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If war is declared

## Muenster men are ready to fight

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Americans are standing on edge awaiting President Bush's decision as to whether war will be declared on Iraq. Troops

Col. Bright was featured in an article written by Jeff Seidel and published by *Detroit Free Press* in its "Portraits of War" series, on March 1, 2003. He was also seen on NBC news with Tom Brokaw. He gave the news commentator a tour of the Joint Operations Center.

In his article Seidel wrote, "Colleagues say the 45-year old Marine with the subtle Texas drawl has a great 'brain housing group', a Marine term for intellect. He is praised for his leadership and decision making, for remaining calm and focused during a crisis.

"If there is a war, Bright will have one of the most important roles in it. 'My job is an orchestrator,' he said. 'I just have to orchestrate all this expertise that is in front of me, and they help solve any problems. It's my job to make sure it's focused down a narrow road.'"

In explaining his job at the top secret Joint Operations Center, Bright described past missions to Seidel. He spoke of what occurred in Afghanistan before the shooting started and they were inserting special operations teams. The article states, "After the helicopter crashed, Bright coordinated the security and recovery by huddling with officers in the Joint Operations Center with different specialties, starting with the ground desk." Seidel then quoted Bright as he described what his coordination efforts sounded like.

The article continues, "The people at the desks know what to do, without

being told, although they often huddle with Bright to coordinate intelligence and activity from different branches.

"They are all professionals, dedicated and committed to the mission, Bright says. 'All of them are dependable. All of them are absolutely tremendous. It's phenomenal how good they are.'"

"Since the Sept. 11

attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Center, Bright has worked almost nonstop, taking only one five-day vacation. Bright loves being outside, mountain biking or running. He wishes he had more time to work out in Doha.

"If there is a war he will probably get about four hours sleep a day."

Thomas Bright is the son

of David and Juanita Bright of Muenster. He is a graduate of Muenster High School and the Virginia Military Institute. In 1979 Thomas joined the U.S. Marine Corps and has served for the last 22 years. Bright and his wife Denise, have two children, Nick, age 15, and Thomas, age three. They live in Tampa, Florida. Col. Bright's father served in the U.S. Air Force for 27

years and retired as a lieutenant colonel. In the article Bright is quoted as saying he has never met another who comes close to his father's ability to lead.

The article continues, "He absolutely taught me the capacity to solve problems, Bright said. 'I think the job I'm in today is a problem-solving position. No two days are the same. You are constantly focusing on a wide spectrum of issues that go from Washington, D.C., to the rifleman in the field. You are pulling that stuff together and formulating guidance and recommended decisions for the commander.'"

Anyone wishing to read the article in its entirety can do so by logging on to [www.freep.com/news/nw/portl\\_20030301.htm](http://www.freep.com/news/nw/portl_20030301.htm).

Muenster Resident Andy White was deployed on March 6. He is in the Air Force Reserve serving with the 185<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron as a navigator on C-130s. White and his wife, Leslie, have three children, Brittany, Paige, and Zachary.

While dropping his is children off at Sacred Heart School Thursday, White received a special surprise. Students assembled with flags to give him a patriotic send off. Many Muenster residents lined the streets waving flags as White drove out of town.

Already positioned overseas are Muenster servicemen David Luke, Lee Skinner, and Jacob Hesse. Jacob Luke, at last correspondence with his family, is with the Marines 7<sup>th</sup> Division stationed near Kuwait City. He is the son of Melvin and Terry Luke. His mother noted that it takes about two and a half weeks for letters from him to reach home.

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Colonel Tom Bright

have been and are being deployed to positions where they are readying for war.

Whether it will be a peacekeeping mission or a full-fledged war, many service men and women and reservists will be involved. Already several Muenster people are in the area where action could take place. In a prominent position is Muenster native Col. Tom Bright of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Col. Bright is stationed at Camp As Sayiyah in Doha, Qatar. Here the U.S. Central Command has established headquarters and preparations for possible war against Iraq are being conducted. Bright is the chief of operations there.



Air Force Captain Andy White bids an emotional farewell to his son Zachary Thursday morning at Sacred Heart School. White's daughter Brittany, stands behind him. Dave Fette photo

## County reviews Sheriff's racial profiling stats

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
"This is a requirement of the last Legislature to determine racial profiling on stops. These, of course, are required by law to be submitted to the governing body of each entity. So this is just about the traffic stops," said County Judge Bill Freeman at the Mar. 10 regular meeting of Cooke County Commissioners Court. Each commissioner had a copy of the Cooke County Sheriff's Office Racial Profiling Statistics from Jan. 1, 2002 to Dec. 31, 2002. They approved the report unanimously.

An interview with Cooke County Sheriff Mike Compton revealed that this data was actually taken from a two month period and multiplied by six to get estimated data. He said it had to be done that way because his department didn't have the program required to enter the data and pull out the necessary information. A computer firm out of Oklahoma City did it. "Next year we will have the program in house and will be able to pull out the data ourselves. It will be much more accurate. This past year we did the best we could with what we had," the Sheriff stated.

On the report statistics showed that out of a total of 73 traffic stops, drivers were an estimated 0.1% Asian; 2.0% Black/African American; 4.6% Hispanic/Latino; 0.5% other unknown; and 92.7% white. Traffic stops included an estimated one black male, three Latino males, 49 white males, and 18 white females. There were an estimated 38 citations and 33 warnings issued and 17 arrests made from the traffic stops.

Although several citizens had contacted Precinct #2 Commissioner Bill Cox with complaints about the Cingular Wireless tower being erected by CKS Management on the north side of CR 218 (behind Plano Machines), none attended the March 10 meeting. Cox had asked them to come and speak at the meeting.

The County has no jurisdiction over where towers are installed. The FCC and FCA do that. The County did make a rule that all requests must come before Commissioners Court before the installation. Commissioner Virgil Hess remarked that the County does have the right to oppose a tower installation and has done so in the past. County Auditor Gloria Parrish said the County has a right to file a written complaint with the FCC. Judge Freeman said that he would check for any regulations concerning towers in the County.

A Resolution declaring March 16-22 National Agriculture Week in Cooke County was approved.

Also approved was a resolution proclaiming March 16-22 as Poison Prevention Week in Cooke County.

In other business Commissioner Court:

- Appointed Rev. Veronica Greannad to the Cooke County Child Welfare Board.

- Approved request by CKS Management to install a telephone line across County Road 218, approximately 1/4 of a mile east from I-35.

- Approved final plat for Pine Tree Acres Subdivision, lots 1 and 2, located at the west side of CR 107.

## County Youth Fair features livestock, craft projects, food

The 2003 Cooke County Youth Fair began March 5 with 33 equine entries and concluded Saturday with the sale of 262 projects under auctioneers Milton Ward and Ken Pearse.

Prior to the sale Phyllis Griffin, county extension agent presented the Yarborough Memorial Scholarships to Chelsea Laux and Nathan Smith. Special recognitions included: an Eagle plaque to Linda Ward Ellender for her dedication to the Youth Fair; a bronze Eagle to Evelyn Yeatts in recognition of her retirement from the Board; and a Montana silver belt buckle to Ryan Norwood, for two years of service as show superintendent.

"We were excited to have 105 registered buyers to the sale and to welcome several new buyers this year," stated Denise Pearse, Fair secretary. "The weather was wonderful for the Show and the community certainly supported the youth with their presence at the judging and purchasing."

Pearse noted that the sale went very well, with premiums and champion prices comparable to last year. "We won't have a sale total for a few days. Many people do add on moneys to projects. All premiums and add on moneys go directly to the exhibitors," Pearse added.

The Champion and Reserve Champion Sale, the

seller, buyer, and price included:

**MEAT GOAT: Reserve Champion**, Jeff West, Woodbine 4-H, Stock Show Syndicate, \$400.

**MARKET RABBIT: Grand Champion**, Katie Hobbs, Era 4-H, Janelle Haverkamp, \$250. **Reserve Champion**, Mike Muller, Era 4-H, Era Youth Supporters, \$200.

**BROILERS: Grand Champion**, Kevin Lutkenhaus, Lindsay 4-H, Lindsay Youth Supporters, \$350. **Reserve Champion**, Ben Wyrick, Lindsay 4-H, Gainesville Fuel, \$300.

**STEER: Grand Champion**, Dustin Rucks, Valley View FFA, Martindale Feed Mill, \$3,000. **Reserve**

**Champion**, Travis Hollandsworth, Callisburg FFA, Jet Star, \$2,000.

**SWINE: Grand Champion**, Amos Davidson, Valley View FFA, Valley View Friends and Martindale Feed Mill, \$1,000. **Reserve**

**Champion**, Calvin Welper, Callisburg FFA, Alan Ritchey, Inc., \$1,000.

**MARKET LAMB, Grand Champion**, Kevin Neu, Lindsay 4-H, Gene Pelzel, \$1,500. **Reserve Champion**, Kimberly Kuykendall, Valley View FFA, Martindale Feed Mill, \$1,500.

**VISUAL ARTS, Grand Champion**, Jordan Land, Lindsay 4-H, Stock Show See YOUTH FAIR, pg 11



Jessica Pagel, Muenster FCCLA, won Grand Champion in the foods division of the Cooke County Youth Fair. Jack Flusche bid \$600.00 to purchase her cake for the Muenster Friends and Muenster Livestock Auction. Dave Fette Photo



Kevin Lutkenhaus of Lindsay 4-H won Grand Champion with his pen of broilers at the Youth Fair Friday. Dave Fette photo





Muenster pre-school student Dalton Williams shows off some of his school work to his grandmother, Florence Williams during MISD's Public School Week Open House Tuesday night. Janie Hartman photo

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Anna Skinner reports that her son, MM3(SS) Lee Skinner, is on a Navy submarine, the USS Columbia. Although unsure of his exact location, she knows he is somewhere near where the trouble is.

Operations Specialist Second Class (Surface and Aviation Warfare) David Hesse is currently stationed at Gaeta, Italy on the USS La Salle. He is the son of Bernard and Agnes Hesse.

David and Juanita Bright have another son in the military. Major James Bright is stationed at European Command in Stuttgart, Germany. He is wife, Jill, and one year old daughter Maggie live there with him.

Addresses of service people supplied by relatives are as follows:  
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 APO AE 09364

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OS<sup>2</sup> Hesse David  
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There are surely other service people from this area. If you have a relative in the service, we would like to hear about them and would publish their address so others can correspond with them.

**Bank cautions against identity theft problem**

Muenster State Bank received notice this week from the Independent Bankers Association of Texas concerning the problem of identity theft. Their message follows: Last week one of our members posted a notice to the IBAT Fraud Listserv alerting other members to a bank customer scam whereby a telemarketer, sometimes even posing as someone from the bank or a bank auditor or sometimes purporting to sell the customer a service would verify the customer's account number and get permission to send through an automatic debit. Shortly after the first bank's message went out, several other banks replied that they had experienced a similar situation.

IBAT has been working with SWACHA in an attempt to identify the banks that are generating the automatic debits, and ultimately identify the telemarketers involved, so that the automatic debits should stop arriving soon. Unfortunately, it appears that some of the debits were originated, as early as February, and of course, the banks are aware of the losses of those few

customers who have reported it. Some victims may not have received their statements yet, and others may be too embarrassed or shy in reporting the unauthorized debit. And some may actually believed that the debit was part of an audit practice, or they are still awaiting some product or service that they thought they had ordered! So the scope of the problem has yet to be determined.

In the meantime, we urge all member banks to review all accounts that have automatic debits to determine if there is any unusual activity. If so, we suggest that you call the customer to ascertain if the debit was really authorized. If the customer is wary of talking over the telephone (they don't want to get bitten twice by the same ruse), invite them to come in to the nearest branch office and talk with someone at the bank that they know. This might also be a good time to reprint on the statement or by use of statement stuffers some of the consumer tips on preventing fraud and identity theft that IBAT has made available to your bank.

**KMB celebrates Keep America Beautiful 50th Anniversary**

Keep Muenster Beautiful and the community of Muenster have announced plans to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Keep America Beautiful, Inc. Keep Muenster Beautiful has been an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful since March 1999.

Festivities to mark this important milestone include the DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS community wide cleanup on Saturday, April 5. Everyone is invited to meet at the City Park at 9:00 a.m. to help clean up Muenster.

Muenster is also participating in the GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP from mid March through mid May. The community is asked to cleanup and beautify their homes, businesses and properties during this time. All cleanup and beautification projects reported to Keep Muenster Beautiful may be reported toward another Governor's Community Achievement Award of Excellence. Projects may include tree and flower planting, removing metal junk and taking it to Fulton's Recycling Center in Gainesville for top dollar, demolishing dilapidated buildings, renovating historic and older buildings, and building "pocket parks" such as the Kiwanis Park next to Muenster State Bank and the sitting park next to Sister's on Main Street.

"Being a part of the Keep America Beautiful network has made a significant difference in the work we can do for our community," said MaryLee Alford, President of Keep Muenster Beautiful. "The tools and programs we are able to deliver have given us more beautiful, cleaner and improved neighborhoods and public spaces. We are very excited to celebrate

Keep America Beautiful's 50th anniversary and look forward to the future."

Keep America Beautiful includes more than 500 local, statewide and international affiliate programs. This network educates individuals about litter prevention, beautification and community improvement, and ways to reduce, reuse, recycle and properly manage waste materials. Keep America Beautiful motivates millions of volunteers annually to action through education, and the Great American Cleanup, the nation's leading and largest community improvement program.

Keep America Beautiful and its landmark public service announcements of the 1970s are frequently credited with bringing environmental awareness to the forefront of public consciousness. The award-winning "Crying Indian" public service announcement campaign first aired on television in 1971 and feature Iron Eyes Cody, a Native American actor. It remains one of the most memorable, beloved and effective PSAs of all time, having been seen by billions of households around the world. Its influence on the environmental movement is incalculable.

Submitted by MaryLee Alford, KMB



Muenster Police Chief Bob Stovall reviews laws regarding litter, dumping, and other environmental crimes.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
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SPRING BREAK, Sacred Heart School, Muenster ISD, Lindsay ISD						
Sunday, March 23, 2003	Monday, March 24, 2003 SHS Advisory Council meeting, 7:30PM Lindsay ISD Board meeting, 7PM	Tuesday, March 25, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, March 26, 2003 Religious Ed Class, 7PM Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7:30PM Old MHS Gym Filing Deadline for local board seats, 5PM	Thursday, March 27, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Muenster ISD NO SCHOOL	Friday, March 28, 2003 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Saturday, March 29, 2003

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# Obituaries

## Paul F. Fisher 1912 - 2003

by **Elfreda Fette**

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Paul Franklin Fisher of Muenster on Friday, March 7, 2003 in Sacred Heart Church at 10:00 a.m. Officiating were Father John Ohner OSA, pastor, and Father Harry Fisher of Fort Worth, a brother of Paul Fisher.

He died on March 3, 2002 at 8:51 p.m. in Gainesville Memorial Hospital at age 90.

Paul Fisher was born on Sept. 15, 1912 in Muenster to Joseph Fisher and Emma (Pulte) Fisher. He was a member of Sacred Heart Parish and a lifetime resident of Muenster. On Oct. 26, 1938 he married Dorothy Kathman in Sacred Heart Church. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus; the Farm Bureau; and the AMPI Dairy Association. He enjoyed his dairy farm and a special hobby of raising guineas. One of his special pleasures was watching baseball games and football games.

Survivors are his wife, Dorothy Fisher of Muenster; five daughters Helen Hughes of Lindsay, Betty Kleiss of DeSoto, Linda Lev of Sharon, Massachusetts, Lillian Hess of Lindsay, and Rita Fisher of Muenster; four sons William Fisher, David Fisher, Don Fisher, and Herbie Fisher all of Muenster. There are 28 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are one sister Lorena Taylor of Muenster, and two brothers Earl Fisher of Muenster and Father Harry Fisher of Fort Worth.

Preceding him in death were his parents, and four sisters and four brothers.

On Thursday, a Rosary service was held in McCoy Chapel at 4:00 p.m. led by Willie Fisher. Vigil at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel was presided by Fr. John Ohner OSA and Fr. Harry Fisher.

Participating in the funeral liturgy for the Mass of Christian Burial with Father John Ohner OSA and Father Harry Fisher were altar servers Butch Fisher, Joe Felderhoff, and Chuck Bartush, Jr.

The First Reading was given by Tiffany Fisher and the Second Reading by Amy Huchton, both granddaughters. Offertory petitions were read by Michelle Garcia, granddaughter. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Steve Fisher and Fallon Lev, both grandchildren and Shelby Hess, great-granddaughter.

Eucharistic ministers were Ina Faye Fisher, daughter-in-law, Lorena Taylor, a sister, Roger Taylor, a nephew, and Theresa Walterscheid, a niece.

Music ministers were Ruth Felderhoff and Christy Hesse. Sacred music included: "On Eagles Wings" for the entrance; "The Lord Is My Shepherd" Responsorial Psalm; "The Old Rugged Cross" at Offertory; "Prayer of St. Francis," and "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" at Communion; and "How Great Thou Art" for the recessional.

Father John Ohner read the Gospel and gave the Homily.

Remarks of Remembrance and a personal tribute to weed, plow, and plant, and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder... and finish a hard week's work with a drive to church. Someone who'd bale family together with soft, strong bonds of sharing... Who would laugh - and then sigh - and then reply with smiling eyes... When his son and daughter said they wanted to spend their life doing what dad does. So God made a farmer.

"So God made Papa!" Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Paul Hughes, Coy Fisher, Lambert Hess, Jimmy Don Fisher, Greg Fisher, and Bobby Fisher. Honorary pallbearers were all other grandsons.



Paul Fisher

Paul was given by Father Harry Fisher who stressed "Paul meant a great deal to me! He was a most generous and loving brother!"

A granddaughter, Lanette Fisher Frost read a most fitting poem "God Made A Farmer": "And on the eighth day, God looked down on His planned paradise and said, 'I need a caretaker.' So God made a farmer. 'God said, 'I need someone willing to get up at dawn, milk cows, work all day in the fields, milk cows again, eat supper, and then go to town for a school board meeting.' So God made a farmer."

"I need someone with arms strong enough to wrestle a calf yet gentle enough to rock his own grandchild... Someone to call the cows, tame cantankerous machinery, come home hungry and have to wait lunch until his wife's done feeding the babies.' So God made a farmer.

"God said, 'I need someone willing to sit up all night with a new born calf and watch it die and then dry his eyes and say, 'better luck next time'. Someone who at planting time and harvest season, will finish his 40-hour week by Tuesday noon. Then, paining from tractor back, put in another 72.' So God made a farmer."

"God had to have someone willing to ride the ruts and terraces at double-speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain clouds. So God made a farmer."

"God said, 'I need someone strong enough to clear trees and heave bales and pick up tons of rocks... And, yet gentle enough to gather eggs and tend the pink-combed pullets and wean the calves.' So God made a farmer."

"It had to be someone who'd plow deep and straight and not cut corners... someone to seed,

# Are we and our county prepared?

By **Janet Felderhoff**

What would you and your family do if there should be a terrorist attack near enough to affect you? With the world situation as it is now, all are aware that there is the possibility that a large city near here could be attacked by terrorists. How would that impact us,

and are we prepared?

In Cooke County the Emergency Management Director is the County Judge who is currently Bill Freeman. Dee Blanton was hired by Commissioners Court last year to be the Emergency Management Coordinator. It is his appointed task to form an

emergency management plan for the County and to coordinate it with those of the individual cities within the County. Gainesville is the exception since it has its own emergency management team and chooses to operate separate from the County.

Blanton remarked, "We've

worked all these years without a plan and we're still going to have to work under "do the best you can do" until we get a new plan in place. Even when we get a new plan in place, it's just a document. Everybody is still going to do the best they know how to do. You're just going to have a plan to refer to see if you are coordinating things right. That's what is all about to coordinate things right."

Blanton's advise to individuals is, "Stay as informed as you can stay and have an emergency kit prepared." He suggested a kit similar to the one suggested in the materials on Severe Weather Awareness Week. He suggested visiting the website [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) which is from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. That is what Blanton said he refers to.

"We've got super volunteer fire departments; they know what they are doing," Blanton continued. "Police agencies in each little town that have them are good and know what they're doing. They have their own plan. The Sheriff's department has their own plan or standard operating procedures (SOPs). All these departments do and they know how they are going to handle things."

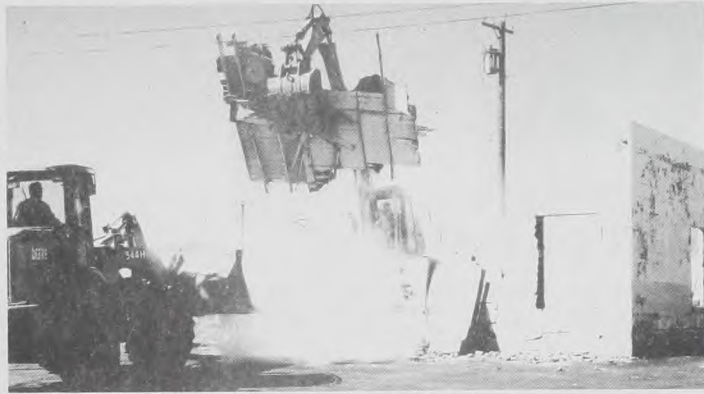
The purpose of a county-wide plan is so that all departments can effectively coordinate their efforts. "I have no doubt in my mind that our emergency response team in this county can respond in a real, real efficient manner even without a current emergency plan," Blanton said.

It is Blanton's goal to have the County's basic

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A backhoe operated by Paul Becker of Becker's Dozer Service chews away at this building known for years as Dude's Gulf Station. It also housed Der Treasurehaus, opened by Daryl Ferber, in 1990. The building located along Division Street was demolished last Friday. Dave Fette photo



## Storm class March 18

The National Weather Service in Fort Worth is conducting a Storm Spotter Training Program on Tuesday, Mar. 18 from 7-9 p.m. in the Gainesville Civic Center. This program is open to the public and is

part of an area-wide weather preparedness campaign. You do not have to be an active storm spotter to attend. Information will be of interest to the general public and all are encouraged to come and learn as much as they can.

Thunderstorm formation, severe weather production, and visual clues associated with severe storms are subjects that will be emphasized at the program. Also to be discussed are tornado formation, severe weather production, and safety during thunderstorms.

Co-sponsoring the program are the national Weather Service of Fort Worth and the Gainesville Fire Department Division of Emergency Management.

## Carl Mage dies at 92

Carl Mage of Muenster died Monday, March 10 at the age of 92. Funeral Mass was held Thursday morning, March 13. Complete obituary will be in next week's *Muenster Enterprise*.

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# NCTC regents declare financial exigency, will lay off 18 employees

The North Central Texas College governing board formally declared a state of financial exigency at its regular meeting Monday, March 10 paving the way for an emergency "reduction in force" (RIF) that will cause a total of 18 full-time faculty and staff members to lose their jobs as a result of impending cuts in state funding.

Taking into account both salaries and benefits, the RIF will trim the 2003-04 NCTC budget and the region's payroll by more than \$752,000.

Dr. Ronnie Glasscock, president, said the action marks "a profoundly sad day" for the college and for the communities it serves, and he was quick to point out that he sees these employees as "victims of a great inequity" in how state leaders are responding to the revenue crisis. The shortfall is now projected at \$1.3 billion or more.

"Fundamentally, I don't have a problem with funding reductions that will equally affect all state agencies and all public higher education in Texas," he said. "What I have a big problem with is that there appears to be nothing fair or even remotely equitable about the share of the burden being placed squarely on the state's

public community colleges. One of the most significant things not being taken into account, Dr. Glasscock said, is the college's unfunded growth.

He explained that in response to state-mandated enrollment growth initiatives such as "Closing the Gaps," aimed at expanding higher education opportunities for Texans—especially for minorities and those in lower income levels—Texas community colleges in the past two years have increased enrollment by a whopping 70,000 students.

At NCTC alone, headcount has grown just over the past year by 1,000 students or 20 percent.

The college will not be receiving a single dollar of state funding in support of growth that, under normal circumstances, would have earned us \$2.84 million in appropriations for the biennium.

"In other words," Dr. Glasscock said, "we are being told that over the next two years we must somehow just 'absorb' the cost of educating 20 percent more students on a total of some \$4.8 million less state money.

At this point—and college officials say they have no assurance that additional cuts could be forthcoming—state appropriations for the

2003-04 and 2004-05 biennial funding period are to be reduced by at least 12.5 percent. For NCTC, that amounts to a two-year total of \$1.84 million.

The college, however, has not had to wait until this fall to feel the impact of state funding cuts. Seven percent—amounting to some \$591,000—of state money NCTC had earned and was expecting to receive this year will be withheld. To survive, NCTC has implemented a hiring freeze, shut down capital purchases and non-essential travel, cancelled or postponed badly needed building renovation and repair projects and raised student tuition rates.

Dr. Eddie Hadlock, vice president of instruction, pointed out that the faculty members affected by the reduction in force are associated with marginal enrollment programs or programs where enrollment can no longer justify current numbers of full-time faculty.

Two programs, precision machining and electronics, were formally closed by board action Monday night. Space occupied by these programs will be reallocated to more viable programs, and the equipment will be offered at auction.

Faculty will be retained

on an adjunct basis, and labs will be maintained until students currently enrolled in these programs, except for those who may have begun this semester, can finish out their degrees and certificates.

"And we are already taking a hard look at some other low-enrollment programs where we cannot afford much longer to cover the costs of faculty salaries and associated supplies and equipment," Dr. Hadlock said. "Under the current financial climate, these programs, as badly as we may hate to see them go, will have very little chance of survival."

The 18 RIF-affected NCTC employees will receive formal notification shortly that their contracts for the 2003-04 academic year will not be renewed; however, all have already been notified informally in advance in order to give them extra time to seek employment elsewhere.

Regents declared financial exigency through passage of a special resolution, and in related action approved an addition to board policy, which addresses in detail the various issues related to reductions in force and employee term contracts.

# MMH features radiology staff and services

"Come Meet the Employees of Muenster Memorial Hospital" this week focuses on the Radiology department. The techs in Radiology perform routine x-ray procedures, Cat Scans, Mammography, Ultrasound, and Nuclear Medicine.

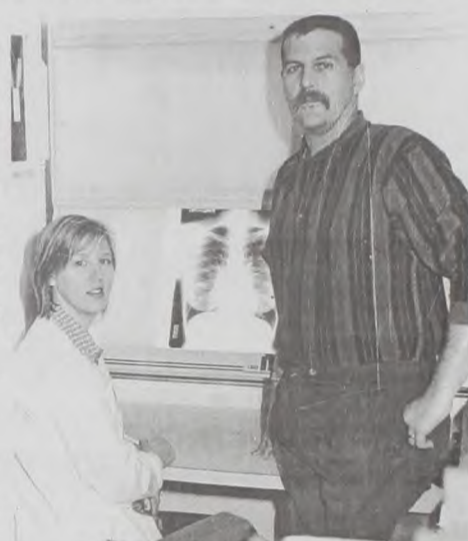
Employees in X-ray are Director Michael Kent, Radiology Techs, Lilia Garcia, Sally Hacker, and Misty Cobb.

Michael Kent was raised in the north Texas area. He spent eight years in the U.S. Army and served in Desert Storm. Michael earned his degree in Radiology while in the service and managed a 350-

Sally Hacker lives in Muenster and has worked at Muenster Memorial Hospital for about four years. Sally and husband Maurus have one child and are looking forward to a new arrival in a few months.

Lilia Garcia moved to Muenster last year from Nebraska. Lilia enjoys family and travels around the country visiting family and friends in her off time.

The newest addition to the Muenster Radiology family is Misty Gieb Cobb. Misty is a Muenster graduate. After finishing her training in radiology Misty worked as a traveling temp radiology tech before



Sally Hacker and Michael Kent  
Muenster Memorial Hospital Radiology Department

bed field hospital radiology department. After his time in the Army he worked in Alaska for four years before moving back to North Texas. Michael and Pam have a love of animals with Michael working for several years in animal radiology before coming to Muenster Hospital.

Pam continues to work with an animal clinic and they raise miniature horses at their farm. They had four children until last summer when a son Dylan was born. Juggling the work and home schedules for Michael and Pam has made Michael a real Mr. Mom. Michael enjoys spending time with family and their animals.

deciding to come back home to Muenster. Welcome home Misty.

Muenster Hospital currently provides a complete range of radiological studies. Michael and his staff are looking at adding "Tele-radiology" which will allow them to share the pictures and documents with other professionals to aid in the diagnosis and treatment of our patients. They are also looking to add Bone Density studies to the menu of services.

Muenster Hospital's family of professionals are ready and eager to serve you.

Submitted by Danny Lovelace

# Are we prepared? ..... continued from page 1

emergency plan ready to be submitted for review by the Division of Emergency Management regional liaison officer by this June. He is still gathering information from the entities of Muenster, Lindsay, Valley View, Callisburg, and Oak Ridge. Each has a somewhat different set of circumstances and requires an individualized plan.

"In a lot of cases, the County has a part in the local organizations, too," noted Blanton. "If a town doesn't have a street department, then a lot of time the commissioner whose precinct includes that town will take over being in charge of the streets, infrastructure, things like that in an emergency."

According to Blanton, there is a basic plan and then an additional 21 or 22 annexes covering different phases of the plan such as Search and Rescue. The completed plan book will be several inches thick. Blanton hopes that there will be some money available through the State to cover printing costs. The basic plan is 31 pages plus attachments and that's just the basic plan, he said.

"It is a tremendous amount of work for one person," Blanton said.

To be considered at the basic level of readiness a County must have the basic plan and a certain nine annexes turned in. It is his goal to have that done by August. If all goes as planned, he hopes to hold a county-wide disaster drill of some type in August.

Although there is an emergency management plan originally administered by the City of Gainesville, it was never officially recognized by the State ever as a county plan. It was recognized as a municipal plan. Without a recognized emergency plan in place, the County cannot get access to any federal funding in the event of a disaster. "If we have a major emergency before we have a plan filed, we will have a very hard time recouping any of our money that we spend on recovery," stated Blanton. "Not saying we wouldn't get any help, but it would be very hard to be declared a federal disaster area."

To Blanton's knowledge Cooke County has no designated fallout shelters. There were once designated shelters, but he isn't sure if those locations now meet specifications. A lot of facilities could be retrofitted to be fallout shelters, he said. Many years ago there was a study done in Cooke County to identify such buildings, said Blanton. It would be up to the owners of the buildings to do the retrofitting and it's not

likely since it is expensive.

"We pretty much set without a fallout shelter here," Blanton noted. "There's really not a lot we can do to protect ourselves against fallout. You can protect yourself and if you go to that ready.gov website, it will tell you how. You've seen a lot of it in the news lately. The plastic sheeting and duct tape will protect you for a while, but eventually if you get enough radiation exposure, it's going to kill you."

"I don't advise people to go out and buy gas masks and all that stuff. It seems like a great comfort just to have it there, just to know I've got it. Frankly, I thought about it myself, but the more I thought about it ... You have to have it with you everywhere you go. If you happen to be real close to where a release of chemical or biological weapons are, are you even going to be able to get it on time?" Sometimes contact with the skin could be just as deadly and the gas mask would do no good.

There is a list of Red Cross designated shelters and approximate capacities. These are more for evacuations such as floods or tornadoes. In Muenster the only one is the Community Center and its approximate capacity is 200 to meet the requirements. Lindsay has three shelters—Lindsay ISD with a capacity of 430, St. Peter's Catholic Church Centennial Hall with a capacity of 225, and Conrad Hall with a capacity of zero (none). There are 27 shelters on the list, but some have a capacity of zero. None have generators.

Other than a nuclear blast or radiation contamination should there be an attack in the Metroplex, the greatest problem to face people in Cooke County would be from there coming here looking for a place to stay. That is where the county's shelters would come in.

"The sheer numbers would be overwhelming," stated Blanton. "There's no way we could take care of all of them. We would have to take what we could take and send the rest elsewhere." Referring to a study done Feb. 27, 1979, Blanton said that each high risk area had been assigned specific host jurisdictions to receive and care for its residents in the event crisis relocation is implemented. The study said, "Cooke County is a host jurisdiction and will provide for the maintenance of approximately 69,400 citizens from Dallas for the duration of the crisis." At that time Blanton said that over 8,500 fallout shelter spaces had been located in Cooke County by the

National Fallout Shelter Survey. Also retrofitting existing low protecting buildings could provide an additional 197,000 spaces. Most places listed were in Gainesville and many no longer exist.

Muenster Memorial Hospital Administrator said, "We are working in conjunction with all hospitals in the North Central Texas area. We have formed a group of representatives." Arnold said that they've met about three times so far and are designing what each hospital should have on board such as the number of medical suits and decontamination tents. There are training sessions planned. Currently MMH is upgrading its disaster floor plan. They are discussing the possibility of having access to the smallpox vaccine for its first responders. This planning has been in progress for more than three months.

Arnold noted that they have gone through different scenarios such as a major catastrophe like something toxic being released in the Metroplex. They are going to evacuate Dallas-Fort Worth, he said. Arnold continued, "Where are they going to go? Wherever they're going, they are going to go through here. It's kind of like a hurricane hitting Galveston. Wherever they

go through, they wipe out all of your gas stations, convenience stores and groceries stores as they come through. If something were to happen in the Metroplex, they'd go through here and we'd have to know how contend with that influx people. As they are going through they are going to have accidents, get sick and things like that so we need to prepare." The hospital needs to be involved on the county level as well, he said.

Board member Kenny Klement remarked that he heard a news report that said the average person has a quarter of a tank of gas and that's how far they would get.

On March 19 a Bioterrorism Assessment Needs conference of local officials will be held at Gainesville Memorial Hospital. It will be put on by the UNT Health Science Center. It should last two and a half hours.

Another excellent source of information for many types of disaster preparedness the one established by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency). It can be accessed at [www.fema.gov/areyouready](http://www.fema.gov/areyouready).

"Are you prepared?" to continue next with information on local entities and what they are doing.

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**From My Side of the Fence** by Ed Cler

Reading an article in the *Gainesville Daily Register* written by Jim Davidson, in which he wrote of the Great Depression of the thirties, I was reminded of the fact that I lived through the whole thing.

My mother and dad, I'm sure had trying times, keeping up with payments on debts. Dad had bought 575 acres of land, and all the farm equipment, cattle, horses, sheep, and hay. This used up the money he had on hand and he had to take a loan of a considerable amount.

Wheat and cotton, the main cash crops, suffered great price drops. Cattle too, lost much of their value. Cotton still made some money, but only because we did most of the work ourselves. Wheat was selling for around 30¢ per bushel. Oats went as low as 9¢.

I remember the sick feeling I had, and my parents even worse, to see a semi-truckload of mixed stock, cows, calves, and heifers go for, I believe it was, \$360.00.

Labor was also cheap. Most laborers would work from sun-till-sun, for a dollar a day and food. Fortunately for the farmer, gasoline could be had for 9¢ per gallon.

I don't think we youngsters knew there was a depression as far as clothing, food, and warmth was concerned. Sure, we realized there was a shortage of cash. Spending money was almost nonexistent. We boys trapped possums and skunks in the winter, and acquired a few bucks. And my dad was grateful to have any rocks in the fields picked up and placed where they could do some good as rippaging in the curves of ditches in the pastures. I have come to the conclusion that he got many more rocks out of the fields by giving us a very few coins per load.

I can also remember the men that walked from town to town seeking any kind of job. Most of these unfortunates were good people—just down on their luck. Many of them came into the house, offering to do any sort of work for food. Well, my folks never let a man go hungry, though I can't remember any man working for it.

Our place must have been marked - there were so many coming in, but then it slowed to almost none before we realized the black pup we kept, had grown up into a strapping dog of about 85 lb. Few people would walk into the yard unless some of us were seen. What they didn't know was that the dog only wanted to greet them, and lick their hands.

Things began to get better in the late 30s with the press for national defense, and the on-set of World War II. Prices for goods and labor began to rise sharply, and after a time, the great Depression was just a topic of conversation, although some of its victims were still hurting.



## Walterscheid, Dangelmayr exchange vows in Sacred Heart Church

The wedding of Dara Dawn (DeeDee) Walterscheid, daughter of Nick and Robynn Walterscheid of Muenster, and Glen Joseph Dangelmayr, son of Joe and Pam Dangelmayr of Muenster, was held in Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Feb. 15, 2003. Father John Ohner, OSA, pastor, celebrated the Nuptial Mass and officiated for the exchange of vows in the 7 p.m. double ring ceremony.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Muenster High School and received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Human Resource Management from the University of North Texas in December 2002. She is employed as an insurance coordinator for MMH Family Health Clinic in Muenster. She is the granddaughter of Wendell and Rita Richey and Louise Walterscheid of Muenster, the late Hank and Marie "Sis" Walterscheid, and the great-granddaughter of Eula Grace (Mimi) Cain, who was a special guest.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and a 2000 graduate of Texas State Technical College in Waco with a degree in Electrical Systems Technology. He is employed by Circuit Breaker Sales in Gainesville. He is the grandson of Herman Stoffels of Muenster and the late Alma Stoffels, and the

late Herman and Elfreda Dangelmayr.

Approaching the altar, mothers of the couple lit the side candles in preparation for the couple's Unity Candle. Also of special significance for the ceremony was the use during Mass of the gold chalice that belonged to the groom's great-uncle, Bishop, Most Rev. Augustine Dangelmayr, D.D., L.L.D.

Presented at the altar by her father, Nick Walterscheid, the bride was radiant in her elegant white satin gown featuring an overlay of illusion with re-embroidered lace adorned with seed pearls and iridescent sequins. It was designed with a fitted bodice, delicate satin spaghetti straps and an A-line skirt which flowed into a graceful cathedral length train, edged with satin and enhanced with re-embroidered lace appliques embellished with bridal jewels.

Her elbow-length layered illusion veil was attached to a dainty silver headpiece adorned with pearls and crystals. Rolled satin piping encircled the entire edge. She carried a trailing bouquet of bridal white sweet peas enhanced with satin and sheer white ribbon, designed by Sylvia Herr of Sylvia's Creations.

**ATTENDANTS**  
Alisha Walterscheid of Muenster, sister of the bride, was her maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Kelly

McCoy of Corinth and Debra Dangelmayr of Denton, both sisters of the groom; Robyn Sicking of Muenster, Kelly Felderhoff of Lubbock, Melinda Fanning of Denton, and Stephanie Bierschenk of College Station, all friends of the bride. They wore Michaelangelo apple red satin formal evening gowns with strapless embroidered and beaded scalloped bodices, and A-line skirts complete with matching wraps. Each carried a pewter tussy mussie filled with bridal white roses and sweet peas, which was accented with a miniature rose spray and white satin ribbon.

Flower girls were Samantha McCoy, niece of the groom, and Cassie Richey, cousin of the bride. They carried white satin baskets filled with flower petals. Bell ringers, Morgan and Madison Hesse, cousins of the bride, preceded the entrance of the bride and her father. All the girls were identically dressed in white full length satin dresses with beaded lace bodices and an overlay of illusion banded with satin at the hemline. They each wore a crystal tiara in their hair. Andrew Stoffels, groom's cousin, was ring bearer.

Adam Dangelmayr of Muenster, brother of the groom, stood with him as best man.

Groomsmen were Josh McCoy of Corinth, brother-in-law of the groom; Jody Felderhoff, Bart Sicking, Jonathan Knabe, and John Bartush, all friends of the groom from Muenster; and Shawn Dangelmayr of Muenster, groom's cousin. Honorary groomsmen were Stephen Bartush of Muenster, cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Chip White of San Marcos and Chisam Cain of Muenster, cousins of the bride, and Joel Schilling of Waco, groom's friend.

Altar servers were Mitchell Hesse of Muenster and Jacob Felderhoff of Gainesville, both cousins of the bride, and Levi Trubenbach of Muenster, groom's cousin.

Wedding music was presented by Ruth Felderhoff, pianist, Rose Ganzon, flutist, and vocalists Christy Hesse and Craig Richey, uncle of the bride. Prelude music included "The Greatest Gift"

and the "The Rose," "Canon in D" by Pachelbel and Clarke's "Trumpet Voluntary" were instrumental selections for the entrance of the bridal party. Vocal selections included "Father Make Us One" at the lighting of the Unity Candle, "Surely the Presence" as the

Bartush.

Church decorations included a pair of floor heart-shaped candelabra with lighted candles in the altar space and white floral arrangements accented with tulle and ivy. Marking center aisle pews were long drifts of white tulle with bridal white roses enhanced

crystal candelabras on the tables for the bridal party, parents, and grandparents. Guest tables were decorated with pearlescent English ivy garland intertwined with shimmer red sheer ribbon and strings of pearls, elegant frosted white hurricane candleholders and matching votives. Tall pillars decorated with tulle and white lights held graceful, flowing arrangements of sweet peas. An archway with lights and white, flowing tulle provided a beautiful background for the cake table.

The bride's wedding cake was an all white confection made up of nine tiers, each decorated with an elegant triple ruffle design on its side and edged with a shell motif. The main cake was made with three tiers which sat upon a lighted sparkling fountain. A smaller three-tier cake, a two-tier cake, and lastly a single-tier cake completed the display. Each cake was topped with bridal white roses and babies' breath. Flowers, candles, and crystal beads added an elegant touch to the table.

The two-tiered German chocolate groom's cake was frosted in chocolate butter cream frosting, decorated with a cornelia lace design and framed on the sides with chocolate leaves and swirls. The top layer held a standing monogram of the groom's initials sculpted in chocolate. Both cakes were made by Betty Rose Walterscheid.

Reception assistants were Charlotte Dangelmayr, Stacie Miller, Janet Bowman, Shelly Trubenbach, and Dana Miller. Cake servers were Emily Stoffels, Megan Hesse, Sara Richey, Tiffany Teafattler, Jordan Buddy, and Noel Barnhill.

A display table held the bridal portrait, photographs of the couple in both early and recent years, and wedding photographs of their parents and grandparents.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at the home of Chuck and June Bartush on the eve of the wedding day. A video was shown featuring the couple from their early years to the present.

Since returning from a wedding trip to San Francisco, California, the couple is residing in Muenster.



Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dangelmayr ... nee DeeDee Walterscheid

presentation song, "Wedding Song" and "Shine on Us" at Communion, and Schubert's "Ave Maria" as the couple prayed at the Blessed Virgin's altar. Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" was played for the recessional.

Scripture Readings selected by the couple were presented by Allison Teafattler, cousin of the bride, and Donna Walterscheid, cousin of the groom. Michael Gehrig, groom's cousin, led the Prayers of the Faithful.

Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Debbie White and Neil Walterscheid, godparents of the bride, and Bill and Charlotte Dangelmayr, godparents of the groom.

Eucharistic Ministers were Stephanie Felderhoff, Rita Walterscheid, Debbie and Clinton Endres, Chuck Bartush Jr., and Daniel

with English ivy.

Wedding Mass programs, created by the groom's sister, Debra Dangelmayr, were distributed by Karen Gehrig and Lauren Stoffels, cousins of the groom.

### RECEPTION

A reception, dinner, and dance followed in the Sacred Heart Community Center, hosted by parents of the couple for about 450 guests. Music for dinner and dancing was provided by Jeff Sandmann, cousin of the groom. Dinner was catered by Rohmer's Restaurant.

Tiffany Richey of Muenster and Mandy Felderhoff of Gainesville, bride's cousins, presided at the guest book.

The reception area was beautifully decorated by Charlotte Dangelmayr, Stacie Miller, Janet Bowman, and Shelley Trubenbach using silver lamé with icicle lighting and

## Adult Catholic education offered at Sacred Heart

If you are looking for an opportunity to grow in your knowledge of the Catholic faith during this Lenten season, you are encouraged to attend the video talks by Father John Corapi, on the Sacraments of the Catholic Church. The video series, which will continue to be shown on Sunday mornings between the Masses, is expanding to Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. during Lent. These tapes will cover the inspirational talks on Eucharist, Penance, and Marriage. Also, on Monday night, there will be time for questions and discussion concerning the topic after the video.

most sought after mission speaker and his talks are most enjoyable and very informative. He will give you a deeper appreciation of the sacraments and a greater understanding of the graces you receive through them.

The Sunday morning videos are held at 9:10-10:15, Sacred Heart High School, room 6. The Monday night videos are held at 7:00 p.m. (following novena), Sacred Heart High School, room 1. Please make plans to attend these sessions during this Lenten season, and grow in knowledge and love of Christ and His Church.

Father John Corapi is a

## Reunion

The biennial reunion of the Henry and Mary Fleitman family will be held in the Pavilion at Muenster City Park on Sunday, June 8. Family members are reminded to bring covered dishes for the noon meal along with drinks for their family. Also bring lawn chairs for comfortable seating.

## Love Fund Established

The Social Concerns Committee has established a Love Fund to benefit Kennedy Olivia Reed, the infant daughter of Jay and Leslie Reed. Contributions can be made at the Muenster State Bank, First National Bank Muenster Branch or GNB Muenster Branch.

## Story time set for March 22

On Saturday March 22, at 1:00 p.m., Debbie Sicking invites children of all ages to gather around as she creates a fantastic read-aloud experience. Reading aloud encourages reading alone. Join her for this monthly reading at the Lone Star Book Scouters in Gainesville. Call 940-612-0202 for more information.

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# World Day of Prayer observed March 6

Cooke County Church Women United sponsored The World Day of Prayer observance at the Booker T. Washington Center in Gainesville on Thursday, March 6. Newly appointed Parish Ecumenical Representatives, Mary Baxter from Sacred Heart Parish of Muenster, Becky Bezner from St. Peter's of Lindsay, and Kay King from St. Mary's of Gainesville presented the program. More than 50 members and friends enjoyed a delicious dinner before the service provided by First United Methodist Church of Gainesville. Mrs. Jane Richroath, president, conducted a very short business meeting prior to the worship service.

The Worship Service for this year's observance of World Day of Prayer was written by the Church Women of Lebanon, representing the Evangelical, the Catholic and Orthodox families of Christians. Featured in the program were the biblical scents of Myrrh and Frankincense, the sounds of Lebanese Music, scenes of

ancient and modern Lebanon, the flag and the "cedars of Lebanon".

Five Lebanese women portrayed by Laurel Neu, Catherine Bezner, Juanita Bengfort, Betty Rose Walterscheid, and Sharon Krebs asked for wisdom. "Holy Spirit Fill Us" was the theme of the worship service. Kim and Michelle Bradley and Juanita Bright presented Lebanese music and songs. Rev. Lorraine Ollie, pastor of Bethel A.M.E. Methodist Church gave the invocation and scripture readings.

Church Women United is an international ecumenical organization that unites Protestant, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and other Christians from 179 countries in prayer and prayerful action. The World Day of Prayer is one of three annual events sponsored by the Church Women United. The other two are May Friendship Day and World Community Day. Christian women of every denomination are cordially invited to participate. For more information call 759-4482.



Bob and Kenya Endres of Muenster announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mindy DeAnn Endres, to Mark Alan Tooley, son of Don and Linda Tooley of Callisburg. Miss Endres is a 1998 graduate of Muenster ISD and a 2002 graduate of North Central Texas College. She is an assistant manager with Gap. Mr. Tooley is a 1998 graduate of Callisburg ISD, a 2002 graduate of North Central Texas College and currently attends the University of North Texas. He is assistant store manager with Nike. The couple plans to wed at 6:30 p.m. May 17, 2003, at Custer City Baptist Church of Callisburg with Rev. Ronnie Conyers officiating.



World Day of Prayer committee, from left Becky Bezner, Kay King Juanita Bright and Mary Baxter.

## Meeting Notice

**MHRST Volunteer Services Council**  
The Volunteer Services Council of Mental Health Retardation Services of Texoma will hold its bi-annual meeting at 12:00 noon, Thursday, March 27, at the MHRST Administration Boardroom, 5001 Airport Drive, Denison.

Agenda items are: fundraising results and opportunities, appointment of budget committee, audit report for 2001-2002, fund categories changes, consideration of Volunteer Services State Council dues, and an educational presentation.

RSVP to Paula Cawthon, Community Relations

Director, for lunch reservations at 903-786-4804. All MHRST volunteers are urged to attend.

**Diabetes Support Group**  
There will be a meeting of the Diabetes Support Group on Tuesday, March 18 at 7 p.m. in the Culwell Conference Room of Gainesville Memorial Hospital. "Get a Grip" On hands and your diabetes will be the program presented by Joan Walterscheid, RN, CDE. Individuals with diabetes and family members are encouraged to attend this free program.

For more information call Joan Walterscheid at (940)759-2395.

## "Cruising on Route 66" featured at Morton Museum

The second program in the Morton Museum of Cooke County's Spring Series "Cruising on Route 66" will take place at noon on Monday, March 17 at the museum in Gainesville.

Route 66 brings to mind nostalgic images of a different era — tourist courts, unusual architecture, diners, cars, a television series, the "Mother Road". This program will examine the history and cultural importance of this fascinating road, which also provided the inspiration for a famous song and a television series in the 1960s. Patsy Wilson, head librarian at North Central Texas College, will present part of this program. Information on collectibles from Route 66 also will be provided. Outside the museum will be a special reminder of Route 66 courtesy of Jerry Meece. A door prize will be given. Refreshments (a recipe from

a Route 66 diner) will be served, and handouts will be provided.

Seating is limited. For members of the Cooke County Heritage Society, the cost to attend is \$3 and for non-members the cost is \$4. To reserve a seat or for more information, call the Museum at 940/668-8900.

Nursing Care Facilities of Cooke County are coming together to bring Cooke County its first Cooke County Senior Exposition as a community service event starting off "National Nursing Home Week" May 11-17. This will be held on Saturday, May 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the pavilion and surrounding park area beside Frank Buck Zoo.

All non-profit agencies are encouraged to participate with presentations and

## OHS WIC seeks part-time employees

Stay-at-home moms who would like to work a few hours a week may be eligible for a part-time position as a breastfeeding peer counselor for Outreach Health Services (OHS) Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program. To be considered for the position, applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and a telephone, must have successfully breastfed an infant, and must be a current or former WIC client. Other qualifications include an interest in and a desire to learn more about breastfeeding.

"Our breastfeeding peer counselors are trained to provide one-on-one counseling, instruction, and support to WIC clients before and after delivery," said Paula Livingston, Certified Lactation Consultant and breastfeeding coordinator for OHS WIC. "The peer counselors must work a

minimum of four hours a week; they generally work four to 10 hours weekly."

The benefits of breastfeeding to babies and mothers are many. Breastmilk provides all the nutrients that are necessary for an infant's growth, protects the baby from certain illnesses, and improves an infant's mental development. Breastfeeding mothers experience decreased postpartum bleeding and a natural weight loss. They also save money and enjoy the convenience of always having their baby's food available and at the right temperature.

Women interested in applying for a breastfeeding peer counselor position should call Livingston toll-free at (800) 200-7121. An Outreach Health Services WIC clinic is located at 800 E. California Street, Ste. 7 in Gainesville, phone 940-668-1292.

## Area Happenings

**Gospel Concert**  
There will be a gospel concert held at the Gainesville Civic Center in Gainesville on April 5. The concert will start at 7 p.m.

Headlining the event will be the nationally recognized "Florida Boys" from Pensacola, Florida, along with "The Toney Brothers" from Allen, Texas. The concert is designed to bring Gospel Music to the north Texas area which has been a stronghold for this type of music for many years.

For more information, call toll-free 1-888-390-1452.

**Water Saving Tip**  
Don't follow a fixed watering schedule. Water when the grass or plants show signs of needing it. Over watering is bad for plants and lawns. It promotes shallow root growth, making your lawn less hardy. To determine if your lawn needs to be watered, simply walk across the grass. If you leave footprints, it's time to water.

## County 4-H NEWS

The Lindsay 4-H Club met earlier this week. Recognition was given to those who participated in the County Fashion Show, The 4-H Livestock Show, and the Cooke County Youth Fair.

The Lindsay 4-H will participate in this year's Relay for Life, sponsoring a group.

An organizational meeting will be held on March 25. There will be a 4-H Project Fair on April 7. The entry deadline is April 3. Trash pick up day and "Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off" is April 5.

Submitted by Paul Jones

## New Arrivals

**Greer**  
Chad and Krystle Greer of Myra are proud to announce the birth of their first child. Chad Anthony Greer Jr. was born Monday, Feb. 24 at 9:10 a.m. at Wilson N. Jones Hospital in Sherman. He was 6 lb. 7 oz. and 19 inches long. Grandparents are Larry and Retha Sparkman of Myra, Johnny and Teresa Logue of Callisburg, and Tommy Greer of Gainesville. Great-grandparents are Sam and Inez Sparkman of Muenster, Melvin and Glenna Greer of Gainesville, Sam and Kaye Calabrese of Corinth, Barbara Zachary of Corinth, and Judy Logue of Callisburg.

**Britain**  
Justin Britain and Monica Moster of Forestburg announce the birth of a daughter, Athena Dawn Britain on Feb. 27, 2003 at 7:31 a.m., weighing 8 lb. 9 oz. and measuring 21 inches in length, in Gainesville Memorial Hospital. She joins a sister, Alexia Mae Britain, age 2. Grandparents are Alan and Norma Britain of Forestburg and Wayne and Debbie Moster of Era. Great-grandparents are Johnny and Jimmy Britain of Forestburg, Marcy Switzer of Muenster, Easter McKinney of Gainesville, and James and Billie Balthrop of Gainesville.



Gary Endres, Grand Knight of the Muenster Knights of Columbus, presents a check for \$1000 to Imelda Rohmer, secretary/treasurer of the Muenster Social Concerns Committee. Their donation to the committee, which helps those who through unpreventable circumstances find themselves in urgent need, is one way in which the Knights strive to carry out their commitment to "serve in all areas of Church and Social Involvement." Photo by Janie Hartman



On March 2, T.J. Acuna earned his Third Book Plaque at the AWANA Club at the First Baptist Church in Muenster. To earn this award, a clubber must memorize 285 verses, attend club 90 times and complete 12 activities on missions, patriotism, health and service. T.J. is pictured with the Pal and Pioneer director, Jared Ledbetter. Courtesy photo

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Lauren Sepanski and teacher Glenda Mitchell

## Sepanski heads for State geographic competition

Notification has come from National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C., that Lauren Sepanski, a seventh grade student at Sacred Heart School, has qualified to compete at the state level in the National Geographic Bee Competition. The state finals will be held at Pat May Center in Bedford, Texas, on April 4.

Sepanski won the local competition among grades 4-8, held in January. She was then required to take a written exam. It was her score on the exam that qualified her for the state bee, where she will be competing with 99 other finalists from the thousands of public, private, and parochial schools across the state of Texas. Lauren will

be accompanied to the state competition by her parents, Bob and Linda Sepanski.

One winner from each state and territory will advance to the national competition, which will be held May 20 and 21 at the National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C. Transportation and accommodations for the Washington, D.C., trip are provided for each state winner and a teacher-escort from the school that the winner attends.

The final round of the 2003 National Geographic Bee will feature Alex Trebek and air nationally on the National Geographic Channel on May 21, and afterward on public television stations.

## Annie tickets selling fast, show opens April 10

"We've sold an incredible volume of tickets already," said Katie Cox, who portrays Grace Farrell in *Annie*. "The show seems to be a hit already!"

Cox does not exaggerate; statistics paint a comparable picture. Already more than 20% of available tickets have been sold. "To have sold one fifth of the available tickets this early in the production schedule is awesome," said Travis Forshee, who works as Technical Director in addition to holding a role in the cast. "If you asked me today, I'd say we'll sell out before the curtain ever opens. Get your tickets fast."

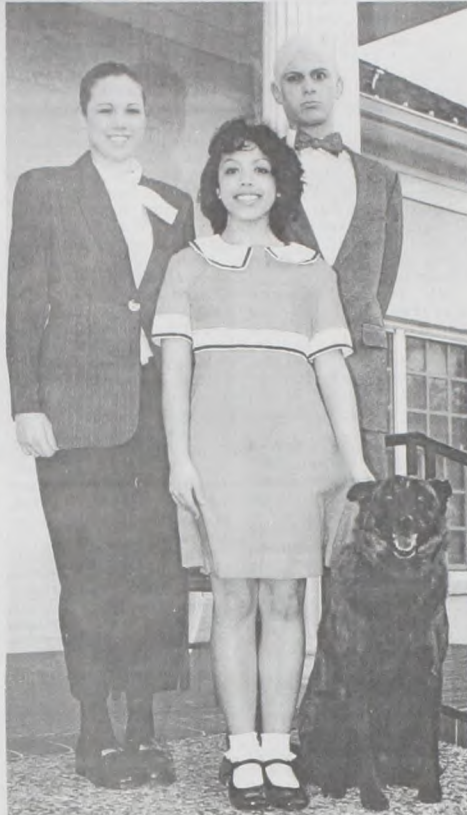
Forshee stresses a valid point. SH Musical Theatre Dept. productions have a history of attracting large audiences. In the first week of sales, ticket vendor Hansel & Gretel Haus sold more than 100 seats. Adding to sales, student groups from Muenster ISD

and Era ISD will attend *Annie*, as well as groups from area elementary schools.

Cox commented that student audiences are largely attributable to a massive marketing campaign launched earlier this year by the SH Musical Theatre Dept. The campaign targeted area schools with drama or music programs. "We mailed invitations, we made phone calls, and generally got people talking," says Cox. "Consequently, we now have a universal audience composed of both teens and adults."

Universal audience aside, *Annie* remains the region's next potential blockbuster. "This show has the potential to be greater than last year's *Oklahoma!*," says Forshee. In the midst of Broadway strikes, SH Musical Theatre's *Annie* may even sweep the next Tony Awards.

Submitted by Patrick Knapp



Annie, played by Andrea Bonin finds love and happiness at the Warbucks mansion. Patrick Knapp plays Daddy Warbucks and Katie Cox plays Grace Farrell, his secretary who finds Annie at the orphanage. Sandy, the dog, is played by Cassie LaChance.

## Angelic A'Cappella heads to New York and State Music

Monday, March 3, North Central Texas College hosted the District I 1A/2A Music Competition for the east region. Dr. Mike Linder, Music Department Chair at the college hosted the competition assisted by member of the Singers (the college chorus). Angelic A'Cappella ended the day with Division I ratings for each of their entries and Katie Cox, senior choir member, earned a Division I rating in vocal solo. The choir will travel to Hardin Simmons University in Abilene for the State Music Competition on March 21. Division I ratings are the top music ratings and earn

choir and soloists a bid for state competition. The judges for the event were invited by Dr. Mike Linder and were from the Dallas area.

Adding to the excitement of State Competition, the choir travels to New York City for their long-anticipated trip March 16-19. They will be touring and performing hosted by Junior Tours. The girls have been invited to sing at the Waldorf for High Tea on

Tuesday of their trip. Lou Wolf Hammond of Hammond & Associates will sponsor the event. Ms. Hammond is a Muenster native who owns a successful public relations firm in New York City. The ladies will also be performing at St. John the Divine Cathedral and Central Park. More highlights of the anticipated trip are a music workshop with a New York conductor, a Broadway show, Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island tours and a trip to the top of the Empire State Building. Forty-three people in all are traveling to the Big Apple.

The ladies earned the money for their trip by singing engagements, a fish fry, and a raffle and from generous donations from supporters and benefactors.

## Hellman wins poison control poster contest

Muenster ISD 3rd Graders recently participated in the Annual Poison Control Poster Contest sponsored by AmeriGroup Foundation and the Texas Poison Center Network. This is in conjunction with National Poison Prevention Week slated for March 16-22. The theme of this year's contest is "Children Act Fast... So Do Poisons". Each poster was judged on originality, design, neatness and Poison Emily Hellman, 3rd grader in Mrs. Amy Anderle's class, submitted the winning poster to represent Muenster ISD in the county and regional competition. State competition winners will be considered for the National Poison Prevention Week Poster for the year 2004.

Other students submitting entries were Chelsey Caldwell, Demi Koelzer, Nicole Pagel, and Stacy Youngblood. All are students in Mrs. Amy Anderle's 3rd grade class.

Each year thousands of children are accidentally poisoned. It is the responsibility of every adult to make sure that children are not exposed to potentially toxic substances. In an emergency, call the Texas Poison Center Network at 1-800-222-1222. This is a national number, and will connect you to the nearest Poison Center in your area. For information on how you can prevent accidental poisonings, consult the web site: WWW.POISONCONTROL.ORG



Poison Control Poster Contest winners are, from left, Nicole Pagel, Emily Hellman, Chelsey Caldwell, Demi Koelzer, and Stacy Youngblood. Back, teacher Amy Anderle.

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Keep the exterior of your business clean & beautiful. Don't pile rubbish in public view. Plant evergreen trees to create a screen to hide unsightly business yards. Maintain a beautiful landscape. Plant flowers in pots. Keep curbs clean and grass free. Since Muenster's strongest tourist attractions are of German theme, consider a face-lift to existing buildings adding a German façade. With your help Muenster could create more tourism jobs by being known as *the little German community in the north Texas hill country.*

**What can residents do?**

Keep your porches and yards clean and beautiful. Don't junk up the neighborhood. Keep grass off the curbs. Pick up litter when you see it.

**Report littering**

Fast food trash, cigarette butts and beer bottles - YUCK! Are you sick & tired of the trash on the highways? When you see someone litter from a vehicle report it. Report the date, time, location, vehicle make, license number and item littered to TX DOT. You can submit by mail, fax, voice or email. The litterer will then receive a letter and a Don't Mess With Texas litterbag in the mail. Submit the information to:

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# Lindsay ISD Honor Roll

## Fourth Six Weeks "A" HONOR ROLL

**12th Grade:** Alex Hellingner, Genevieve Knauf, Sara Luttmeyer, Elaine Hess, Renee Sandmann, Pat Zimmerman, Emmy Trammell.

**11th Grade:** Lori Kasperek, Lindsey Williams, Whitney Neu.

**10th Grade:** Rhea Williams, Rameez Anwar, Jessica Bezner, Travis Reiter, Cheryl Knabe, Ryan Dickerson, Joni Erwin.

**9th Grade:** Stephanie Metzler, Michelle Rauschuber, Malcom Martin, Kayla Dieter, Allison Hundt, Lynzee Loch, Clint Williams, Olivia Erwin, Mallory Block, Bradley Arend, Diane Knauf.

**8th Grade:** Sanaa Anwar, Julie Hanson, Levi Hermes, Amanda Hess, Kaileigh Hess, Autumn Murrill, Amy Nortman, Joe Otto, Chandni Patel, Jenny Schroeder, Laura Zimmerer, Rachel Zimmerer.

**7th Grade:** Ashley Caillier, Lauren Creed, Elizabeth Dieter, Hillary Hoelker, Dillon Ott, Jennifer Rauschuber, Kimberly Schumacher.

**6th Grade:** Nicholas Bezner, Rose Hermes, Kelly Laux, Elizabeth Martin, Nichole Metzler, Amber Nortman, Pooja Patel, Rhiannon Robinson, Natale Rose.

**5th Grade:** John Block, Ryan Haverkamp, Colton Hermes, Shirley Hess, Haley Hughes, Adam Krebs, Kristin Martin.

**4th Grade:** Todd Bezner, Jessica Block, Emily Conaway, Carolyn Dickerson, Austin Hermes, Kelsey Hermes, Christopher Klement, Allison Metzler, Katie Nortman, Madison Parkhill, Thomas Rohmer, Savannah Stoffels.

**3rd Grade:** Taylor Adkins, Drew Cooney, Amelia Haverkamp, Lauren Hicks, Caitlin Huston, Lucinda Krahl, Rane Morrison, Stephanie Zwinggi.

**2nd Grade:** Darryl Block, Travis Block, Kevin Conaway, Shannah Daymude, Cade Early, Terrell Grewing, Cassidy Gum, John Horsman, Dylan Hughes, Kristina Neu, Chisam Reiter, Neely Rose, Brianne Sandmann, Megan Schumacher, Emily Tamplin, Caylee Turner, Claire Williams.

**1st Grade:** Jalynd Anderle, Sara Clark, Dakota Ellender, Hannah Erwin, Briley Fleitman, Sha Garner, Lauren Gibbs, Madison Green, John Haverkamp, Matthew Huston, Maisson Hweidi, Macie Kindiger, Travis Krahl, Gus Martin, Dalton Metzler, Rebecca Reiter, Nicole Popp, John Price, Caleb Rains, Anna Rohmer, Sabrina Stoffels, Allison Timmis, Elizabeth Wallace, Elizabeth Zwinggi.

**"A-B" HONOR ROLL**  
**12th Grade:** Joey Arendt, Mitch Creed, Corrie Crosby, Dustin Dieter, Kyle Endres, Jami Hamilton, Kimberly

Hermes, Benjamin Hundt, Krystal Jankiewicz, Chelsea Laux, Josh Mabry, Jamie Price, Katie Schneider, Adam Schreiber, Alex Shauf, Hayley Stark, Jalynn Wilson, Stacie Yosten.

**11th Grade:** Sarah Camp, Katie Carpenter, Mary Eberhart, Daniel Fuhrmann, Sam Hellingner, Cody Hess, Kendyl Odell, Emily Walterscheid, Mitchell Ward, Amber Wolf.

**10th Grade:** Daniel Aberasturi, Kristen Alexander, Bradley Anderle, Cody Anderle, Brianne Beaudin, Allison Conaway, Lauren Connert, Whitney Galubenski, Jacob Geray, Nathan Hermes, Stephanie Hermes, Casey Hess, Dan Hughton, Daniel Kendal, Stevie Krueger, Josey Kyle, Trinity Otto, Kevin Patrick, Amy Polk, Kaylee Privett, Jared Schroeder, Kelsey Tucker, Haydn Vestal, Mackenzie Webster, Ryan Zimmerer.

**9th Grade:** Pat Bayer, Megan Benton, Kristopher Creed, Matthew Eberhart, Jacob Guiling, Leanna Gustine, Dustin Hughes, Elizabeth Klement, Melissa Rice, Erin Wyrick.

**8th Grade:** Brittany Anderle, Jillian Bezner, Sabrina Bezner, Travis Endres, Josh Jones, Kelly Mitchell, Dustin Neu, Elizabeth Neu, Heather Odell, Karissa Reiter, Brian Sandmann.

**7th Grade:** Krystal Arend, Mary Bayer, Garrett Block, Joey Block, Madisen Burrows, Rhea-Claire Galubenski, Jordan Heilman, Chelsea Hermes, Keith Hermes, Shelby Hess, Taylor Horn, Michelle Husman, Neil Jones, Jaden Perry, Clayton Starnes, Sarah Stoffels, Morgan Webster.

**6th Grade:** Kyle Bezner, Kelsey Hawkins, Ashley Hess, Kayla Hess, Kristen Hoberer, Derek Hundt, Beverly Knabe, Matthew McPherson, Kendall Neu, Sam Sparkman, Michael Stamos, Jon Michael Sweeney.

**5th Grade:** Cody Brown, Dianne Brown, Alex Cooney, Dax Fleitman, Dillon Hanson, Hayley Haverkamp, Josh Hess, Ryan Kendall, Greg Luttmeyer, Katie Neu, Austin Reiter, Conner Skinner.

**4th Grade:** Dakota Butler, Kelly Cross, Kailyn Gum, Vanessa Hess, Geren Horn, Jonathan Husman, Malek Hweidi, Troy Kirby, Greg Knauf, Allie Martin, Macy Perry, Jason Schumacher, Kristen Stamos, Josh Timmins, Amelia Wyrick.

**3rd Grade:** Kaitlyn Arendt, Megan Caillier, Caroline Dieter, Dean Fleitman, Jordan Fleitman, Ali Fogle, Connor Fuhrmann, Amber Hess, Taylor Krebs, Matt Reed, Taylor Stringfellow, AJ Summerlin.

**2nd Grade:** Christopher Bell, Matthew Brown, Hannah Burt, Rachel Fuhrmann, Ben Redder, Nicholas Rose, Rose Wyrick.

**1st Grade:** Colton Bell, Sera Burt, Ashlyn Lee, Maverick Morrison, Conner Polk, Matthew Redder.

## Lunch menus

**WEEK OF MAR. 17 - 21**  
 No lunches served due to Spring Break at Sacred Heart, Muenster ISD, Lindsay ISD, Era ISD.

## Lion's summer camp applications available

It's time to start planning for summer camp. The Lions Club announced that applications are now available for the Texas Lions Camp for children ages 7-17 with physical disabilities (including hearing and vision impairments), and for children ages 8-15 who have diabetes.

The Texas Lions Camp (a non-profit organization funded by Lions Clubs and private donations) is dedicated to serving children from the state of Texas who have special medical needs. This outstanding summer camp provides an atmosphere for campers to participate in new activities and succeed in their efforts at no cost to themselves or their families.

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course, gym, weight room, amphitheater, cabins and much more. Medical personnel are on duty 24 hours a day to assist children who need medication or other special medical attention.

If you know of someone who may be interested in attending the Texas Lions Camp, please contact the Gainesville Lions Club Camp Liaison, Hank Richroath at 665-6126, or the Texas Lions Camp at (830)-896-8500.

The Lions Club encourages everyone to support the efforts of all community service groups; the success of the philanthropic efforts of these organizations is largely due to the help and support of the community at large.

Written by Martha McCoil



Colton Morris, left, Muenster pre-school student, his sister RaeAnn and Mother Alethea Morris check through Colton's classwork. MISD hosted an open house Tuesday to help celebrate Janie Hariman photo



Muenster's TMSCA state qualifiers

## Muenster Junior High students advance to state TMSCA meet

Twenty-three students from Muenster Independent School District will advance to the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association State Championship meet on April 3, 4, and 5. The students qualified in number sense, math, calculator or science by virtue of a pre-determined score, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or third place ranking, or by being a member of a first or second place team.

6<sup>th</sup> grade students who

qualified are Josh Sicking, Jeff Schneider - Science; Jenni Luke - Calculator; Madchen Mosley - Number Sense; Jared Flusche - Number Sense and Science; John Rohmer - Calculator, Math, Science; Brandon Bindel - Number Sense, Math, Science; Noel Barnhill - Number Sense, Calculator, Math, and Science.

7<sup>th</sup> grade students are Laura Heers, Alison Teafattler - Number Sense and Math; Hillary Swirczynski - Calculator; Garrett Hennigan - Science; Alison Miller - Number Sense, Calculator, and Science; Christina Eckart - Number Sense, Calculator, Math, Science.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade students are Kyle Caldwell, Michael Valliere, Megan Felderhoff, Bret Walterscheid - Science; Jessica Walterscheid - Calculator; Zach Swirczynski - Number Sense, Science; Brad Endres - Number Sense, Math, Science; Krystal Wolf - Number Sense, Calculator, Science; Collin Walterscheid - Calculator, Math, Science.

"These students have had their curriculum enriched in these disciplines all year because of extra study for academic competition," noted sponsor Jerry Eckart. Other sponsors giving their time after school include Dalana Chism, Becky Scott, and Molly Sicking.

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# Sports

## Muenster, Lindsay teams win Lindsay invitational track meet

The Muenster Lady Hornets and the Lindsay Knights took the meet championships in Thursday's re-scheduled Lindsay Invitational Track and Field Meet. The Lady Hornets and Pilot Point boys finished in second place.

In the varsity girls division, Muenster scored 166 points for first place, followed by Lindsay with 112, then Sanger 99, and Era 59. Fifth place went to Windthorst with 57 points, then Pilot Point 53, Liberty Christian 39, and Sacred Heart 24.

The Knights earned 146 points for the championship, with Pilot Point getting 118. The Sacred Heart Tigers finished in third place with 100 1/2 points. Sanger was fourth with 88, followed by Liberty Christian 50, Muenster 37, Saint Jo 30, Era 16, and Collinsville 7 1/2 points.

Division I varsity girls local results were as follows:

**Shot Put:** 1, Roberson, S. 36' 8"; 3, Katie Carpenter, L. 31'; 5, Whitney Neu, L. 28' 8"; 6, Heidi Hess, L. 27' 4".

**4x100m Relay:** 1, Windthorst, 53.42; 2, Lindsay, Alex Hellinger, Alex Shauf, Joni Erwin, Katie Schneider, 54.02; 3, Muenster, Robyn Hermes, Megan Lippe, Alisha Walterscheid, Kallie Gerstberger, 54.44.

**800m:** 1, JoAnna Felderhoff, M. 2:33.81; 5, Jessica Bezner, L. 2:40.71.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M. 16.22; 2, Brooke Endres, M. 17.12; 4, Katie Schneider, L. 18.27.

**100m:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M. 13.27; 3, Kate Sepanski, SH. 13.52.

**4x200m Relay:** 1, Era, 1:53.52; 2, Muenster, Robyn Hermes, Megan Lippe, Alisha Walterscheid, Stevie Klement, 1:54.22; 3, Lindsay, Emerald Otto, Mallory Block, Joni Erwin, Katie Schneider, 1:59.32.

**400m:** 1, McCarty, S. 58.63; 2, Kate Sepanski, SH. 1:03.19; 3, Alex Shauf, L. 1:04.70.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Vickers, PP. 49.62; 2, Jacé Koelzer, M. 50.51; 3, Allison Hundt, L. 52.19; 4, Brooke Endres, M. 52.29; 5, Lisa Felderhoff, M. 52.91.

**200m:** 1, McCarty, S. 25.57; 3, Sarah Whittecot, SH. 28.72; Megan Lippe, M. 28.79; 6, Cheryl Knabe, L. 29.55.

**1600m:** 1, Skelton, E. 5:50.38; 2, Kallie Gerstberger, M. 5:56.61; 5, Diana Knabe, SH. 6:07.39.

**4x400m Relay:** 1, Muenster, Stevie Klement, JoAnna Felderhoff, Alisha Walterscheid, Brooke Endres, 4:19.83; 2, Lindsay, Alex Shauf, Allison Hundt, Jessica Bezner, Joni Erwin, 4:23.87.

**3200m:** 1, Skelton, E. 12:33.74; 3, Kallie Gerstberger, M. 13:03.96; Diana Knabe, SH. 13:14.30; 6, Jami Gerstberger, M. 13:27.47.

**Discus:** 1, Schroeder, W. 96' 9"; 2, Amber Wolf, L. 96'; 3, Laura Hellman, L. 93' 3"; 4, Elaine Hess, L. 93'.

**High Jump:** 1, JoAnna Felderhoff, M. 4' 10"; 2, Cheryl Knabe, L. 4' 8"; 4, Alisha Walterscheid, M. 4'; 6, Emerald Otto, L. 4'.

**Long Jump:** 1, McCarty, S. 17' 10"; 2, Jacé Koelzer, M. 15' 6"; 6, Robyn Hermes, M. 14' 9".

**Triple Jump:** 1, McCarty, S. 37' 9 1/2"; 2, Brooke Endres, M. 33' 7"; 3, Katie Schneider, L. 33' 1 1/2"; 5, Lisa Felderhoff, M. 31' 11"; 6, Alex Hellinger, L. 31' 8".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Vickers, PP. 10'; 2, Brooke Endres, M. 6' 6"; 3, Jami Gerstberger, M. 6' 6"; 4, Stephanie Hermes, L. 4' 6"; 5, Kristen Alexander, L. 4'.

Division III varsity boys results follow:

**3200m:** 1, Grimes, LC. 10:56.21; 4, Mitch Creed, L. 11:05.17.

**4x100 Relay:** 1, Lindsay, Bradley Anderle, Trinity Otto, Keith Dieter, Rhett Rimmer, 44.50; 2, Sacred Heart, Jon Krahl, Michael Voth, Aaron Krahl, Tom Whitecotton, 45.19.

**800m:** 1, Sam Hellinger, L. 2:08.27; 3, Mitchell Ward, L. 2:11.83; 5, Sean Fuhrmann, M. 2:15.59.

**110m Hurdles:** 1, Reed, PP. 15.75; 2, Clint Fuhrmann, SH. 16.02; 3, Bradley Anderle, L. 16.96.

**100m:** 1, Rhett Rimmer, L. 11.01; 2, Johnny Krahl, SH. 11.51; 6, Keith Dieter, L. 11.82.

**4x200m Relay:** 1, Sacred Heart, Johnny Krahl, Paul Bartush, Chris Hoedebeck, Thomas Whitecotton, 1:36.85; 2, Muenster, Daniel Russell, Cody Cory, Clint Miller, Tyler Walterscheid, 1:41.36.

**400m:** 1, McDaniel, PP. 52.69; 2, Andy Davis, SH. 55.54.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Paramore, LC. 41.88; 2, Matt Brennan, L. 43.03; 5, Chuck Hinds, L. 45.07.

**200m:** 1, Trinity Otto, L. 23.37; 5, Tyler Walterscheid, M. 24.9.

**1600m:** 1, Mitch Creed, L. 5:00.04; 2, Daniel Bartush, SH. 5:06.46; 3, Mitchell Ward, L. 5:07.81.

**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, Matt Brennan, Sam Hellinger, Trinity Otto, Rhett Rimmer, 3:30.82; 2, Sacred Heart, Kevin Walterscheid, Clint Fuhrmann, Aaron Krahl, Michael Voth, 3:36.36; 3, Muenster, Daniel Russell, Sean Fuhrmann, Clint Miller, Tyler Walterscheid, 3:49.47.

**Shot Put:** 1, Watson, PP. 46' 5 1/2"; 5, Garrett Jones, L. 39' 11 1/2".

**Discus:** 1, Stone, Saint Jo. 135' 6"; 6, Kevin Walterscheid, SH. 116' 2".

**High Jump:** 1, Reed, PP. 5' 10"; 2, Rhett Rimmer, L. 5' 8"; 4, Trinity Otto, L. 5' 8".

**Long Jump:** 1, Castillo, PP. 19' 6"; 3, Paul Bartush, SH. 18' 11 1/2"; 6, Ryan Dickerson, L. 18' 3 1/2".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L. 42' 9"; 2, Ryan Dickerson, L. 40' 0"; 6, Clint Miller, M. 37' 4".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Pursor, S. 9'; 2, Kevin Walterscheid, SH. 9'; 4, Cody Cory, M. 8'; 5, Chris Fuhrmann, SH. 8'.

The junior varsity boys, Division II, was won by Windthorst with 181 points. Lindsay finished second with 130 and Muenster third with 96 points. Era, Saint Jo, Prairie Valley, Sacred Heart, and Sanger followed.

Local individual results were:

**3200m:** 4, Chris Steelman, M. 11:42; 5, Jared Schroeder, L. 11:59.88; 6, Kristopher Creed, L. 12:01.51.

**4x100m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, Garrett Alfrey, Clint Williams, Derick Murray, Adam Kasperek, 47.93.

**800m:** 3, Nathan Privett, M. 2:27.91; 5, Josey Kyle, L. 2:30.40; 6, Keith Walterscheid, M. 2:31.53.

**110m Hurdles:** 2, Malcom Martin, L. 18.74; 3, Keith Walterscheid, M. 19.31; 5, Travis Hess, SH. 19.54.

**100m:** 2, Matthew Yosten, M. 12.36; 3, Jordan Walterscheid, M. 12.49; 4, Jacob Geray, L. 12.91; 5, Rameez Anwar, L. 13.54; 6, Brian Howard, L. 13.60.

**4x200m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, Garrett Alfrey, Clint Williams,

Derick Murray, Brandon Huckaby, 1:42.79; 2, Muenster, Jordan Walterscheid, Keaton Haverkamp, Matt Yosten, Nathan Privett, 1:45.97.

**400m:** 3, Derek Endres, M. 1:00.83; 6, Jacob Geray, L. 1:03.62.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Brandon Huckaby, L. 47.22; 2, Keith Walterscheid, M. 47.71; 3, Malcom Martin, L. 48.24; 5, Dustin Hughes, L. 50.91.

**200m:** 2, Matthew Yosten, M. 25.72; 3, Derek Endres, M. 25.83.

**1600m:** 1, Mitch Creed, L. 5:19.43; 5, Chris Steelman, M. 5:30.23; 6, Jared Schroeder, L. 5:32.84.

**4x400m Relay:** 1, Muenster, Keaton Haverkamp, Nathan Privett, Jordan Walterscheid, Derek Endres, 3:55.56; 3, Lindsay, Garrett Alfrey, Clint Williams, Derick Murray, Brandon Huckaby, 3:57.44.

**Shot Put:** 3, Matthew Yosten, M. 36' 6"; 4, Scott Neu, L. 36' 1/2"; 6, Gary Anderle, L. 35' 1".

**Discus:** 4, Adam Kasperek, L. 100' 6"; 5, Justin Wolf, M. 94' 10".

**High Jump:** 2, Brandon Huckaby, L. 5' 6".

**Long Jump:** 6, Derek Endres, M. 16' 11".

**Triple Jump:** 2, Travis Hess, SH. 36' 5"; 5, Derek Endres, M. 32' 9"; 6, Derick Murray, L. 32' 7".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Dustin Hughes, L. 8'.

**TEAM CODES:** M - Muenster, SH - Sacred Heart; L - Lindsay; SJ - Saint Jo; W - Windthorst; PP - Pilot Point; S - Sanger; E - Era; LC - Liberty Christian.



Lady Hornets - all-district, from left, Alisha Walterscheid, Melinda Walterscheid, Lisa Felderhoff, Brooke Endres, JoAnna Felderhoff, Megan Lippe. Janie Hartman photo



Hornets - all-district, from left, Tyler Walterscheid, Russel Endres, Sean Fuhrmann, Cody Cory, Mitch Felderhoff. Janie Hartman photo



Tigers - all-district, from left, Clint Fuhrmann, Jack Biffle, Marty Farrell, Jared Zimmerer, Chris Fuhrmann. Janie Hartman photo



Tigerettes - all-district, from left, Jacqueline Bauer, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Jayna Biffle, Courtney Hartman, Mary Jane Callahan, Stephanie Henscheid, Raney Bauer, Whitney Wimmer, Karen Gehrig, Maggie Farrell, Not pictured, Jana Truebenbach. Janie Hartman photo

### 17-A All-District Girls Basketball

**Most Valuable Player**  
Diana Howard - Era

**Offensive Player of Year**  
Shea Skelton - Era

**Defensive Player of Year**  
Jordan Skelton - Era

**Sixth Player Award**  
Alisha Walterscheid - Muenster

**Newcomer of Year**  
Lori Kasperek - Lindsay

**Coach of Year**  
Jerry Skelton - Era

**First Team**  
Brooke Endres, Muenster  
JoAnna Felderhoff, Muenster

Lisa Felderhoff, Muenster  
Elaine Hess, Lindsay  
Katie Schneider, Lindsay

**Second Team**  
Melinda Walterscheid, Muenster

Emmy Trammell, Lindsay  
Emelia Endres, Era  
Kari Reeves, Collinsville  
Chanse Worthington-Collinsville

Brandy McDade, Slidell  
Destiny Sauls, Slidell  
**Honorable Mention**  
Megan Lippe, Muenster

**Academic All-District**  
Muenster-Megan Lippe, Melinda Walterscheid; Lindsay - Alex Hellinger, Elaine Hess, Emmy Trammell, Lori Kasperek, Whitney Neu, Lindsey Williams, Cheryl Knabe, Mallory Block

### 17-A All District Boys Basketball

**Most Valuable Player**  
Mitch Creed, Lindsay

**Offensive Player of Year**  
Cody Melton, Collinsville

**Defensive Player of Year**  
Cody Cory, Muenster

**Newcomer of the Year**  
Cory Green, Era

**Sixth Man Award**  
Sean Busse, Slidell

**Coach of the Year**  
Shane Allison, Collinsville

**First Team**  
Russell Endres, Muenster  
Rhett Rimmer, Lindsay  
Michael Underwood, Era  
Brian Shotwell, Collinsville

Preston Patterson, Collinsville  
Bodie Cole, Slidell

**Second Team**  
Tyler Walterscheid, Muenster

Mitch Felderhoff, Muenster  
Trinity Otto, Lindsay  
Andy Crenshaw, Era  
Justin Patterson, Collinsville

Ryan Peck, Collinsville  
**Honorable Mention**  
Sean Fuhrmann, Muenster  
Chuck Hinds, Lindsay  
Ben Hundt, Lindsay  
Bradley Anderle, Lindsay

### TAPPS District 4 All-District Girls Basketball

**Co-Most Valuable Players**  
Jayna Biffle and Raney Bauer, Sacred Heart

**First Team**  
Raney Bauer, Sacred Heart  
Jayna Biffle, Sacred Heart  
Karen Gehrig, Sacred Heart  
Jana Truebenbach, Sacred Heart

**Second Team**  
Marquis Ellis, Tyler Street  
Emily Delph, Covenant  
Susan Villagan, Tyler Street  
Mary Sawcyn, Highlands  
Danielle Aviles, Covenant

**Second Team**  
Mary Jane Callahan, Sacred Heart  
Jennifer Hoedebeck, Sacred Heart  
Courtney Hartman, Sacred Heart

Angela Brabon, Covenant  
Rachel Lamar, Covenant  
Alicia Jones, Tyler Street  
Shannon O'Shea, Highlands  
Sonja Jackson, Tyler Street  
Shakira Wells, Lighthouse

**Honorable Mention**  
Sacred Heart-Maggie Farrell, Jacqueline Bauer, Stephanie Henscheid, Whitney Wimmer

### TAPPS District 4 All-District Boys Basketball

**First Team**  
Marty Farrell, Sacred Heart  
Jack Biffle, Sacred Heart  
Ernesto Hernandez, Covenant

Matt Daniels, Lighthouse  
Tony Hernandez, Covenant  
Jonathan Dedrick, Covenant  
Sean Evan, Highlands  
Frank Owens, Tyler Street  
Shawn Roberts, Tyler Street

**Second Team**  
Chris Fuhrmann, Sacred Heart  
Clint Fuhrmann, Sacred Heart

Others not available  
**Honorable Mention**  
Jared Zimmerer

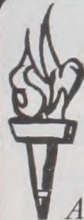
### GAME WARDEN NOTES

Big (Illegal) Kill - Clay County Game Wardens began an investigation recently after they found out that someone had illegally killed a buck deer. The investigation uncovered several photographs of other buck deer, one scoring 165 Boone and Crockett points. The investigation continues.

## Muenster Hornet Relays Saturday, March 15

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2:00 pm

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running prelims  
final races



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# Lindsay teams win JH meet

Lindsay hosted a junior high track meet last Friday, rescheduled from the previous week's weather-cancelled meet.

Seven schools participated in four divisions, all won by Lindsay. The 7th grade girls division was won by Lindsay with 192 points. Valley View followed with 140, then Sacred Heart with 71, and Muenster with 68 points. Saint Jo, Era, and Collinsville filled out the teams.

Lindsay also won the 7th grade boys division, totaling 154 points. Sacred Heart finished 2nd with 91, followed by Valley View 82, Muenster, 75, and Collinsville, Saint Jo, and Era.

The 8th grade Lady Squires ran up 238 points to dominate their division races, followed by Valley View 82, Muenster 51, Saint Jo, Collinsville, Sacred Heart 39, and Era.

The 8th grade Lindsay boys earned 165 points for the meet championship. Muenster followed with 109, then Collinsville, Saint Jo, Era, Sacred Heart 39, and Valley View.

Results for Lindsay, Muenster, and Sacred competitors were:

**7TH GRADE GIRLS**  
**2400m:** 1, Hermes, L, 9:41.35; 2, Creed, L, 10:21.17; 5, Heers, M, 10:55.23; 6, Hale, M, 11:23.94.  
**4x100m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 58.22; 3, Sacred Heart, 59.91.  
**100m Hurdles:** 1, Burrows, L, 19.30; 3, Sepanski, SH, 22.56; 4, Horn, L, 22.63; 5, Watson, M, 22.95.  
**100m:** 1, Krahl, SH, 14.09; 3, Teafattler, M, 15.35; 5, Pollard, SH, 16.20.  
**4x200m Relay:** 2, Lindsay, 2.08.94.  
**400m:** 1, Heers, M, 1:12.78; 2, Burrows, L, 1:13.62; 4, Swirczynski, M, 1:18.30; 5, Walterscheid, M, 1:18.37.  
**300m Hurdles:** 1, Creed, L, 0:59.86; 5, Sepanski, SH, 1:06.70; 6,

12' 9"; 5, Teafattler, M, 12'.  
**Triple Jump:** 1, C. Hermes, L, 29' 7"; 2, J. Hermes, L, 27' 3"; 3, Burrows, L, 27' 1 1/2"; 5, Heers, M, 25' 10"; 6, Watson, M, 23' 9".  
**Pole Vault:** 1, Hermes, L, 4'.  
**7TH GRADE BOYS**  
**2400m:** 1, Steelman, M, 9:07.20; 2, Sweeney, SH, 9:31.89; 3, Ward, L, 9:33.96; 4, Martin, L, 9:51.95.  
**4x100m Relay:** 1, Sacred Heart, 56.92.  
**800m:** 2, Steelman, M, 2:41.50; 3, Ward, L, 2:48.17; 5, Starnes, L, 2:52.23.  
**110m Hurdles:** 1, Richey, SH, 21.41; 3, Jones, L, 23.37; 4, Block, L, 23.66.  
**100m:** 4, Hennigan, SH, 14.49; 5, Flusche, SH, 14.67.  
**4x200m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 2.09.20.  
**400m:** 1, Hermes, L, 1:02.79; 2, Fuhrmann, M, 1:08.74; 3, Flusche, SH, 1:08.87; 6, Walterscheid, M, 1:18.08.  
**300m Hurdles:** 1, Block, L, 54.16; 2, Jones, L, 1:00.06; 3, Block, L, 1:09.89; 4, LaChance, SH, 1:14.07.  
**200m:** 4, Flusche, SH, 30.51; 5, Fuhrmann, M, 30.63; 6, Hennigan, M, 31.84.  
**1600m:** 2, Sweeney, SH, 6:23.80; 6, Grewing, M, 6:50.12.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:27.34; 2, Sacred Heart, 4:50.73; 3, Muenster, 5:07.73.  
**Shot Put:** 3, Gilliland, M, 24' 7 1/2"; 4, Knabe, SH, 24' 1/2".  
**Discus:** 4, Hartman, SH, 61'.  
**High Jump:** 1, J. Block, L, 4' 8"; 4, G. Block, L, 4' 4"; 5, Jones, L, 4' 4".  
**Long Jump:** 1, Hermes, L, 16' 7"; 3, Mendez, L, 14'; 5, Hennigan, M, 12' 8"; 6, Yosten, SH, 12' 7 1/2".  
**Triple Jump:** 1, Hermes, L, 30' 10"; 2, Fuhrmann, M, 29'; 3, Walterscheid, M, 23' 8".  
**Pole Vault:** 1, Hennigan, M, 5' 6".

**8TH GRADE GIRLS**  
**2400m:** 1, Zimmerer, L, 10:44.99; 3, Felderhoff, M, 10:46.59; 4, Schroeder, L, 10:50.33; 5, Zimmerer, L, 10:53.26.  
**4x100m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 54.68; 2, Sacred Heart, 59.87.  
**800m:** 1, Copeland, L, 2:47.48; 2, Hess, L, 2:49.08.  
**100m Hurdles:** 1, Fuhrmann, M, 19.29; 2, Murrill, L, 19.83; 4, Neu, L, 20.78; 5, Miller, SH, 21.43.  
**100m:** 2, Nortman, L, 14.49; 5, Bewley, M, 15.00; 6, Bezner, L, 15.14.  
**4x200m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 2:03.69.  
**400m:** 3, Hess, L, 1:13.10; 4, Montgomery, L, 1:13.32; 5, Felderhoff, M, 1:13.49.  
**300m Hurdles:** 1, Anderle, L, 52.05; 2, Fuhrmann, M, 1:01.18.  
**200m:** 2, Torrellini, SH, 30.13; 3, Neu, L, 30.69; 4, Krawietz, SH, 30.77; 5, Bewley, M, 31.57; 6, Neu, L, 31.60.  
**1600m:** 1, R. Zimmerer, L, 6:50.12; 2, L. Zimmerer, L, 6:51.11; 3, Hess, L, 6:51.61; 5, Felderhoff, M, 7:00.25; 6, Miller, SH, 7:01.46.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:45.84; 2, Muenster, 5:19.80.  
**Shot Put:** 1, Neu, L, 24' 7"; 2, Odell, L, 24' 5 3/4"; 4, Bezner, L, 23' 10".  
**Discus:** 4, Neu, L, 59' 0"; 5, Odell, L, 58' 4".  
**High Jump:** 2, Hess, L, 4' 2".  
**Long Jump:** 1, Anderle, L, 15' 8 1/2"; 2, Murrill, L, 28' 8 1/2"; 3, Reiter, L, 27' 7"; 4, Felderhoff, M, 26' 4".  
**8TH GRADE BOYS**  
**2400m:** 1, Flusche, SH, 9:38.39; 3, McAden, M, 9:58.49; 4, Conaway, L, 10:04.18; 5, Wyrick, L, 10:38.17.  
**4x100m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 49.91.  
**800m:** 1, T. Endres, L, 2:27.11; 2, B. Endres, M, 2:32.42; 4, Hennigan, SH, 2:44.99; 5, Harrison, M, 2:52.06.  
**110m Hurdles:** 3, Shannon, L, 20:53.6; Walterscheid, M, 23.22.  
**100m:** 2, Rouswell, M, 12.46; 4, Neu, L, 13.35; 6, Grissom, L, 13.69.  
**Shot Put:** 1, Cole, M, 33' 1/3"; 2, Otto, L, 32' 2"; 5, Dieter, L, 29' 11".  
**Discus:** 2, Otto, L, 93' 11"; 5, Bartush, SH, 84' 11"; 6, Dieter, L, 83' 0".  
**High Jump:** 3, Rouswell, M, 4' 6"; 4, Sandmann, L, 4' 6"; 6, Otto, SH, 4' 4".  
**Long Jump:** 3, Jones, L, 17' 1"; 4, Endres, L, 15' 10"; 6, Rouswell, M, 15' 1 1/2".  
**Triple Jump:** 1, Endres, L, 34' 1 1/2"; 2, Jones, L, 34' 3/4"; 4, Walterscheid, M, 32' 10 1/2"; 5, Shannon, L, 31' 11 3/4"; 6, Endres, M, 29' 7".  
**Pole Vault:** 1, Neu, L, 7' 6"; 2, Swirczynski, M, 6' 6".  
**4x200m Relay:** 1, Muenster, 1:52.48; 2, Lindsay, 1:52.86.  
**400m:** 2, Swirczynski, M, 1:02.90; 3, Hermes, L, 1:03.57; 5,

1:03.57; 5, Harrison, M, 1:09.68.  
**300m Hurdles:** 2, Callier, L, 51.51; 4, Walterscheid, M, 55.10.  
**200m:** 1, Jones, L, 25.71; 6, Sandmann, L, 28.72.  
**1600m:** 1, Hennigan, SH, 6:08.49; 2, Flusche, SH, 6:09.84; 3, Conaway, L, 6:12.78; 4, McAden, M, 6:18.02; 5, Otto, L, 6:33.69.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:12.26; 2, Muenster, 4:20.21.

Harrison, M, 1:09.68.  
**300m Hurdles:** 2, Callier, L, 51.51; 4, Walterscheid, M, 55.10.  
**200m:** 1, Jones, L, 25.71; 6, Sandmann, L, 28.72.  
**1600m:** 1, Hennigan, SH, 6:08.49; 2, Flusche, SH, 6:09.84; 3, Conaway, L, 6:12.78; 4, McAden, M, 6:18.02; 5, Otto, L, 6:33.69.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:12.26; 2, Muenster, 4:20.21.

# Antonetti's niece excels in sports and academics

Brittany Lynn Kuykendall is the great-niece of Dr. Alfredo and Angela Antonetti of Muenster and the daughter of Bob and Lourdes Kuykendall of Dallas. She is a Senior at J.J. Pearce High School in Dallas and recently signed a National Letter of Intent to play soccer at Baylor University beginning Fall 2003.

Brittany has been playing soccer for 11 years, since the second grade. She is a Senior Captain on her High School team, a starting Forward/Midfield Varsity player since her Freshman year, and a 4-year Letter Winner. She has been named to the All District team every year and last year was named to the All Tournament Team for the Plano Tournament of Champions. Currently, she leads her team in assists, with 17 on record.

Besides playing on her High School team, Brittany plays club soccer for the Andromeda '85 team, where she has been a member for seven years, a captain and a starting Forward/Midfield.

One of the biggest honors of her soccer career is to have been selected to the North Texas Olympic Development State Team for the last four consecutive years.

While juggling to play on three teams, she manages to maintain an "A" average in school, is a member of the



Brittany Lynn Kuykendall

National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Young Life, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and has participated in her school theatre productions.

Brittany has always played soccer with great intensity, aggressiveness, and passion. As her new coach at Baylor has said, "She is a player you hate to play against, but are glad she is on your team."

She is greatly enjoying her senior year and will certainly miss all her friends next year. However, she looks forward to attending Baylor in the Fall, where she plans to major in Broadcast Journalism and someday become a news anchor.

submitted by Angela Antonetti



Kelly Endres

# Kelly Endres 5th in State

Kelly Endres competed in the Knights of Columbus Diocesan Free Throw Competition this spring. She won 1st place in her age level in Muenster, District level in Lindsay, and Regional level held in Fort Worth where she completed 20 out of 25 free throws. She completed her free throw competition by earning 5th place at the State level held at St. Edwards University in Austin. She competed against 14 other girls and completed 17 out of 25 free throws to earn 5th place. This is Kelly's second trip to State, where she previously won 2nd place in 2001.



The Muenster CCYC team, coached by Ted Heers and Danny Endres, recently won first place in the 6th grade division in Gainesville. Pictured are, from left, front, Kristen LeBrasseur, Lia Heers, Erin Endres, Sam Endres, Sam Wimmer; back row, Shaina Felderhoff Jackie Klement, Amanda Dangelmayr, Brandy Dangelmayr, DaLana Rohmer and Coach Heers.

Courtesy photo



Joe Otto - discus, and Maddison Burrows - long jump, Lindsay Junior High Dave Fette Photo



Grewing, M, 1:08.33.  
**200m:** 1, Krahl, SH, 29.60; 2, Neu, L, 29.83; 3, Felderhoff, SH, 32.34; 4, Wimmer, SH, 32.34; 6, Bartlett, L, 33.05.  
**1600m:** 1, Hermes, L, 6:22.51; 3, Heers, M, 6:52.40; 6, Hale, M, 7:16.15.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:53.07; 3, Muenster, 5:25.91.  
**Shot Put:** 2, Felderhoff, SH, 21' 3"; 4, Hoelker, L, 20' 10"; 5, Krahl, SH, 20' 9".  
**Discus:** 1, Swirczynski, M, 52' 6 1/2"; 3, Eckart, M, 50' 9".  
**High Jump:** 1, Hermes, L, 4' 6".  
**Long Jump:** 1, Krahl, SH, 12' 10"; 2, Burrows, L, 12' 9"; 3, Neu, L,



Kim Patel leads the 100m heat - Muenster Junior High Dave Fette Photo

Harrison, M, 1:09.68.  
**300m Hurdles:** 2, Callier, L, 51.51; 4, Walterscheid, M, 55.10.  
**200m:** 1, Jones, L, 25.71; 6, Sandmann, L, 28.72.  
**1600m:** 1, Hennigan, SH, 6:08.49; 2, Flusche, SH, 6:09.84; 3, Conaway, L, 6:12.78; 4, McAden, M, 6:18.02; 5, Otto, L, 6:33.69.  
**4x400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 4:12.26; 2, Muenster, 4:20.21.



Joe Hesse - 800m run, Sacred Heart Junior High Dave Fette photo



Jesse Roswell leads 100m heat - Muenster Junior High Dave Fette Photo

## GAME WARDEN NOTES

Triple Tragedy -- Wood County Game Wardens assisted the Wood County Sheriff's Office after a multiple drowning. A 6-year-old had slid into a small farm pond and an 11-year-old went in to retrieve her, then an 82-year-old went in to retrieve the other two. All three bodies were recovered.

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# County Youth Fair

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Syndicate, \$300. Reserve Champion, Stephanie Schumacher, Era 4-H, Team Bonner, \$250.

**METAL SHOP, Grand Champion,** Zack Kupper, Valley View FFA, Flusche Enterprises and Valley View Friends, \$500. Reserve Champion, Justin Snider, Valley View FFA, Valley View Friends, \$250.

**WOOD SHOP, Grand Champion,** Sam Shasteen, Callisburg FFA, Joe Walter Lumber Co., \$550.

**FOOD DIVISION, Grand Champion,** Jessica Pagel, Muenster FCCLA, Muenster Livestock, \$600. Reserve Champion, Amy Nortman, Lindsay FCCLA, James Wood Autoplex, \$400.

**CLOTHING, Grand Champion,** Victoria Blessing, Red River 4-H, Stock Show Syndicate, \$400. Reserve Champion, Jonathon Zimmerer, Lindsay 4-H, Lindsay Youth Supporters, \$325.

**CREATIVE ARTS, Grand Champion,** Victoria Purdy, Red River 4-H, Martindale Feed Mill, \$350. Reserve Champion, Marlee Bell, Valley View FFA, Martindale Feed Mill, \$350.

Equine results were not available. Local participants included Michelle Pagel and Joseph Dangelmayr of Muenster FFA.

**BREEDING POULTRY: Jr. Showmanship,** Ashlee Taylor, Callisburg FFA; **Sr. Showmanship,** Kevin Lutkenhaus, Lindsay Sr. FFA. **Grand Champion Breeding,** Jeff West, Woodbine 4-H. **Reserve Champion,** Kenny Scoggin, Valley View FFA. **Others,** Paul Jones, L 4-H; Erin Wyrick, L 4-H; Ben Wyrick, L 4-H; Amelia Wyrick, L 4-H.

**POULTRY MARKET: Others,** Paul Jones, L 4-H.

**DAIRY: Grand Champion,** Crystal Fuhrmann, M FFA; **Reserve Champion,** Kacee Stobaugh, Valley View 4-H; **Sr. Showmanship,** Crystal Fuhrmann, Muenster FFA. **Others,** Abe Fuhrmann, M 4-H; Amber Fuhrmann, M 4-H; Amelia Wyrick, L 4-H;

Ben Wyrick, L 4-H; Erin Wyrick, L 4-H; John Wyrick, L 4-H; Cletus Fuhrmann, M 4-H.

**BREEDING SHEEP: Grand Champion,** Josey Kyle, L 4-H; **Reserve Champion,** Kevin Neu, L 4-H. **Others,** Clinton Kyle, L 4-H.

**MARKET SHEEP: Jr. Showmanship,** Rebecca Okay, VV 4-H. **Sr. Showmanship,** Kimberly Kuykendall, VV FFA. **Others,** Chad Henscheid, M 4-H; Ryan Henscheid, M 4-H; Josey Kyle, L 4-H; Colton Hermes, L 4-H; Levi Hermes, L 4-H; Cody Hess, L FFA; Clinton Kyle, L FFA.

**BEEF HEIFER: Grand Champion,** Kayley Bell, VV 4-H. **Reserve Champion,** Sunni Jo Bayer, M 4-H. **Others,** Arlie Bayer, M 4-H; Jeff Walterscheid, M 4-H; Kevin Lutkenhaus, L 4-H; Jessica Bartel, M 4-H.

**MARKET STEER: Jr. Showmanship,** Kayley Bell, VV 4-H; **Sr. Showmanship,** Matthew Anderson, C FFA. **Others,** Jeff Walterscheid, M 4-H; Chase Cain, M FFA; Tanner Henry, L 4-H; Nathan Sicking, M 4-H; Arlie Bayer, M 4-H; Mitch Felderhoff, M FFA; Dustin Felderhoff, M 4-H.

**COUNTY BREED PEN OF 3: Champion,** Paul Bayer, Muenster.

**BREEDING GOATS: Grand Champion,** J.T. Thomas, C FFA; **Reserve Champion,** Brandy Dangelmayr, M 4-H. **Others,** Chris Steelman, M FFA.

**DAIRY GOATS: Grand Champion,** Katherine Parkhill, Mustang 4-H. **Reserve Champion,** Katherine Parkhill, Mustang 4-H.

**MEAT GOATS: Others,** Deann Dangelmayr, M 4-H; Kendra Walterscheid, M 4-H; Megan Dangelmayr, M 4-H; Brandy Dangelmayr, M 4-H; Patrick Lutkenhaus, M FFA; Travis Felderhoff, M FFA; Chris Steelman, M FFA; Jacy Steelman, M 4-H; Colton Steelman, M 4-H; Ryan Fuhrmann, M FFA; Diana Felderhoff, M FFA; Ryan Hennigan, M FFA; Dustin Reed, L 4-H.

**BREEDING RABBITS:** N/A (Not available).

**MARKET RABBITS:** Others, N/A.

**MARKET SWINE:** Others, N/A.

**BREEDING SWINE: Grand Champion,** Kevin Kuykendall, VV FFA. **Reserve,** Madison Perkins, E FFA. **Others,** Casey McAden, M FFA; Bonnie Freeman, M FFA; Mark Fleitman, M 4-H; Danny Kendall, L FFA.

**METAL SHOP: Others,** Dustin Dieter, L FFA; Patrick Zimmerer, L FFA; Chelsea Perry, L FFA; Genevieve Knauft, L FFA; Kimberly Hermes, L FFA; Mitch Creed, L FFA; Ben Wyrick, L FFA; Tanner Henry, L FFA.

**VISUAL ARTS: Others,** Chelsea Laux, L 4-H; Diana Felderhoff, M; Travis Forshee, SH; Ryan Fuhrmann, M; Jessica Pagel, M.

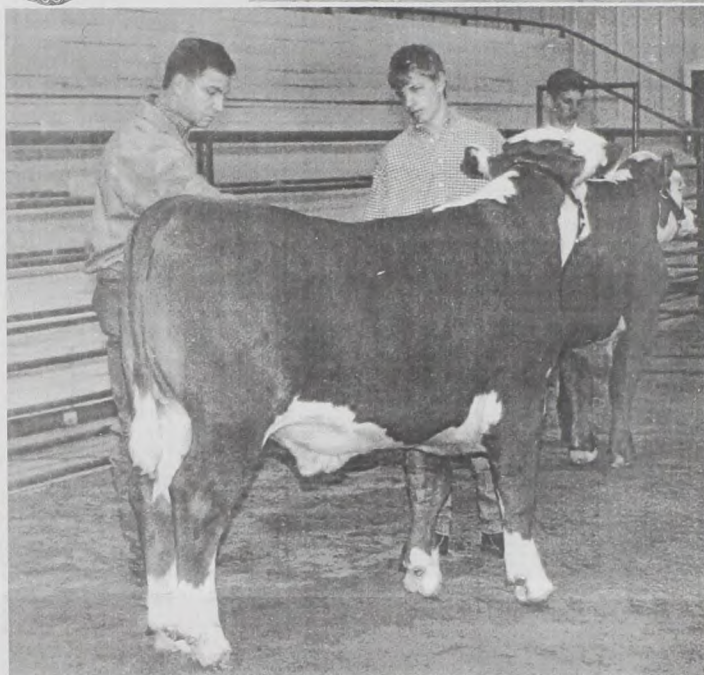
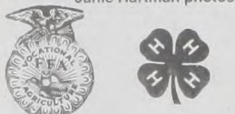
**CLOTHING: Others,** Jonathon Zimmerer, L 4-H; Brittani Eaves, M; Jack Biffle, SH; Benjamin Zimmerer, L 4-H.

**CREATIVE ARTS: Others placing in top 3,** Muenster, Tara Swirczynski, Jessica Pagel, Kristen Hess, Diana Felderhoff, Jami Gerstberger, Michael Andres, Megan Grewing, Cletus Fuhrmann, Clint Miller. **Sacred Heart,** Whitney Wimmer, Emily Jaroma. **Lindsay,** Karissa Reiter, Kelly Laux, Kendyl Odell, Tanner Henry, Heather Odell, Ryan Kendall, Randi Reed.

**FOOD: Others placing in top 3,** Sacred Heart, Diana Knabe, Jacqueline Flusche, Michael Bayer, Tony Mosler, Mary J. Callahan, Haley Rogers, Kevin Walterscheid, Brittney White, Debra Yosten, Jack Biffle, Courtney Hartman. **Muenster,** Cletus Fuhrmann, Ryan Hennigan, Melinda Walterscheid, Kevin Gann, Megan Dangelmayr. **Lindsay,** Caitlin Huston, Jonathan Zimmerer, Jenny Schroeder, Randi Reed, Kelly Laux, Chelsea Laux, Kendyl Odell, Paul Jones, Liz Neu, Jarred Zimmerer, Kevin Lutkenhaus, Mary Bayer.



Above, Jeff Walterscheid, Sunni Bayer and Arlie Bayer wait on the judge to pick the class winner. At right, Jessica Bartel attempts to keep her calf Lacy calm during judging. Below, The judge checks over Chase Cain's steer at the Cooke County Youth Fair last Thursday afternoon. Janie Hartman photos



Don Henson of Goldthwaite judges the lightweight class of Black-OPB market swine. Participants in this class included: Mitchell McGillvrey, William Burnett, Andrew Martin, Jon Biggs, Buster McRae and Bryce Lever. Dakota King from Valley View was first in the class. Dave Fette photo



Kelly Martin of Chico judges class 5 meat goats concentrating on Deann Dangelmayr's animal during last week's Youth Fair. Dave Fette photo

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School property taxes — imposed by 1,035 independent school districts and representing 60 percent of total property taxes — grew by 13 percent to reach more than \$15 billion in 2001. Local school taxable values (after exemptions) increased 11 percent to reach \$943 billion. City property taxes increased 10 percent, to total almost \$3.9 billion. Total city taxable property values for 1,027 cities increased slightly above 10 percent to reach \$691 billion. County property taxes exceeded \$3.5 billion in 2001 for more than an 11 percent increase from 2000. Looking at county general fund tax rates, county taxable values increased almost 11 percent to reach \$1 trillion. The levy of 1,288 special districts rose by 13 percent to total more than \$2.7 billion on \$2 trillion in taxable values. Special districts' boundaries may overlap with other special districts and may extend into more than one county. Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Request for Bids Janitorial Service Contract Solicitation Muenster Public Library, once per week. Summary of Work: Dust, Clean/Disinfect restrooms and foyer, replenish paper/soap supplies, clean/vacuum all floors.

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# Farm & Ranch

## Veneman says the President's job and growth plan will save farm families \$4 billion in 2003

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman today discussed the importance of President Bush's jobs and economic growth plan to America's farmers and ranchers. Veneman said the President's plan would save farm families \$4 billion in taxes for 2003 and urged the Congress to act quickly on its passage.

"The President's proposal would provide \$4 billion in tax savings this year for farm families throughout the country," said Veneman. "Strengthening this nation's economy by creating jobs, encouraging consumer spending and promoting savings and investment is a top priority for the President."

Quick passage of his plan will give an important economic boost to America's farmers and ranchers. \$4 Billion in Savings for Farm Families in 2003: Veneman outlined aspects of the President's jobs and economic growth plan and its benefits to America's farm sector during a briefing with farm reporters from USDA's radio broadcast studios, where she was joined by Keith Collins, the Department's Chief Economist.

Key measures of the President's plan that would help farm and ranch families include:

- \* Save farm families about \$2.3 billion in 2003 by accelerating tax relief due to take effect in 2004 and 2006 retroactive to Jan. 1, 2003.

- \* Save one-third of all farmers, including over half of all farmers over

- 65, an average of \$1,600 each by ending taxation on dividend payments that

already have been taxed at the corporate level. This would save approximately \$1.3 billion for farm families in 2003.

- \* Ease the total tax burden for farmers and ranchers by ending the marriage penalty in 2003 instead of 2009, as currently scheduled. About one-half of all tax returns filed by farm households are by sole proprietors who are married, file jointly and use the standard deduction.

- \* Reduce income and self-employment taxes farm families pay by over \$750 million by increasing small business expensing to cover 90 percent of all investment in farm machinery and equipment. Ninety-seven percent of all farmers who purchase machinery will be able to deduct their entire investment, simplifying the record keeping for depreciation of capital purchases.

- \* Increase the Alternative Minimum Tax exemption - which impacts more farmers than other taxpayers - by up to \$8,000.

The President's plan would also aid farm and ranch families by accelerating reductions in marginal tax rates, increasing the child tax credit, boosting off-farm employment in the rural sector, and increasing demand for U.S. agricultural exports by growing both the American and international economies. A complete fact sheet on the benefits of the President's plan, prepared by USDA's Office of the Chief Economist, is available at [www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov). \$327 Million for Economic

Investment in Rural Communities: Secretary Veneman also announced that USDA is making \$327 million in loans and grants available to rural communities to help in that regard.

Specifically these resources will be used to strengthen distance learning and telemedicine (DLT) programs that serve rural America.

"This Administration continues to examine ways to strengthen economic development and investment in America's rural communities," said Veneman.

"These resources will provide important economic and infrastructure funding that will enhance the quality of life and provide more economic opportunities for families living in rural communities."

Telemedicine technology makes it possible for doctors to examine and direct the treatment of patients without being physically present. The distance learning program finances equipment to expand educational resources to students and educational institutions in isolated rural areas.

Information on the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program for 2003 is available at <http://www.usda.gov/rus/tel/ecom/dlt/dlt.htm>. Included at this site are grant and loan application guides, deadlines for application, and the Federal Register Notice. Loan and loan-grant combination applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis.

## County Agent's Report

Wayne Becker CEA - AG/NR

In the county corn planting has been delayed by wet conditions and colder than normal soil conditions. However, there is plenty of time to get the crop in and having good subsoil moisture will certainly be a plus.

Stripe rust recently has been reported in wheat fields in south and central Texas. With a probable wet winter and spring in store due to the prevailing climatic condition known as el nino, stripe rust could become a serious problem this year, according to Joseph P. Krausz, plant pathologist, of the Texas Cooperative Extension. During favorable weather for this disease, stripe rust can rapidly damage leaf

area with the potential to significantly reduce yields on test weights. The presence of stripe rust in south and central Texas indicates that inoculum is present. If current cool, damp weather conditions prevail, the disease will likely spread north into central and north Texas, as was the case in 2001 and 2002.

Mild, humid winters, cool springs and abundant humidity favor stripe rust development. Stripe rust development is hindered with increasing temperatures, therefore it is not usually prevalent in Texas. Optimum conditions for stripe rust are reduced when night temperatures exceed about 65 degrees.



Wayne Becker

Unfortunately, because of budget cuts the TDA has cancelled the Town Hall meetings with Susan Combs scheduled for March. Because of Gov. Perry's request for a 7% budget cut of all state agencies TDA put a freeze on travel, major capital expenditures, salaries and new hires.

"I still want to hear from producers and rural community leaders, so they are welcome to e-mail me at [commissioner@agr.state.tx.us](mailto:commissioner@agr.state.tx.us) or they can call TDA at 1-800-TELL-TDA," Combs said.

Significant upcoming dates include:

- 3/17 - 4-H livestock judging team meeting, Court House 7pm

- 3/20 - Male Cat Neuter Special, in recognition of Spay Day USA 2003 - (940) 566-5551

- 3/22 - Indoor open youth horse show, Collin County Youth Park 9am

- 4/01 - Deadline for NCTC "friends of agriculture" scholarship

- 4/26 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection for Cooke, Grayson, and Fannin counties, site to be determined

For additional information call the Extension Office at (940) 668-5412.

## News from Austin

Texas Farm Bureau

### Protection from the Condemnation of Water Rights

**House Bill 1532**, filed by State Representative Robby Cook (D) of Eagle Lake, would increase the requirements a governmental entity must meet to condemn water rights. The current law requires a condemnation petition to describe the property being condemned, the public purpose for which the land will be used, the name of the property owner, and that the condemning entity and the land owner are unable to agree on the damages.

The bill would add several requirements a governmental entity must meet for a court to approve the condemnation. First, the petitioning entity must show that they have created a drought contingency plan. Next, it must show that a water conservation plan has been developed and implemented. Further, the petitioning entity must show that they have pursued feasible and practicable alternative water supplies. Finally, they must show that they made a good faith effort to acquire the rights to the water being condemned by voluntary purchase or lease.

Representative Cook's legislation promotes the free market system for the purchase of water rights. Additionally, it forces entities with the power of eminent domain to consider other alternatives before using condemnation authority.

Accordingly, Texas Farm Bureau supports the passage of HB 1532.

### Legislation To Tax Land Owned By A Municipality

State Representative Robby Cook (D) of Eagle Lake filed **HB 1533** allowing a taxing unit to tax certain land owned by a municipality. Currently, land that is owned by the state or a political subdivision of the state is exempt from taxation if the land is used for public purposes.

Representative Cook's bill would allow a taxing unit to tax property owned by a municipality, if the land is located outside of the municipality. Under the proposed legislation the decision of whether to impose a tax on the land is at the discretion of the taxing unit.

Texas Farm Bureau supports passage of HB 1533.

### Animal Health Commission User Fees

Senator Kim Brimer (R) of Fort Worth has introduced **SB 849**, which would authorize the Texas Animal Health Commission to charge user fees for their inspections. The Animal Health Commission is responsible for inspecting every head of livestock marketed in Texas, for conducting tests for certain diseases, and other livestock health related duties. This legislation has been introduced in response to proposed reductions in state funding for the Commission.

Texas Farm Bureau policy is opposed to user fees being accessed to finance the Animal Health Commission. Our policy states that services which serve primarily a public benefit, should be provided at public cost. Only those services which primarily benefit the individual or business should be subject to a user fee.

## Ag Briefs

Total U.S. red meat consumption in 2002 totaled 47.5 billion pounds, an increase of 3% from 2001.

Source: USDA/ERS

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If you have not received a report form, please call 1-888-4AG-STAT and one will be sent to you. If you have not returned your form, please do so today!

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## Off farm source of most household income

Farm operators contributed the bulk, 68 percent, of household earnings from off-farm sources.

Spouses contributed 29 percent of earnings from off-farm sources, with the remaining 3 percent attributed to other household members. Half of the operators' off-farm earnings were earned as wages and salaries, while 70 percent of the spouses' off-farm earnings were earned as wages and salaries.

Contributions of

household members to off-farm income vary across the farm typology. Operators of commercial farms (large and very large family farms) contributed 56 percent of their households' off-farm income. Only 22 percent of this off-farm income was earned as wages and salaries, while better than 50 percent was classified as unearned income (income from farmland rental, interest and dividends, Social Security and other public programs).

Operators of rural residence farms (limited-resources, retirement, and residential/lifestyle family farms) contributed 71 percent of their households' off-farm income. About 65 percent of the off-farm income of the operators of residential/lifestyle farms

was earned as wages and salaries, while about 77 percent of the off-farm income of the operators of retirement farms was realized from interest and dividends and Social Security and other public programs.

Source: USDA/ERS

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Feeder Steers (per lb.)	Stocker Cows (per head)	Ewes
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 1.05-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.05; 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 1.00-1.16; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.00; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 94-1.07; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-94; 500-600 lbs., No. 1, 87-95; Nos. 2 & 3, 77-87; 600-700 lbs., No. 1, 76-88; Nos. 2 & 3, 65-76; 700-800 lbs., No. 1, 73-77; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-73.	Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - Large Frame, \$425-\$700; Medium Frame, \$275-\$575; 100-116; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-100; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 94-1.07; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-94; 500-600 lbs., No. 1, 87-95; Nos. 2 & 3, 77-87; 600-700 lbs., No. 1, 76-88; Nos. 2 & 3, 65-76; 700-800 lbs., No. 1, 73-77; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-73.	Stocker, 30-60; Thin, 30-40; Fat, 40-60.
Feeder Heifers (per lb.)	Barrows & Gilts:	Bucks:
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 95-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95; 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 80-95; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 73-77; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-73.	US #1, 230-270, 32-34; US #2, 220-280, 28-32.	Thin, 30-45; Fat, 30-45.
Feeder Steers (per lb.)	Feeder Heifers (per head):	Lambs:
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 95-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95; 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 80-95; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 73-77; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-73.	100-175 lbs., \$30-\$50; 25-90 lbs., \$25-\$35.	\$15-\$40; Ewes, \$30-\$60; Bucks, \$50-\$150.
Feeder Heifers (per lb.)	Sows:	Goats (per head):
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 95-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95; 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 80-95; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 73-77; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-73.	Feeder, 400 or less, 12-18; Light wt., 400-500, 15-20; Med. wt., 500-600, 18-22; Heavy wt., 600-up, 18-22.	Kids: 20-35 lbs., \$25-\$40; 35-55 lbs., \$30-\$55; 55-75 lbs., \$50-\$70; Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$70-\$95.
Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)	Boars:	Nannies (per head):
Grade 1-2, 1.200-2.050 lbs., 46-57; Slaughter Cows #1-3, 38-45; Cutter, 19-38.	300 lb. up, 02, 200-300 lbs., 06-10; Light wt., 10-15.	Stocker, \$50-\$125; Milk Type, \$20-\$40; Slaughter, Thin, \$20-\$40; Fat, \$40-\$60.
Sheep (per lb.)	Boer Goats (per head):	Boer Goats (per head):
Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs., 95-105; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 85-95; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., 40-85.	1/2 Billy, NT, 3/4 Billy, NT; Full Billy, \$65-\$270.	1/2 Billy, NT, 3/4 Billy, NT; Full Billy, \$65-\$270.

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