Polman, B, 13.29; 3, Courtney Hartman, SH, 13.76.

**200 Dash:** 1, Jacqueline Bauer, SH, 27.63; 2, Mary Jane Callahan, SH, 28.28; 3, Spurlock, AC, 28.98.

**400m Dash:** 1, Elizabeth Fette, SH, 1:06.83; 2, Robbins, AC, 1:07.60; 3, Galbreath, I, 1:09.29.

**400m Relay:** 1, SH, Raney Bauer, Courtney Hartman, Elizabeth Fette, Jennifer Hoedebeck, 53.95; 2, Abilene Christian, 56.30; 3, Bethesda, 59.02.

**800m Run:** 1, Kate Sepanski, SH, 2:34.82; 2, Galbreath, I,

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# Leave animals wild

It's spring, and young, wild animals are venturing from their nests and hiding places under the watchful eyes of their parents. Young animals often stray and appear to be abandoned -- that's when humans need to resist the urge to help, wildlife experts say.

Some species, including birds, deer and snakes, are very active this time of year and are being seen more frequently, said John Herron, leader of TPW's wildlife diversity branch.

This is the time of year that young birds are out of their nests but cannot fly. If the bird's eyes are open, it has a coat of feathers and is hopping around, it is probably fine, according to staff at Texas Parks and Wildlife's wildlife information center. Grounded fledglings will usually be up and flying within a few days.

"Many people discover apparently lost or abandoned wildlife young and take them in, they are doing the right thing, and this sometimes does more harm than good," Herron said. "People should leave young animals alone unless they are obviously injured or orphaned. It is best to observe a wild creature from a distance for a while in order to make that determination."

Animals often will not approach their offspring if they sense the presence of a human, added Herron.

The fawning season begins in early to mid-May, although the newborns may not be visible to the casual observer for several weeks because of excellent camouflage of their mottled coats and their mother's care in hiding them from predators. Deer will

sometimes leave their fawn for hours at a time, not returning until dusk. Fawns are often discovered lying quietly in tall grass or brushy areas. Well-meaning people sometimes pick up these fawns, thinking that they have been abandoned by their mothers and need help. This is rarely the case. A fawn should only be picked up if it is covered in fire ants or is otherwise seriously injured. These fawns need assistance and should be taken to a wildlife rehabilitator immediately.

If it is determined that a wild animal is sick or injured call the TPW wildlife information line, (512) 389-4505, during business hours for a referral to a licensed wildlife rehabilitator. After-hours callers can get the names of

rehabilitators from TPW's dispatch line at (512) 389-4848. The department receives more than 100 calls a week during the spring.

"Some of the most common questions are whether the fawns are actually abandoned and if baby birds can take care of themselves on the ground," Herron said. "In most cases, the fawns' mothers are just out of sight and the baby birds are still being protected and fed by the parents."

"The overall message is that wildlife should be left alone," says Herron. "Wild animals are best left in the wild."

For more information on rehabilitators, visit, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/nature/research/rehab/index.htm>



Tigerettes Catherine Bartush, Karen Gehrig and Lilly Nasche finished 1-2-3 in the 3200m run. At right - Andrea Bauer, 1st in 100m hurdles, also won the long jump and triple jump; below - senior shot putter John Knabe makes a throw for 3rd place.

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Daniel Bartush leads the 3200m run midway through the race. He won it and the 1600m.

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## Adult softball league

Nocona is starting an adult co-ed softball league, beginning in June. Teams are for 16 year olds and over. If interested in entering a team, call Doug Weaver at 940-825-6237 and leave a message. The league is limited to the first six teams only.

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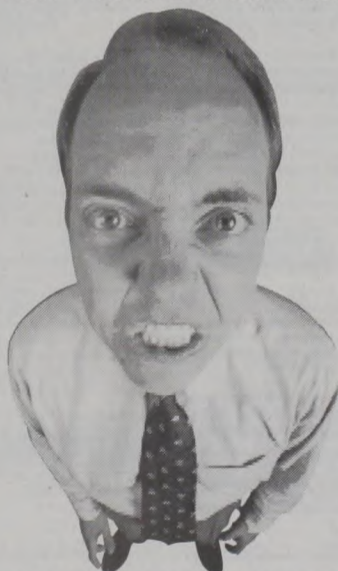
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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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Will help coach Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian must sign  
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In case of emergency, call parent \_\_\_\_\_  
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The residence of the executors is Patricia Ann Hollowell, 742 Watson Rd., Byhalia, Mississippi 38611, and Joseph H. Neal, 26 Konner Drive, Franklin, New Jersey 07416.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 15th day of April, 2002.

Patricia Ann Hollowell  
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**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HAROLD EDWARD WATKINS, DECEASED**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Harold Edward Watkins, Deceased, were issued on April 17, 2002, in Cause No. #15433, pending in the County Court at Law of Cooke County, Texas - Probate Division, to the following named executrix whose mailing address is listed below:

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# TFU calls for investigations

## Energy policy must be addressed

by Mike Barnett  
Texas Farm Bureau

We've all seen the advertisements on television aimed at our nation's youth, with the message that money spent on drugs is money supporting terrorism. There's probably a lot of truth to that and I hope that ad campaign is working.

Here's an even scarier thought: every time you fill up your gas tank you're putting dollars in terrorists' pockets.

A stretch? Not at all, according to Congressman Charlie Stenholm, who threw that nugget out for the audience to chew on at the recent Farm Credit Bank conference in San Antonio.

"Every time we fill up at the gasoline pump we are funding terrorism because a good part of that money is going to the Middle East and those folks have not yet found the political courage to deal with terrorists," he said.

Congressman Stenholm has a point. Should we buy oil from Middle Eastern regimes that, if do not outright condone terrorism, turn a blind eye toward terrorist activities - especially when we have undeveloped resources here at home that could go a long way toward solving our energy problems?

The point Congressman Stenholm made very well is it is time for the United States to take those steps necessary to reduce its reliance on foreign energy sources.

The U.S. House has passed a comprehensive

energy package that includes provisions that would allow drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR), tax breaks for the energy industry, funding to promote "clean coal" technology and renewable fuels and other energy conservation measures.

Now it's the Senate's turn, and energy legislation was on the table as they returned from Easter recess.

On a promising note, before Easter, the Senate passed a measure that would dramatically increase our use of ethanol and soybean-based fuels. That is only one step, albeit positive for agriculture, as Middle East violence draws increasing attention to the need for a national energy policy.

The challenge for the Senate, and ultimately a conference committee and both Houses on a final vote, is to put together a comprehensive package that reduces the chance that our nation and economy is held hostage by those that wish us harm.

Drilling in the ANWR - a contentious Senate issue - in and of itself will not solve this nation's energy problems. Boosting the use of ethanol and soy-based fuels will not solve the problem. The problem won't be solved by increased fuel efficiencies for cars or expansion of tax credits to study new energy sources.

It will take a combination of all the above and thoughtful, strategic thinking on the part of our political leaders to solve an issue that will only grow

increasingly difficult.

Despite the best efforts of President Bush and others, the truth is there will always be conflict in the Middle East. Transferring our dependence to other oil producing countries such as Mexico and Russia is only a temporary measure at best. The risk is always there that those oil supplies could be cut off.

Can our national leaders find the focus, strength and courage to develop a national energy policy that is in the best interests of our nation as a whole?

Can we reduce reliance on Middle Eastern oil and in fact, all oil from foreign sources?

Can we continue to develop the potential of ethanol and other bio-based fuels?

Funding terrorists through our gas tanks is hardly a thought I wish to contemplate. Thanks, Congressman Stenholm, for bringing the issue home in a way each of us can understand.

Now is the time to act on a national energy policy. Tomorrow may be too late.

## Death tax costly even to farmers who don't owe it

The Agriculture Department's Economic Research Service last month released a report on the phase out of the estate tax - also known as the death tax - and its effect on farmers. The report reaffirmed that the death tax may apply only to a minority of farms, but a majority must take costly measures to plan for it.

ERS found that although only about 4 percent of all farms have had to pay the estate tax, a much larger percentage have had to file an estate tax return, change their business practices or use estate planning to lessen the impact of the tax on their farm businesses. "Thus, the phase out and repeal of the federal estate tax will affect a much broader group of farmers than just those who owe tax," the report said.

The authors pointed out that the death tax is a small source of revenue for the federal government when compared to other sources, but "the potential impact of these taxes on an individual or group of individuals, such as the federal rat as farmers or small business owners, can be substantial."

The ERS report is available online at [www.ers.usda.gov/publications/aib751/aib751-02/aib751-02.pdf](http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/aib751/aib751-02/aib751-02.pdf).

The Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001, which became law last year, repeals the death tax in 2010. But because the law's provisions sunset in 2011, death taxes will be fully repealed for only one year. Unless the repeal is made permanent, the death tax will be reinstated in 2011.

Sens. Jon Kyl (R-Ariz.) and Phil Gramm (R-Texas)

Texas Farmers Union has asked Congress, the administration and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to investigate the forces behind falling cattle futures.

A letter from the National Farmers Union Board of Directors suggests the current downward trend in cattle futures markets may be due to collusion and price manipulation following the recent Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) rumor and the proposed legislation to ban packer ownership of livestock.

TFU believes these issues are signs of broader threats to open markets by monopolistic practices of large packers and processors," said Wes Sims, president of TFU. "The growing trend of market concentration continues to threaten the viability of independent farmers and ranchers, and the NFU Board of Directors has challenged Congress, the Administration and the industry to take action."

Analysts estimate the FMD rumor cost the industry as much as \$50 million after prices dropped \$1.50 per hundredweight for market cattle.

Meanwhile, NFU has heard from producers who

testified to a fall in livestock prices last month as possible retaliation for legislation in the Senate farm bill banning meatpackers from owning livestock for more than 14 days prior to slaughter.

Feb. 13 the Senate passed S. 1731, which included the provision that bans packer ownership of livestock. An Oklahoma Farmers Union producer said he received active bids for his cattle through Feb. 18, with bidders promising an excess of 84 cents per pound for approximately 625-pound cattle. When markets reopened on Feb. 19, the market opened down and has proceeded to drop by 10 cents per pound.

According to producers who have inquired about the

lack of interest from cattle bidders, the reply was that they were staying out of the market for a few weeks because of the packer ban amendment pending in the Farm Bill Conference Committee.

"It is imperative that the livestock futures markets, as well as all commodity futures markets, are competitive and transparent," the NFU Board members wrote. "Future markets that are free of manipulation and other anti-competitive forces can most effectively perform the vital economic function of price discovery and risk transfer. Likewise, independent producers need properly functioning markets to compete."

## Ag Briefs

Texas has 4,959 square miles of inland water, ranking Texas #1 in the 48 contiguous states, followed by Minnesota with 4780 and Florida 4683 square miles.

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### The chicken and corn

To produce one pound of chicken it takes 1.97 pounds of feed ... 65% comes from corn.

It takes 3.5 pounds of feed to produce one dozen ... 66% comes from corn.

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### Scorpions are not just desert dwellers

There's not much appealing about scorpions.

As members of the arachnid class as are spiders and ticks scorpions just naturally have a high shudder factor for many people. They have wicked-looking pincers and a curvy stinging tail, and just in general look mean.

And if you think they only live in the desert, think again. Scorpions prefer dryland habitats, but they do occur throughout Texas. Texas is home to 18 of the 90 species of scorpion that have been identified in the United States, Scorpions are not good neighbors. They can be a nuisance when they interact with humans because they will sting when disturbed.

The sting of a scorpion can range from painful to deadly, depending on the species of scorpion doing the stinging. Of 1,500 species of scorpions worldwide, only about 20 to 25 are regarded as dangerous.

The Texas Corn Producers has a website with a link to weather, markets, news and more. The TCPB's website is [www.texascorn.org](http://www.texascorn.org)

Hard red winter wheat makes 40% of what planted in the U.S. Twenty-four percent of all wheat is hard red summer wheat with 20% being soft red

## Plant patents apply to new varieties

A Supreme Court ruling last December upheld the legality of plant patents that protect seed as intellectual property.

If you plant seed that is patented, you cannot save seed from that crop to plant on your own farm. That provision has been widely recognized for Roundup Ready soybeans, but it also applies to other patented seed.

Check with your seed supplier to see if varieties you use are patented.

## It's A Stat!

Monthly Report by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service

### WHEAT PRODUCTION

Texas wheat producers expect to harvest 80 million bushels this year, 26 percent below the 2001 crop, but 21 percent above the 2000 crop. According to an April 1 survey, planted acreage for the 2002 crop is estimated at 6.4 million acres, up 14 percent from 2001 and 7 percent above 2000.

### Cattle on Feed

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.9 million head on April 1, up 10% from a year ago.

Producers placed 560,000 head in commercial feedlots during March, up 23% from a year ago and up 37% from the February 2002 total.

### Milk Production

Texas milk production totaled 496 million pounds during March, up 1% from last year's production of 489

million pounds. February 2002 production totaled 432 million pounds.

The number of milk cows during March averaged 310,000, down 25,000 head from last year and unchanged from February 2002. Production per cow averaged 1,600 pounds during March, up 10% from last year and 15% from the 1,395 pounds during February 2002.

## Bison meat to be bought for schools

The United States Agriculture Department recently said it will purchase up to \$10 million in bison meat for use in the school lunch program or other nutrition programs. The purchases will occur over the next several months.



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<p><b>Feeder Steers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1. 1.08-1.25; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 95-1.08; 300-400 lbs. No. 1. 1.05-1.10; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 95-1.05; 400-500 lbs. No. 1. 94-1.04; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 85-94; 500-600 lbs. No. 1. 82-96; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 75-82; 600-700 lbs. No. 1. 78-86; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 68-78; 700-800 lbs. No. 1. 71-77; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 60-71.</p> <p><b>Feeder Heifers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1. 98-1.05; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 90-98; 300-400 lbs. No. 1. 97-1.06; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 88-97; 400-500 lbs. No. 1. 90-93; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 80-90; 500-600 lbs. No. 1. 80-87; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 70-80; 600-700 lbs. No. 1. 70-79; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 65-70; 700-800 lbs. No. 1. 67-71; Nos. 2 &amp; 3. 60-67.</p> <p><b>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)</b> Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2: 1,200-2,050 lbs., 50-60; Slaughter Cows: #1-3: 375-435; Culler, 22-37.</p>	<p><b>Stocker Cows (per head)</b> Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - Large Frame. \$500-5780; Medium Frame. \$500-5650.</p> <p><b>Cow/Cal/Pairs</b> weanlings under 250 lbs. - Large Frame. \$750-970; Medium Frame. \$625-870.</p> <p><b>Holstein Baby Calves</b>, 570-595; Crossbreds, \$120-\$215.</p> <p><b>Barrows &amp; Gilts</b>: US #1, 230-270, 28-35; US #2, 220-280, 28-32.</p> <p><b>Feeders (per head)</b>: 100-175 lbs., \$40-575; 25-90 lbs., \$20-\$35.</p> <p><b>Sows</b>: Feeder, 400 or less, 18-22; Light wt., 400-500, NT, Med wt., 500-600, 22-25; Heavy wt., 600-up, NT.</p> <p><b>Boars</b>: 300 lb.-up, NT, 200-300 lbs., NT; Light wt., NT.</p> <p><b>Sheep (per lb.)</b>: Feeder lambs, 40-60 lbs., 90-110; Light lambs, 60-90 lbs., 80-90; Fat lambs, 90-120 lbs., 50-70.</p>	<p><b>Barbados (per head)</b> Lambs \$10-540. Ewes: \$25-550. Bucks: \$40-5110.</p> <p><b>Ewes</b>: Stocker, 30-50; Thin, 10-30; Fat, 30-50.</p> <p><b>Bucks</b>: Thin, 30-60; Fat, 30-50.</p> <p><b>Goats (per head)</b>: Kids: 20-35 lbs., \$20-540; 35-55 lbs., \$30-560; 55-75 lbs., \$45-870; Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$80-5110.</p> <p><b>Nannies (per head)</b>: Stocker, \$20-\$100; Milk Type: \$20-\$85; Slaughter: Thin, 20-50; Fat, \$40-\$75.</p> <p><b>Billies (per head)</b>: 120 lbs-up Breeders, \$65-\$110; Slaughter, \$45-\$110.</p> <p><b>Boer Goats (per head)</b>: 1/2 Nanny, NT, 3/4 Nanny, NT; Full Nanny, \$80-\$125.</p> <p><b>Boer Goats (per head)</b>: 1/2 Billy, NT, 3/4 Billy, NT; Full Billy, \$65-\$120.</p>
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Arnie Wimmer and Harry Scoggins put up a security fence along the southeast end of the park in preparation for this weekend's Germanfest. No fence was needed in past years due to the dense brush that grew, until Dangelmayr Construction cleared the lot next to the park. Janie Hartman Photo

**GERMANFEST ENTERTAINMENT  
TEXAS STAGE SCHEDULE**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26 2002**

- 4:00 P.M. - Stage Opens
- 5:30 p.m. - Cheyenne 1<sup>st</sup> set.
- 6:30 p.m. - Muenster School of Dance presents Tap, Jazz and Clogging.
- 7:00 p.m. - Cheyenne returns for 2<sup>nd</sup> set.
- 8:30 p.m. - KXGM 106.5 Music break.
- 9:00 p.m. - Hi Roller Band.
- 10:15 p.m. - Break
- 10:45 p.m. - Hi Roller 2<sup>nd</sup> set.
- 12:00 Midnight - Park Closes.

**SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2002**

- 11:00 a.m. - Muenster School of Dance presents tap, jazz and clogging.
- 12:00 p.m. - Brave Combo
- 1:15 p.m. - KXGM 106.5 music break
- 1:45 p.m. - Brave Combo
- 2:30 p.m. - KXGM Hit 106.5 music break
- 3:00 p.m. - Bois D'Arc
- 4:15 p.m. - Break
- 4:45 p.m. - Bois D'Arc
- 6:00 p.m. - KXGM 106.5 music break
- 6:30 p.m. - Kelly McGuire
- 7:30 p.m. - Parrish Family
- 8:00 p.m. Kelly McGuire
- 9:00 p.m. - KXGM 106.5 Dance Contest
- 9:30 p.m. - Kenny & The Kasuals
- 10:30 p.m. - Parrish Family
- 11:00 p.m. - Kenny & The Kasuals
- 12:00 p.m. - Close

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2002**

- 11:00 a.m. - Stage Opens
- 11:30 a.m. - Muenster School of dance - Presenting, tap, Jazz & Clogging
- 12:00 noon - Brave Combo
- 1:00 a.m. - KXGM 106.5 music break.
- 1:30 p.m. - Brave Combo - Last set.
- 2:30 p.m. - Events in Motion Millennium Dancers - Incorporating ballet, jazz. Versions styled in Latin, Fifties, disco, German, country & Hip Hop.
- 3:00 p.m. - Kelly McGuire
- 4:30 p.m. - Events in Motion Millennium Dancers
- 5:00 p.m. - Kelly McGuire
- 6:30 p.m. - KXGM 106.5 music break.
- 7:00 p.m. - Cheyenne
- 8:30 p.m. - KXGM 106.5
- 9:00 p.m. - Cheyenne
- 10:00 p.m. - Park Closes

**GERMANFEST ENTERTAINMENT  
TANZE HALLE SCHEDULE**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2002**

- 5:00 p.m. - Tent Opens
- 6:00 p.m. - Opening Ceremonies
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- 11:00 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 12:00 noon - Blue Star Dancers of Garland, TX
- 12:30 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 2:00 p.m. - North Star Cloggers - of Lewisville, TX
- 2:30 p.m. - Side Street Circus - Magic! Mime! Music!
- 3:00 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 4:00 p.m. - North Star Cloggers
- 4:30 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 6:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. - The Polka Kings
- 9:00 p.m. - 11:45 p.m. - Dutch Treat

**SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2002**

- 11:30 a.m. - Alpenfest
- 12:30 p.m. - Napper Sisters - Teen sisters who offer a wide range of music as they dance.
- 1:00 p.m. - Side Street Circus
- 1:30 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 3:00 p.m. - Napper Sisters
- 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Alpenfest
- 4:30 p.m. - TBA
- 5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Dutch Treat
- 9:30 - Tent Closes

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SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

- 12:30 p.m. - Jim McNeely- Storytelling, music humor, magic trick. Really gets the children involved.
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  - 2:00 p.m. - Jim McNeely
  - 3:30 p.m. - Side Street Circus
  - 4:30 p.m. - Jim McNeely
  - 5:30 p.m. - Side Street Circus
- SUNDAY, APRIL 28**
- 12:00 Noon - Jim McNeely Rock Climbing Wall
  - 1:45 p.m. - Side Street Circus Balloon Sculpture, Face Painting
  - 2:30 p.m. - Jim Mc Neely Sand Art and other Children's
  - 3:00 p.m. - Side Street Circus activities in the Children's Section
  - 4:00 p.m. - Jim McNeely
  - 4:30 p.m. - Side Street Circus

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The much-anticipated Texas Forest Trail Region travel guide is now available through the Texas Historical Commission (THC). The new brochure is third in a series that highlights historical and cultural treasures throughout the state. These guides are products of the Texas Heritage Trails Program, the premier heritage tourism initiative of the THC.

"The Texas Forest Trail Region travel guide leads tourists through an area that was the 'Gateway to Texas' for prehistoric Caddo Indians, Spanish and French explorers, Anglo pioneers, enslaved and freed African Americans and European immigrants," said Janie Headrick, program director of the Texas Heritage Trails Program. "It encompasses four national and five state forests, abundant lakes and rivers, the Big Thicket, old southern plantations, historic courthouse squares, great shopping, delicious food and some of the oldest towns in Texas," said Headrick.

Visitors to the Texas Forest Trail Region can enjoy divers feeding fish in huge aquariums at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center in Athens, the cloverleaf shape Draughton-Moore Ace of Clubs House in Texarkana, authentic steam engines at the Texas State Railroad State Historic Site in Rusk and the Northeast Texas Rural Museum in Pittsburg complete with a full-size replica of a Biblically inspired flying machine that may have flown before the Wright brothers' famous flight.

The region includes 35 counties. These counties span from the Oklahoma border to the Gulf of Mexico.

The goal of the Texas Heritage Trails Program is to heighten the awareness of historic and cultural resources to Texas tourists. This program establishes partnerships between the preservation community and tourism industry to facilitate the development of heritage tourism programs that preserve, protect and promote historic and cultural resources.

To obtain a free Texas Forest Trail Region travel guide, visit any Texas Department of Transportation Travel Information Center; call 512/463-6255; write to the THC at P.O. Box 12276, Austin, TX, 78711-2276; visit the THC web site at [www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us); or email [thc@thc.state.tx.us](mailto:thc@thc.state.tx.us).

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