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Lindsay wins UIL State Academic Meet



Lindsay High School brought home the 2003 UIL Academic State Championship trophy, along with three team first places and a championship One Act Play trophy. Janie Hartman photo



The Lindsay High School One Act Play *The Voice of the Prairie*, earned the State Championship at the UIL Academic Meet. The play will be presented one last time, to the public, on Monday, May 19, at the State Theater in Gainesville. Janie Hartman photo

Lindsay High School has won the UIL Academic State Championship. The team earned 135 1/2 points at the State meet, held May 2 and 3 in Austin, to beat out Plains who had 84 points, Muenster who had 61, and San Isidro who had 55.

To earn the title, the school won team championships in One-Act Play, Literary Criticism, Current Events, and Speech - as well as second place teams in Number Sense and Spelling. Several LHS students placed individually, also.

The One-Act Play, entitled *The Voice of the Prairie*, was named State Champion on Saturday night. In addition, Mary Frances Eberhart was chosen as the outstanding actress of the contest for her role as Frankie, a blind girl who runs away from home. Also for Lindsay, Mitchell Ward and Jacob Geray were recognized as members of the All-Star Cast.

The group was chosen as winners from among the

eight schools that had qualified for the State meet. Schools advance through Zone, District, Area, and Region contests to make it to the State competition.

Other members of the cast and crew of the play include Whitney Neu, Lindsey Williams, Kaylee Privett, Haydn Vestal, Ryan Zimmerer, Jonathan Hall, Amy Polk, Leanna Gustine, Stephanie Metzler, Sarah Camp, Daniel Aberasturi, Joey Arendt, Genevieve Knauf, Ben Hundt, Ryan Dickerson, and Laura Hellman.

In other contests, the school took home a championship in Literary Criticism on the strength of three individual placings: Jacob Geray, 3rd; Leanna Gustine, 4th; and Ryan Zimmerer, 5th. The fourth team member is Lindsey Williams.

The Current Events team of Jacob Geray, Garrett Jones, Joey Arendt, and Scott Neu took home the gold medal, as well. Geray also placed 5th in the individual competition.

Sophomores Jessica

Bezner and Garrett Jones were finalists in speech events. Bezner finished 2nd in Persuasive Speaking, while Jones was 4th in Informative Speaking. In overall speech contests, LHS students earned enough points to tie for the team award. Other speech contestants for the school were Kelsey Tucker, Ryan Zimmerer, and Bradley Anderle.

The school's Spelling team of Alex Hellinger, Pat Zimmerer, Liz Klement, and Rhea Williams finished 2nd, as did the Number Sense team of Rameez Anwar, Malcom Martin, Lori Kasperek, and Travis Reiter.

Alex Hellinger also brought home 4th in the Ready Writing event, and Sara Luttmr finished 6th in the Computer Applications contest.

The sweepstakes win is Lindsay's eighth State title. The school has eight firsts and four seconds in the last 12 years. They have also won 13 consecutive Regional titles.

Awards bestowed on Sacred Heart seniors

This year's Sacred Heart Senior Night Awards Banquet was held at the Dutchman Restaurant on Monday, May 5. Seniors were recognized for their achievements.

It was announced that Valdictorian this year is Michael Voth, and the Salutatorian is Joseph Davis. "Congratulations to them on four years of outstanding academic achievements," said Dr. Murdock.

Each year the faculty selects a boy and girl who most clearly represent the ideals of the Sacred Heart School. This year Miss Sacred Heart School is Jennifer Hoedebeck and Mr. Sacred Heart School is Michael Voth.

Class award winners were: Religion IV - Joseph Davis and Katie Cox; English IV - Michael Voth, Oliver McElroy, and most improved in English IV is Jack Biffle; Civics - Joseph Cox; Calculus - Therakul Pulpanyawong; World History - Michael Voth; Physics - Oliver McElroy; Chemistry - Jennifer Hoedebeck; computer Programming - Michael Voth; Musical Theatre - Patrick Knapp; Family & Consumer Science I - Jack Biffle; Family & Consumer Science II - Mary Jane Callahan; Psychology - Michelle Bayer; Advanced

Biology - Jon Krahl; Inspirational Art - Lilly Nasche; Journalism - Michael Voth and Mary Jane Callahan. Password: Senior Champs - Mary Jane Callahan and Jana Truebenbach; School Champ's - Patrick Knapp

and there are some

is clear that the investment in a Sacred Heart education pay off with big rewards.

This senior class received more than \$575,000 in scholarship offers this year. Two-thirds of the class received scholarship offers and there are some



Mr. and Miss Sacred Heart High School Michael Voth and Jennifer Hoedebeck. Dave Fette photo

and Joseph Davis; St Cecilia Award - Katie Cox.

Principal Jack Murdock remarked, "Our students are reaping the rewards of all of the hard work they have invested during this school year. The number and variety of awards and recognition that our seniors have earned is amazing. It

scholarships yet to be awarded. Information on scholarships will be published in a future publication.

Jana Truebenbach welcomed seniors and their guests. Mary Jane Callahan led the opening prayer. Jonathan Krahl closed the evening with a prayer.



Kallie Gerstberger finished 3rd at the Texas Track and Field Meet in the 1600m run. See page 9 for State Meet results. Dora Erwin photo



Lindsay Knights track members proudly show off some of the trophies won this past season, which was topped by two State Championship Relays and a 2nd place team finish. See page 9 for meet results. Janie Hartman photo

Lindsay school board savors victories

by Dave Fette
Lindsay Principal Jerry Metzler included the good news that everyone had already heard in his report to the School Board Monday night. Lindsay High School's UIL Academic Team placed first in State competition along with a first place for the One Act Play. And the boys track team finished second overall at State-level competition in Austin. Metzler also noted the following calendar highlights: National Honor Society installation, May 13; Junior High Awards assembly, May 16 at 2 p.m.; High School Awards banquet, May 16 at 6:30 p.m.; Elementary Awards assemblies, May 19 (K-3rd grade at 1:30 p.m. and 4-6 grades at 2:30 p.m.). The State First Place One Act Play will be presented at the State Theater in Gainesville on Monday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. Metzler also gave a review of the final test schedule.

Superintendent Travis Winn followed with his report:

- Sondra Lanier of Region 11 Education Service Center reports the Chapter 41 partnership with Carroll ISD residual payment for 2002-03 through May is \$42,255.00.

- Natural gas line testing by OnCor will soon happen for school gas lines.

- Total residual payments to Lindsay ISD under Chapter 41 since 1997 total approximately \$470,000.00 according to ESC Region 11.

- The Chapter 41 repayment to Texas Education Agency (TEA) of \$652,000.00 made in August 2002 and questioned at the last regular board meeting was for "Robin Hood" overpayments made in the 2001-02 school year.

- The Chapter 41 repayment for overpayments in the current school year are required by TEA to be made in one lump payment in August of this year.

Other School Board agenda items receiving discussion and/or action included:
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Lindsay announces runoff

A tie between Virginia (Jenny) Dennis and David Spaeth will result in a runoff election on Saturday, June 7. Both are seeking a seat on the Lindsay City Council. Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. on June 7. Voting will take place at City Hall, 608 Ash Street.

Those who wish to vote early may do so at City Hall from Monday, May 19 through Tuesday, June 3 during regular business hours, 9 a.m. to noon and 2-4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays.

Security devices recommended to make Courthouse safer

By Janet Felderhoff

Cooke County residents visiting the local Courthouse will soon be even more secure. Several years ago a Courthouse Security Committee was formed to study security in the Courthouse and make recommendations for improvement. Many of the Committee's suggestions were implemented. At the May 12 meeting of Commissioners Court, three more suggestions made by that Committee were reviewed and approved.

Suggestions were to install two more surveillance cameras to cover two blind spots; to add panic buttons; and to purchase restraints for prisoners so that they can't

escape while on trial. County Auditor Gloria Parrish noted that there is sufficient money in the Courthouse Security budget to cover the cost.

Bill Cox brought the most recent estimates for printing County maps and a copy for Commissioners to proof. Several errors were discovered. Those will be changed before printing.

Commissioners ordered 1,000 maps. The costs brought by Cox were \$343.35 for 200; 300 for \$360.50; and 500 for \$378.54. That's a difference of \$35.19 between 200 and 500. Hess suggested ordering 1,000.

A resolution was unanimously approved asking the State to find a

solution to the statewide budget crisis. It was from the Texas Association of Counties (TAC). Before passing the resolution Judge Freeman remarked, "I do have a little problem with the last paragraph (of the resolution) where we are asking them to pass any type of State tax. I know we are asking them to pass it to protect local taxpayers. It's kind of a catch 22. I have no problem passing it, especially if it protects our ad valorem taxpayers locally. I just have a problem passing a resolution asking the State to pass a resolution to raise our taxes. It's a double edged sword."

Commissioner Virgil Hess See BUDGET, pg 2

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remarked, "I think it's safe already said he's not going to increase the taxes and most of the senators and representatives are the same way. They're not going to increase the taxes where they can increase the sales tax and probably get this thing squared away." He added that he'd rather see it

at the State level than the County. Judge Freeman noted that smaller counties such as Cooke have to provide many of the same services as the larger counties with larger tax bases. Taxes would have to be increased significantly to raise the amount needed with a small tax base. When the burden

is shared by a larger base the increase is much less significant. Hess expressed concern about residents getting a double whammy on taxes because the school districts are also having similar problems due to less State funding.

Tax abatements were granted on two properties owned by B-29 Investments Company, L.P. One is located at 209 West California Street (former Kress building) in Gainesville and the other at 114 E. Main (former Gainesville Office Supply). The abatements are for five years beginning in January 2004 for 90% of the value of the improvements, 80% the second year, 70% the third year, 60% the fourth year, and 50% the fifth year.

The property on California Street is expected to increase in value from \$138,739 to \$350,000. On the Main Street property the value is expected to

CR 155, approximately four tenths of a mile north of the intersection of CR 155 and CR 175.

- Tabled changes and amendments to the Cooke County Firefighters Association constitution and bylaws.
- Approved request by Jim Robinson, County tax attorney, to sell tracts 1 and 2 (lots 4 & 5 of Block A) in the Farthing Addition due to nonpayment of taxes. Also approved his request to sell lot 929 of Lake Kiowa, Inc. subdivision for nonpayment of taxes.

- Awarded Cooke County Depository contract for the period of June 1, 2003 to May 31, 2005 to low bidder Guaranty National Bank (GNB). American Bank of Texas also submitted a bid.

- Approved resolution allowing grant application for Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

- Approved request by Nortex Communications to install a copper cable along Cheaney Road from the intersection of FM 922 approximately 1/2 mile located in Precinct #2. This is with the provision that it be noted the road is asphalt, not gravel and must be restored to original condition.

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- The bid by Wahry Engineering Co. of \$4,880.00 to make specifications, advertise for contractors' bids, supervise work and inspect roof repair was approved.

- Athletic Director John Erwin addressed the School Board saying he was very proud of the athletic and academic accomplishments of Lindsay High students. He also reported that he is pleased with work done on the football field to raise the mid-field crown and improve drainage on the playing surface. Hydromulching is finished. Erwin credited Johnny Cochran with special work to prepare the soil surface for hydromulch. "The grass should show up soon," said Erwin.

- Second grade teacher, Donna Walterscheid submitted her resignation which was approved by the Board. Winn said Walterscheid had been teaching in Lindsay for six years and has done a fine job. She and her husband Rick are moving to Austin.

- Lindsay ISD auditors Hess and Rohmer have submitted the "leaver" audit which was approved by the Board. This audit was required by the State for the

2001-02 school year to track every student who "leaves" Lindsay ISD in an effort to assess student drop-out numbers. All students either graduated or moved. None dropped out. Lindsay had a low risk of incorrect reporting.

- 121 students living outside the district were approved for transfer into the district. Board member Richard Connett questioned whether transfer student tuition was commensurate with average taxes paid for in-district students. Board president Danny Nortman asked Winn for a comparison for the next meeting. In grades 9-12, 34 of 165 students are transfers.

- Metzler intends to fill teacher needs for next year in Grade 2, Grade 4, and Junior High English/Math. A music teacher position may be filled if the budget allows. Winn recommended that Marilyn Cox be promoted to Lindsay ISD Business Manager with an appropriate raise. He said he will make a formal recommendation later.

- The Board adjourned the regular meeting to meet in closed session to consider 58 applicants for the superintendent's job.



State Champion Tigerette track team included, from left back, Sarah Whitecotton, Kate Sepanski, Jackie Bauer, Brittany White, Dianna Knabe, and Coach Dale Schilling. Front, Rose Bartush, Whitney Wimmer, Hannah Hess, Shannon Hartman, and Lisa Endres. Janet Felderhoff photo



State champion Sacred Heart Tigers were honored by Judge Bill Freeman and the County Commissioners. Team members include, from left, Thomas Whitecotton, Clayton Truebenbach, Clint Fuhrmann, Adam Krahl, Paul Bartush, Aaron Krahl, Chris Hoedebeck, Andy Davis, Michael Voth, Joseph Davis, Kevin Walterscheid, Daniel Bartush, Johnny Krahl, Coach Dale Schilling and Judge Freeman. Janet Felderhoff photo

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increase from \$49,350 to \$100,000. Judge Freeman noted that these renovations should improve the looks of downtown Gainesville. The city of Gainesville is the lead entity in the abatement. NCTC and Gainesville Memorial Hospital will also be asked to offer the abatements.

Commissioners Court declared Monday, May 12 Sacred Heart Tiger and Tigerette Day in Cooke County. The Sacred Heart Girls Track Team was honored for winning their 16th State Championship and the Boys Track team was honored for winning their 6th State Championship. Judge Freeman presented Coach Dale Schilling and each team with a congratulatory plaque.

In other business Commissioners Court:

- Approved request to publish qualifications for construction or renovation of the Cooke County Jail. A committee will review applicants before recommended candidates are considered for the position.

- Awarded bids for the next 12 months for crushed rock #1 and #2 for Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 to all who submitted bids. This included Lone Star Crushed Rock & Sand, Inc., Erlandson Construction Co., Cooke County Stone, L.P., Martin Marietta Materials of Denton, J. R. Thompson, Dolese, and Hare Enterprises. This allows the precincts to select the company nearest any road construction.

- Approved preliminary plat for Ellis Subdivision No. 2 (lots 1-6) located on the south side of CR 147, approximately 600 feet from the intersection of CR 171 in Precinct #1.

- Approved Woodbine Water Supply Corporation's requests to install a fresh water line across CR 144 Hawkins Road approximately 1800 feet east of FM 678 and across

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
<p>Sunday, May 18, 2003 Frank Hess Family Reunion 12:30pm, Muenster Park Class of '83 meeting, 5pm, The Center</p>	<p>Monday, May 19, 2003 SHS Advisory Council meeting, 7:30pm VFW Auxiliary meeting, 8pm Muenster Hornet Booster Club meeting, 7pm, Girls Locker Room Coaches meeting, 8pm, The Center Restaurant upstairs</p>	<p>Tuesday, May 20, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Kindergarten Graduation, 7pm, auditorium MISD Early Release, 1pm MMH Board meeting, 7pm TEA Staff meeting w/Lindsay ISD parents, 6pm, High School Library</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 21, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Early Release, 1pm SHS Preschool/K Moving On ceremony, 7:30pm Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7pm, Old MHS Gym</p>	<p>Thursday, May 22, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Last Day of School, 1pm Dismissal</p>	<p>Friday, May 23, 2003 Muenster Senior Graduation, 8pm, Hornet Gym Sacred Heart High School Graduation, 6pm Lindsay Graduation</p>	<p>Saturday, May 24, 2003 Buddy Poppy Sale after Mass</p>
<p>Sunday, May 25, 2003 Buddy Poppy Sale after Masses Memorial Day Services at Sacred Heart Cemetery following 8am Mass, Dinner at VFW, 6pm</p>	<p>Monday, May 26, 2003 Fly Your Flag! Memorial Day</p>	<p>Tuesday, May 27, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center</p>	<p>Wednesday, May 28, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7pm, Old MHS Gym</p>	<p>Thursday, May 29, 2003 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Friday, May 30, 2003 Sacred Heart School, 8th Grade Graduation, 6pm Diabetes Support Group meeting, 7pm, Culwell Conference Room, GMH</p>	<p>Saturday, May 31, 2003</p>

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Obituaries

Frank E. "Frankie" Schmitz 1925 - 2003



Frank E. Schmitz

by **Elfreda Fette**
 Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, May 10, 2003 in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Gainesville at 11:00 a.m. for Frank E. "Frankie" Schmitz, officiated by Father Jim Sheridan, OSA, pastor, and Father Nicholas Fuhrmann OSB, a close friend.

Altar servers were Elmo and Vicki Self, friends.

Liturgical First and Second Readings from the Old and New Testaments were given by Dana Sanders, a great-niece.

Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Larry Wimmer, a nephew and godson and Marcie Klement, a niece.

Eucharistic Ministers were Gerri Armstrong, and Sister Mary Helen Fuhrmann CDP and Father Jim Sheridan and Father Nicholas Fuhrmann.

Music Ministers were members of the Angels of Mercy Choir. Sacred music included "Alleluia, the Strife Is Over," "Amazing Grace," "How Great Thou Art," and "Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past."

The eulogy and remarks of remembrance were given by Father Nicholas Fuhrmann.

Patricia Ann Weaver 1932 - 2003

Patricia Ann Weaver of Gainesville died at age 70 on May 8, 2003 in Wichita Falls. She was a former librarian of Muenster Public Library, and worked in the Garland ISD as a librarian for more than 25 years. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and of the Methodist Women's Auxiliary.

Survivors are her husband Don Weaver of Gainesville; a son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Susan Weaver of Wichita Falls; grandsons Jake Weaver of Wichita Falls, Alex Hale and his wife Heather of Flower Mound, and Nick Holmes of Austin; and a great-granddaughter, Olivia Hale of Flower Mound; and mother-in-law Mrs. Leroy Weaver of Gainesville.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Jim Pierce and Ruth Rankin Settle, and her father-in-law Leroy Weaver.

Graveside rites were held Tuesday, May 13 at 2:00 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery, officiated by Brother Larry Miller. Burial was under direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

The family has suggested memorials sent to a hospice unit of one's choice.

Traci L. Davis 1981 - 2003

Traci L. Davis died Friday, May 9, 2003 at Norman Regional Hospital in Norman, Oklahoma at age 50. She was born Nov. 5, 1952 in Gainesville to Billy D. and Peggy Jo Sandlin Gaston. Her working career emphasized most diverse talents. She worked as a truck driver; worked at the Pauls Valley Play School Day Care; held a position at the Pauls Valley State School; and was a waitress. She was a dedicated care giver to her father, who died in 2001 and to her mother who died in 2002. She loved her family dearly, loved to cook and was a very good cook.

Survivors are her son, Billy Joe Gaston and wife Janet; granddaughter Jordan Gaston all of Saint Jo; one sister Tammy Morris and her husband, Mickey of Pauls Valley, Oklahoma; one brother Mike Gaston and his wife Ellen of Rowlett, Texas; four nieces and one nephew.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 12, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at Stufflebean Chapel, officiated by Rev. Jim Dehart, with interment in Union Cemetery, under direction of Stufflebean-Coffey Funeral Home. Graveside services were under direction of McCoy Funeral Home in Saint Jo, Texas.

friend, Mrs. Linda Collins.

Preceding him in death were his parents, John B. and Margaret O'Connor Schmitz, and his sister, Laverna (Mrs. Joe) Wimmer, and a niece, Frankie Jo Prescher.

Frankie Schmitz was born on Jan. 9, 1914 in Fort Worth, Texas. In 1915 the family moved to the family homestead, a farm southwest of Muenster.

He attended Freemound School, "just down the road about a mile." In later grade school years, he attended Sacred Heart School for several brief periods, to get First Holy Communion instructions and instructions for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

He later completed the ninth grade in Freemound. He began the tenth grade in Muenster for a time, and lived with the Ben Seyler family, and had a part-time job in Ben's car repair shop for four and a half months. Later, he worked in the front of the shop where cars were sold, selling "Model A" Fords with the salesman Henry Hennigan. In 1937 he worked for the Ford dealership in Gainesville and later for Adolph Herr back in Muenster for a year, then started his own used car business in Gainesville.

In 1939 he married the former Leona Cooke of Saint Jo, daughter of Ed and Dove Cooke. They became parents of one daughter, Brenda.

In June 1939, he became the DeSoto dealer and established the F.E. Schmitz Motor Company. After W.W.II he bought a Dodge dealership from Pace Brothers, remaining a car dealer through 1960, and for the next successive number of years, embarked on

eminently successful businesses that involved the formation of the Joe Walter Lumber Co.; owning the Coca Cola Bottling Plant; the Circus Courts Motel; building the Relax Theater in Muenster.

In 1948 he was instrumental with other civic leaders, in bringing National Supply Co. to Gainesville. His outside interests included being one of the founders of the Gainesville Community Circus in the 1930s, serving first as a clown, and later as a Ringmaster. In the late 1950s he was a leader in formation of the Frank Buck Zoo. He also had a business manufacturing shoe heels: FESCO.

He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and president at one time. He became a private plane pilot and enjoyed flying his own plane.

In an article he himself wrote for the "History of Cooke County," he stated: "Since 1986, I have enjoyed my 'retirement' immensely. I have an office and museum in the old Coca-Cola building. I have on public display antique automobiles and Coca-Cola memorabilia. I continue to travel around the world. I dabble in rental property. One of my most enjoyable activities has been driving in the Great American Race for five summers."

"My life has been lived solely in the County of Cooke. I feel as if I have been blessed with good fortune and luck. I hope the remainder of my history will be as fulfilling to me as the first 78 years."

Sources for much of the above information include the "History of Cooke County" (obtained in the Muenster Public Library); the Centennial History of Muenster; and assistance from relatives of Frankie Schmitz; also in an article written by Frankie Schmitz himself in "History of Cooke County"; and from information about the funeral Mass from St. Mary's Church of Gainesville.

Knabe deemed a hero

Christopher Knabe, 20, of Midland, Texas has earned the title of a hero. On Sunday, April 20, Knabe rescued a five month pregnant woman from a burning car after an intoxicated driver rear-ended the vehicle, igniting it and trapping three people inside.

Knabe witnessed the accident, telling the Midland Reporter-Telegram newspaper that he "saw a big flash, like an explosion, then saw her shadow in there trying to get out." Knabe tried to break the window with his hand, then returned to his car to get a crow bar. Because of the heat, he was only able to help 19 year old Misty Ann Hice. The Reporter-Telegram noted that Knabe retrieved a fire extinguisher from a nearby house, but it was not enough to save Hice's husband and 9 month old son, who were traveling

home from an Easter celebration.

Hice was treated and released with second degree burns on her arms. Knabe received minor injuries to his hand and arm.

The driver who hit the vehicle was being held on \$50,000 bond after a field sobriety test proved he was intoxicated. The high speed impact, that ignited the family vehicle, pushed the burning vehicle approximately 200 feet off the roadway.

Christopher Knabe is the grandson of Beatrice Knabe of Hereford and the late Adolph Knabe. He is the great-grandson of the late Clem and Frances Reiter and Albert B. and Anna Knabe all of Muenster.

The story, with a picture of Knabe, appeared on page one of the April 22 issue of the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Adult Pinewood Derby revenge to benefit rectory renovation

Have you ever wanted to build a pinewood derby car and be able to brag that you built it? Now is your chance. There will be a Sacred Heart rectory fundraiser on June 22 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Community Center. Proceeds will be used for the renovation of the Sacred Heart rectory.

There will be a check-in beginning at noon and ending with the start of the races at 2:00 p.m. There will be a \$20 per car entry fee with a maximum of five

entries per person. If you would like to purchase pre-cut car kits, Hobby Lobby is one place where you can do so. Prizes will be given for the first three places. There will also be a calcutta to auction off each of the cars.

A meal is being planned in conjunction with the derby which is set to begin at 11:00 a.m. More details will follow. If you have any questions, contact Scott Felderhoff 759-2953, Craig Bayer 759-4773, or Neil Hesse 759-4821.

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Democrats in disarray after Bush carrier speech

By Bobby Eberle

Rather than keeping quiet in response to the overwhelmingly positive marks given by Americans to President Bush's speech aboard the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln, the Democrats continue to amaze by once again saying the wrong things at the wrong times. Whether it's Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle blasting Bush at the beginning of the war with Iraq or countless Democrat congressmen echoing the media's assessment that the U.S. military was bogged down after a week and a half of action, the Democrat protests have been met with scorn, and yet they keep going. One has to wonder if the Democrats have truly gone off the deep end. It's one thing to complain about a controversial issue, but it's quite another to raise questions about actions which the public wholeheartedly supports.

President Bush's speech aboard the Abraham Lincoln resulted in the ultimate highlight reel: Bush landing on the carrier in full flight suit, being embraced and cheered by the military personnel, and speaking with a picture-perfect background of sky, ocean, and sailors. Yet, last week, Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA) called for an accounting of the cost of President Bush's speech on the USS Abraham Lincoln. In addition, Sen. Robert Byrd (D-WV) took to the Senate floor blasting the same speech.

Sen. Byrd called the President's speech on the Abraham Lincoln an "affront to the Americans killed or injured in Iraq." Byrd went on to say that the aircraft carrier was used as an "advertising backdrop for a presidential political slogan."

"I believe that our military forces deserve to be treated with respect and dignity, and not used as stage props to embellish a presidential speech," Byrd added.

On the same day, Rep. Waxman sent a letter to the General Accounting Office calling for an investigation of the costs involved in the President's visit to the Abraham Lincoln. In the letter, Waxman claims that the Bush Administration provided "conflicting accounts" of the reasons for the "dramatic" visit to the aircraft carrier by jet.

Waxman states in the letter that since the carrier was closer to shore than originally reported, President Bush could have traveled to it "less theatrically." Waxman closes the letter by calling for a full accounting of costs associated with the trip since it was "paid for by American taxpayers" and had "clear political overtones."

Clear political overtones? If these Democrats knew anything about politics, they would let this story go. Every time a Democrat complains about Bush's speech, the footage of his carrier landing and "Top Gun" demeanor are replayed for an audience who already loved it the first time.

Waxman also implies that traveling to the carrier via helicopter would have been somehow more appropriate for the commander-in-chief. Waxman claims he is concerned about costs, yet by suggesting that a helicopter would have been better reveals that Waxman didn't even know that the operating costs of the appropriate helicopter (H-60) and the jet used (S-3B Viking) are virtually identical.

Responding to questions about Sen. Byrd's comments, White House Spokesman Ari Fleischer said that the President was "proud of the way he did it and he's proud he did it."

"I think it does a disservice to the men and women of our military to suggest that the President of the United States, or the manner in which the President visited the military would be anything other than the exact appropriate thing to do. And I think that the 5,000 sailors on that ship recognize this for what it was -- the President going out there to say thank you to those who risked their lives," Fleischer added.

Responding to Rep. Waxman's letter to the GAO, Fleischer said, "There's not a Republican that Congressman Waxman doesn't want to investigate, and so I just dismiss that as not serious."

If the Democrats have a strategy, it seems to have been crafted by Karl Rove rather than James Carville. The more they open their mouths, the more they help the Republicans. A senior Republican official told me last week that he hopes the Democrats will "continue down this path." He added that their actions "will backfire on them." I agree. Hopefully, the Democrats will keep talking all the way to the next election.

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Visiting Our Military Bases

Texans rightly brag on many things, particularly our state's contributions to the U.S. military. In protecting the freedom we enjoy each day, our troops proved once again they are the best-trained, best-equipped military in the world.

The Lone Star State has the largest number of active-duty service members in the military. More than 114,000 are based here. We are home to the most soldiers (64,000) and Air Force members (43,000) in the United States. The Navy has 6,000 personnel here and there are 1,700 Marines. In all, one in ten active duty personnel calls Texas home.

In April, I criss-crossed the state on a weeklong tour of our military installations. As Chairman of the Senate Military Construction Subcommittee on Appropriations, it is my job to ensure our bases have the facilities they need to sufficiently house, train and support our troops. This trip gave me an opportunity to meet with commanding officers to review on-going projects and assess their needs for new construction and improvements to existing facilities.

And while that's important business, Operation Iraqi Freedom gave this tour added significance. I also took the opportunity to pay tribute to our troops, whose bravery and dedication is exceptional. Their sacrifice, and that of their families, is testament to the mettle of this generation.

While our troops protect us and defend our way of life, they miss out on births of their children, tee ball games, anniversary celebrations and babies' first steps. They are separated from family and friends for days, weeks and months. And they serve in the harshest conditions of intense heat, blinding sandstorms and little sleep.

This visit came at an incredibly poignant time. On the eve of my tour, seven former prisoners of war (POWs) rescued in Iraq returned to Texas. Weeks earlier, the eyes of the world focused on Fort Bliss, after members of its 507th Maintenance Company were captured, and on Fort Hood, home base of two downed Apache pilots. I remained in close contact with the families of these POWs throughout their captivity, to ensure their needs were met and to offer support and encouragement.

To get the chance to meet the fine former POWs hospitalized at Fort Bliss and see the smiles on their faces was pure joy.

I admire the strength, both mental and physical, it took for the POWs to survive behind enemy lines. In fact, it's the commitment and caliber of our young men and women in uniform that struck me as I toured each base.

This spirit was best exemplified by the special operations team which rescued the young soldier Jessica Lynch from her captors. Upon learning that Americans were buried near the hospital where Pfc. Lynch was held, and having no shovels, the soldiers used their hands to dig up the graves, literally racing the sun in order to leave before daylight exposed them to the enemy. Americans never leave our own behind.

At each stop on the tour I was reminded how vital a role these Texas installations play in protecting our national defense. The bases and their communities made extraordinary contributions to the operations in Iraq and Afghanistan and showed the world America's steely resolve and determination in the face of those who would destroy us. Our overwhelming victories affirm the critical role they play in preparing our troops for battle, and I could not be more proud to call Texas home.

From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Sunday, May 11 was a beautiful day, bright and sunny, not hot, just right. The day was as beautiful as the Moms that were honored that day. There were moms, grandmoms, and great-grandmoms, all smiling, as their families and others wished them a "Happy Mother's Day." I noted that quite a few were kept out of the kitchen and treated to a dinner that someone else had labored over, for a change.

The news in the papers, and on T.V. told us of the guys that had been elected as some of our representatives down in Austin. They remind me of some little kids we once played marbles and other games with. If they couldn't have it their way, they would pick up what was theirs and leave, thereby

not winning, but stopping the play. Well, after that, one would be a bit more careful who he played with.

Some of these representatives will likely wonder why some people voted for the other party, the next time around. Oh, well, maybe they will get things settled in Oklahoma, instead of Texas.

Am glad to hear that quite a lot of the museum pieces and ancient artifacts are begin returned to the Iraqis. They should have them. These people in the Middle East are a strange lot. Some kill and maim in the name of their religion, and expect Allah to reward them for killing men, women, and children, as well as themselves. I'm afraid they are going to be surprised.

Editors note: Last week we featured a story on the second annual Colonel Young Historical Essay Contest, (see page four, May 9, 2003 issue), Michael Valliere's essay followed the story. Co-winner Evan Koesler's essay is presented this week, as follows:

"A Soldier's Life"

by Evan Koesler

September 16, 1862 Evan Alfonz, Third Infantry Division, Army of the Potomac

In the morning, it is expected that we will wage war with the Confederate forces. This will be my first battle. I expect that I will lose my life tomorrow. But, if I am to die, what better cause to die for than for my nation. I expect to meet my friends and family in the afterlife.

We have all been issued one hundred rounds of ammunition. I can only fit forty rounds into my cartridge box, so I will have to fill my worn out pockets with the rest of the ammo. I fear that I will not have a chance to use it all. From what I have heard from the veterans, I expect that my bayonet will be a more useful weapon than my gun.

Let me turn my attention to the camp around me. There are an uncountable number of gleaming campfires. Almost all of the soldiers are cooking stew in the large iron pots suspended over the fires. I am boiling salt horse in my stew.

Everywhere I look I see soldiers preparing for the battle tomorrow. Although some are talking and laughing around the fires, many others are getting their uniforms ready. One man is sewing a patch onto his pants. The uniforms issued to us are seemingly old and frequently need repairs.

Orderlies have been delivering dispatches to officers all night. It has never been quiet in this camp. Even when it quiets down, you can still hear the beating of horse's hooves. I hope that the generals get as much information as possible. I have faith in McClellan. No one will sleep tonight.

September 20, 1862

I have survived the great battle. My only injury occurred when a musket ball grazed my left leg. It has been two days since it ended. We have finally won. But, winning this battle called for no celebration. Even though I was there, I still cannot comprehend how horrific that site was.

I lost many friends. Many who had died were friends that I had made only the night before. Bravery, loyalty, freedom, and liberty are all noble words, but today the best word that I could possibly hear would be that word cherished by so many called, home. I wish that I could be back home and helping my father with the crops.

When the battle began, it was so blindingly foggy that I could barely see the Confederate forces two hundred yards ahead of us. We were in the front. The artillery was in the back of the army. It was eerily quiet before the fighting began. Then, there was a roar. It was the sound of thousands of men's feet moving toward each other. It was the sound of yelling soldiers. Many who yelled in those first moments had just taken their last breath. It was an amazing site to see. An army of blue charging toward an army of gray. The site of all those shining bayonets, and moving men was an astonishing site.

Then the artillery shells came. The smoke was blinding, and it made it almost impossible to breathe. Red and orange flashes came out of hundreds of muskets at a time. Bodies of lifeless men flew through the air. As I was running, for some odd reason, I felt that I would never be hit. When the two armies clashed, the shots from the guns stopped. The only sounds came from the immense black cannons. At that point, as the veterans had said, the only weapon used by either side was the bayonet. The blood of men stained the ground so much that the ground appeared to be a gigantic red blanket.

October 15, 1862

McClellan has been relieved of his command. Lincoln has replaced him with General Burnside. McClellan did not order us to pursue the Confederates. I was very grateful for that. All of us were exhausted after Antietam.

Today has been a hard day. We have been marching for what seemed to be an eternity. Then we drilled for hours. My legs are now very sore.

The injury that I received at Antietam appears to be more serious than I thought. It feels like there is a fire burning in my leg. I am planning to have the doctor look at it.

My equipment is very worn down. I fear that my shoes will be worn through in a matter of weeks. My pants have holes where my knees have worn through them. My shirt has countless holes in it. The bayonet on my musket has become dull, and I do not possess a sharpening stone. The only valuable part of my bayonet is the tip. My musket is still in good shape. But, it only works well because I constantly clean it.

December 12, 1862

We are preparing for the battle tomorrow. This time, I am sure that I will lose my life. We will be facing an impossible task.

It has become very cold. Even though I have built a good fire, I cannot stay warm. Before I started writing today, I had to warm my ink up over the fire. It was frozen solid. My wool blanket has become my most valuable possession.

If I do not write again, I will most likely be dead. I would like my family to know that I love them very much. I ask that the finder of my journal return it to the Alfonz family in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

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Alex Lutkenhaus paints in last decade of life

By Janet Felderhoff

What began as entertainment for his children developed into an endeavor of the fine arts for Alex Lutkenhaus. His wife, Odelia Seyler Lutkenhaus recalls that when the electricity would go out, Alex would draw and paint pictures of animals and Indians to entertain their three small children. Knowing of his artistic inclination, she encouraged him to take up painting.

Alex died of cancer on Dec. 2, 1972. He was 65 years old. Ten years before is when he seriously began to paint. He never had any formal training, but was self-taught. Alex studied all the materials he could find on painting to become knowledgeable on the subject. Alex's studio was their dining room table.

After some time Alex had a collection of interesting paintings and would set up one-man shows in places such as Gainesville, Bowie, or the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Muenster. He sold some of his paintings, but kept most of them because he didn't wish to part with them.

The sitting room of their family home is now paneled in wood that was reinforced to hold the heavy oil paintings. Many of his works now hang in their home for all who visit to enjoy. Others are boxed and stored to take out and enjoy later.

Mountainous landscapes seem to be a favorite of the artist. He painted many mountain scenes, some of which begin in the lower desert and stretch into the colorful mountains. Also he painted some Hawaiian scenes. One painting is of a dancing Indian done on a dark blue background. Alex also has painted bluebonnets and the Gainesville Train Depot. Odedia said one of his favorites is of Ship Rock. He painted four versions of that scene. Alex loved the outdoors and incorporated it into many of his paintings.

Odedia recalls that it was hot when Alex painted the Depot scene. "He worked three months off and on and he went down there when it was 102°," she said. "I went with him, but all I could do was suck Coca Colas to try to keep cool. All he did was look and put down some, look and put down some more. He was excited about it."

Another of Alex's paintings now hangs in the Cooke County Library. It is the "Grand Teton". Dr. and Mrs. Powell of Gainesville originally owned the piece. Mrs. Powell had it framed and eventually gave it to Alex's daughter, Linda Coursey who was his patient. Linda in turn donated the piece to the Cooke County Library.

Many of the scenes in the paintings were places Alex visited on vacation. "He had a wonderful memory," remarked his wife. Sometimes Alex would sketch a scene that he planned to paint. He would later paint the colors from memory.

Both Odedia and his daughter, Linda, said Alex could have taught painting. Odedia recalled that when she suggested teaching, Alex said he wouldn't have



Odedia Lutkenhaus proudly displays her late husband Alex's paintings in her home.

Janie Hartman photo

time to paint if he taught.

"Act crazy once in a while or else they'll think you're crazy all of the time" was one of Alex's philosophies. He has a sense of humor, said his wife.

Besides his paintings Alex left behind many beautiful stones. He collected unusual rocks and stones, cutting and polishing many of them himself.

Linda Coursey commented that her father was genetically inclined to

be creative. His father, Joe Lutkenhaus, taught him how to make furniture. She said Alex made doll trunks, beds, their dining table, a covered wagon, and much more.

Before he purchased a machine to polish rocks, Linda recalls that her father would work at polishing stones until his fingernails were chewed up from the task. He made many hand-polished bola

ties and pendants, noted Linda.

For the first 10 years of their married life, Alex and Odedia lived in Gainesville. He owned and operated a filling station. After buying a ranch southeast of Saint Jo, he moved his family to the country and took up ranching as his livelihood. The couple's children are Rachel Hennigan of Muenster, James Lutkenhaus of Bedford, and Linda Coursey of Gainesville.

Odedia welcomes visitors to come to her home to view the art pieces, but asks that she be contacted first. "Alex knew and loved art and would be happy that his work was being shared," said his daughter.

New Arrival

Klement

Scott and Zonya Klement proudly announce the birth of their daughter Katherine Rose, on Apr. 22, 2003 at 5:51 p.m. in Wilson N. Jones Hospital in Sherman. Katherine weighed 7 lb. 10 oz. and was 20 inches in length. She joins a brother Toby age 10, and sisters Tori age 8, and Tressa age 6. Grandparents are Roland and Zoe Ann Bell and Robert and Gloria Klement all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Ed and Rose Klement, Frank and Lucille Zimmerer all of Muenster, and the late Leo J. Haverkamp, Pete and Maxine Dickerson of Grapevine and the late Margaret Dickerson, and the late Felix and Tim Bell who lived in Roanoke.



Just two of many of the paintings of Alex Lutkenhaus, painted in the mid-to-late 1960's. Ship Rock, at right, was one of his favorite works of art. Janie Hartman photo



Memorial Day observances set by VFW Post

Memorial Day will be observed by the Muenster VFW Post 6205 on Sunday, May 25, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church, with a procession to the cemetery led by the color guard and rifle squad. The special speaker for the Memorial Day observance will be John Roane, Retired Air Force.

A dinner at the VFW Hall, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday will also be in observance of Memorial Day. Everyone is welcome. All widows of veterans are invited.

Brothers Ethan and Logan celebrate birthdays

Brothers Ethan and Logan Muller shared a party to celebrate their birthdays on March 22 at 3 p.m. Ethan's actual second birthday was Feb. 6, and Logan's first birthday was on March 18. The party was held at the home of their parents, Wayne and Deann Muller of Muenster. Everyone enjoyed watching them open their presents. A "Thomas the Tank Engine" cake was served for Ethan, and Logan delighted in eating his first cake, a "1" balloon cake.

Those sharing their special day with them were their parents; big sister Samantha; grandparents Ross and Janet Felderhoff and Steve and Sharon

Muller; great-grandmother Aileen Knabe; uncle Gary Muller; aunt Carol Sicking; and cousin Corey Sicking. Unable to attend but

sending birthday wishes were uncle Jody Felderhoff, Logan's godfather Toby Walterscheid, Ethan's godmother Kim Felderhoff, and aunt and uncle Judy and Larry Muller.



Ethan Muller



Logan Muller

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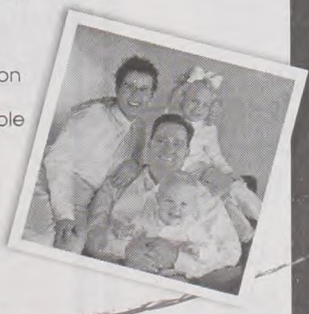
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Mullers recite vows in Las Vegas ceremony

Matthew and Yana Muller were married April 12, 2003 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Yana is the daughter of Richard and Priscilla Kramer of Dublin, California. Her grandparents are Leda and Tom Avis, and Maggie and Toma Kramer. Yana is a 1997 graduate of California High School. Matthew is the

son of Weldon Chris and Doris Muller of Muenster. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Lutkenhaus of Muenster and Mrs. and Mrs. Chris M. Muller of Gainesville. Matthew graduated from Sacred Heart High School of Muenster. The couple will reside in Dublin, California.



Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Muller

Megan celebrates third with Barney

Megan Rohmer, daughter of Greg and Melody Rohmer, celebrated her third birthday on Sunday, May 11. Her actual birthday was May 9. Guests were treated to a backyard barbecue cookout at Megan's home with the "Barney" theme. Barbecue, birthday cake, ice cream, and lemonade were served. Megan enjoyed hitting her "3" pinata, blowing bubbles, and playing with her cousins. Gifts were also opened and pictures taken. Guests included her parents; sisters Lauren and Adrien; grandparents



Megan Rohmer

Robert G. and Gloria Klement, and Agnes Rohmer; and great-grandparents Frank and Lucille Zimmerer. Also attending were uncles, aunts, cousins and friends: Justin and Amanda Klement; Shelley Klement; Chris, Leslie, Kalyn, and Travis Dangelmayr; Scott and Zonya Klement; Toby, Tori, Tressa and Katherine; Dwayne, Cheryl, John, and Christina Rohmer; Tom, Lora, Garrett, Ryan, and Darren Hennigan; and Gary Kline. The day before Megan's birthday party, Megan, her sisters, and cousins Travis and Kalyn Dangelmayr saw "Barney's Colorful World" at Reunion Arena in Dallas. Megan and Travis enjoyed singing and dancing along with Barney and his friends. On Megan's actual birthday, she shared cupcakes with her friends at Tender Loving Care Daycare.

Voth graduates cum laude



Debra Voth

On Saturday, May 10, 2003, Debra Lee Voth graduated cum laude from the University of North Texas, College of Education. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi Educational Honor Society, and Golden Key International Honour Society. Debra is a 1999 graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

The commencement ceremony was held at the Coliseum at UNT. Attending the ceremony were Debra's fiancé Jason Sicking, her parents Danny and Janet Voth, her brother Michael Voth, and her grandmother Regina Pels.

Scouts present Eagle Scout program to MMH Auxiliary

By Janet Felderhoff
Boy Scout Ricky Bell and Girl Scout Jordan Land are working together on a project that should earn them their Eagle Scout and Gold Award, respectively. They propose to repair eight patient rooms in Muenster Memorial Hospital. They are coordinating their efforts with MMH Administrator Richard Arnold and the hospital maintenance staff.

The duo explained that the hospital maintenance will remove all attachments, furniture, and equipment and make needed repairs on Thursday. On Friday evening Bell, Land, and their workers will tape and prime the room. Saturday two coats of paint will be applied. That evening they will cleanup. Monday the hospital employees will reinstall equipment and furnishings.

A list of needed supplies was shown along with a proposed work schedule and estimated cost. They anticipate the total cost to be \$1,062.48. Supplies will be bought in the community. They will be asking local organizations for donations to help fund the project. A media day is planned at a later date and they hope to have print and television coverage.

Members of the Auxiliary

offered to assist in any way possible.

Dr. Karla Cox was a special guest and members enjoyed meeting and welcoming her to Muenster. She will set up her practice at the MMH Health Clinic in August and has already purchased a home in Muenster where she and her husband Steve will live. National Hospital Week and National Nursing Home Week are celebrated May 11-17. Special activities have been planned for each day. Theresa Walterscheid is project chairman. She will be contacting Auxiliary members to assist with some of the activities.

Vice-president Christine Weinzapfel is reviewing and revising Auxiliary bylaws. She needs committee members for that project.

Member Rosalee Bayer donated videos to the Patient Pampering Committee. Laura Stoffels, director of nursing, is ordering appropriate gifts for children for that committee. She also reported that 38 helmets were given out at the MMH Health Fair.

A Bicycle Awareness program is planned for August before the start of school.

President Fay Hamric reported on a successful Health Fair. She said that

several things were noted during the Fair that the Auxiliary might work on to improve. Some of these include trimming hedges that interfere with use of handrails. She asked that someone meet with hospital maintenance to either have them take care of it, or allow Auxiliary members to have a work day and do the necessary work. Janet Felderhoff agreed to chair this project. Volunteers will be needed if maintenance agrees.

The next Auxiliary meeting is June 2 at 7 p.m. at the hospital.

Water Saving Tip
Check for leaks in outdoor faucets, pipes and hoses.

4-H & Youth Horsemanship clinic fast approaching in June

Cooke County 4-H is sponsoring a Horsemanship Clinic for 4-H & Youth, ages 8-19, to be held June 5-6. The clinic will be taught by Texas A&M Summer Horsemanship Interns and is designed to help youth achieve more with their existing horse project. This is a hands-on clinic and will include participation in lengthy riding sessions that follow short demonstrations.

The two-day long school will be held at the NCTC Equine Center from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day and will cost \$30 per rider. Registration forms are available at the Extension office. Don't delay... registration is limited to the first 30 applicants! For further information, please call the Extension office at (940) 668-5412.

Water Saving Tip
Avoid sprinklers that spray a fine mist, which increases evaporation.

Baptism

Hacker

Chloe Margaret Hacker, daughter of Sally and Maurus Hacker, was baptized on May 11 in Sacred Heart Church by Father John Ohner OSA. Godparents are aunts Jessica Fisher and Cheryl Hacker. Chloe wore a baptismal gown that was worn by her big brother Nathan. She also wore a bracelet that was given to her by her aunt Jessica Fisher, and a cross necklace that was from her grandmother Lynn Hacker. She had a white blanket that was made by her great-grandmother Polly Fisher.

After the service the family gathered at Chloe's home for a meal and an afternoon of visiting. Attending the celebration along with her parents, brother, and godparents were: grandparents Chuck and Vicky Fisher and Maurus and Lynn Hacker; great-grandparents Damond and Evelyn Fuhrmann and Dan Haverkamp; uncle Mike Hacker and Michelle Abbe and many great-aunts, great-uncles, and cousins.

Unable to attend but sending best wishes were great-grandparents Clyde and Polly Fisher.

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Muenster Junior High awards ceremony held May 13

The Muenster Junior High held their annual Awards Ceremony Tuesday evening in the Muenster ISD auditorium. Zach Swirczynski, junior high student council president, welcomed all in attendance. Brad Endres, 8th grade class president, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Principal Phil Newton announced the All A-B and A Honor Rolls and Perfect Attendance. Students not missing any school days were Amber Fuhrmann, Zach Swirczynski, Evan Koesler, Cletus Fuhrmann, Rebecca Grewing, Cassie Hale, and Taryn Schinigo. Newton also recognized class officers, class favorites, and special awards, including the Duke Talent Identification Program, and essay and poetry contest winners.

Alison Miller and Bret Walterscheid each read a prose selection, Heather Harrison played a flute solo, and Kim Patel and Craig

Grewing played a trumpet and trombone duet. Jerry Everett introduced band members, and Lisa Hettler cheerleaders, before the coaches announced athletics. Brad Budish reported on boys sports, noting that the 7th grade football team ended the season 0-4-1 and the 8th grade 6-2-1. In basketball, the 7th grade was 1-8, winning their last game, while the 8th grade finished second in District with an 11-3 record. The 7th grade track team finished 3rd in District and the 8th grade Hornets 2nd.

Jeff Presnall introduced the boys and girls cross country participants. The girls team ended the season with a 2nd place in District. Presnall also noted that the junior high girls had three teams, with the "A" team finishing 14-0. There were four track meets with both teams earning 2nd places in District.

Newton named the junior high One Act Play members,

Jerry Eckart introduced the TMSCA State qualifiers and Molly Sicking UIL academics. Kyra Mann announced the student council officers, named projects the group did during the school year, and announced the newly elected officers for next year.

Newton then gave the closing remarks and Allison Teafatiller, 7th grade class president, gave the benediction.

The PTO then drew for door prizes. Sandy Endres won the \$50 grand prize. Getting \$20 were Krystal Wolf and Colton Steelman.

\$10 door prizes went to Dillena Hundt, Paige Winters, Christina Eckart, Cletus Fuhrmann, Caitlyn Barrett, Brad Endres, Collin Walterscheid, Amber Fuhrmann, Lee Walterscheid, Casey Bewley, Jessica Walterscheid, and Josh McAden.



Sacred Heart's Red-N-Motion has elected their officers for the 2003-2004 season. They are, from left, Lieutenant Kim Hess, senior, Captain Christine Fetsch, junior and Lieutenant Laura Taylor, senior.

Lunch menus

WEEK MAY 19 - 23

SACRED HEART

Mon. - Cook's choice.
Tues. - Oven-fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, green peas, apple/pineapple cobbler, bread.
Wed. - Beef spaghetti, green beans, potatoes, breadsticks.
Thurs. - Ham, cheesy potatoes, broccoli, applesauce, graham crackers, bread.
Fri. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, sliced cheese, French fries, peaches.

MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Hot dogs w/chili and cheese, potato wedges, pinto beans, apple cobbler, peaches.

Tues. - Flame broiled beef patties, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pineapple, hot rolls.

Wed. - Ham and cheese hot pockets, chips and salsa, lettuce and tomatoes, pears, carrot sticks, cookies.

Thurs. - Cook's choice.

Fri. - No school.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Chicken fajitas, pinto beans, tomato and lettuce, mixed fruit, bread.

Tues. - Pizza, lettuce salad, corn, peaches, bread.

Wed. - Corny dog, baked beans, carrot and celery sticks, pineapple, bread.

Thurs. - Manager's choice.

Fri. - No school.

ERA ISD

Mon. - Nachos w/ground beef, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, sugar cookie.

Tues. - Salisbury steak or fish sticks, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, tossed salad, peaches, hot roll.

Wed. - Steak fingers or barbecue wieners, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, wacky cake.

Thurs. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, or chicken strips, green beans, pineapple tidbits, tossed salad, breadstick.

Fri. - Hamburger, sliced cheese, trimmings, French fries, ice cream.

On Saturday, May 17, 2003, the first Annual Waxahachie Lions Club Mini Grand Prix will be held on the square in downtown Waxahachie.

Admission is free!!!! For more information Call: Tim Bass (972) 937-2211 or John Landrum (972) 937-6848.

TEA staff to meet with Lindsay parents

During the week of May 19 - 23, staff from the Texas Education Agency and educational leaders from other school districts will be visiting Lindsay School District to determine how well the school is meeting students' needs. They will also be checking to ensure that district and campus staff members are observing all federal and state requirements.

The Agency team will meet with parents of students to provide an

opportunity for comments and suggestions. You are invited to provide input by attending a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.

The team members look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions before or after the meeting, or if you need an interpreter present during the meeting, contact either Travis Winn or Monica Parkhill by calling 668-8923.

Ford awards \$1,000 scholarship

Patrick Zimmerer, 2003 graduate of Lindsay High School, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by Glenn Polk Ford, Gainesville, and Ford Motor Company. Zimmerer is the son of Rudy and Claudia Zimmerer of Lindsay, and plans to study Agricultural Engineering at Texas Tech University.

The scholarship is one of 665 awarded by Ford Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and the Ford Dealers to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2003. The Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA (Future Farmers of America) Scholarship Program, which recently celebrated its sixth full year, attracted over 4,787 applicants in 2003.

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Patrick Zimmerer and Glenn Polk

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Area Happenings

Montague Spaghetti Dinner

"Come and enjoy a delicious all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner with us," invites the St. William Catholic Church Altar Society. The meal will be held Sunday, May 18 at the Parish Hall in Montague from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner are \$6.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children. The menu

includes Italian sausage, salad, spaghetti, homemade Italian bread, tea, and cobbler. Sausage may also be purchased for \$4.00 per pound. There will be over 350 pounds of fresh sausage available as well as many baked goods for your baking needs.

Proceeds of the event benefit Altar Society activities.

MISD school health program discussed

On Thursday, May 8, the MISD School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) held a meeting. This committee meets to help the school promote a healthier life for students.

The meeting was led by Mrs. Marlene Fisher, the school nurse, who reviewed progress of 2002 SHAC recommendations made to the school board. The committee decided to continue efforts on improving the nutritional value of meals offered in the cafeteria and to offer healthy snacks to the Junior High and High School students.

Mrs. Fisher reported on the various health related activities conducted with the help of the Safe and Drug Free Schools program during 2002-2003. A list of activities was provided to the members. Some activities offered district wide included Red Ribbon Week, Fire Safety, Poison Prevention, and Eagles Wings to Angel Wings. The parental members showed support of these programs throughout discussion.

The committee discussed continuing efforts towards the "Healthy Habits" program, which offered

healthier snacks during morning break at the secondary level. Eliminating the vending machines is not an option, but offering beneficial snacks could be added to the break. Various options were discussed with nothing definite decided upon until final course scheduling has been determined.

Discussion then led to suggestions for new programs to possibly present in 2003-2004. Some suggestions were activities and programs that would focus on tobacco prevention, an anti-bullying presentation, drug surveys for grades 5-12, a health and learning website, and seeking parent volunteers to aid with supervision of playground duties.

All members present agreed to remain on the committee for another year. Anyone interested in serving with the School Health Advisory Committee or those who have recommendations on school health, please feel free to contact Mrs. Fisher at 759-2282, ext. 626.

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Sacred Heart High School Angelic A'Cappella's Mother's Day performance Dave Fette photo

Angelic A'Cappella presents Mother's Day concert in Sacred Heart Church

by **Elfreda Fette**
The annual, traditional Mother's Day Concert presented by the Sacred Heart High School Angelic A'Cappella was held May 11, Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church. Directed by Pam Fette, and accompanied by Marlene Williams, it was a most fitting high point to the celebrations for the honored mothers and those joining them in the audience. The audience expressed appreciation and admiration with rapt attention and frequent applause.

Members of the Angelic A'Cappella, singing as they entered from the back, paused as they approached the front and each presented a long-stemmed red rose to her mother.

The program included a group of Madrigals: "Joyfully Sing," "Let All Who Sing Be Merry," "In the Merry Month of May," "Firefly," and "Old Woman and the Peddler."

Spirituals included "Chariot's Comin'," "I'll Fly Away," "Down to the River to Pray," and "Give Me Jesus."

Adding variety and diversion to the program, they sang "Lachen and Weinen" ("Laughing and Crying") which they had taken to competition, where they received a Division I rating, the highest rating offered. In the same group of songs, they added "Caledonian's Air," a Scottish Folk Song.

Outstanding, and quite impressive was the solo by Katie Cox, "Danny Boy." The audience responded by giving her a standing ovation and sustained applause. "Danny Boy" was appropriately followed by

the A'Cappella's "Simply Gregorian, the Kyrie" and "Pie, Jesu." The three selections were in memory of those who lost their lives in wartime.

Two sacred songs followed: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" and "All Things Bright and Beautiful."

Three contemporary selections, especially "New York! New York!" brought quick and enthusiastic audience response, with clapping to the rhythm. It recalled the recent trip they made to New York City with a large group of chaperones. In this group of songs were "On Eagles Wings," sung by a quartet of Katie Cox, Laura Taylor, Kate Sepanski, and Tiffany Richey; and "Celebrate Celine," including a solo by Tiffany Richey.

Always a highlight of the program, and truly

anticipated by those attending in the audience, was the invitation given to former members to join in the closing number. Responding were Elizabeth Kette, Kelly Fetsch, Sara Sepanski, Anne Poole, Ruth Felderhoff, and Barbara Brady. They sang the favorite "I Love You Lord," arranged by Ruth Felderhoff.

Members of the Sacred Heart 2002-03 Angelic A'Cappella are: Seniors Katie Cox and Tiffany Richey; Juniors Andrea Bonin, Lisa Endres, Karen Gehrig, Kate Sepanski, Laura Taylor, and Amy Trevino; Sophomores Rose Bartush, Jacqueline Bauer, and Christine Fetsch; Freshmen Angela Cox, Jacqueline Flusche, Joelle Fuhrmann, Chelsie Switzer, Brittany White, and Sarah Whitecotton.

Safety Day Camp registration due

The 2003 Progressive Farmer Safety Day Camp is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, for youth finishing K-6th grades. The camp will be held at the Cooke County Fairgrounds from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on that day. Flyers were distributed in all county schools earlier this month. Interested youth are reminded that registration is limited to 300 and registration forms are due in the Extension office by Thursday, May 22. Additional forms are available in the Extension office.

Fun hands-on sessions planned for the day include: First Aid, Chemical Safety, Electrical Safety, Food

Safety, Bicycle Safety, Farm Safety, 4-Wheeler & Jet Ski Safety, Gun Safety, Home Alone Safety, Seat Belt Safety, Animal & Pet Safety, Fire Safety. In addition to safety session, Safety Camp includes fun & games, door prizes, goody bags and a free 2003 Safety Camp t-shirt.

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If you have any questions concerning this exciting opportunity, please call the Extension office at 940.668.5412.

West Nile virus settles into Texas landscape

"West Nile virus first appeared in Texas in June 2002 and has since moved across the state," said Joe Garrett, a veterinarian with the zoonosis control division at the Texas Department of Health (TDH). It was reported in horses in Cooke County last fall.

Garrett said, "West Nile virus is new to us, and we still are trying to understand it. We cannot predict what kind of a season we will have this year. Testing mosquitoes and dead birds - generally jays, crows and hawks - gives us a way of actively tracking the virus to alert affected communities that they may need to take precautions to protect themselves. Tracking illnesses in humans and horses also gives us a more complete picture of the spread of the virus."

Mosquitoes get the West Nile virus by biting infected birds. People and animals get West Nile from the bite of an infected mosquito, not from other people, animals, or birds.

West Nile virus infections usually are mild with flu-like symptoms including fever, headache, sore throat, body aches and fatigue, occasionally with skin rash and swollen lymph glands. Symptoms of more severe West Nile infections - encephalitis and meningitis - include headache, high

fever, stiff neck, disorientation, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, coma, and paralysis. If you have these symptoms, contact your health care provider right away.

The incubation period for West Nile virus is three to 14 days. Mild symptoms may last a few days while symptoms of the more severe illness may last several weeks. Neurological effects may be permanent, and West Nile can be fatal. Fewer than 1 percent of those bitten by infected mosquitoes become severely ill.

Currently no vaccine is available to combat West Nile virus in people, and no specific treatment is given for the infection other than supportive therapies for fever or pain. "People can, however, do a great deal to protect themselves, their families and their communities," said Dr. Eduardo Sanchez, Texas Commissioner of Health. "Reducing exposure to mosquitoes is one of the most important things."

Sanchez urged people to remember the four D's:

- **Dusk to Dawn:** Stay indoors from dusk to dawn, times when those mosquitoes likely to carry the infection are most active.
- **Dress:** Dress in pants and long sleeves when you

are outside, especially in mosquito-infested areas.

- **DEET (N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide):** Apply insect repellent that contains DEET. Read and follow label instructions. Spray both exposed skin and clothing with repellent.

- **Drain:** Get rid of standing water in your yard and neighborhood. Old tires, flowerpots, clogged rain gutters, leaky pipes and faucets, birdbaths, and wading pools can be breeding sites for mosquitoes.

Garrett said it also is important to keep mosquitoes out of the house. "Be sure door, porch and window screens are in good condition," he said.

Horses, however, seem to be most susceptible to the infection, the veterinarian noted. "A vaccine that is about 95 percent effective in preventing West Nile in horses is available," Garrett said. "Horses not previously immunized need two shots given three to six weeks apart, with an annual booster thereafter. Protection begins about three to four weeks after the last shot."

Even if horses were vaccinated late last year, Garrett advises that the animals be given the booster shot now rather than waiting a full year.

Gardening health tips

Turn on the television at any time of day and you'll be bombarded with ads for pills, powders, drinks, and exercise gizmos that promise to help you shed excess pounds. But before you shell out \$50 for the "Chub-Buster 5000," get out your gardening gloves. Better health can be as close as your backyard. (Compliments of ARA)

News from Austin Texas Farm Bureau

Texas Champion OAP to have public performance

Lindsay High School's One Act Play performed in the State 1A UIL Final 8 competition in Austin and was awarded the State Championship, the first time since 1994. The play, *The Voice of the Prairie*, has two story lines, about a man who broadcasts stories on the radio, with flashbacks to when he met a blind girl and their time together.

Lindsay school will

present the play one last time, to the public, on Monday, May 19 at the State Theater in Gainesville. The play is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., with the doors opening at 7 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres will be served before the play at the Back Stage Cafe. Desserts follow afterwards.

There will be a charge of \$10 to see the play, which will go toward the rental of the theater.

House Passes Bill To Sunset Robin Hood School Finance System

The House has passed HB 5, by Representative Kent Grusendorf, which set a time-line for repealing "Robin Hood." The bill repeals the provisions effective September 1, 2004; and requires a replacement revenue plan at that time. As a fail-safe, if the replacement is not developed within the designated time, "Robin Hood" would be extended. HB 5 also provides an additional \$300 per student to schools to meet urgent funding needs, with some small and mid-size schools eligible for additional funds.

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Sports



At left, Kallie Gertsberger in the 1600m run and above, Brooke Endres in the 100m hurdles at the State Meet. Dora Erwin photos

County athletes do well at state meet

Muenster, Era, and Forestburg girls and the Lindsay Knights had representation at this year's State UIL Track and Field Meet. Muenster was represented by Kallie Gerstberger and Brooke Endres, with both placing in the finals.

Gerstberger, a Muenster High Sophomore, placed third in the 1600m race with a final time of 5:31.12. She had the 2nd fastest time at 5:26.39 before the final race.

Endres, a Muenster High Junior, had a seed time of 16.43 going into the finals of the 100m hurdles, improving to 15.72, which was good enough for 5th place.

Christy Reynolds of Forestburg brought home two medals. She won the 800m run, clocking in at 2:31.00 and finished 2nd in the 3200m with an 11:54.96 time.

The Era Lady Hornet 800m relay team of Tera Pucket, Melissa Metzler, Megan Hudspeth, and Michelle Clark, settled for 6th place with a time of 1:49.22.

The Lindsay Knights won two relays and brought home the 2nd place team trophy. The 400m relay team of Keith Dieter, Chris Horner, Trinity Otto, and Rhett Rimmer ran a 42.87, while the 1600m relay finished at 2:23.51, giving Chris Horner, Sam Hellinger, Rhett Rimmer, and Trinity Otto gold medals. Rimmer also finished 5th in the 100m with a 10.90 time.

Also from our district placing at State was Kyle Green of Windthorst in the shot with a throw of 51' 1/2" for 5th place.



The Lindsay Knights State Champion Relay Teams. Above, the 1600m team, from left, Chris Horner, Rhett Rimmer, Trinity Otto and Sam Hellinger. At right, the sprint relay team, top, Horner and Otto, bottom, Keith Dieter and Rimmer. Dora Erwin photos

Tigerettes fall short of another state softball championship

The Sacred Heart Tigerette softball team won this year's District. They proceeded to take the Area championship with a 4-1 victory over Rockwall Heritage, then win at Regional, 12-0 over Saint Joseph's of Bryan to advance to the TAPPS State Final Four tournament in Waco last Friday.

The first round of action saw the Tigerettes face the Lady Cardinals of Shiner Saint Paul. The other game matched Waco Christian with Hallettsville Sacred Heart. The girls from Shiner had a 27-3 season record going into State.

Action began at Veterans Field Friday morning. It was a stand-off the first three innings, with the Tigerette defense controlling the Lady Cardinals with three up and three down. Sacred Heart got on base, but throws from the catcher to the baseman and getting picked off at first base put only zeroes on the scoreboard for three innings.

In the 4th inning, the Shiner team came up big on offense. After a walk, the

Lady Cardinals got to 3rd on errors. A single hit gave Shiner their first score. After stealing 2nd, a sacrifice out at first moved the runner to 3rd. With one out, Saint Paul scored again on a pop ball, then another walk. A caught fly and a strike out put the Tigerettes at bat.

Jennifer Hoedebeck got on base, but didn't score for a 2-0 score going into the 5th.

Sacred Heart, with defensive ground activity, got the first two runners out at first. The next batter infielded a single, stole two bases, then was hit in by batter four for a 3-0 lead for the Shiner team. The Tigerettes were up and out in the bottom of the fifth.

The Tigerette defense kept the Cardinals intact at the top of the 6th. Mary Jane Callahan then hit a stand-up double and Karen Gehrig walked to the base, but the next three batters were struck out for no runs.

Callahan struck out two, allowed a base hit, then swung out the third batter to give the Tigerettes a final chance at the bottom of the 7th.

The defending State champion Tigerettes were unable to pull off a victory. Three up and three out ended the game 3-0. This was the first time the Lady Cardinals defeated a Tigerette team.

The Cardinals were then shot down by the Sacred Heart of Hallettsville girls in the final round. The Tigerettes ended the season as State semi-finalist.

Offensively the Tigerettes got only two hits, Callahan and Catherine Bartush. Defensive standouts included Alicia Cochran, Crystal Hess, Nicole Bayer, and Bartush. Callahan, from the mound, faced 27 batters, throwing nine strikeouts and allowing five hits.

Sacred Heart had two players named to the State All-Tournament Team, Mary Jane Callahan and Alicia Cochran.

The team will lose eight players at graduation with seniors Callahan, Hoedebeck, Jana Truobenbach, Hess, Michelle Bayer, Cochran, Bartush, and Charlie Sue Switzer ending their high school softball careers.

Golf tournament set by Hornet Boosters May 17

A four-person scramble golf tournament originally planned for May 17 has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 8 at 2 p.m. It will be held at Turtle Hill of Muenster. There is a \$240 charge per team or \$60 each. Prizes will be awarded and a meal served. The first 30 teams to register will be accepted. To register contact Terry Walterscheid at 759-2737 (days) or 759-2599 (evenings) or Turtle Hill 759-4896.

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Warmer air temps belie the frigid waters beneath

As winter fades into spring, anglers are eager to return to the water. But while the air above may feel warm, the water below is still cold and presents spring anglers with the threat of hypothermia.

"Even the most seasoned fisherman eventually finds himself in water cold enough to take their breath away," says Chris Edmonston, director of Boating Safety for the BoatU.S. Foundation. "Knowing how to handle the situation could mean the difference between life and death." The Foundation has five tips an angler can do in advance to prepare for an accidental cold water dunking:

Wear a life jacket. The single most effective action to save your life is to wear a life jacket designed for anglers. It's estimated that the majority of boating fatalities could have been prevented had the angler been wearing a life jacket.

Dress for the water temperature, not for the air temperature. Even the smallest ways to trap heat will give you a survival edge. If it's warm outside, try to wear a shirt with buttons or zippers - which can be opened to keep cool while fishing, and then closed if you do go in. Stay away from single layers like a T-shirt. Also, 50 percent of a person's heat is lost through his head - wear a hat to help slow heat loss.

Carry a whistle. While a noisemaking device is required on most boats, wear an attention-getting whistle around your neck or attached to your life jacket.

Make every effort to get out of the water. Try to climb on your boat, even if it's capsized. Pull yourself onto a log, a buoy, or anything that will get some of your body out of the water. The more of your body that's in the water, the more heat you will lose.


Do not swim. Think twice about attempting a long swim to safety. Swimming forces warm water from clothing layers and causes you to expend valuable heat. Simple survival floating positions may be your better chance of survival.

Meeting Notice

Muenster Hornet Booster Club will meet on Monday, May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Girls' Locker Room. Business discussed will be the four-person scramble scheduled for Sunday, June 8 at 2 p.m.













Marlene Hess of Alexandria, Virginia, completed the Washington DC Marathon. Even though promoters pulled their sponsorship of the events days before the race, a few hundred runners arrived at the Lincoln Memorial to run. The 26.2 mile race took the participants through the Capital Hill, Georgetown, and Anacostia sections of the city before finishing on Pennsylvania Avenue, a few blocks from the White House. Marlene is shown crossing the finish line with her friend and fellow runner Michael Van Haelewyn. She is the daughter of Mary Ann and Earl Hess of Muenster. Courtesy photo



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Muenster Junior High School
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2003 EQIP program to address erosion

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) recently convened the Cooke County Local Work Group to identify priority resource concerns for the 2003 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). The Local Work Group

determined that erosion is the highest priority concern for this year's EQIP program.

EQIP is a voluntary conservation program administered by the NRCS to promote environmental quality and agricultural production. Through EQIP,

land users may receive financial and technical help to install or implement structural and management practices on eligible agricultural land.

In addressing erosion concerns, the Local Work Group determined the top cost-share priority to be conversion of currently cropped, highly erodible land to grassland. The second priority will be the conversion of currently cropped, non-highly erodible land to grassland. As in past years EQIP funding is expected to be limited. Money may not be available to fund the lower priority practices which include, in descending order, grassed waterways, terraces systems and grass planting on land that is not currently cropped.

EQIP applications will be accepted at the USDA Service Center in Gainesville, 2200 N. Grand, through June 13, 2003. Producers with questions about the 2003 EQIP program can call the NRCS at 940-668-7794, ext. 3.

Texas Farmers Union President testifies at COOL hearing in Austin

During a U.S. Department of Agriculture hearing today in Austin, Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims outlined consumer and producer benefits of a mandatory country-of-origin food labeling law.

Sims, who operates a diversified family farm in Sweetwater, Texas, called the country-of-origin labeling (COOL) law "one of the most important efforts to ensure the survivability and to enhance economic opportunities for U.S., independent livestock and produce farmers."

In both oral and written comments to USDA officials, Sims asserted that the COOL law included in the 2002 farm bill will benefit independent farmers and ranchers.

"Country-of-origin labeling provides U.S. producers, as well as those from other countries, with a mechanism that allows for product differentiation in the marketplace," he said. "This is really no different than the retail product differentiation sought by processors and retailers when they label or brand products as a means to gain acceptance and loyalty and increase their share of the market."

Sims said he took exception to claims that the new law would excessively burden producers. "As an independent Texas agriculture producer, I am offended by the scare tactics that large agribusinesses are using to deter farmers and ranchers from supporting this beneficial law," he said. "Many producers have received threats of third-party verification or burdensome audit trails."

While the debate over the merits of the law continues, USDA's Agriculture Marketing Service is holding a series of listening sessions across the country, like the one in Austin, to gather comments about the mandatory country-of-origin labeling rules, which will go into effect by September 2004.

The Texas Farmers Union leader encouraged farmers and ranchers to unite in support of the law to ensure it is implemented with the true intent of the law.

Senate Passes Appropriations Act

The Texas Senate passed **HB 1**, the general appropriations act Wednesday, April 29. The Senate bill calls for \$117 billion in state spending, \$500 million above the House version. In the legislation, significant cuts are made in different places than the House Bill. Appropriations for agricultural programs remained whole despite several attempts on the Senate floor to decrease funding for these programs. The Bill will now be sent back to the House where it is expected that the House will reject the Senate's version of the bill. At that time, Lt. Governor Dewhurst and Speaker Craddick will each appoint five members to the Conference Committee. The conferees, by Constitution, must reach a compromise by June 2.

Senator Duncan's Bill to Protect Condemnation of Water Rights Passes Senate

Senate Bill 1227 by Senator Robert Duncan of Lubbock passed the Senate on Thursday. The bill adds several new requirements for governmental entities to accomplish before they can condemn water rights. Under the bill, the court cannot allow the governmental entity to condemn water rights until it proves that it has done a drought contingency plan, implemented water conservation measures, pursued alternative water supplies, attempted to voluntarily buy or lease the water rights, and it needs the water within the next 10 years for domestic use.

Uncontrolled Dogs

The Senate Natural Resources Committee approved an amended version of **HB 151**, by Representative David Farabee of Wichita Falls, as sponsored by Senator Craig Estes of Wichita Falls. The bill holds owners of dogs liable for damage to livestock, and allows livestock producer(s) to capture or kill uncontrolled dogs causing harm to their animals. The bill will now go before the full Senate for consideration.

Feral Hog Bill Headed Back to the Senate

Senate Bill 236 by Senator Fraser received House approval this week. The bill was amended in the House to delete language added by Senator Staples of Palestine in the Senate. Sen. Staple's language

added coyotes as another animal that could be killed without a hunting license. With the House amendments, the bill will allow a landowner or landowner's agent to "take" feral hogs that are destroying property.

Since the House amended SB 236, it must return to the Senate floor for the senators to approve the House amendments before being sent to the Governor.

House Approves Bill to Pay Landowner for Groundwater Condemned

House Bill 803 by Representative Charlie Geren passed the House this week. Representative Geren's bill requires a municipality to compensate landowners for fair market value of groundwater rights, in addition to the land under condemnation.

HB 803 must now be approved by the Texas Senate.

Bill Granting County Authority on Well Placement Withdrawn

Senate Bill 884, filed by State Senator Ken Brimer of Ft. Worth, was heard by the full Senate this week. The bill allows the commissioners court of a county the authority to regulate the placement of private wells on land outside cities.

The purpose of the bill is to ensure water wells are located a certain distance from septic systems to prevent groundwater contamination. Brimer amended the bill to address landowners' concerns by exempting tracts of land ten acres or larger and land designated as open-space.

SB 884 met serious opposition when it was heard by the full Senate. The opposition led to Brimer withdrawing further consideration of the bill.

Cattle imports increase in 2002

Net U.S. imports of live cattle increased 14 percent, (270,000 head) in 2002 to 2.26 million head. Contributing to the increase was a 56 percent drop in live cattle exports to Canada and a 41 percent increase in imports of live cattle from Canada. The major driving force was drought in western Canada. The increase would have been even greater had it not been for a 28 percent decline in imports from Mexico. The decline from Mexico occurred because of declining cattle inventories in Mexico, lower feeder cattle prices in the United States, better pasture conditions in Mexico and higher health standards imposed on imported Mexican feeder cattle to protect U.S. herds from tuberculosis. The Mexican cattle inventory dropped from 22.5 million to 21.3 million animals between the beginning of 2001 and the beginning of 2003.

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County Agent's Report

Wayne Becker
CEA - AG/NR

The NRCS office has not received many applications for the EQIP program this year. In the past, producers may have been disillusioned by the lack of funds for the program. This year a local workforce was able to prioritize the needs of the county. With these priorities made, those producers wishing to move erodible cropland to grass have an excellent chance of being funded. The next priorities will be waterways and terraces. People are applying now for funding to help minimize erosion.

There are still some livestock producers who need to sign up for the Livestock Compensation Program. Make sure that you obtain the details from your local FSA office.

A Horsemanship Clinic is being offered to area youth. It is being taught by Texas A&M Summer Horsemanship Interns and is designed to help 4-Hers achieve more with their existing horse project. This is a hands-on clinic where 4-Hers bring their horses and participate in lengthy riding sessions that follow short demonstrations. The two-day long school will cost \$30. Registration will be limited to the first 30 applicants.

The Cooke County Equine Advisory Council noticed a need for the area to have a local Equine Services Directory. Therefore, we have been in the process of creating it. We are currently in the process of taking applications for the directory. Those individuals interested in advertising services, equipment, tack, horses, breeding, or anything related to the horse industry is encouraged to call the office at (940)668-5412 for details. The directory will be for the years 2003-2004. It should be a good avenue for

local people to find and use resources from our area. You should begin to see flyers, with more detail, in the local stores.

Our Cooke County Master Gardeners are sponsoring a Parade of Gardens. This will be a tour of six Gainesville area gardens. Any person interested in seeing what some local homeowners have been able to accomplish with their landscapes need to reserve time on the afternoon of Sunday, June 1, to see these gardens. Tickets will be on sale for \$6 at area merchants, or from the extension office. Please plan to attend.

Saturday, June 14 marks the day for Progressive Farmer Safety Day Camp. Ten sessions on safety education will be given. The camp is for students from K-6. It will be held at the Cooke County Fairgrounds, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The first 300 registrations are guaranteed a spot in the camp. Those who did not receive a form at school can pick one up at the Extension office. The entry deadline is Thursday, May 22, 2003.

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06/14 - Progressive Farmer Safety Day Camp, 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Cooke County Fairgrounds
06/16 - Steer Validation, 9:00 a.m., Gainesville Livestock Barn

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USDA is seeking input on several proposed United States Standards for Livestock and Meat Marketing Claims. Final standards for claims related to antibiotics, hormones and breed, and the terms free-range and grass-fed will be established after further technical input is obtained from interested parties and an additional public comment period is conducted. Currently, there are no consensus standards for production or marketing claims related to meat and livestock products. The proposed standards are voluntary and set the minimum requirements for common production and marketing claims that may be used in USDA certified or USDA verified programs.

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Legal Notices

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TO: TONYA MARIE DARLEY, Respondent, and to all whom it may concern,

"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation, a default judgment may be taken against you."

The PETITION TO MODIFY PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP AND MOTION TO TRANSFER was filed in the Court of Cooke County, Texas, on the 6th day of May, A.D. 2003, by TRAVIS LEE MOORE, Petitioner, numbered 95-414, and entitled "In the Interest of TRAVIS LEE MOORE, II, a child." The suit is a request for the Court to modify the Order In Suit to Modify Parent-Child Relationship, rendered on June 28, 2000, and Motion To Transfer the suit to Denton County, Texas.

The following child is subject of the suit: TRAVIS LEE MOORE, II, MALE, DOB: 09/23/1992.

The Court has the authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and Seal of said Court at Gainesville, Texas, this the 6th day of May, 2003.

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<p>Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.05-1.11; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.05; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 99-1.10; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-99; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 88-1.04; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-88; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 82-93; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-82; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 78-87; Nos. 2 & 3, 65-78; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 70-80; Nos. 2 & 3, 63-70.</p> <p>Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 91-1.05; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-91; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 85-91; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-85; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 83-88; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-83; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 80-86; Nos. 2 & 3, 67-80; 700 lbs.: No. 1, 73-80; Nos. 2 & 3, 62-73; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 60-70; Nos. 2 & 3, 50-60.</p> <p>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.) Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2, 1.20-2.05 lbs.; 45-5500 Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 37-45; Cutter, 18-37.</p>	<p>Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy-tested, 3- to 9-year-olds - Large Frame, \$650-\$780; Medium Frame, \$425-\$650. Cow/Calf Pairs/walves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame, \$700-\$835; Medium Frame, \$500-\$700. Holstein Baby Calves, \$50-\$95; Crossbreds, \$100-\$200. Barrows & Gilts: US #1, 230-270, 40-47; US #2, 220-280, 35-40. Feeders (per head): 100-175 lbs., \$40-\$65; 25-90 lbs., \$15-\$35. Sows: Feeder, 400 or less, 22-28; Light wt., 400-500, 22-28; Med. wt., 500-600, 25-28; Heavy wt., 600-up, 25-30. Boars: 300 lb. up, 02, 200-300 lbs., 08-10; Light wt., 15-25. Sheep (per lb.): Feeder lambs, 40-60 lbs., 95-105; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 90-100; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., 70-80.</p>	<p>Ewes: Stocker, 30-55; Thin, 25-40; Fat, 40-55. Bucks: Thin: 25-40; Fat, 25-40. Barbados (per head): Lambs: \$20-\$45; Ewes \$35-\$55; Bucks: \$45-\$150. Kids: 20-35 lbs., \$20-\$40; 35-55 lbs., \$30-\$55; 55-75 lbs., \$45-\$70. Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$70-\$105. Nannies (per head) Stocker, \$30-\$90; Milk Type: \$30-\$60; Slaughter; Thin, \$25-\$45; Fat, \$40-\$65. Billies (per head) 120 lbs. up Breeders, \$65-\$100; Slaughter, \$40-\$70. Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Nanny, \$75-\$105; 3/4 Nanny, \$75-\$100; Full Nanny, \$75-\$200. Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Billy, NT: 3/4 Billy NT: Full Billy, \$100-\$155; (940) 665-4367</p>
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