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## To curb or not to curb?

By Janet Felderhoff

Money has been budgeted by the Muenster City Council to curb the City Park. Contractors were approved at the Monday, April 4 meeting of the City Council. A decision on how many feet of the Park should be curbed and what should be done as a regular curb and what should be flat curb to allow vehicle access for events such as Germanfest was tabled. This will allow time for research and more input.

Alderman Gary Fisher inquired if the Park curbing would be the typical curbing such as was done in front of the Park. City Manager Stan Endres said that the area by the old tennis courts would be a flat curb so that vehicles could drive over for events such as Germanfest. It would be raised but made for a vehicle to drive up it.

Fisher said, "What's the purpose of it if it's going to be a flat curb. You've got a lot of things going on down there and it's just a step hazard. The current one that's stepping off the old volleyball court is a hazard in itself. People just don't see it. I don't see a purpose for a raised one."

Alderman John Pagel explained that the idea of a raised curb is to hold water and to control vehicles to keep

them from meandering off the road and into the grassy areas. When that project comes to fruition, plans are that the cable currently lining both sides of the road through the Park will come down. "The posts and the cable system is a maintenance nightmare," Pagel remarked. "If you have just a street with no curb system, you have no way of handling the traffic flow."

Fisher said that a curb would direct the water flow into the low areas and now it runs off wherever it gets a notion to. He added, "Anytime you curb a street, you're letting it run off the crown, you're going to be directing all the water that falls on the street down to one place. You're going to wind up spending another \$15,000 to put in some kind of rock, that's decorative enough to be in a Park, to stop the erosion to the creek." Alderman Jack Flusche disagreed, as did Pagel.

Fisher noted that he didn't realize that they were bidding on curbing to go all the way around the Park. Mayor Henry Weinzapfel reminded the Council that the proposal stated that they could curb as much as they wanted. Endres recalled that when the budget was done the intentions were to curb it all, if there was

enough money.

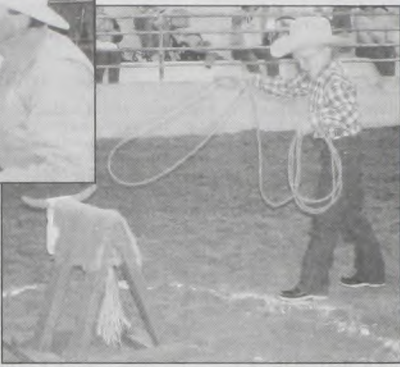
Revealing the background behind the curbing decision, Pagel explained that some years ago the City approached County Commissioner Virgil Hess about his Precinct's assistance in paving the street through the City Park. Pagel noted that Hess told him, "I'll be glad to assist you with the road construction going through here whenever you get it ready, but you're not ready to improve your road because you are not handling the water situation down here. You are spending good money wastefully by putting in streets before you have some way of containing your asphalt or containing your street. Without curbing your street, your asphalt is going

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## Sacred Heart Ranch Rodeo a big success



Sacred Heart School sponsored their annual Ranch and Buckaroo Rodeo last Sunday. The kids' rodeo events are always a big hit. Above, Tom Dangelmayr reassures Natalie Dangelmayr and Samantha McCoy that the chickens in the pin are friendly and ready to be sorted. At right, Jared Dangelmayr throws the rope to nab a "calf". See Rodeo related story and more photos on pg. 6. Courtesy photos



## Police radios purchased with grant funds

By Janet Felderhoff

Muenster Police Chief Bob Stovall reported at the Monday, April 4 Muenster City Council meeting that the Homeland Security grants he'd applied for have been approved. Muenster Police Department received \$9,470 to purchase radio equipment for the police cars.

The new police car is in and is now being equipped.

Stovall said it should be on the streets later this week. One of the new radios is being installed in it.

Stovall said that the drug dog hasn't been used recently. They plan to put him back into action as soon as both the police cars are back on the street, since a cage must be installed in the back to accommodate the police dog. Alderman John Pagel remarked on the low number of citations issued - about three per month. Chief Stovall agreed that he hadn't been sitting on the highway writing many violations.

Police Commissioner Gary Fisher said, "I know that there are a lot of people that speed and there hasn't been a lot of time for doing traffic stops, but there's a lot of speeding going on in town." Stovall agreed he hadn't had a lot of time to work traffic.

City Manager Stan Endres said that before the six or seven months that he's been at City Hall now, he didn't have a clue as to the amount of paperwork and other things that Bob has to do every day. "If we want to get

more tickets and other things like that done, we are probably going to have to hire another officer," he speculated. "There is no way that these two guys (Chief Stovall and Officer Mitch Westervelt) can patrol the streets 24 hours a day. They can't work that many hours. Bob puts in a whole lot more than 40 hours a week."

Stovall added, "Especially with the Lake Project, our area just doubled. We don't spend much time out there right now, but when that dam gets finished our patrol area doubles. That's something to consider this next budget hearing."

Another \$759.75 in grant money was received from the State Comptroller's office. It is for Police Educational purposes. This State allocated money is awarded annually. The amount varies each year.

Bids were opened for curbing the City Park and some of Maple Street. Lynn Huchton Construction submitted a bid of \$15 per linear foot. Dangelmayr Construction bid \$15.25 per

foot. The Mayor asked for a motion from either the Street Commissioner or the Park Commissioner.

Street Commissioner Pagel remarked, "As far as my experience, the work that we had done by Dangelmayr's has always been up to grade and exceptional work. Dangelmayr Construction Company is a local tax paying construction company. For \$500 difference I'd take Dangelmayr Construction Company." The Board agreed unanimously.

Endres reported that a grant application for the drainage problem on Mesquite Street was presented to a review committee in Sherman. There were 25 applicants. Muenster was ranked second on the list. He said there is still no guarantee that the City would receive the grant because Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) would review the applications and can add or subtract points based on things such as poverty level and

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## Lake project making progress

By Don Rohmer

After some weather-related delays, the second phase of dam construction for Muenster Lake is well underway. Tri Dal Excavation is simultaneously building the principle spillway and the second half of the earthen dam.

The principle spillway consists of a large pipe, a riser, and an impact basin. The 512 ft. pipe runs across the full width of the bottom of the dam. It is composed of 16 ft. sections, each of which weighs 25,000 lbs. The sections are currently in place, resting on concrete cradles, and are being embedded in concrete. The concrete is poured around alternating sections to create a flexible structure that will not break if the earth later shifts. It creates an eight-inch wall on each side of the pipe, with thicker concrete underneath. As the concrete is poured, a vibrator helps attain uniform consistency, with no air pockets. Each load of concrete is tested for slump and temperature. In the slump test, samples are poured into cylinders, which are then removed, and measurement of how much each sample "slumps," or spreads out, indicates how much water the mixture contains.

A riser will be built in front of the pipe to control water depth. When the water reaches a height of 47 feet, it will flow over the top of the riser and into the pipe. The riser also incorporates a sluice gate, which can be opened to drain water from the bottom of the lake. At the other end of the pipe, the

impact basin dissipates the force of the flowing water before it returns to the natural stream channel.

Water for the City of Muenster will be drawn from an intake structure that is similar to the principle spillway and parallel to it, with its own riser.

The dam itself is built up in layers. Each layer consists of nonpermeable soil, all of which is available onsite from the area that will form the basin of the lake. After a new layer is hauled into place, it is plowed, watered, and compacted. When the old and new parts of the dam are connected, part of the sloping section of the existing dam will be plowed as layer after layer proceeds up the slope.

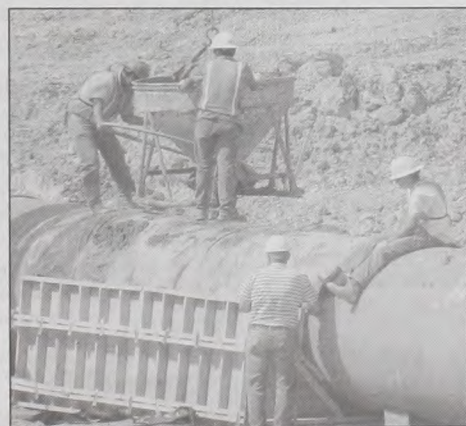
The downstream side of the new section will include a foundation drain and

chimney drain, as does the existing section, to drain away any water that might seep through the dam.

Completion of the project is scheduled for April of next year, though Tri Dal hopes to finish before then. However, funding must still be procured for the stone "rip rap" work, which places stone at the water line to dissipate the force of waves against the dam. Filling of the lake cannot commence until the rip rap work is completed.

The project has gone over budget because of a funding delays. During the delays, the price of concrete, steel, and diesel fuel rose drastically.

The project requires large amounts of concrete and steel, and the earth-moving equipment consumes as much as 2000 gallons of diesel fuel per day.



Phase II construction of the dam for Muenster Lake is in full swing. Above, the principle spillway is being installed. The 512 foot pipe runs the full width of the bottom of the dam. The insert workers pour concrete around the section. Janie Hartman photos

## 141 volunteers show up to help Keep Muenster Beautiful

One hundred forty-one Keep Muenster Beautiful (KMB) volunteers participated in the annual DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS TRASH-OFF, an annual event throughout Texas. Volunteers represented KMB, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Kiwanis, Muenster ISD, Sacred Heart, Golden Oldies, and many local businesses. Ray Wilde picked up trash from his wheelchair with his dog, Bear at his side. The most unusual item found was a cow skull. KMB President Kay Broyles single handedly cooked hot dogs to feed the entire crowd.

The DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS campaign is meant to

teach people not to litter. Some people still have not received the message, because the Muenster volunteers were able to pick up 201 bags of litter, an average of 4,020 pounds of litter, more than two tons! Muenster volunteers worked an average of two hours per person during the cleanup, some more, some less. This generous donation of time is valued at \$4,847.58 in in-kind services provided to the community. The national volunteer rate allowed is \$17.19 per hour.

Other in-kind services donated for the event were the Park facilities by the City, lunch by Christine

Weinzapfel and RE/MAX Realty, megaphone by Don Flusche and Rubberline, Inc., litter free event banner by Coca-Cola, safety vests and trash bags by the Texas Department of Transportation, and youth patches by Kathryn Hicks and Koch Engineering. Carl and MaryLee Alford donated 90 plants and numerous other prizes for the drawing after the cleanup. The Muenster Chamber of Commerce donated Muenster Marks, and Starbucks donated \$10 gift certificates as prizes. Rumber Material, Inc. again generously sponsored the annual KMB

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## Muenster prepares for Germanfest

Muenster will host its 30th annual Germanfest, sponsored by the Muenster Chamber of Commerce, on April 22, 23, and 24. Over 40,000 are predicted to attend the Fest, and will enjoy German sausage, sauerkraut, potato salad, scrumptious apple strudel, hearty cheese, and breads. One will also find a wide variety of American food.

For those who love to participate in competitive sports, you might try one or more of these: "Nagelschlagen," a traditional German competition; The Bell Ringer; Ball Toss; or Wall Climbing. For the bicyclist there is a Bicycle Rally on Saturday, April 23. The Runners will find a 5k and 15k Run on Sunday, April 24.

If you prefer spending your weekend just relaxing and

having fun, then Germanfest is the place to be, because there will be several stages where you will find performers like, Midnight Express and Kenny and The Kasuals on Friday, Cory Morrow and Mark David Manders on Saturday, Kelly McGuire and Brian Houser on Sunday. The above will appear on "MSB (Texas) Stage" along with Grammy winners Brave Combo on Saturday and Sunday.

In the German Tanze Halle you will find great German bands like Alpenfest of Houston, and The Polka Kings of Lawton, Oklahoma, along with Alpenmusikanten, cloggers and line dancers.

The Side Street Circus of Denton will be performing at the Children's Stage and around the Germanfest grounds. In the children's area you will also find clowns,

rock climbing wall, balloon sculptures, face painters, and other fun things for children. Don't forget the carnival rides, barbecue cook-off, or arts & crafts. There is something for everyone.

The admission is \$6.00 per person. Those age 8 and under are admitted free. Also anyone in complete German costume will be admitted free. Opening and closing times are: Friday, 4 p.m. to midnight; Saturday, 11 a.m. to midnight; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

For more information: call the Muenster Chamber of Commerce at 759-2227 or 1-800-942-8037, ext. 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays; check the website at www.germanfest.net; e-mail at chamber@tmn.net; or write to Muenster Chamber of Commerce at P.O. Box 714, Muenster, TX 76252-0714.

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to break down. The grass is going to grow into it and you won't have traffic control."

Page 1 said that Park curbing has been on the agenda for about three years.

The Park entrance being constructed now cost more than the \$15,000 that was expected. Endres suggested that they at least try to curb up to the pavilion, on to the other side, and from the pavilion to the exit. He estimated that would be about half the cost. Originally \$48,000 was budgeted for the whole project.

Jewel Otto is the Council's Park Commissioner. Asked what her preference is, she said to do as much curbing as possible. Page 1 favored doing the entrance and most traversed area of the Park first and the rest at a later date.

Flusche noted that he would like to see a map showing where the curbing is

planned and where the low spots are located. He said he wasn't aware that curbing is planned for around the pavilion.

Fisher contended, "My whole thing is that basically your curb won't keep me off the grass. I've never driven my car across a cable, but I have driven it over many curbs. When they want to cut their rusties like they are doing in the ballpark, cable will keep them out. In the Park you're really going to have a mess if they get down in there when it is muddy."

Otto suggested locking the park at night. Fisher said that would also be a maintenance issue.

Endres said that there is plenty of time to decide what to do and what is the best way to do it. Work won't begin until after Germanfest. The contractor had to be acquired now so that work could be done when the right time

came. Weinzapfel asked Otto to get a committee together and bring back suggestions for the May meeting for Council approval. That meeting is at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 2 at City Hall.

In a telephone interview, Commissioner Virgil Hess said curbing would carry the water to ditches away from the Park. Astorm drain might need to be added to the south side to carry some of the water to the creek, he added.

After the meeting Stan Endres said that the City might have to concrete the road in the areas that wash.

As far as Fisher's concern about cars being driven into the Park in the absence of a cable, Endres said that there are already a number of openings where vehicles can be driven into the park. He pointed out that they can get in by the old tennis courts and over the curb by the pavilion and swimming pool. "They are less likely to drive on the grass where there are cables," he agreed.

Endres said that they are considering something different in the picnic areas. If it is feasible, they could open up a few turn around areas where a few cars could park to relieve some of the congestion parking along the road causes.

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unemployment rate, etc. Muenster could be moved up or down.

There should be nine applications approved this year and seven next year, unless the State decides not to fund it. If it is received, the money will be used to put a larger drain pipe under Mesquite Street, just north of the trailer park and another on the east side of the road by the two driveways.

Other items reported by the City Manager included:

- Sewer line going to the housing development owned by Jerry Fleitman is now being installed by Doug Fleitman.
- Keep Muenster Beautiful finished painting tables under the Park pavilion as a project in its latest effort to win another \$65,000 grant for Muenster.

Bills totaling \$162,236.09 were approved for payment. Endres said that several large bills were paid in February. Those bills included: pvc pipe for Fleitman addition, \$31,000 water pipe for the Sicking addition; \$21,000 police car; \$15,000 curbing in front of Park and on Maple Street, \$5,000 for Park entryway rocks.

Endres told of a TEAKS class being offered for a week during June in Lancaster. The topics include zoning, home occupation, sign regulations, weeds and trash, abandoned junk vehicles, legal aspects, and more. "Most of those are problems that we have here in town and I try to do letters and things to control some of this stuff, but I don't know what all else I could do," he said. "I think it would help me to do a little bit better job of controlling things here in town." The class is \$300 plus the expense of room and board. His attending was approved.

In other business the City Council:

- Heard and approved a financial report by Stephen Gilland for the Fiscal Year 2003-04. The City received a clean report. This was the first year that the City's audit was required to comply with GASB-34. Instead of the usual 15-page audit, this audit was 42 pages. It was

also about twice the cost of the previous year's audit.

• Approved request by the Chamber of Commerce to close South Maple Street between FM 373 and Cross Street for Germanfest. Approved sale of alcohol in City Park for Germanfest.

## DAYS GONE BY...

by Elfreda Fette

65 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1940

I.A. Schoech and Nick Miller are winners in City Council election. The Al Walterscheids visit in Sherman. The Conrad Flusches visit in Muenster. The Joseph Behles visit with the Henry Fettes. The Gus Stelzers and son Pat visit in Ryan, Oklahoma. Fr. Frowin Koerdt OSB visits in Wichita Falls. The Bert Fisch family visits here. Anne Huchton returns to Sherman after visit here. Ray Tempel and Lawrence Wimmer were in Tulsa to get a load of boxes and cartons for the cheese plant. The Jerome Pagels and the Jake Pagels visit in Wichita Falls. Gene Lehnertz of Illinois visits with relatives here. Andrew and Arnold Schilling of Wichita Falls visit with the Frank Schillings. All members of the Hartman and W.H. Endres families celebrate birthday of Mrs. Arthur Endres. Mrs. Al Yosten is recovering from an appendicitis operation. The M.J. Endres family visits in Dallas with Sr. Agnes and Sr. Irma who were also visiting there.

50 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1955

Muenster re-elects Mayor Urban Endres and three aldermen Rudy Hellman, Herbert Meurer, and John Fisher, who will serve with J.J. Wieler and George Mollenkopf. Obituary: Nick Stoffels, 72. Dr. T.S. Myrick disclosed that the Salk Polio Vaccine is available here. Muenster's three rural mail routes will be consolidated into two. Carriers remain Ben Luke and J.W. Fletcher. Men In Service: promotions for Eddie Fette, Donald Lehnertz; discharge for Arthur Hennigan; transfers for Alvin Fleitman and

Raymond Hoenig. The Adolph Walterscheids, the Dennis Walterscheids, and the Julian Walterscheids visit the Ferd Yostens in Fort Worth. Student nurse Pauline Myrick visits with her parents Dr. and Mrs. T.S. Myrick. The Joe Gehrigs spend weekend with her sister Mrs. Jimmy Lehnertz and family. Mrs. John Hartman visits daughter in Houston. Leroy Schmitz of Dallas visits the Ray Wildes. The Joe Hoenigs and Albert Fleitmans visit the Tip Sells in Dallas. The Arnold Henschels of Bushland and the Werner Henschels of Dawn visit their father Bill Henschel, a hospital patient. The George Gehrigs join a group of Maytag dealers for a meeting. New Arrivals: David to T. and Millie Voth; Yvonne to Frank and Rose Stoffels; Stephen to Wilfred and Anna Mae Sicking.

25 YEARS AGO

April 4, 1980

In Myra, the mobile home of the Henry Hackers is destroyed by fire. New Arrivals: Sherie to Tommy and Kathy Bonner; Kristin to Rocky and Roberta Dickerson. The home of Henry and Regina Pels wins the 1980 Spring "Yard of the Month" Award. Wedding: Cathy Sicking and Kevin Creed. The Martin Bayers tour England, Belgium, Holland, France, Germany, and Switzerland. Albert and Imogene Zimmerer vacation in England as guests of the J.E. Case Company. Two veterans of W.W.II, Joe Henry Walterscheid and Earl A. McKay, enjoy visit.

## To the Editor:

I realized as I was reading the letter in the Muenster Enterprise from Louis Nicholson, who is President of Travis Heights Healthcare, Inc., which just took over the operation of St. Richard's Villa, that I have been remiss in my duty. My mother, Eula Grace Cain, who founded the nursing home in 1965, is now a patient there. Mother loves living there, and she still considers it "her" nursing home. Well, I guess if you are approaching your 93rd birthday in June, you can say and do what you want to. There are truly too many volunteers for me to name all of them, but I just wish everyone in Muenster could be aware of all of these wonderful people and just how much they mean to the home.

This Sunday, April 3, Caroline Hess's family is honoring her with her 90th birthday party. Because of a previous commitment, I cannot be there, but I would like for Caroline to know that I don't think I would still be blessed with my wonderful mother, if it were not for her. For as many years as Mother has been there (three), Caroline has come daily to recite the Rosary and play dominoes with the residents. She has put in countless, unselfish hours to ensure that these wonderful people have something to look forward to and to enjoy. I know for a fact that these activities help to prevent Alzheimer's Disease.

I consider Caroline a Guardian Angel to so many at St. Richard's Villa, and I wish her many more birthdays, and may God bless her and keep her in His care!

Also, one time when I was visiting with Mother, Mrs. Crabtree came and brought her Cub Scouts to present a play for the residents. It was such a cute play, and they did such a tremendous job, we were all so sad when it had to end. Mrs. Crabtree and her helpers, and each of the little scouts went around and shook the hands of each of the residents present. The smiles on their faces said it all!

One of the mothers helping that night was Mrs. Jerry Fleitman, and I understand that she has a troop of girls that she takes to the rest home to visit and do crafts with the residents. What wisdom these children are gaining through the hands of their leaders, and from mingling with the people who live at St. Richard's Villa. It takes special people to be such caring and compassionate leaders, and to take time out of their hectic schedules to spread a little happiness and do the work of the Lord through your hands.

Many times, when Mother first went to live in the nursing home, I would see Gertie Wimmer and her crew playing B-I-N-G-O with the residents. I believe that they even put up all the money for the prizes themselves. What a wonderful thing for them to do to take their time and their money so that these special members of our community can have some fun!

I see Mildred Walterscheid Lawson and Leo, and Buddy and Dorothy Yosten and their

group of musicians playing and singing with and for the residents. I have also seen them at a nursing home in Gainesville. What joy they bring to so many Carol Dyer is a "regular" volunteer at the home. She is blessed to still have her mother, and she goes each day to assist her mother and the others at her table with their meals. St. Richard's is blessed to have people such as these come on a regular basis.

My sister, Rita Richey, and her good friend, Eddie Ramsey, and our little brother, Chris Cain, come each Sunday to play, sing, and preach for "Little Church!" If you have never been able to attend "Little Church" you have no idea what you are missing! A wonderful time is had by all the residents whether they be Catholic, Baptist, or otherwise. It is a non-denominational service. Please come when you can! It is every Sunday morning at 9 a.m. Those Catholics that go to the early Mass are welcome to come in a little late. You won't be disturbing anyone, and your presence will be greatly appreciated.

Once again, I would like to say that there are many more people who come to volunteer, and I don't know their names to list them. One man, who is a preacher in Marysville, comes once a week. He is a lay minister, and he told me that about 39 years ago, he walked into the church in Marysville, and they asked him if he could preach that day, and he has been preaching at that Sunday service ever since! Wow! What a disciple of the Lord he is! There's also a group from Saint Jo that comes and brings produce from their gardens to share with the residents. I have had the pleasure of sharing fresh, ripe watermelons with them myself. Yum, yum!

I would like everyone to know that the members of the staff at St. Richard's Villa are doing such a wonderful job. It takes a real special person to treat these wonderful residents with dignity and kindness, and we have just such a staff at the home. God will reward them greatly for doing His work through their hands! May God bless you and keep you all in His care, until we meet again!

Sincerely,  
and I love you, good!  
Judy Cain Hartman  
Denton, TX

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### To the Editor:

May I take this opportunity to say that Muenster just lost a great man, when they lost Joe Felderhoff. Joe was truly a man among men! His devotion to his wife and family, and to his church were unparalleled.

I would like to take this means to tell Ruth and her daughters and their spouses, all of Joe's grandchildren, and his siblings what a wonderful service they had for him. I have never been to, nor do I ever expect to attend in the future, a more beautiful service! When the members of the family stepped up to provide the music for the service, my heart was filled with joy! What a beautiful tribute to Joe for his family to have the courage and the stamina to handle this at such a difficult time, and to do it so eloquently!

I enjoyed the Mass so much, and then when we got to the cemetery and the 16 grandchildren gathered around the casket to send their grandpa off to Heaven with a song, I was just completely overwhelmed. The Von Trapp children could not hold a candle to the Felderhoff children! It was truly the most beautiful music I have ever heard.

I held up pretty well, until Mr. McCoy passed out Snickers to each of the 16 grandchildren and said, "I could never take his place, but I understand that your granddad always gave you Snickers!" Well, I couldn't hold back the tears any longer.

What a memorable day that day will be for so many people! You Felderhoffs are quite a family, and I am so proud that some of you belong to us!

Sincerely, and I love you, all, good!  
Judy Cain Hartman  
Denton, TX

### To the Editor:

The world is in mourning for our dear beloved Pope John Paul II. He was a great leader for all, not Catholics alone, but for all people. He loved everyone equally. Let us all show our respect and love for him now at his death. I'd like to suggest that all drape their doors or cars with black ribbon. We do this for our military, let us do it now for our Pope. He deserves this respect!

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I, my wife Paula, and my family would like to extend a special "thanks" to some very special people. On March 18th, I fainted and fell down to the ground next to a friend's pickup and dislocated my left shoulder ball and socket joint. Special thanks go to the Muenster Fire and Rescue First Responders, the Gainesville E.M.S., Leonard and Roy Reiter and Ben Fleitman Jr. Special thanks to Dr. Karla Cox and Dr. Bonnie Carter, the staff and all the nurses who tended to my needs.

Thanks again,  
August and Paula Fleitman


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Sunday, April 10, 2005	Monday, April 11, 2005	Tuesday, April 12, 2005	Wednesday, April 13, 2005	Thursday, April 14, 2005	Friday, April 15, 2005	Saturday, April 16, 2005
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Home Hospice Golf Tour. Turtle Hill G.C. 2 PM First Communion at SH 10:30 AM Mass	VFW mtg. 8 PM	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30. S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support Seminar Home Hospice 6-8 PM Mkg. Club mtg. 7 PM G-ville Farm Bureau	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM C of C Breakfast mtg. 7:30 AM Rohrer's Restaurant MISD Board mtg. 7:30 PM SH Alumni mtg 7:30 PM	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30. S.N.A.P. Center	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM National Youth Service Day	Grand opening Frank Buck Zoo - Gainesville Park KMB Spring Planting Day - volunteers meet at KMB Park at 9 AM Red River Review 7 PM Saint Jo School Auditorium
Sunday, April 17, 2005	Monday, April 18, 2005	Tuesday, April 19, 2005	Wednesday, April 20, 2005	Thursday, April 21, 2005	Friday, April 22, 2005	Saturday, April 23, 2005
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## Correspondence from Iraq

David and Juanita Bright receive interesting correspondence from their son, Lt. Col. James M. Bright, currently serving in western Iraq. In a recent letter he wrote, "We go days where the insurgent activity is down and then two days later it spikes. Fighting an insurgency is difficult, frustrating, time consuming, and high stress work. The young Soldiers and Marines on the streets and in the cities of Iraq are doing unbelievably courageous work."

My heart goes out to each and every one that gets wounded, gets fixed up, and heads right back out the next day or just a few days later for more action.

"The press does not do a good job explaining to the American public the daily actions that take place. They stick to the big 15 second sound clips of car bombings and deaths they cause mostly in and around Baghdad. This insurgency is being fought and won throughout all of Iraq. There are many positive reports that should be brought to light, but are not done so to the level they should."

A classic example is the city of Fallujah. The citizens of that city are so thankful to the U.S. forces for their actions to rid that city of the insurgents. Additionally, there are schools, doctors' offices, and local markets opening up on the streets that could not have happened six months ago. Conversely there are cities where daily battles

take place and where the insurgent forces willingly kill and wound the innocent Iraqi (man, woman, child - it matters not) in their struggle to ensure Iraq does not become a free and democratic country. The insurgents offer nothing to the people of Iraq - yet I never/rarely see or read this in the press.

"It is the little encounters in the numerous unknown towns and cities where this war is being won. A good example of a daily patrol in a city is a Marine or Soldier passing the locals by, giving an Iraqi child a lollipop or soccer ball, and then 10 minutes later he is engaged in a fire-flight with insurgents. The next day, the same thing. These young men and women exercise amazing restraint as the man they meet on the corner of the street might be the same man who engages them on their way back. This is every day."

On a lighter note, James wrote about a young corporal, on learning the Pope had died and that any Christian could possibly be appointed Pope, asked his boss (a friend of James') if he, the corporal, were selected for Pope, could he leave Iraq. James' friend responded that the Corporal shouldn't keep his hopes up too high in as much as he had never been seen at Mass.

Letters are always welcome and certainly appreciated. James' address is: Lt. Col. James M. Bright, USMC, HqBn, 2nd Marine Div., 2DG3 Unit #73530, FPO, AE 09509-3530.

## OBITUARIES

### Anna Margaret Tempel 1935 - 2005

**By Elfreda Fette**  
Mass of Christian Burial was held for Anna Margaret Tempel in Sacred Heart Church on Friday, April 1 at 10 a.m., officiated by Father John Ohner OSA, pastor.

Anna Margaret Tempel died at age 69 on Tuesday, March 29, 2005 at 4:15 p.m. at Renaissance Care Center in Gainesville, of congestive heart failure.

She was born on Dec. 3, 1935 in Cooke County to Andrew and Annie Sicking Hacker. She was a member of Sacred Heart Parish; she graduated from high school at Muenster Public School.

On Jan. 17, 1964 she married Joe Tempel. She was a homemaker and caregiver. She cooked at the Palace Cafe and Muenster Public School.

Survivors include a son Jeff Tempel and wife Angie of Muenster; stepdaughter Lynda Hacker and husband Jim of Myra; a sister Agnes Brandon of Rosston; eight brothers, Ed Hacker, Hank Hacker, Jim and Lynda Hacker, and Walter and Laurie Hacker, all of Myra; Rob Hacker of Gainesville; Kenneth and Wanda Hacker of Capps Corner; Freddie and Odessa Hacker of Muenster; and Louis and Karen Hacker

of Whitesboro; a sister-in-law Florence Hacker; also five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were brothers John Hacker and Paul Hacker, her parents; and her husband.

Anna Margaret Tempel dearly loved her family and cherished her many friends, and truly there were many friends. She always spoke kindly about others. Her bright spots in life were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved gardening, cracking pecans, and just being there for her family.

The afternoon before the day of the funeral, a Rosary service was held at McCoy Funeral Chapel at 4 p.m., led by Hilda Sicking and Rose Sicking. Vigil at 7 p.m. was led by Father John.

Participating in the liturgy of the Mass of Christian Burial on Friday with Father John were altar servers Butch Fisher, Alvin Hartman, and Sylvan Walterscheid.

The First Reading was given by Imelda Rohmer, who also gave the Second Reading. Prayers of the Faithful were read by Cindy Walterscheid. Offertory gifts were presented at the altar by Jeff



Anna Margaret Tempel

and Angie Tempel and Jim and Lynda Hacker.

Eucharistic ministers were Dolores Hofbauer, Neil Hesse, Carol Grewing, and Bob and Linda Sepanski.

Music ministers were Ruth Felderhoff and Christy Hesse. Sacred songs included "Be Not Afraid", "Songs of the Angels", "How Great Thou Art", and "On Eagles Wings".

The Remarks of Remembrance were given by Cindy Walterscheid, who said in part: "...Anna Margaret grew up in the Muenster area and in 1964 she married Joe Tempel. Joe often said it was the best thing he ever did... Anna Margaret was a fantastic cook... I remember mostly a simple soup she would make - it had nothing but meat, noodles, and broth, but that was no doubt the best soup I have had. In thinking back on it, it had to be the love that she put in it that made it so good..."

"She never had anything bad to say about anyone... If she was ever drawn to anger, it must have been rare and seldom seen... It was Anna Margaret's heart that made her special - she had a heart made of gold and as big as Texas, and she would do anything for her family and friends."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Jimmy Hacker, James Hacker, Waylon Hess, Tony Hacker, Patrick Hacker, and Allin Hacker. Honorary pallbearer was Kevin Hacker.

### Hugh L. Jackson 1913 - 2005

Hugh L. "Cotton" Jackson, 91, passed away Monday, April 4, 2005 in Azle. Cotton donated his body to the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth.

A memorial Mass was set for 11 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Azle, on Friday, April 8, with Msgr. Thomas Weinzapfel, brother-in-law of the deceased, and Rev. Father Salvatore Stefula, pastor of Saint Thomas and Holy Trinity Church, officiating. Interment will be private and held at a later date.

Hugh Jackson was born Sept. 13, 1913 in Azle to Arthur E. and Leona Haley Jackson. He was the ninth of 10 children, all of whom preceded him in death. He was a graduate of Azle High School, Class of 1933.

He worked for A.D. Hill Grocery on the Fort Worth Northside in the 1930s, and was a 20 year employee of W.C. Stripling Co. He also was an associate for more than 25 years with the Mark and Jo Danner Show Rooms.

Survivors are his wife of almost 64 years, Dora Weinzapfel Jackson of Azle; sons Joe Jackson and wife Dorcas of Bella Vista, Arkansas; Jerry Jackson and wife Barbara of Pueblo, Colorado; Thomas Jackson and wife JoAnn of Azle; daughters Carmen Heselton and husband James of Arlington, Julie Estil of Arlington, Toni Cramer and husband Greg of Arlington, Janie Jackson of North Richland Hills, Anita Cox and husband Raymond of Fort Worth; 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, along with many dear friends. He was also the brother-in-law of Henry Weinzapfel and Juanita Bright.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Holy Trinity Church Building Fund, 800 Highest Drive, Azle, Texas 76020, or to a charity of your choice.

## KMB

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Earth Day poster contest for children from kindergarten through 6th grade. First place winners receive a \$50 savings bond. Second place winners receive an Earth Day t-shirt. All winners received special award certificates.

First place winners are: kindergarten Zina Haverkamp; 1st grade Abby Luttmier; 2nd grade Kalee Hennigan; 3rd grade Mason Binder; 4th grade Andrew Flusche; 5th grade Jimmy Abner; and 6th grade Cathy Aston. Second place winners are: kindergarten Hudson

Eddleman; 1st grade Zane Kemp; 2nd grade Elizabeth Weinzapfel; 3rd grade Aly Schingoi; 4th grade Danielle Berend; 5th grade Demi Koelzer; and 6th grade Alley Trubenbach.

The DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS TRASH-OFF has been a tremendously successful event in Muenster since 1998. Submitted by KMB

JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT I'VE ENTERED THE SNAKDRAGON PART OF MY LIFE..... PART OF ME HAS SNAPPED AND THE REST OF ME IS DRAGGON!

The family of Anna Margaret Tempel would like to thank all those who expressed condolences, donated food, flowers, and Masses during our time of sorrow. We want to express special thanks to Dr. Edd Advincula & staff, Muenster Memorial Hospital nurses & staff, Renaissance Care Center & staff, and Vista Care & staff for their wonderful care of our mother during her illness. Thanks also to McCoy's Funeral Home, Jeanne Bell, Catholic Daughters, K of C Hall, and Fr. John Ohner, OSA for helping us through this transition. Thank you all who helped us during our loss.

Love and prayers,

Jeff & Angie Tempel  
Jim & Lynda Hacker,  
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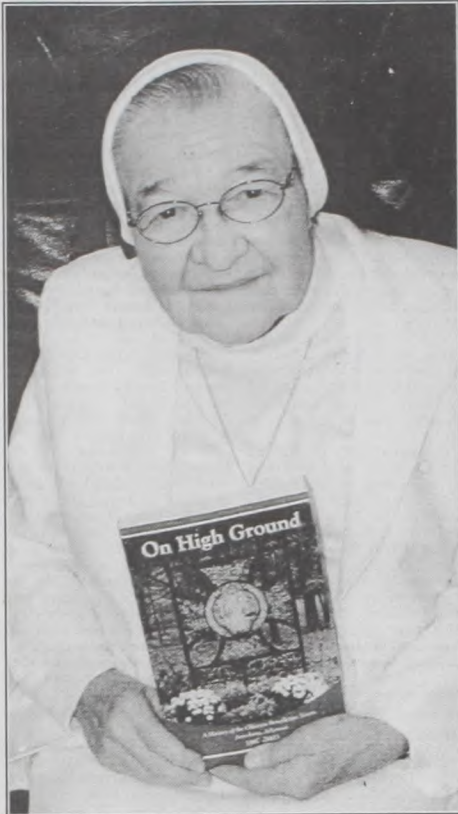
## Sister Henrietta Hockle to discuss, sign books at the Muenster Museum, April 17

Sister Henrietta Hockle will be at the Ben and Aggie Seyler Muenster Museum Sunday, April 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. to make a presentation and sign copies of her book *On High Ground*. Sister Henrietta taught at Sacred Heart School for nine years, prior to being elected Prioress of Holy Angels Convent. She is now semi-retired, but continues to keep active.

*On High Ground* chronicles the 116-year history of the Olivetan Benedictine Sisters (1887-2003), who have been teaching at Sacred Heart School since 1895. The 342-page book is the most exhaustive history ever written about the order. It traces the Benedictines from Switzerland, their original trek across the Atlantic, and the inland trip, first to Missouri, then to Arkansas and from Pocahontas to Holy Angels Convent in Jonesboro.

Sister Henrietta draws from historical sources, journals, records, and eyewitness accounts, plus numerous previously unpublished photographs to bring the Benedictines of old to life. The pages of this book reveal the Sisters' many trials and triumphs, each met with unwavering commitment and undying duty to God, and service during two World Wars, the great Depression, and various natural disasters in northeast Arkansas.

There too, is their inside story of the changes within the Church, and the transitions the community has undergone in the past 116 years. Books are available for purchase, in hard- and soft-bound. *On High Grounds* is an inspiring tale told in well researched detail by a passionate and tireless member of the community," notes Dana Kelley of McNabb, Kelley & Barre.



Sister Henrietta Hockle, OSB will be signing her book, *On High Ground* at the Muenster Museum on Sunday April 17.

## DVDs sought for troops

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post #1922 is in the process of preparing care packages for the troops overseas. The troops have asked for any used DVDs, since they can't use VHS tapes due to the sand. If you

have any DVDs that you would like to donate to the troops contact Laura Blanton at (940) 665-9054 or (940) 668-1971, or drop them off at the Gainesville VFW Post between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

## MEETING NOTICE

### Diabetes Support Group Meeting

On Tuesday, April 19, a meeting of the Diabetes Support Group will be held at the North Texas Medical Center classrooms from 7 to 8 p.m. The guest speaker, Jan Brothers, BAAS, MS, CRC, Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, will present the topic "What? I've got Diabetes?!! Coping with It". Individuals with diabetes and family members are encouraged to attend this free program. For more information call 940-612-8377.



Caroline Hess's great-grandchildren presented her with a special birthday present, a rabbit, caught by Roy Endres. Family pictured includes Erin Osburn, Kinzie Hess, Kylie Hess, Katie Hess, Carrie Pagel, and Madison Dugger. Courtesy photo

## Caroline Hess celebrates 90th birthday

Approximately 200 family members and friends gathered on Sunday, April 3 at the home of Angelo and LaVerna Nasche to celebrate the 90th birthday of Caroline Hess. Caroline's actual date of birth is March 28, 1915, in Muenster. Caroline was born in the northwest bedroom of that same house, which was then owned by Caroline's parents, John and Katy Knabe. Caroline's first grandchild, Glenn Hess, son of Jerry and Monica Hess, was also born on this day.

Caroline married Gerhart (Gary) John Hess and together they were blessed with and raised a family of 13 children. The children, listed in the order of their birth, are: James, LaVerna, Jerry, Leon, Frank, Quintin, Dale, Dwayne, Doyle, Gene, Chris, Mary, and Gloria. Her son, Dale, died in 1997. Caroline continues to be blessed with her family around her, as' all of her children and many of her 45 grandchildren reside in and around Muenster. To date, approximately 50 great-grandchildren call Caroline Hess "Great-Grandma".

After church, the family gathered at the Nasche home where Doyle and Debbie Hess, Waylon Hess, and Chris Hess could be seen frying chicken and grilling sausages and ribs. Inside, in the kitchen, LaVerna was busy welcoming guests with their tasty dishes of food. The delicatessen-style meal began after the traditional gathering of hands of everyone present and the prayer offered by Jerry Hess.

A special treat for Caroline was the arrival of her brother, Johnny Knabe, from Necedah, Wisconsin, sister, Lucille Schroeder from Windthorst, her younger brother, Tommy, of Muenster, and her sisters-in-law Bonnie Hess, Lucille Hess, Lucy Hess, and Juanita Knabe, all of Muenster.

After the meal, some of the guests toured the new home being built by Doyle and Debbie Hess. Visitation



Helping celebrate Caroline Hess's birthday were her brothers, Tommy Knabe and Johnny Knabe, and sister Lucille Schroeder. Courtesy photo

and domino games were enjoyed by adults, while children could be seen skate-boarding, playing basketball, playing on the playground equipment, or chasing rabbits during the afternoon. One group actually caught a cotton-tail rabbit, and the spokesperson for the group gave little Roy Endres, son of Mary and Gary Endres, credit for actually catching the bunny. The children announced to their Great-Grandma Caroline, that it was her birthday present as they came running up to her with the bunny. Clarissa Hess soon guided the children and the newly-found pet outside and into the field where the bewildered bunny was glad to be free once again.

From 2 until 5 p.m., local and out-of-town friends came to call on Caroline and were served punch and some of her beautifully decorated birthday cake. Among those were Tony and Thelma Trubenbach, John and Carol Aytes, Margaret Reiter, Toni Hess, Jon, Monica and Kristin LeBrasseur, Viola and Rose Rohmer, Sylvan and Theresa Mae Walterscheid, Don Hess, Steve Hess, Dennis Hess, Bart Henschel, Alfred and Ann Hess, Wilfred and Virginia Hess, Clem Hermes, Doris Sandmann, Debbie Walterscheid, Tommy Sue and Pat Hess, Virgil Hess, Jim and Donna Biffle, Lanie Bartush and children, and Clara Endres, all from

Lindsay and Muenster. Attending from Gainesville was Judy Eddleman, and from Windthorst, Richard Schroeder and Carolyn Jo.

Photographs were taken throughout the day by James and Carol Ann Hess and Sharon Hess. However, a very special photograph was taken with Caroline and her children. When Caroline was asked to tell about a memorable event in her life, she knew that she had many, with her husband and family mentioned first. However, with the Pope's passing the day before, Caroline recalled that she saw Pope John in person in 1980, when she and her daughter, Gloria, were in Wisconsin visiting Caroline's brother, Johnny Knabe. Caroline explained, "I was not close enough to the Pope to touch him, but there was a little girl on the very front row who kept holding up her arms to Pope John. A man near the Pope pointed the little girl out so that Pope John could see the little child. The Pope said, 'Bring the little child to me.' When the little girl was delivered to Pope John, he kissed the child and held her up. I will never forget the happiness on the child's face and on Pope John's face," Caroline added. "That picture has stayed in my mind all these years. I have been thinking about that child a lot since the Pope passed on and I think she would be almost 30 years old now." Caroline concluded.

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## REUNION

### Hessel-Fleitman

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# Conner celebrates first birthday



Conner Gene Fuhrman celebrated his first birthday March 26 at the home of his mother Kaylynn Fuhrman in Denton. He is the son of Kaylynn Fuhrman and the late Gene Fuhrman. Conner's actual birthday was March 23. The theme of the party was "Winnie the Pooh 1st birthday". Colors of red, yellow and purple were carried throughout the party room.

The cake was Winnie the Pooh and Tigger with Birthday Packages in the 100 Acres Wood for the adults, and decorated mini Easter egg cakes for the children. The mini Easter egg cakes were made by Aunt Kendra Patterson and decorated by cousin Rhiann Brown, and Karolina, an exchange student of the Pattersons from Poland. Uncle Keith Patterson prepared the hamburgers and hot dogs. Conner's great-uncle Bruce Breeding led the prayer before the meal.

Because of rainy and cold weather the Easter egg hunt was held in the garage. Easter eggs filled with Gold Fish and animal crackers were enjoyed by the children.

Helping Conner celebrate was his mother; grandparents Ken and Elyn Patterson of Lubbock, and Alvin and Gracie Fuhrman of Muenster; Conner's, Godfather Troy Wolf of Denton and Tricia Dickerson of Houston; Karolina; Kendra Patterson and Rhiann Brown of Andrews; Keith Patterson



Conner Fuhrman

and Amy Higginbotham of Waco; Kevin Patterson and Kelly Page of Plano. Other friends and neighbors were Matt Pelzel and Laurie Grandia of Little Elm; Joey, Crystal, Shelby, and Jess Anderson of Muenster; Michael and Tamara Piper and Kaylynn's Godchildren Madeleine, Katherine, Elizabeth, and Liam Piper of Plano; Gary, Lynn, and Halley Calmes of Denton; Cole, Beth, Porter, Luke, and Ty Sciba of Denton; Jan Dobbs of Denton; Steve, Karen, Adam, and Kaley Kern of The Colony; great-uncle Bruce and great-aunt Susan Breeding, and Emily of Plano and Diane Kosar of Irving.

Unable to attend and sending greetings were: Godmother Judy and Brian Bearden of Katy; Mark, Monica, Matthew, and Makenna Johnson of Colleyville; John and Carolyn Rauh of Metamora, Illinois.

Rash and Levita Barrett of Ryan, Oklahoma announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Constance Blaine Barrett of Muenster to Brandon Michael Walterscheid of Denton. He is the son of Gary and Brenda Walterscheid of Muenster and the grandson of Ray and Angie Barnhill and Flo Walterscheid, all of Muenster, and the late Earl Walterscheid. Miss Barrett is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Barrett II, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Thomas and Glen Goode. She graduated from Ryan High School in 2000, attended Oklahoma State University, and then Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She is employed at Bayer's Kolonialwaren in Muenster. The future groom is a 1994 graduate of Muenster High School. He entered the U.S. Navy in September 1994 where he was a nuclear plant operator and technician until his discharge in 2000. He holds an associate's degree in Technical Studies and is currently employed by L-3 Communications in Dallas as a Technical Support Specialist. The couple has chosen May 21, 2005 as their wedding day. They will be married in the home of the bride's parents. Attendants will be Shelly Trubench of Muenster as matron of honor; Heather Casebolt of Ryan, Camellia Rapier of Ringling, Oklahoma as bridesmaids; Jay Reed of Little Elm as best man; Cameron Walterscheid and Jeremy Walterscheid as groomsmen. The couple will reside in Muenster after the wedding.

## NEW ARRIVALS

### Koesler

Max and Cindy Koesler joyfully announce the birth of their son, Michael Alfons Koesler, on Thursday, March 31, 2005. He was born at 8:04 a.m. in Muenster Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lb. 4 oz. and measuring 19 1/2 inches in length. Welcoming him to the family are sisters Samantha Rose, age 5, and Stephanie Marie, age 4. Grandparents are Alfons and Mary Ann Koesler and Duwayne and Sharlene Schilling, all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Charlie Wimmer, and Ben and Gertie Voth, all of Muenster.

### Harendt

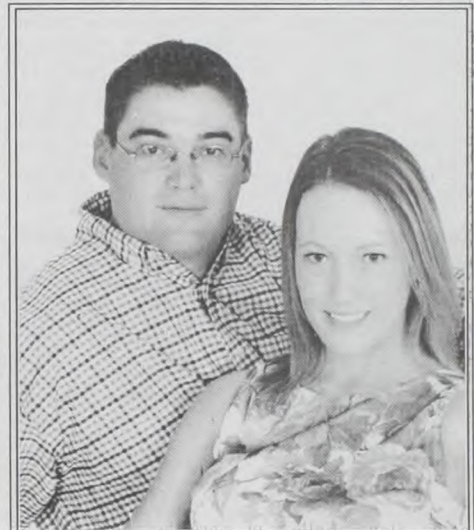
Donna and Aaron Harendt of Myra are proud to announce the arrival of a daughter, Rayleigh a'Dell, born Thursday, March 24, 2005 at NTMC in Gainesville. Rayleigh was born at 2:07 p.m., weighing in at 12 lb., 4 oz. and measured 22 inches in length. She joins two-year-old sister Harley Rose. Grandparents are Bill and Rose Black of Myra and Herman and Cindy Harendt of Woodbine. Lucille Harendt of Gainesville is the great-grandmother.

### Jeffreys

Melissa Diane Jeffreys of Muenster announces with pride and joy the birth of a son, Rowdy Monroe Jeffreys, on Wednesday, March 30, 2005 in NTMC in Gainesville. He weighed 7 lb. 8 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches in length. He joins brothers Keith, age 3 1/2, and Dusty, age two. Grandparents are Phil and Pauline Mullins of Muenster and Stephen and Lucille Jeffreys of Gainesville. Great-grandmothers are Marcy Switzer of Muenster and Alice Jeffreys of Bowie.



Michael Koesler



Carol Ann and James Hess of Muenster and Bob and Mary Jane Henley of Fort Worth are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Jennifer Kathleen Henley to Gary Servia Muller, son of Steven and Sharon Muller of Myra. A 1997 graduate of Gainesville High School, Miss Henley attended NCTC and is a 2002 graduate of the University of North Texas. She is employed by Nortex Communications in Gainesville and is a resident of Muenster. Mr. Muller is a 1997 graduate of Era High School. He is employed by Hesse-Schneider Heating and Air in Gainesville and resides in Muenster. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Frances Stevens of Gainesville and the late Harry W. Stevens, and Oleta and Paul Henley. The future groom is the grandson of the late Max and Carolyn Stewart and the late Servia and Loyens Muller. The couple plans to wed at 2 p.m. on June 25, 2005 in Sacred Heart Church with Father John Ohner, OSA officiating for the celebration of marriage Mass. Afterwards the couple will make their home in Muenster.

## Celebrating Women in History



Janis Sneed (center) spoke at the Cooke County Business & Professional Women (BPW) reception that honored the Texoma Cattlewomen's Association (TCA). She told the history of her family cattle business, the Lazy Lady Ranch. Sneed is pictured with Teresa Monk, TCA president, and Kim Walterscheid, president of BPW. Courtesy photo

## Household appliance danger

Dishwashers are ripe with hidden dangers that are especially dangerous to kids: scalding water, sharp utensils, and moving parts that tiny hands may try to grab. If you have small children, make sure you don't leave them unattended with a running dishwasher. And, as an adult, be careful when opening a dishwasher the steam that comes out can be extremely hot!

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## AREA EVENTS

### Saint Jo VFD Annual Fish Fry

The Saint Jo Volunteer Fire/EMS Department will hold their Annual Fish Fry this Saturday night, April 9. The meal will be served in the school cafeteria, which is located in the school gymnasium, from 5 to 8 p.m. The price for the meal remains \$5 for all you can eat.

The Department had a very busy year in 2004, responding to a total of 241 calls, as compared to 211 in the year of 2003. Of the 241 calls in 2004, 102 were medical calls, 25 trauma calls, 31 motor vehicle crashes, 10 structure fires, 39 grass fires, five vehicle fires, three control burns, three false alarms, four assists of the police departments, nine weather watches, two oil tank fires, three training classes, four public assists, and one brush fire.

Also, beginning at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium the music group Home Town Music will be performing.

### Red River Review

The Century Club of Saint Jo is again sponsoring the "Red River Review". This community wide talent show will be held on Saturday, April 16 at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. This show offers a great evening of family entertainment, while serving as a means of raising funds for such projects as high school scholarships, the community's Easter egg hunt, and other community needs.

There will be at least two bands, Crepe Soul and Ceili Ridge Bluegrass. Tickets will be available from Saint Jo Farm and Ranch, any Century Club member, or at the door. For further information, contact Suzanne Lawson (995-7261) or Janis Sneed (995-7193).

## NEWS OF THE SICK

August "Gus" Fleitman fainted on March 18 and dislocated his left shoulder ball and socket joint. Since then, he's had a holler test and CT, MRIs of his heart and shoulder. As soon as his heart is strong enough, he will need surgery to repair the rotator cuff of his left shoulder.

Gus's wife Paula will be leaving soon to go to the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston for testing and treatments for leukemia.

The Fleitmans' daughter, Kristen Fleitman Bell, will be undergoing foot surgery soon.

Plus their daughter Melinda Fleitman Cameron will be undergoing major spinal surgery soon also.

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# Rodeo events draw crowds to Circle A Arena

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Cowboys and cowgirls of all ages donned their riding duds and headed to the Circle A Indoor Arena Sunday, April 3 to indulge in a few ranch sports. Activities began early, especially considering it was the first morning of Daylight Saving time. Buckaroo Rodeo competition kicked off at 8:30 a.m. as the youngest competitors (ages two to five) partnered up to contend for prizes. Other performances were scheduled on the hour from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and were open for any children up to fifth grade.

Events included Chicken Sorting, Pony Express, Goat Milking, and Brandin'. Each participant received a goodie bag. Top winners were also awarded belt buckles, monogrammed t-shirts, and cash. There were 114 children competing.

Taking top honors at each performance were:

8:30 a.m. - Tyler Walterscheid and Cody Dangelmayr of the Wild Mustangs, 1<sup>st</sup> place; Julian Hesse and Sam Hesse of the Red, White, & Blues, 2<sup>nd</sup> place; Bailey Anderle and Mackenzie Mason of the Jolly Ranchers, 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

9 a.m. - Amanda Knabe and Karlie Anderle of the Muenster Mavericks 1<sup>st</sup>; Karlie Anderle and Kelsey Reeves of the Super K Cowgirls 2<sup>nd</sup>; Aaron and Michael Davis of the Buckaroo Brothers, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

10 a.m. - Will Green and Austin Miller of the Texas Twisters 1<sup>st</sup>; Clay Hogan

and Andy Flusche of the Buckaroo Brothers, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Eli Dangelmayr and Kyle Grewing of K & E Cowboy, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

11 a.m. - Trevor Hess and Blayne Styles of the Razor Backs, 1<sup>st</sup>; Miranda Pagel and Tori Dyess of the Texas Chili Peppers, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Mikenzie and Mikayla Fleitman of Twin Troubles, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Dick West performed rope tricks for the crowd at noon. The 68-year old cowboy has performed the rodeo circuit, on television for parades, on the Mickey Mouse Club tour, and the Cattle Barons Ball in places from Texas to Canada and New York to California.

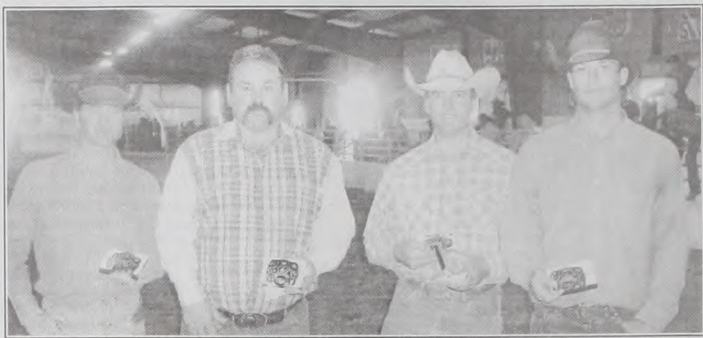
At 2 p.m. it was time for the 88 working ranch cowboys to compete in the Ranch Rodeo. Their events were Wild Cow Undecorating, Team Roping, Sorting, and Double Mugging. Each team consisted of four members.

There were 22 teams. The number had to be limited. Stacie Miller, one of the event chairmen, said, "We could have had at least five more teams, but had to turn them down."

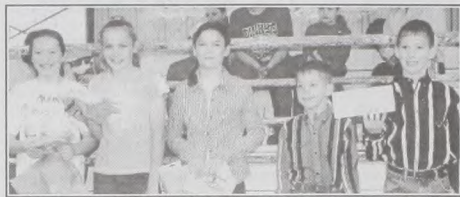
Winners of the 2005 Sacred Heart Ranch Rodeo were 1<sup>st</sup> place team Tackett Ranch with an overall time of 2:31:44; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Wicker Ranch with 2:32:54; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Broken Arrow Ranch with 2:47:23; and 4<sup>th</sup> place, Rockhill with 3:21:67. First place winners took home \$400 plus belt buckles; second place \$350 plus spur straps; third place \$300; and fourth place \$250.

Rafter M won the Double Mugging event, Wicker Ranch the Sorting, McGrew Ranch the Cow Undecorating, and Tackett Ranch the Team Roping. Each event winner received \$200. Also all 88 cowboys entered took home a pan of homemade cinnamon rolls.

For the first time this year there were two calf scrambles. The Little Calf Scramble was for ages zero to eight and was won by Ty Collins. Jeremy Riggs won the 250 lb. Calf Scramble. Cash prizes were given in these events.



Tackett Ranch, first place Ranch Rodeo team.



Buckaroo winners, from left, Amanda Knabe, Karlie Anderle, Kelsey Reeves, Aaron Davis, Michael Davis.



Bill and Charlotte Dangelmayr were presented with a gift basket of appreciation by Sam Hesse.



Buckaroo winners, from left, Will Green, Austin Miller, Clay Hogan, Andy Flusche, Eli Dangelmayr, Kyle Grewing.



Broken Arrow Ranch, third place finishers.



Buckaroo winners, from left, Tyler Walterscheid, Cody Dangelmayr, Julian Hesse, Sam Hesse, Bailey Anderle, MacKenzie Mason.



Coming in second place was the Wicker Ranch.



Buckaroo winners, from left, Trevor Hess, Blayne Styles, Miranda Pagel, Tori Dyess, Mikenzie Fleitman, Mikayla Fleitman.



Dick West, trick roper, performed at the Sacred Heart Ranch Rodeo last weekend. Scott Wood photo



Earth Day Poster Contest winners who attended the TRASH-OFF last Saturday. Courtesy photo

## Texas Trash-Off in Muenster



Over 140 volunteers participated in Saturday's TRASH-OFF in Muenster. Courtesy photo



Double H cowgirl Morgan Hennigan rounds up the chicks.

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## John Nystrom competes at State



John Nystrom, a 7th grade student at Sacred Heart School, competed at the state level of the *Reader's Digest* National Word Power Challenge on March 18 in San Antonio. He was one of 100 students, from grades four through eight, in Texas who qualified to participate in the state vocabulary competition. John enjoyed competing in the preliminary rounds and is looking forward to next year's competition for another try at the national level. *Courtesy photo*

### Herbs in the kitchen

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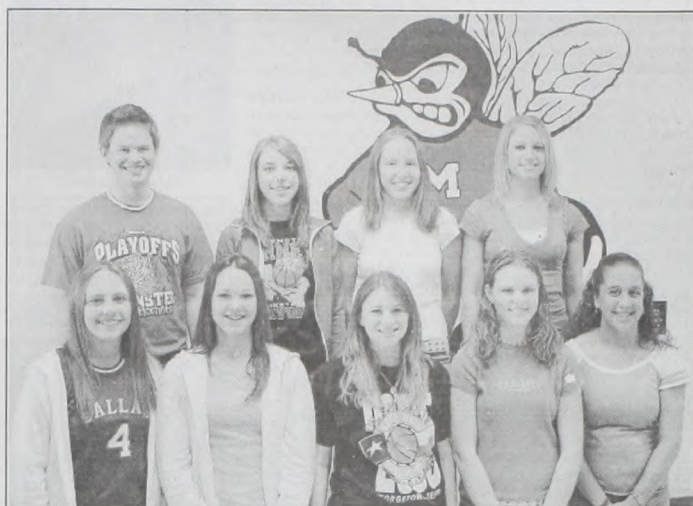
## 2005-06 Muenster ISD cheerleaders chosen

Cheerleader tryouts for Muenster ISD were held Friday, March 11 at the Muenster High School gym. Tryout participants for the high school and junior high squads were judged by two professional cheerleaders. A previous teacher evaluation on classroom performance was also part of the students' total scores. Preceding try-outs, the high school and junior high students participated in clinics held by Shannon Grewing, as well as other previous varsity cheerleaders.

The process for judging included each participant performing a dance as a group. Then each student individually performed tumbling skills, three jumps, and a cheer. The mascot contestants were required to perform a skit, including character antics and use of props.

The high school varsity squad was elected by first determining one winner with the top score from each class. Then, the next four highest scores from any class filled the remaining spots. To determine the junior high squad, the four top scores from next year's 7th and 8th graders designated the eight winners.

Those earning spots on next year's varsity squad were: Senior, Kelly Endres (head); Juniors, Melissa Cox, Jessica Walterscheid; Sophomores, Lydia Bezner, Laura Heers, Alison Miller, Lindsey Watson; Freshman,



Newly elected Muenster High School cheerleading squad for 2005-06 are, from left, back - Michael Valliere, Melissa Cox, Kelly Endres, Jessica Walterscheid; front - Lindsey Watson, Lydia Bezner, Shelby Hess, Allison Miller, and Laura Heers. *Janie Hartman photo*

Shelby Hess; and mascot, Michael Valliere, Junior.

The Muenster Junior High Squad for 2005-06 are: 8th graders Amanda Dangelmayr, Lia Heers, Jackie Klement, Delana Sicking; 7th graders Logan Cheaney, Michelle Henscheid, Hayley Hess, Brianna Klement. The Junior High mascot is Jodi Abner.

The Muenster ISD cheerleading sponsors are Danna Fredrick, Lisa Pagel, and Jennifer Walterscheid.



The Muenster Junior High squad is, from left, back - Amanda Dangelmayr, Lia Heers, Jackie Klement, Delana Sicking, middle - Logan Cheaney, Michelle Henscheid, Hayley Hess, Brianna Klement; front - Jodi Abner. *Janie Hartman photo*

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

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Mon. - Pizza, carrots, pudding, oranges.

Tues. - Salisbury steak, potatoes, brown gravy, black-eyed peas, apples, bread.

Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, green salad, apricot cobbler, garlic toast.

Thurs. - Sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, corn, cinnamon rolls.

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

w/trimmings, refried beans, Spanish rice, applesauce.

Wed. - Baked ham, cheesy potatoes, green beans, chocolate cake, fresh fruit, bread.

Thurs. - Pepperoni pizza, corn, lettuce salad, peaches, bread.

Fri. - Hamburger w/trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

### ERA ISD

Mon. - Pepperoni or cheese pizza, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, graham crackers.

Tues. - Burrito, pinto beans, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, cornbread, sugar cookie.

Wed. - Chicken fried steak or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, hot roll.

Thurs. - Corn dog, broccoli and carrots, tossed salad, sliced peaches, Missouri cookie.

Fri. - Sub sandwich, trimmings, potato chips, pickle spears, ice cream.

### MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Burritos, Spanish rice, beans, pineapple, blueberry muffin.

Tues. - Popcorn chicken, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pears, hot rolls.

Wed. - Turkey, ham, and cheese sub sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, chips and salsa, fresh vegetables, mixed fruit, cookies.

Thurs. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Fri. - Hamburger w/cheese, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onion, applesauce, ice cream.

### LINDSAY ISD

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## FCCLA scholarship recipient is Tara Swirczynski

Tara Swirczynski has recently been notified that she is the recipient of a \$12,000 FCCLA scholarship donated by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The Texas Association of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America will award a total of 10 of these scholarships at their State Meeting on Saturday, April 9.

To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant had to meet criteria of citizenship, residence, academic standing, membership in FCCLA, recommendations, university enrollment plans, and demonstration of leadership.

The presentation of Tara's scholarship will be on stage in the arena of the Corpus Christi Convention Center during the 2nd general session of the 2005 State Meeting of FCCLA in Corpus Christi.

Preceding the awards ceremony, Tara and other scholarship recipients, will

meet with representatives at a coffee at the convention center. Mrs. Sharon Reddell Pierce, State Advisor of FCCLA will be present at the coffee to meet the students. Tara will be accompanied by her FCCLA Advisor, Mrs. Joni Sturm

Tara is Muenster FCCLA's president this year and has also served as secretary and reporter in previous years. She has been a member of FCCLA for four years and a Family and Consumer Sciences student for three years. She has been active in UIL One Act Play, Prose Interpretation, Cross Examination Debate, Informative Speaking, and Accounting. She has also been a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, Varsity Basketball, Tennis, and Track teams. Tara has accepted admission to the University of Texas where she will major in Public Relations.



Tara Swirczynski

My mom said she learned how to swim when someone took her out in the lake and threw her off the boat. I said, "Mom, they weren't trying to teach you how to swim!"  
--Paula Poundstone.

## Sacred Heart School 8th graders attend Pines Camp

"Inspirational" was the word Ben Walterscheid used to describe the retreat at The Pines Catholic Camp, located in the Piney Woods of East Texas. Students from Sacred Heart School's eighth grade class welcomed a break from their routine studies to attend the camp's Eighth Grade Awakening program, March 21-23.

The mission of the camp is to provide high quality programs with a strong faith dimension. The camp's activities strive to enhance the spiritual, moral, physical, and intellectual growth of each individual. The class encountered many obstacles throughout the three-day retreat. A sense of unity developed as class members were faced with

the challenges of a rope course, wall climbing, and nightly games of capture the flag. All agreed that it was exciting as well as inspirational.

Students found their spiritual life challenged as well. The Holy Week message of forgiveness was reiterated as participants wrote letters that offered or sought forgiveness from others. Class members huddled around an evening bonfire; some placed their letters into the fire, while others chose to bring their letters home to Muenster.

Students also had the opportunity to hear about prayer. Counselors pointed out the importance of developing a prayer life and

choosing a form of prayer that brings them into a closer relationship with God.

Parent organizer and chairperson for the retreat, Kim Felderhoff, commented that she was most impressed with the camp counselors' emphasis on cooperation and helping one another. Even in the activities that challenged physical strength, there was always the message that "we help each other succeed". Additional parent chaperones, Mark Hesse, Mike Bartush, and Susan Flusche agreed that the Eighth Grade Awakening was a fun-filled and faith-filled opportunity for their children.



Muenster High School National Honor Society members drew a picture on this water drain on West Third Street to let the community know about illegal dumping and its effects on water contamination. Pictured are from left, standing, Abby Endres, Sean Fuhrmann, Adam Vinson, Leah Vinson, and Clint Miller; seated, Derek Felderhoff, Lana Fisher, Tara Swirczynski, and Ryan Fuhrmann. Not pictured is Tiffanie Klement.

Courtesy photos



## Muenster NHS members draw for pollution

Saturday, April 2 Muenster National Honor Society (NHS) members drew a picture so that the storm drain on West Third Street came to life. These volunteers participated in a project to alert Muenster residents that dumping in storm drains pollutes lakes, rivers, bays, and streams. The students want to be a part of an effort to reduce non-point source pollution.

Much of the pollution in area streams and lakes comes from common, everyday materials like household chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, gasoline, used motor oil and antifreeze, and litter. These substances are washed by rainwater from streets,

yards, driveways, and parking lots into storm drain inlets. Contrary to what many people think, these storm drains don't lead to wastewater treatment plants. They carry untreated storm water directly into area lakes and streams.

Deliberate dumping of hazardous materials into storm sewers makes the pollution problem worse. Motor oil is often dumped down storm drains, yet just one quart can ruin the quality of 250,000 gallons of water. Dumping oil and other hazardous substances

is illegal in Texas. Residents are encouraged to recycle these materials instead.

Muenster City Manager Stan Endres pointed out that storm drain awareness projects have been used successfully in other cities and communities to reduce non-point source pollution. "Every citizen has a role in preventing pollution," he said. "These kinds of projects work because they get government, volunteer groups, and businesses working together to solve a common problem."



LEARNING TO WORK TOGETHER - Clockwise from top, from left: Sacred Heart 8th Grade students at retreat; Michael Whitecotton with fish in basket; Kaitlyn Felderhoff, Jessica Porter, and Kalyssa Pollard; Ryan Bartush and Kaitlyn Felderhoff assist Don Stalling; Ryan Bartush, Kirk Felderhoff and Tad Otto; inset - Tommy Torcellini, Matt Flusche, and Dylan Flusche swamped; Classmates help Tad Otto balance on small wood block. Courtesy photos



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# SPORTS

## Lindsay Knights and Lady Knights take championships at Hornet Relays

A Friday evening meet, change of date, and other disruptions kept this year's Hornet Relays down to only 13 teams. When all was said and done, Lindsay took home all three division championship trophies.

The Lady Knights took a commanding lead with 187 points. Alvord followed with 104, then Muenster with 95. City View finished in 4th place with 50 points, then Sacred Heart at 34, Forestburg, Petrolia, Krum, Saint Jo, Chico, Prairie Valley, and Gold-Burg.

The Knights ran up 190 points for the championship. The Muenster Hornets were 2nd with 84. City View scored 62, then Sacred Heart 50 for 4th place. Krum was followed by Era, Alvord, Saint Jo, Chico, Petrolia, and Gold-Burg.

The junior varsity division had a fairly close race for 1st. Lindsay edged out the lead, 144 to 118 over the Muenster Hornets for 1st place. Other teams were City View, Alvord, Petrolia, 6th Sacred Heart with 41, Gold-Burg, Era, Prairie Valley, Saint Jo, Krum, and Chico.

Results reported here will list every winner in each event, plus the Muenster, Sacred Heart, and Lindsay placers.

### VARSITY GIRLS

**3200m Run:** 1, Chelsea Hermes, L, 13:08.  
**400m Relay:** 1, L. Brittany Anderle, Joni Erwin, Allison Hundt, Stephanie Neu, 52:79; 4, Muenster, N/A, 56:22; 5, SH, Sarah Whitecotton, Lauren Krah, Kara Felderhoff, Joelle Fuhrmann, 56:50.

**800m Run:** 1, Reynolds, F, 2:32.73; 3, Jenny Schroeder, L, 2:39.20; 5, Laura Zimmerer, L, 2:41.72.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 14.89; 3, Brittany White, SH, 16.33; 4, Madisen Burrows, L, 16.55; 5, Autumn Murrill, L, 17.25.  
**100m Dash:** 1, Nötter, CV, 13.10; 2, Brittany Anderle, L, 13.41.

**800m Relay:** 1, Alvord, 1:52.54; 2, L, Jessica Bezner, Karissa Reiter, Stephanie Metzler, Autumn

Murrill, 1:52.93; 3, SH, Kara Felderhoff, Sarah Whitecotton, Joelle Fuhrmann, Stephanie Krawietz, 1:59.99; 4, Muenster, N/A, 2:00.03.

**400m Run:** 1, Chelsea Hermes, L, 1:03.82; 4, Joni Erwin, L, 1:05.69; 5, Jenna Felderhoff, M, 1:08.49; 6, Megan Felderhoff, M, 1:09.64.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 48.11; 2, Whitney Watson, M, 52.17; 3, Madisen Burrows, L, 52.22.

**200m Dash:** 1, Stephanie Neu, L, 26.92; 2, Jacé Koelzer, M, 27.31; 3, Karissa Reiter, L, 27.84; 6, Stephanie Metzler, L, 28.63.

**1600m Run:** 1, Liss, P, 5:28.37; 4, Jenny Schroeder, L, 6:01.49; 5, Rachel Zimmerer, L, 6:03.20; 6, Laura Zimmerer, L, 6:03.72.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L. Madisen Burrows, Jessica Bezner, Autumn Murrill, Stephanie Neu, 4:19.69; 3, Muenster, N/A, 4:29.62.

**Shot Put:** 1, Liz Neu, L, 32'11"; 2, Kaylee Privett, L, 32'10 1/2"; 3, Heidi Hess, L, 31'11 1/4".

**Discus:** 1, Sarah Whitecotton, SH, 96'6 1/2"; 2, Kaylee Privett, L, 93'6"; 5, Laura Hellman, L, 83'2 1/2".

**Long Jump:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 17'; 3, Stephanie Metzler, L, 15'4"; 6, Brittany Anderle, L, 14'5 3/4".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Kinsey, A, 31'2"; 5, Kara Felderhoff, SH, 27'3".

**High Jump:** 1, Chelsea Hermes, L, 5'.  
**Pole Vault:** 1, Jenna Felderhoff, M, 7'; 3, Bonnie Freeman, M, 6'6"; 4, Jessica Hermes, L, 6'; 5, Abby Endres, M, 6'.

### VARSITY BOYS

**3200m Run:** 1, DeMoss, GB, 11:17.2; 2, Colton Steelman, M, 11:26.4; 3, Johnny Green, M, 11:40.3; 4, Jason Metzler, L, 12:23.4.

**400m Relay:** 1, L. Alan Trammell, Garrett Alfrey, Trinity Otto, Brad Anderle, 43.89; 3, Muenster, N/A, 45.69; 4, SH, Chris Hoedebeck, Aaron Krah, Jon Ambrose, Jordan Smith, 46.70.

**800m Run:** 1, Bowman, K, 2:01.50; 3, Josey Kyle, L, 2:09.04; 4, Kristopher Creed, L, 2:10.67; 5, Travis Endres, L, 2:12.49; 6, Sean Fuhrmann, M, 2:13.05.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L, 14.83; 2, Jon Ambrose, SH, 17.05; 3, Dustin Hughes, L, 17.23; 5, Malcom Martin, L, 18.06.

**100m Dash:** 1, Aaron Krah, SH, 11.11; 4, Preston Mendez, L, 11.59; 5, Keith Hermes, L, 11.67; 6, Garrett Alfrey, L, 11.74.

**800m Relay:** 1, Muenster, N/A, 1:35.52; 5, L, Josh Jones, Brandon

Huckaby, Preston Mendez, Garrett Alfrey, 1:38.92.

**400m Run:** 1, Justin Ferguson, M, 53.21; 2, Alan Trammell, L, 54.47; 5, Keith Hermes, L, 55.71.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Brandon Huckaby, L, 42.99; 3, Jon Ambrose, SH, 45.03; 4, Dustin Hughes, L, 46.67; 6, Malcom Martin, L, 47.13.

**200m Dash:** 1, Trinity Otto, L, 21.91; 2, Aaron Krah, SH, 23.06; 5, Derek Endres, M, 24.03; 6, Preston Mendez, L, 24.17.

**1600m Run:** 1, Bowman, K, 4:36.90; 4, Kristopher Creed, L, 4:58.45; 5, Andy Davis, SH, 5:06.12; 6, Josey Kyle, L, 5:08.16.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L. Trinity Otto, Josh Jones, Brad Anderle, Alan Trammell, 3:28.70; 3, Muenster, N/A, 3:42.63.

**Shot Put:** 1, Eubanks, C, 47'1 1/4"; 2, Garrett Jones, L, 46'; 3, Blake Beadles, L, 45'1 3/4"; 4, Clayton Truebenbach, SH, 43'11"; 5, Cody Anderle, L, 42'7 1/2".

**Discus:** 1, Eubanks, C, 146'2 1/2"; 2, Blake Beadles, L, 144'3 1/4"; 4, Clayton Truebenbach, SH, 134'11"; 5, Adam Kasparek, L, 132'3 1/2"; 6, Cody Anderle, L, 129'3 1/4".

**Long Jump:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L, 22'2 1/2"; 2, Preston Mendez, L, 19'10"; 4, Justin Ferguson, M, 19'7 1/2"; 5, Alan Trammell, L, 19'5 1/4".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L, 43'5"; 5, Clint Miller, M, 39'8 3/4"; 6, Preston Mendez, L, 38'10 3/4".

**High Jump:** 1, Trinity Otto, L, 6'4"; 3, Brandon Huckaby, L, 6'2"; 4, Josey Kyle, L, 6'0"; 5, Michael Faries, M, 5'6"; 6, Chris Steelman, M, 5'4".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Chad Dieter, L, 11'6"; 2, Dustin Hughes, L, 9'6"; 3, Dustin Wimmer, M, 9'6".

### JVBOYS

**3200m Run:** 1, Mason Ward, L, 12:02; 2, Josh McAden, M, 12:29; 3, Michael Conaway, L, 12:34; 4, Adam Fredrick, M, 12:44.

**400m Relay:** 4, Muenster, N/A, 51.18; 5, L, Derick Murray, Garrett Block, Neil Jones, Brian Sandmann, 51.36.

**800m Run:** 1, Colton Steelman, M, 2:22.59; 3, Levi Hermes, L, 2:23.54; 6, Clayton Starnes, L, 2:31.95.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Colby Richey, SH, 16.93; 2, Travis Hess, SH, 18.75.

**100m Dash:** 3, David Walterscheid, SH, 12.47; 5, Dustin Neu, L, 12.79; 6, Adam Dangelmayr, SH, 12.81.

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## Muenster Booster Club golf tournament will be May 22

Mark your calendars! The annual Muenster Booster Club Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, May 22 at Turtle Hill Golf Course. Shotgun start begins at 2 p.m.

The four person scramble has an entry fee of \$240 per team, which includes green fees, cart, a meal, and a t-shirt.

There will be cash prizes in four flights, based on a 36 team field. A red tag may also be purchased for \$5, which will get you in a drawing for door prizes.

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## KC Free Throw State Champion



Lauren Creed, a freshman student at Lindsay High School, placed 3rd at the State Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest. Competition was in Austin on March 12. Creed scored 20 of 25. This is the 2nd time she competed at state. Lauren represented the Lindsay KC Council and is the daughter of Kevin and Kathy Creed.

## Russell Endres signs to play for Tigers of East Texas Baptist



Russell Endres, a Muenster High School senior, has signed to play basketball next fall for the Tigers of East Texas Baptist University in Marshall. During the past two years, Endres and the Hornets had back-to-back 20-plus win seasons and made the playoffs for the first time in 11 years. Endres has been named to the All-District and All-Region teams the past three years, adding TABC All-State this year. He has been coached by Kenny Mann (back) throughout high school. Russell is also pictured with his parents, Jan and Danny Endres.

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Tigerette Kara Felderhoff takes the stick from Stephanie Krawietz.

Liz Neu threw the shot 32'11" to take a 1st place for the Lady Knights.



Danielle Bindel in the ring.



Jace Koelzer jumps 17' for the gold.

# Hornet Relays



Johnny Green, Muenster Hornet running the 3200m run.



Lady Knight Brittany Anderle in the long jump.



Colton Steelman settles for 2nd place in the 3200m.



Lindsay distance runner Kristopher Creed.



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Brandon Huckaby takes the gold in the 300m hurdles.



Sacred Heart hurdler Jon Ambrose.



The start of the 1600m race includes, Lindsay, Muenster, and Sacred Heart runners.\*  
Janie Hartman photo

# Junior High District Track Meet at Lindsay

The District 14A Junior High Track and Field Meet ended the 2005 season last Saturday in Lindsay. The five-school district was divided into four divisions. Muenster and Valley View won the 7th grade girls division, with Lindsay taking the 7th grade boys and 8th grade girls championships, and Valley View winning the 8th grade boys.

In the 7th grade girls, Muenster and Valley View tied with 164 points each. Lindsay scored 106, Era 93, and Collinsville 25.

The 7th grade Squires ran up 206 points to take the championship. Valley View followed with 141, then Muenster at 126, Era 63, and Collinsville 61.

The Lady Squires took 1st in the 8th grade competition with 185.5 points. Valley View scored 142, Collinsville 98, Muenster 91, and Era 22.5.

Valley View dominated the 8th grade boys with 225. Collinsville earned 145.5, Era 107.5, Muenster 79.5, and Lindsay 50.5.

Placers from the Muenster and Lindsay teams were as follows:

### 7TH GRADE GIRLS

**2400m Run:** 1, Yolanda Del Rio, M, 10:11:44; 2, Shaina Felderhoff, M, 10:43:64; 3, Jackie Klement, M, 10:48:81; 5, Jessica Luttmir, L, 11:41:66; 6, Haley Haverkamp, L, 12:19:65.

**400m Relay:** 1, L. Alex Cooney, Shirley Hess, Abby Anderle, Kristin Martin, 57:85; 3, M. Delana Sicking, Natalie Valliere, Amanda Dangelmayr, Yolanda Del Rio, 1:02:71.

**800m Run:** 1, Leah Smith, M, 2:42:36; 2, Taylor Miller, M, 2:49:14; 4, Shaina Felderhoff, M, 2:56:95.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Haley Hughes, L, 19:95; 5, Delana Sicking, M, 21:52.

**800m Relay:** 2, M. Jackie Klement, Amanda Dangelmayr, Delana Sicking, Lia Heers, 2:15:40.

**400m Run:** 2, Shirley Hess, L, 66:25.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Kristin Martin, L, 56:07; 2, Alex Cooney, L, 57:32; 5, Haley Hughes, L, 62:42.

**200m Dash:** 4, Erin Endres, M, 30:84.

**1600m Run:** 1, Yolanda Del Rio, M, 6:31:23; 2, Jackie Klement, M, 7:04:13.

**1600m Relay:** 2, L. Shirley Hess, Alex Cooney, Andie Faulkner, Kristin Martin, 4:43:62; 3, M. Lia Heers, Erin Endres, Taylor Miller, Leah Smith, 5:01:48.

**Shot Put:** 1, Bianca Velasquez, M, 23'8"; 3, Katie Dieter, L, 23'6"; 4, Jodi Abner, M, 23'5"; 5, Kammi Neu, L, 22'10"; 6, Kristin Martin, L, 22'5".

**Discus:** 2, Katie Dieter, L, 66'10"; 3, Bianca Velasquez, M, 65'; 4, Abby Anderle, L, 56'; 5, Jodi Abner, M, 50'10"; 6, Katie McAden, M, 44'10".

**High Jump:** 2, Kristin Martin, L, 4'; 3, Delana Sicking, M, 4'; 4, Leah Smith, M, 3'10"; 5, Amanda Dangelmayr, M, 3'8".

**Long Jump:** 2, Erin Endres, M, 13'8"; 6, Leah Smith, M, 13'.

**Pole Vault:** 1, Erin Endres, M, 5'.

### 7TH GRADE BOYS

**2400m Run:** 2, Mitch Dieter, L, 9:06:03; 3, Matt Dieter, L, 9:21:82; 5, Ryan Kendall, L, 10:12:06.

**400m Relay:** 1, L. Austin Reiter, Josh Mueller, Ross Jones, Ryan Haverkamp, 53:37; 3, M. Steven Valliere, Levi Trubenbach, Allen Fette, Corey Sicking, 56:08.

**800m Run:** 2, Eric Hellman, M, 2:44:76; 4, Dax Fleitman, L, 2:44:82.

**110m Hurdles:** 1, James Kelley, L, 21:72; 2, Chris Valliere, M, 22:42; 3, Mitch Dieter, L, 22:82; 6, Dax Fleitman, L, 23:33.

**100m Dash:** 2, T.J. Acuna, M, 13:20; 5, Clay Mueller, L, 13:83.

**800m Relay:** 2, L. Colton Hermes, Clay Mueller, Cody Brown, Ross Jones, 1:57:24; 3, M. Steven Valliere, Levi Trubenbach, Allen Fette, Corey Sicking, 2:00:54.

**400m Run:** 3, Ross Jones, L, 1:07:74; 4, Austin Reiter, L, 1:08:23.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Ryan Haverkamp, L, 48:55; 3, Chris Valliere, M, 56:25; 4, Matt Dieter, L, 56:65.

**200m Dash:** 2, Josh Mueller, L, 27:10; 3, T.J. Acuna, M, 28:52; 4, Cody Brown, L, 30:57.

**1600m Run:** 1, Matt Dieter, L, 6:02:65; 2, Mitch Dieter, L, 6:02:66; 3, Dax Fleitman, L, 6:19:72.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L. Colton Hermes, Clay Mueller, Ryan Haverkamp, Josh Mueller, 4:14:55; 5, M. Eric Hellman, Levi Trubenbach, Allen Fette, T.J. Acuna, 4:36:10.

**Shot Put:** 1, Corey Sicking, M, 32'9"; 4, Greg Luttmir, L, 25'6"; 5, Chad Henscheid, M, 24'1/2".

**Discus:** 5, Corey Sicking, M, 65' 1/2"; 6, Blake Hunter, L, 64' 5/2".

**High Jump:** 1, Josh Mueller, L, 4'10"; 2, Ryan Haverkamp, L, 4'8"; 3, Allen Fette, M, 4'6"; 4, Clay Mueller, L, 4'4"; 4, Eric Hellman, M, 4'4".

**Long Jump:** 1, Josh Mueller, L, 15'9"; 3, T.J. Acuna, M, 15' 2 1/4"; 4, Levi Trubenbach, M, 15'1"; 6, Eric Hellman, M, 14'8".

**Triple Jump:** 1, T.J. Acuna, M, 32' 4 1/2"; 2, Ryan Haverkamp, L, 31' 4 1/2"; 3, Allen Fette, M, 30'1";

4, John Block, L, 30'1"; 6, Dax Fleitman, L, 29'1/4".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Steven Valliere, M, 6'6"; 4, Andrew Koessler, M, 6'; 5, Ross Jones, L, 6'.

**8TH GRADE GIRLS**

**2400m Run:** 2, Kelsey Hawkins, L, 10:59:21; 4, Jordanne Hellman, M, 11:23:16; 5, Emily Stoffels, M, 11:38:62.

**400m Relay:** 1, L. Rose Hermes, Elizabeth Martin, Crystal Dickerson, Amber Nortman, 56:04; 3, M. Shelby Hess, Holly Rohmer, Brandy Dangelmayr, Jordanne Hellman, 64:16.

**800m Run:** 1, Sam Endres, M, 2:41:98; 3, Kendall Neu, L, 2:48:37; 6, Tracy Bartlett, L, 3:50:49.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Elizabeth Martin, L, 19:31; 2, Kayla Hess, L, 20:05; 3, Beverly Knabe, L, 20:45; 4, Jenni Luke, M, 21:38.

**1000 Dash:** 2, Amber Nortman, L, 13:84; 3, Crystal Dickerson, L, 14:62; 6, Chelsea Evans, L, 14:49.

**800m Relay:** 2, L. Ashley Hees, Brandy Dangelmayr, Jenni Luke, Metzler, L, 2:10:43; 3, M. Shelby Hess, Holly Rohmer, Brandy Dangelmayr, Lauren Haverkamp, 2:13:93.

**400m Run:** 2, Sam Endres, M, 69:27.

**300m Hurdles:** 3, Beverly Knabe, L, 60:32; 4, Kayla Hess, L, 60:92; 6, Jenni Luke, M, 65:27.

**200m Dash:** 4, Rose Hermes, L, 29:48; 5, Sam Endres, M, 29:96.

**1600m Run:** 1, Kendall Neu, L, 6:22:66; 4, Kelsey Hawkins, L, 6:46:67; 6, Jordanne Hellman, M, 7:08:08.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L. Rose Hermes, Amber Nortman, Laura Kelley, Elizabeth Martin, 4:35:52; 3, M. Shelby Hess, Holly Rohmer, Brandy Dangelmayr, Jenni Luke, 5:27:18.

**Shot Put:** 3, Rhiannon Robinson, L, 25'1"; 5, Noel Barnhill, M, 24'3"; 6, Jenni Luke, M, 24'2".

**Discus:** 3, Natalie Rose, L, 75'10"; 4, Rhiannon Robinson, L, 75'5"; 6, Noel Barnhill, M, 65'6".

**High Jump:** 3, Rose Hermes, L, 4'.

**Long Jump:** 1, Sam Endres, M, 15'4"; 3, Amber Nortman, L, 14'9"; 5, Elizabeth Martin, L, 13'3"; 6, Shelby Hess, M, 12'11".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Amber Nortman, L, 31'1"; 2, Sam Endres, M, 30'6"; 3, Elizabeth Martin, L, 30'3"; 6, Rose Hermes, L, 28".

**8TH GRADE BOYS**

**2400m Run:** 4, Matt McAden, M, 10:02:83.

**400m Relay:** 3, M. Corey Reynolds, Paul Crabtree, Tanner Herr, Brett Morris, 51:70; 5, L. Derek Ogeltree, Sam Sparkman, Jon Michael Sweeney, Derek Hundt, 56:21.

**800m Run:** 3, Mason Kindiger, M, 2:32:49.

**110m Hurdles:** 1, Nick Bezner, L, 19:32; 5, Alex York, M, 24:37.

**100m Relay:** 3, M. Corey Reynolds, Paul Crabtree, Tanner Herr, Brett Morris, 1:49:11; 4, L. Derek Ogeltree, Jon Michael Sweeney, Nick Bezner, Sam Sparkman, 1:50:15.

**400m Run:** 6, Cesar Robles, M, 1:07:69.

**300m Hurdles:** 2, Nick Bezner, L, 49:29; 3, Derek Ogeltree, L, 52:31.

**200m Dash:** 4, Sam Sparkman, L, 27:52.

**1600m Run:** 5, Matt McAden, M, 6:16:32.

**1600m Relay:** 4, M. Corey Reynolds, Paul Crabtree, Tanner Herr, Mason Kindiger, 4:13:68.

**Shot Put:** 3, Mustafa Hweidi, L, 35' 11 1/4"; 4, Corey Reynolds, M, 35' 2 1/2".

**Discus:** 3, Paul Crabtree, M, 98'7"; 4, John Monday, Muenster, 96'5".

**Long Jump:** 2, Corey Reynolds, M, 17'; 5, Tanner Herr, M, 15' 7/4".

**Triple Jump:** 2, Tanner Herr, M, 34'8"; 6, Nick Bezner, L, 32' 6/2".

**Pole Vault:** 4 (T), Derek Ogeltree, L, 7'6"; 6, Clayton Williams, L, 7'; 6, Alex York, M, 7'.



## District Junior High Track Action

The Junior High District 14-A track and field meet was held last Saturday at Lindsay. Action included, starting upper left, clockwise, Mitch and Matt Dieter of Lindsay; Matthew McAden in the pack; Erin Endres handing the stick to Taylor Miller; Toby Dyess; Jordanne Hellman; Emily Stoffels; and a Lindsay hand off from Andi Faulkner to Kristin Martin.

Scott Wood photos



## Sacred Heart hosts golf tournament

The Sacred Heart Invitational II Golf Tournament was held Tuesday and Wednesday, March 30-31 at Turtle Hill Golf Course. Tuesday's conditions for the boys competition was very, very windy. Fifteen teams took part, with Nocona taking 1st place with 303 strokes. McKinney Christian, Pottsboro, Boyd, and Bowie took the other top places.

The Sacred Heart Tigers finished in 8th place with a team score of 363. Low scorer was Nolan Hartman with 82. Mitch Sellers shot a 93, with Chris Hoedebeck and Colby Richey each getting 94, and Arlie Bayer 113.

The Tigerettes played Wednesday, with conditions of 80° with a 10-20 mph southwest wind. The Lady Indians from Nocona won the girls division with a score of 379. Whitesboro, Jacksboro, and Howe followed, with Sacred Heart finishing 5th with a 421.

Team players and their scores were Joelle Fuhrmann with 102, Diana Knabe 103, Shannon Hartman 106, Hannah Hess 110, and Jessica Bartel 114. Jessica Schilling and Sunni Bayer competed individually and scored 103 and 123.

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## Home Hospice Golf Tournament to be held April 10, 2005

It's that time of year, to grab your clubs and head out to Turtle Hill Golf Course to participate in the annual golf tournament for Home Hospice of Cooke County! This year's tournament hole sponsor is Brown Motor Company. Hole in one prizes include a 2005 Buick Lacrosse, GMAC Smartcare, and a Nike Ignite Driver, a golf vacation at the Westin Rio Mar Beach and Golf Club in Puerto Rico for four days and three nights, and 36 dozen Mojo Golf balls.

Volunteers from Home Hospice will be on hand at holes #11, 4, 8, and 13 to watch golfers go for these great prizes.

The tournament, to be Sunday, April 10, is under the experienced leadership of co-chairs Jane Dudley and Dan Hamric. "This year promises to be our biggest and best yet," says Jane Dudley, "thanks to so many giving sponsors".

Hutcherson Insurance Agency in Gainesville, is underwriting the barbecue catered meal and the live entertainment. The band to entertain is Bodie Powell. The meal is included in player fees or sponsorship. However, if anyone wishes to attend just the dinner and enjoy the band, tickets are on sale at the Home Hospice office at 1001 E. Broadway for \$10. The evening festivities will begin around 6 p.m. as the golfers are finishing.

The tournament is a two-person scramble. There will be cash prizes for the top winners in each flight. Also many local businesses have contributed for a great goody bag this year. Fee per player is \$60. Sponsorships start at \$100. For more information or to register, call Donna McGrew at the Home Hospice office at 665-9891 or Jane Dudley at 668-8295.

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### 800m Relay

3, Muenster, N/A, 1:44:53; 5, L. Garrett Block, Neil Jones, Brian Sandmann, Michael Eckart, 1:50:67.

**400m Run:** 1, Levi Hermes, L, 58:43; 2, Micah Flusche, M, 60:45; 6, Nick Flusche, M, 61:53.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Nathan Martin, L, 46:10; 4, Colton Steelman, M, 50:89.

**200m Dash:** 2, Collin Walterscheid, M, 26:13; 4, Josh Yosten, SH, 26:56; 5, Neil Jones, L, 26:61.

**1600m Run:** 1, Mark Fleitman, SH, 5:12:71; 2, Mason Ward, L, 5:17:58; 4, Chase Serna, M, 5:34:93; 5, Clayton Starnes, L, 5:41:27; 6, Josh McAden, M, 5:42:60.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L. Levi Hermes, Garrett Block, Nathan Martin, Brian Sandmann, 3:54:69; 3, Muenster, N/A, 4:00:33.

**Shot Put:** 1, Cole Harrison, M, 39'10"; 2, Michael Eckart, L, 39' 4/12"; 5, Zach Swirczynski, M, 36'1".

**Discus:** 2, Michael Eckart, L, 113' 11 1/4"; 3, Cole Harrison, M, 110'6".

**Long Jump:** 1, Patrick Lutkenhaus, M, 16'10"; 6, Garrett Block, L, 15'9".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Michael Eckart, L, 38'3"; 2, Aaron Yosten, M, 35'1/2"; 3, Derrick Murray, L, 35' 5, Matthew Beaver, M, 33'11".

**High Jump:** 1, Michael Eckart, L, 5'8"; 3, Brian Sandmann, L, 5'6"; 5, Colby Richey, SH, 5'2".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Dustin Neu, L, 9'

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Bill requires non-annexation offer by municipalities HB 2305, introduced by Carter Casteel (R) of New Braunfels, would require a municipality to offer the owner of agricultural land an agreement to prevent the annexation of property. The purpose of the annexation would be to prevent the development of agricultural land into residential or commercial property. Under the agreement, the landowner would avoid annexation as long as the land continues to be used for agricultural purposes. TFB supports the passage of HB 2305. Bill protects water rights for land in federal conservation programs HB 2423 by Robert Puente (D) of San Antonio would prohibit a Groundwater Conservation District from discriminating against a landowner whose land is enrolled in a federal conservation program. Some districts are denying a permit to landowners because they are not currently pumping groundwater. This bill requires that landowners be fairly treated.

TFB supports the passage of HB 2423. Bill requires GCDs use science based rules HB 2920, introduced by Edmund Kuempel (R), would require a Groundwater Conservation District to use sound science in any effort to limit groundwater production. TFB supports the passage of HB 2920. Legislation requires 'good faith' negotiations before condemning land HB 3017, introduced by Rob Orr (R) of Burleson, would require an entity with condemnation authority to perform an official appraisal before an offer to purchase property is made. The appraisal must be on the tract of land to be condemned, and is not sufficient if the appraisal is a generalized valuation of similar property. If the condemning entity and the landowner do not come to an agreement, the appraisal is proof of good faith negotiations to purchase the property. The bill requires the condemning entity to pay the attorney fees if a court holds the offer was not in good faith.

TFB supports the passage of HB 3017. Bill requires vote before annexation HB 3198, introduced by Ruben Hope Jr. (R) of Conroe, would require cities of less than 40,000 people, to vote to approve any annexation. Under this legislation a city may not annex an area unless an election is held, a majority of the registered voters of the area proposed to be annexed sign a petition, or no qualified voters reside in the area proposed to be annexed. TFB supports the passage of HB 3198. Bill imposes fee on all wells drilled HB 2432 introduced by Representative Robert Puente (D) of San Antonio would establish a fee to be assessed on each groundwater well drilled. The revenue from this fee will be used to plug abandoned or deteriorated water wells. TFB opposes the passage of HB 2432. Legislation allows inter-basin transfer of water HB 2541, introduced by Representative Robert

Puente (D) of San Antonio, would allow inter-basin transfers between river basins that are located in a single Regional Water Planning Area without that transfer being subject to a junior priority date. Under current law, all inter-basin transfers become junior in priority to other water rights in the basin of origin. TFB opposes the passage of HB 2541. Legislation enhances small and mid-size school allotment SB 999, introduced by Senator Frank Madla (D) of San Antonio, would enhance the funding allotment for small and mid-size school districts. TFB supports the passage of SB 999. Animal Health Commission bills pass the House All three bills addressing the fee authority of the Texas Animal Health Commission passed on the floor of the Texas House this week. HB 1361 by Representative Hardcastle authorizes the TAHC to establish a premise animal ID program and charge a

fee for participation in this program. The program is voluntary until the federal government requires a mandatory animal ID program, at which time the state program and fee would become mandatory. The goal of the animal ID program is to provide for disease control and enhance the ability to trace disease-infected animals or animals that have been exposed to disease. The information collected by the commission is exempt from public disclosure requirements but may be released to certain governmental entities. TFB supports the passage of HB 1361, if the program and fee are voluntary until mandated by federal law. HB 1362 by Representative Hardcastle would modify the requirement of the TAHC to inspect livestock sold at auctions. Currently, the TAHC is required to visually inspect all animals sold at auctions. Often this duplicates

inspections already performed by the auction's veterinarian and brand inspectors of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. This bill would reduce this duplication by allowing TAHC to examine animals as needed. This should provide costs savings and allow TAHC to utilize their personnel resources in a more efficient manner. TFB supports the passage of HB 1362. HB 1363 by Representative Hardcastle allows for TAHC to provide for the issuance of a certificate of veterinary inspection by a veterinarian for the transportation of livestock within Texas. This bill will allow TAHC to increase the amount it can charge for certificates of veterinary inspection (which are currently 25 cents). This bill allows an increase in the amount of fees charged. TFB supports the passage of HB 1363.

# FARM & RANCH

## COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

WAYNE BECKER  
CEA - AG/NR

### Trans Texas Corridor: Part 2

The proposed first phase of the TTC project, a 300-mile stretch of tollway from San Antonio to the Oklahoma border, is supposed to run east of, and parallel to, Interstate 35. Subject to environmental approval, the "Trans-Texas Corridor 35" construction is set to begin within the next five years. According to reports, Spanish-based Cintra will spend \$6 billion to build the highway and will give the State of Texas an additional \$1.2 billion to fund other road-improvement projects along I-35. In exchange, Cintra will get the right to charge state-approved tolls on the road for 50 years. The Texas Department of Transportation will spend \$3.5 million to develop the master plan for the turnpike, but other details are still developing. What has yet to be worked out, as well as what has been announced, worries Crunk. After thoroughly studying a county map, and pinpointing all the cemeteries, lakes, and population centers - as well as the location of President Bush's Ranch - Crunk is convinced the flattest, most affordable land near I-35 for the parallel corridor is the land along the Brazos River bottom.

"Their latest map shows that as it comes out of Falls County, it comes right through here. This is one of the few spots in the state that really has good corn production. You see some in the Panhandle, in deep South Texas, and this little spot here in the Central Texas Blackland area," I'm terrified!" says Wendell Crunk, whose 500-acre farm at Asa, in McLennan County, has been the pride of his family for 110 years.

#### County's tax base impacted

Many of the concerns, says Crunk, are linked to the county's tax base, because as much as 4,000 acres of rural land would be taken to build the highway. That's tax money the county would lose, he says. Additionally, landowners in the proximity of the corridor will lose all protections they presently have afforded them by city ordinances, county regulations, private covenants, and deed restrictions.

"The Commissioners realized that the Corridor concessionaires, rather than

local businesses, will get to sell the gas, food, and lodging to travelers. It goes against the city and county's economic development goals. And if you divert 20 to 30 percent of the traffic away from I-35, it could kill some businesses here in Waco," Crunk suggests. "The prospect of it is already hurting because some commercial developers have decided to hold off until they see what's going to happen."

Commissioners also believe improvements to I-35 could be slowed if the focus shifts to the Trans-Texas Corridor.

Crunk says no one wants to raise the gasoline tax, but he believes it would be a better way to go than the toll roads. Under the current legislation, he says Cintra will have the ability to set the toll fees, which may be anywhere from 20 to 40 cents a mile or more, which alone may discourage travel.

"Something nobody is talking about is the toll costs," he says. "How many people would pay \$30 to drive to Austin from Waco when they can take I-35?"

#### County, FM roads in jeopardy

Crunk says when he questioned a TxDOT official about the county roads dissected by the corridor, he was told they would be closed, and that farm-to-market roads would remain open only if traffic counts justified the need.

"I told him that defeated the whole purpose of a farm-to-market road," says Crunk.

Besides the inconveniences caused to landowners whose properties are split, closure of these rural roads will impact mail routes, school bus routes, EMS and fire vehicle access, and other vital services, Crunk suggests. Assuming the corridor takes the course he thinks it will, Crunk fears that some landowners in his precinct, with property between the corridor and the river, will essentially be cut off, and those with property on both sides of the river, if roads with bridges are closed, will not be able to cross the Brazos without driving for many miles. Crunk says the estimated cost of an overpass is \$15 million, so those will be kept to a minimum.

#### Commissioners say 'slow down'

Richard Cortese, a farmer and county commissioner in Bell County, also believes the project is moving way too fast.

"It's going from conception to action before we have a chance to look at the plans," says Cortese, a longtime Farm Bureau member. "The governor is trying to compare the Trans Texas Corridor to Farm-to-Market roads or I-35. It's not a comparison. You can't compare a 1,200-foot wide road to a 100-foot wide road. We have got to get the public to understand how wide this monster is (the width of four football fields end to end)."

Cortese says environmental studies have been "fast tracked."

The Bell County farmer/commissioner is convinced that something must be done to address the problems of the TTC during this legislative session or it may be too late.

"They need to back off and give more analysis and study of the traffic situations. It's going to kill agriculture. The Blacklands of Texas are some of the most pristine lands in the state. They're fixing to cover up thousands of acres of the most pristine land without knowing where they're going to put the roads."

Story by Lana Robinson, field editor for Texas Farm Bureau. This story has been edited.

Part 3 will explore other TTC impacts, and Texas Farm Bureau efforts to stop the project.

#### Importance of Agriculture to the Citizens of Texas and Cooke County

Texas' food and fiber system contributed approximately \$73 billion to the state's economy in 2001, according to a joint study by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Texas Cooperative Extension, and the State Office of the Comptroller.

For 2001 - the last year for which complete data are available - the Texas food and fiber system accounted for 9.5 percent of the gross state product.

"This analysis certainly shows that the total economic impact of agriculture is still very significant to Texas, as it includes the many related enterprises that support the production and marketing of food, fiber, and land resources," said Dr. Ed Smith, Extension interim director.

The state's food and fiber system encompasses all economic activities related to production, processing, and marketing of agricultural and natural resource products from the point of origin to the consumer.

Examples include energy purchases, fertilizer production, food processing and manufacturing, transportation, wholesale and retail distribution of products, and restaurants. Also included are economic activities that link the production of plant and animal fibers and hides to fabric, clothing, and footwear.

"The Texas agricultural industry is a powerhouse of production and a strong foundation of the Texas

economy," said Susan Combs, Texas agriculture commissioner. "Texas was settled by farmers and ranchers and has grown and prospered through the hard work of the men and women in agriculture."

"Today, this industry accounts for almost 10% of the gross state product, but more important, provides jobs for about one out of almost seven working Texans and sustains the economic survival of our rural communities."

Cooke County data can already be obtained from 2004.

Agriculture continues to contribute greatly to the economy in Cooke County. Ag cash receipts for last year were \$94,816,000. \$72,026,000 of that total came from crops and livestock, which was 110% of last year's crop and livestock receipts.

Traditional agriculture is still the dominant force locally. Beef cattle led the way, bringing in \$47,161,000 to the County.

Following beef was horses at approximately \$20,000,000. Feed grains and forage brought in another \$10,000,000. Wheat totaled \$3,385,000.

Non-traditional agriculture receipts are also rising in the County, as more land and dollars are being utilized for hunting and other recreation. Estimates show these amounts to be near an additional \$3,000,000. Specialty crops are also increasing.

#### Dates to Remember:

- April 12 - Marketing Club Meeting, Gainesville Farm Bureau Building, 7 p.m.
- April 20 - Cooke County Master Gardener Meeting, Courthouse, 4 p.m.
- April 20 - CCBCIA Meeting, Cooke County Fairgrounds, 7 p.m.
- April 25 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Smith Bros. Store, I-35 South, North of Denton, Exit # 472, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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### FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

#### Crop Disaster Program Signup

Cooke County producers may be eligible to receive financial assistance for qualifying crop losses through the Crop Disaster Program (CDP), launched by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Monday, March 14. According to Chance Fenoglio, County Executive Director for the Cooke County Farm Service Agency (FSA), CDP is available to producers with qualifying crop losses resulting from damaging weather in crop years 2003 and 2004.

Eligibility for CDP is similar to that of the 2001-02 Crop Disaster Program. Producers suffering a production loss greater than 35% and/or more than a 20% quality loss are eligible for CDP. The payment rate for CDP has been increased to 65% of the established commodity price for insured crops and non-insurable crops, and 60% of the price for uninsured commodities. Previous disaster assistance provided payments of 50% of the established commodity price for insured and non-insurable crops and 45% for uninsured crops.

Fenoglio encourages producers to begin organizing relevant crop loss documentation and contact the Cooke County FSA Office to schedule an

appointment to discuss program eligibility and the application process. Producers may apply for CDP for any crops that are eligible for coverage under the Federal Crop Insurance or the Noninsured Assistance Program. No signup deadline has been announced.

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<b>Feeder Steers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.38-1.75; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.30-1.58; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.43-1.57; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.43; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.33-1.50; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.33; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.21-1.38; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.21; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.29; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.14; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 1.01-1.17; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-1.01. <b>Feeder Heifers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.38-1.51; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.38; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.33-1.55; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.33; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.28-1.42; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.28; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.21-1.30; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.21; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.22; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-1.10; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 94-1.29; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-94. <b>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)</b> Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.20-1.50 lbs.; #3-5, 78-88 lbs.; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 59-66; #4-5, 49-59.	<b>Stocker Cows (per head)</b> Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: \$875-\$990; Medium Frame: \$550-\$875. Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$1000-\$1280; Medium Frame: \$700-\$1000. Holstein Baby Calves: \$120-\$150; Cross-breds: \$170-\$290. <b>Barrows &amp; Gilts (per lb.)</b> US #1, 230-270: 42-47; US #2, 270-280: 40-42. <b>Feeders (per head):</b> 100-175 lbs.: \$45-\$70; 25-90 lbs.: \$13-\$40. <b>Sows (per lb.)</b> Feeder, 400 or less: 35-40; Light wt., 400-500: 38-41; Med. wt., 500-600: 38-41; Heavy wt., 600+: 40-43. <b>Boars (per lb.)</b> 300 lb. up: 05-11; 200-300 lbs.: 10-20; Light wt.: 20-35. <b>Sheep (per lb.)</b> Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs.; 1.20-1.29; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs.; 1.10-1.25; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs.; 95-110.	<b>Ewes (per lb.)</b> Stocker: 50-65; Thin: 30-50; Fat: 40-60. <b>Bucks (per lb.)</b> Thin: 45-52; Fat: 40-45. <b>Barbados (per head)</b> Lambs: \$20-\$80; Ewes: \$45-\$80; Bucks: \$65-\$225. <b>Goats (per head)</b> Kids: 20-35 lbs.: \$25-\$50; 35-55 lbs.: \$30-\$65; 55-75 lbs.: \$50-\$75. <b>Yearlings (per head)</b> 75-120 lbs.: \$70-\$110. <b>Feeders (per head):</b> Stocker: \$65-\$180; Milk Type: \$40-\$85; Slaughter: \$65-\$110; Thin: \$25-\$55; Fat: \$65-\$110. <b>Billies (per head)</b> 120 lbs. up: Breeders: \$65-\$100; Slaughter: \$55-\$90. <b>Boer Goats (per head)</b> 1/2 Nanny: \$110-\$150; 3/4 Nanny: \$110-\$150; Full Nanny: \$120-\$200. <b>Boer Goats (per head)</b> 1/2 Billy NT: 3/4 Billy NT; Full Billy: \$85-\$165.
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**BONELESS SKINLESS** PREVIOUSLY FROZEN **Chicken Breast** ..... **\$1.79** LB.

**VACUUM PACKED** Eye of Round Roast - 1 PER PACK ..... **\$2.19** LB.

**OVEN ROASTED** MARKET SLICED **Turkey Breast** ..... **\$3.39** LB.

**MARKET SLICED** Longhorn Cheddar Cheese ..... **\$1.99** LB.

**Fresh Ground Round** ..... **\$2.19** LB.

WISCONSIN-APPROX. 5 LB. LOAF Muenster Cheese ..... **\$2.39** LB.

MARKET CUT WISCONSIN Muenster Cheese ..... **\$2.49** LB.

ALASKAN POLLOCK-PRODUCT OF CHINA Fish Fillets WILD CAUGHT ..... **\$1.59** LB.

FARM RAISED RAW Catfish Nuggets ..... **\$1.29** LB.

PRICE'S PIMIENTO Cheese Spread ..... 20 OZ. **\$2.99**

JENNIE-O BONELESS Turkey Hams ..... **\$1.79** LB.

MEAT - Bar s Franks ..... 12 OZ. **69¢**

**Natural Light Beer** ..... **\$6.49**  
12 OZ. - 12 PACK

**MORE SPECIALS**

- SHURFINE CHUNK OR GRAVY STYLE Dog Food ..... 40 LB. **\$8.99**
- ASSORTED FROSTED Toast'em's ..... 11 OZ. **99¢**
- LITE COCKTAIL OR SELECT GROUP Welch's Grape Juice ..... 64 OZ. **\$2.99**
- EQUAL Sugar Lite ..... 17.6 OZ. **\$3.29**
- THE ORIGINAL Heinz 57 Sauce ..... 10 OZ. **\$2.99**
- SHURFINE RESTAURANT OR NACHO CHS. Tortilla Chips ..... 16 OZ. **3\$4**
- BATHROOM TISSUE Angel Soft ..... 12 ROLL **2\$5**
- TORTILLA CHIPS Doritos® ..... REG. \$3.29 **2\$5**
- ASSORTED Spam ..... 12 OZ. **2\$4**
- SHURFINE ORIGINAL Corn Chips ..... 16 OZ. **3\$4**
- THRIFTWAY PINT Drinking Water ..... 12 PACK **2\$4**
- ASSORTED REGULAR OR DIET V8 Splash ..... 64 OZ. **2\$4**
- WHITE 10 INCH Angel Food Cake ..... 16 OZ. **2\$5**
- SHURFINE Coffee ..... 39 OZ. **\$3.99**
- SHURFINE Pumpkin ..... 15 OZ. **59¢**
- SHURFINE Apple Juice ..... 64 OZ. **99¢**
- SHURFINE Tomato Soup ..... 10 1/2 OZ. **2\$1**
- SHUR SAVING Paper Towels ..... 18 OZ. - 20 CT. **39¢**
- Solo Plastic Cups ..... 24 CT. - 10 1/4 - HEFTY **99¢**
- Compartment Plates ..... **\$1.99**
- SHURFINE Ketchup ..... 24 OZ. **99¢**
- SHURFINE Flour ..... 5 LB. **89¢**
- HONEY BOY - 14 1/2 OZ. Pink Salmon ..... **99¢**
- SHUR SAVING - 7.25 OZ. Macaroni & Cheese 5FOR **\$1**
- BREAD & BUTTER Jalapeno ..... 16 OZ. **\$2.69**
- SHUR SAVING Peaches ..... 29 OZ. **99¢**
- SHURFINE Potato Soup ..... 10 1/2 OZ. **2\$1**

**GARDEN FRESH PRODUCE**

**Farm Fresh Cantaloupe** ..... EACH **\$1**

LGE. SEEDLESS Red Grapes ..... LB. **\$1.99**

FRESH Green Onions ..... 2FOR **\$1**

ROASTED OR ROASTED AND SALTED Peanuts ..... 1 LB. **2\$3**

CELLO PACK SLICED Mushrooms ..... 8 OZ. **2\$3**

FRESH FIRM HEADS Green Cabbage ..... 3 LBS. **\$1**

CELLO PACK PEELLED Mini Carrots ..... 1 LB. **99¢**

WASHINGTON BRAEBURN GOLDEN DELICIOUS OR PREMIUM Red Delicious Apples ..... LB. **79¢**

BOSC OR RED Pears ..... LB. **99¢**

TROPICAL Coconuts ..... EACH **99¢**

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