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Medical expenses break the Cooke County Jail budget

By Janet Felderhoff
Cooke County Sheriff Mike Compton hoped to get budget assistance from Commissioners Court Monday, Aug. 28. With a month to go in the 2005-06 budget, the Sheriff's budget for the County Jail is short on funds to cover medical expenses that soared unexpectedly high.

Sheriff Compton told of unusual troubles that included an inmate sent to Vernon Hospital to determine competency to stand trial. He was placed on medications that were very expensive medications (\$1405.30, \$272.99, \$542.59, etc.). An inmate gave birth; another required hernia surgery before he could be picked up by Bexar County (\$15,490 so far); a gang member picked up for a parole violation stuck an ink pen in his eye and the ER physician had him CareFlited to JPS Hospital. He was returned to a jail in California where he hung himself.

"We do not have the money in the budget line for medical expenses," said Sheriff Compton. "We have no alternative but to provide medical care and we are out of medical expense money and we don't have it on any other line."

The inmates who are residents of Cooke County should be covered by indigent care at North Texas Medical Center. That would have included the mother and baby.

There is \$60,000 in bills without money to pay them. Those bills included \$30,000 estimated to get through the fiscal year and \$3,000 a month to Lake Kiowa Medical Center, a bill at NTMC from June, and the hernia surgery bill. Asked what could be done, County Auditor Shelly Saunders said the

service could be continued and the bills could be held until closer to the end of the fiscal year. At that time it would be looked at to try to take the money from the fund balance. She said that there is no area with a large number that the money could be taken from; it would be a little here and a little there. "I think he has \$900 in his inmate medical line right now, so we can't pay any more bills right now," said Saunders.

Commissioner Al Smith expressed concern over not paying the County's bills in a timely manner after asking someone to provide services. "I don't like that at all," he stated.

County Judge Bill Freeman told the Sheriff, "You've got a whole year to prepare for budget shortfalls in some areas," Compton replied that he was doing the best he could. "I'm not going to be lectured on business administration," said the Sheriff. He wondered how he could plan in February for an inmate sticking a pen in his eye in August, or a baby in August, or a hernia in August. Judge Freeman told Sheriff Compton he needed to watch his overtime more carefully. Compton said that is what he is and has been doing. He then left the meeting.

National Association of Counties (NACO), which Cooke County is a member of, offers a Discount Drug Program through Caremark Rx, Inc. that will enable the County to provide a discount prescription card to any resident in the County at no cost to the resident. It will provide an average of 20% discount on any prescription not covered another drug insurance plan. This will include all County residents regardless

of income and also their pets. Commissioners voted to adopt the program for residents. Cards will be offered in the Commissioners Office at the Courthouse, and from the individual commissioners. It will be about six to eight weeks before the cards are available. A press release will announce the cards' arrival and other pertinent details.

Bids for the sale of surplus equipment for Precinct #4 were opened at the Aug. 14 meeting. Awards to high bidders were calculated after that meeting and announced. Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess announced bids awarded as follows:

Two belly dumps 1967 Clement models to Les Starnes for \$3,300 and \$3,600; 1984 Ranch belly dump to Muenster Drilling \$2,801; 5,000 gallon Adams tanker to Trac-Tech \$1,600; pole trailer to Dave Walterscheid \$386.56; 720A Champion grader to Trac-Tech \$6,500; 244 International tractor to Henry Yosten \$865; 1980 Ford dump truck with snow plow to R. Randall Flusche \$2,651; grass mower to Chris Burns \$256 (after coin toss to break even bid with Bobby Sicking); three roller 3-wheels were pulled out to Aaron Smith \$683; large air compressor pulled out; 1978 Ford wench truck to Aaron Smith \$2,482; air hammer, air drills, hoses etc. pulled out; 3 post hole digger to Dave Walterscheid \$376.56; syckle mower pulled out; welder trailer to J.J. Biffle \$55; misc. snow plow blades and parts pulled out; tool boxes, headache rack, misc. items pulled out; misc. trailer parts, pinal latches, etc. to Dave Walterscheid \$76; GMC 3500 tool truck

pulled out; high rail bridge to Muenster Drilling \$3,001; 18'x41' bridge to Lemons House Moving \$1,751.50; and gas engine air compressor pulled out.

Tax Assessor Collector Billie Jean Knight introduced a petition signed by 27 residents of Callisburg asking for an election for the legal sale of beer and wine for off premise consumption only within the city limits of Callisburg. All names qualified and Knight certified it as a good petition.

Commissioners Court then voted to approve an order of election for the legal sale of beer and wine for off premise consumption only within the

city limits of Callisburg.

TAC submitted a settlement on storm damages in the amount of \$88,424.47. It was agreed to accept the amounts on the new Justice Center, Courthouse, Adult Probation, Juvenile probation, Library, and DPS building. Not accepted, due to some items not covered that it was felt should have been, are the old jail and the EMS building.

In other business conducted at the Aug. 28 meeting, Commissioner Court:

- Authorized Judge Freeman to contract with United Elevator Service to repair the courthouse elevator. The elevator was all upgraded with

the exception of the 20 year-old power vac system that is no longer carrying the elevator to the top. Cost will be about \$14,229.

- Appointed Richard Roth of Valley View as deputy constable for Precinct #4.

- Approved Cooke County Appraisal District using reserve funds to pay the balance of pictometry equipment.

- Appointed Commissioner Al Smith with the administrative responsibility for shared office personnel. He will sign the time sheet for the Commissioners' secretary, rather than having each of

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Community garage sales this Saturday in Muenster



Muenster will be hosting their annual Community-Wide Garage Sale this Saturday. Over 40 sales will be taking place in and around Muenster. The biggest sale will be at the Sacred Heart Community Center, sponsored by alumni and supporters of Sacred Heart School. Above, Reneta Knabe, Laura Marshall, and Lydia Springer unpack items donated to the garage sale. Donated items will be accepted through Friday night at the Community Center. Janie Hartman photo

New business coming to town



The construction is moving along smoothly on the new Dollar General store which is being built on the north side of Hwy 82 across from Bayers Kolonialwaren. Janie Hartman photo

Complaints voiced at County Commissioners tax hearing

By Janet Felderhoff
Only a few people were on hand for the Sept. 1 Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate increase for Cooke County. Steve Gaylord was the only person who chose to voice his opinion there.

Gaylord began by criticizing the timing of the public hearing. He felt that night meetings should be conducted so that more citizens could attend without having to take off work. He said that at least one of the five on Commissioners Court had promised when running for office to try to have night meetings so that the citizens could participate.

Another of Gaylord's concerns was law enforcement funding. "It seems to be a low priority for this Court," charged Gaylord. "There is a real problem in this County. People around Gainesville are moving their kids out of here because of all the problems."

Gaylord then questioned a 5% salary increase for County employees and elected officials when there wasn't enough money for law enforcement. He said he didn't get a 5% increase this year and wondered how many had.

Several other entities in the County have lowered their tax rates. He questioned the County's proposed increase. "This County, before this tax increase, went up more than 100% in the last six years," Gaylord noted. "And now you are going up the maximum you can without a rollback and then you raise the Road & Bridges. When is it going to end?" Gaylord said a 2% or 3% salary increase each year wouldn't be minded so much, but 5% every year was too much.

By unanimous vote, a meeting date of Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. in the Commissioners Court Room was scheduled to vote on the tax rate.

The proposed tax rate of \$0.4868 was set to help fund the \$20,005,362 County budget for fiscal 2006-07.

Correction
The budget amount approved at the Aug. 28 meeting was erroneously reported as \$20,500,362. It is \$20,005,362. I apologize for the error.

Muenster ISD sets tax rates

By Janie Hartman
A public meeting to discuss the Muenster ISD tax rate adopted by the Board of Trustees was held Wednesday, Aug. 30 in the Muenster ISD Board Room. Six Board members and three school administrators were present. There was no public comment or discussion on the proposed Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate or the proposed Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate because no one else attended.

The six members present approved the 2006-07 tax rates to support the budget passed in June. The M&O tax rate was passed at 1.29% of \$100 evaluation and the I&S tax rate at .134% of \$100 evaluation, last year's rate. Also adopted was an amendment to the bond election to be held Nov. 7. Early voting will be in the Administration building in the Board Room with Precinct 18 voting in the Muenster ISD Junior High building.

The Board also discussed Red Cross crisis training to be held Sept. 23 and Muenster ISD being a "holding" center.

Tax rate is set by Lindsay school

A public hearing was held by the Lindsay ISD Board of Trustees on Thursday, Aug. 28 for the District's proposed 2006-07 budget and tax rate. Nobody addressed the Board on either of the topics.

An ordinance was adopted, which set the Maintenance and Operation (M&O) tax rate at \$1.259, the Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate at \$0.061 for a total tax rate of \$1.32. Last year, the M&O rate was \$1.375 and the I&S rate was \$0.0711 for a total tax rate of \$1.4461. Lindsay ISD's tax rate shows a decrease of 12.61 cents per \$100 property valuation.

In other business, the Board:

- Approved modified plans for the new softball field.
- Accepted transfer students as presented by the administration.

- Heard a report from Superintendent Jason Ceyanes on the Collinsville ISD situation concerning the transfer of students from Pilot Point ISD for the purpose of athletics.

A special called meeting was set for Wednesday, Aug. 30. Dr. Ceyanes is the chairman of the District 11-A Football Executive Committee.

Drought Continues to plague area

Dry has definitely been a more accurate word than wet and rainy over the past months. Vegetation suffered from the lack of sufficient moisture this summer. Many ranchers were forced to sell off or severely cull their cattle herds, gardens withered, lawns dried, and the earth literally cracked open in places. Until its last week, for August, only 1.25 inches had fallen in town as recorded officially by Bob and Janette Hess. Other areas had even less. Then on Aug. 28, 2.18 inches fell followed by another 0.36 inches to make August's total 3.79. July saw only 0.48 inches and June 1.36. The temperatures in August were 100 degree plus highs, even exceeding 105 degrees at times, thus sapping the little moisture that was there.

Yr.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
'90	2.25	2.45	.09	2.53	7.64	5.51	7.71	10.47	4.74	.02	.09	.03	43.53
'91	3.48	1.37	1.80	1.76	3.24	1.17	6.26	1.25	3.19	4.35	.29	3.54	31.70
'92	.96	3.83	2.57	4.83	4.05	1.09	1.09	.13	11.61	1.56	.52	.57	32.21
'93	1.58	1.71	.56	1.72	2.19	1.61	.26	.12	8.94	5.42	1.30	1.73	27.14
1946 to 1955	1.87	1.93	1.78	2.78	6.33	4.03	2.82	2.16	2.85	2.86	2.00	1.88	33.21
1956 to 1965	1.84	1.47	2.42	3.51	4.65	3.15	1.98	2.04	3.82	2.84	3.35	2.09	34.15
1966 to 1975	1.65	2.25	2.71	4.21	4.44	2.55	2.54	3.10	5.30	3.92	1.68	1.83	36.18
1976 to 1985	1.58	2.14	3.70	2.74	5.29	3.43	1.45	1.31	3.16	5.43	2.38	1.43	34.01
1986 to 1995	1.71	2.22	2.46	2.91	5.24	3.38	1.51	1.88	3.95	2.69	2.09	2.69	32.73
'90	3.30	3.55	6.63	11.79	6.46	3.45	2.46	3.25	2.31	1.97	3.97	1.38	50.52
'91	2.45	.89	1.99	1.29	4.36	2.54	1.87	3.21	5.30	7.16	1.47	7.36	39.89
'92	3.16	1.65	2.07	1.23	5.35	4.18	.77	8.1	5.80	7.0	4.45	4.25	34.42
'93	1.98	3.94	3.30	3.35	5.43	3.67	.05	2.11	6.12	7.14	.96	2.84	40.89
'94	1.20	3.49	3.63	5.77	3.59	1.90	4.02	1.10	5.49	6.65	5.20	2.17	42.87
'95	1.48	0.42	3.34	3.54	5.88	3.92	2.89	3.72	0.00	1.42	1.15	2.31	33.94
'96	.78	trace	3.30	3.65	.18	4.50	2.47	5.32	7.75	2.94	5.18	1.18	36.25
'97	.49	7.44	2.69	5.31	8.48	3.32	.52	1.47	.97	4.29	1.26	4.91	41.15
'98	4.15	1.89	5.44	1.92	1.00	5.20	0.00	.87	1.82	3.17	2.42	2.67	30.55
'99	2.40	2.4	3.62	2.80	6.94	4.41	0.00	0.16	0.99	1.76	0.81	2.39	26.92
'00	1.75	0.70	2.93	2.80	1.00	4.66	2.69	0.00	2.07	7.92	7.12	3.50	37.14
'01	3.78	7.93	4.32	2.15	4.41	1.75	2.23	0.89	3.58	1.61	1.34	2.95	37.14
'02	1.11	3.63	6.43	4.94	2.50	4.42	5.10	0.86	2.08	8.44	1.54	4.07	45.13
'03	.05	3.24	1.07	1.33	4.05	3.07	0.15	1.97	5.31	0.08	2.29	1.11	23.72
'04	1.77	3.87	2.13	5.51	3.16	12.15	5.30	1.85	1.51	6.34	6.82	7.1	51.12
'05	1.92	1.79	0.70	0.33	2.48	2.86	3.54	5.53	.23	2.88	.42	.20	22.88
'06	1.41	2.22	3.90	4.98	2.42	1.36	0.48	3.79					19.31

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE - September 11, 2006

The following is the agenda for the regular meeting of the Muenster City Council to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room on Monday, September 11, 2006.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
 2. Opening prayer.
 3. Approve minutes of the regular meeting on August 7, 2006.
 4. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
 5. Consider any other business to come before the Council.
- OLD BUSINESS:**
1. Receive bids for TCDP Development Grant - Mesquite Street project. Consider and act on awarding bid to lowest qualified bidder.
 2. Consider and act on Texas Homeland Security Regional Response Plan for the Texoma Region.
 3. Review plans for fencing at City Park. Take action as necessary.
- NEW BUSINESS:**
1. Consider and act on IESI request for rate increase.
 2. Consider and act on adopting budgets for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 in General Fund and Water and Sewer Fund.
 3. Consider and act on adopting property tax rate for year 2006, and approving Ordinance 295 for same.
 4. Consider and act on requests for use of parks as follows: Old baseball park - October 4 by Kiwanis for Circus; City Park - October 31 by MMH Auxiliary for Halloween.
 5. Consider and act on property tax changes for 2005 as processed by Cooke County Appraisal District.
 6. Consider and act on approving moving unpaid water accounts to inactive files.
 7. Consider and act on Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees election.
 8. Consider and act on Cooke County Appraisal District's 2007 adopted budget.
 9. Review budget summary report.
 10. Review and act on monthly bills.
 11. Receive status report on city projects and activities. Take action as necessary on items of discussion.
 12. Adjourn.

Micallee Matson, City Secretary

USDA Rural Development to hold office day in Decatur

Representatives of USDA Rural Development will hold an office day in Decatur on Wednesday, Sept. 20 to provide information, assist with applications, and answer questions regarding the Housing, Community and Business Programs offered by the Agency. The event will be held at the USDA Service Center located at 1604 W. Bus. 380, Ste. 100 in Decatur from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There are several USDA Rural Development Housing Programs available to provide assistance to very low, low, and moderate income applicants. Loans are available depending on repayment ability, acceptable credit, and the location of the home or building site.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Decatur Local Office at 940-627-3531, ext. 4.

OBITUARIES

Anna Mae Block 1923 - 2006



Anna Mae Block

At her home on Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2006 at 10:15 p.m., surrounded by her husband and children, Anna Mae Block, 83, peacefully passed away. Funeral Mass was held Friday, Sept. 1 in St. Peter's Church of Lindsay with Father Ron Scheible OSA and Father Pat Murphy OSA officiating. Interment was held in St. Peter's Cemetery under the direction of George J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

A Rosary was held Thursday evening at 7 p.m. in St. Peter's Church, led by Father Ron. Following the rosary, Roger Dieter sang "Eagles Wings." A family rosary was held Friday morning prior to Mass, at the funeral home, led by her daughter Annette Bayer.

Anna Mae was born on a farm in Lindsay, June 28, 1923, the second of six children born to Val and Clara Wiese Dieter. On May 11, 1957, she married Wilbert Block in St. Peter's Church. She graduated from Lindsay High School in 1940. After working for Convair in Fort Worth, she was employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for 14 years. Later she was employed by Linda Jo Shoe Company and Hutchinson Insurance Agency, retiring in 1988.

Her hobbies included flowers, gardening, canning, and dominoes and card games. She especially enjoyed her grandchildren. She was a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church and St. Anne's Society.

Survivors include her husband Wilbert J. Block of Lindsay; daughters and sons-in-law Natalie and Dale Ray Alexander of Lindsay, and Annette and Bill Bayer of Muenster; sons and daughters-in-law Kevin and Brenda Block, Tim Block, and Glenn and Sonya Block, all of Lindsay; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brothers Francis Dieter of Dallas, Val Dieter of Pasadena, Texas, and Rudy Dieter of Lindsay.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her sister Dorothy Bierschenk, her brother Jerome Dieter, and son-in-law Don Alexander.

Assisting Father Ron and Father Pat at the Funeral Mass were altar servers John, Travis, Jessica, and Darryl Block, grandchildren. "Here I Am Lord" was sung as the family entered church. The First Reading was given by Melissa Ice, granddaughter, and the Second Reading was given by Michelle Lutkenhaus, granddaughter. The Responsorial Psalm was Psalm 23 "The Lord Is My Shepherd." Mallory Block,

granddaughter, read the Prayers of the Faithful. Offertory Gifts were presented by grandchildren Kristen Alexander, Nicole Bayer, and Matthew Block. "Heart of Jesus" was sung during the preparation of the gifts.

Eucharistic ministers were Kristen Alexander, Nicole Bayer, Sonya Block, Carol Fleitman, and Linda Nortman. Communion songs were "Amazing Grace," "One Bread, One Body," and "Ave Maria" sung by Anna Mae's Godson, Jerry Bierschenk. The commissioning song was "Be Not Afraid."

Music ministers were nephew Roger Dieter, great-niece Elizabeth Dieter, and Godson Jerry Bierschenk, accompanied by Ruth Felderhoff.

The eulogy was presented by family friend Jerry Metzler.

Pallbearers were

grandsons Neil Bayer, Garrett Block, and Joey Block, Godsons Ronnie Dieter and Jeff Kuntz, and cousin Jeff Dieter.

Donations may be made in Anna Mae's name to Home Hospice of Cooke County, P.O. Box 936, Gainesville, TX 76240, or Sacred Heart Trust Fund, P.O. Box 588, Muenster, TX 76252.

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the four being required to sign.

- Accepted new rate of additional \$1 per ton increase in cost of Hot Mix Hot Lay from J.R. Thompson as opposed to rebidding.
- Approved request by Back Forty Water Company at their expense to make a two-inch road bore on CR 260 approximately 25 feet west and 30 feet north at the corner of CR 260, located in Precinct #2.
- At request of property owners, tabled consideration of re-subdivision of the Ranch at Lake Ray Roberts, Phase 2, Lots 54-57.
- Since no lots have been sold in Heritage Meadows Subdivision located in Precinct #4, the owner requested that it be vacated.
- Approved final plat for Horseman's Ranch Subdivision of Gainesville.
- Approved irrevocable letter of credit for Horseman's Ranch Subdivision of Gainesville.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO Sept. 5, 1941

At last Muenster is dry - at least that is the opinion of state liquor control officers; most of Muenster prefers the town to be dry until beer is legalized and can be kept under control. Total rainfall for August is 6.90 inches. While on vacation, Shorty Herr caught a cold that settled on his tonsils and caused a fever of 104°; only determination kept him out of the hospital. New Arrivals: Leon to Gary and Caroline Hess; Leon to John and Anna Fleitman; Peggy to Charles and Sylvia Everette. August Reiter is 71.

50 YEARS AGO Sept. 7, 1956

Emmet Fette opens insurance agency. Martin Klement buys interest in Endres Motor Co. Officers of Sacred Heart Alumni are:

Alvin Fuhrman, president; Alfons Koessler, Jr., vice president; Clara Hermes, secretary; Paul Luke, treasurer. Wedding: Rosalie Bayer and Raymond Sandmann. Sacred Heart cheerleaders are Norma Jean Walterscheid, Carol Miller, Ethel Knabe, Della Fette, Loretta Mages, and JoAnn Hess.

25 YEARS AGO Sept. 4, 1981

Muenster Police Department consists of Police Chief Helen Tompkins, Winfred Arrington, and Robert Stovall, Earle and Jewel Otto get "Yard of the Month" honors for September. Wedding: Nancy Luke and Fray Webster. Mary H. (Mrs. John) Rohmer honored on 93rd birthday. Elizabeth Neu celebrates 110 years. Obituaries: Daniel Boone, 67; Sister Alban Beizer, 94; George Hamner, 74. New Arrival: Brian to Michael and Debbie Orsburn.

Dr. Kralicke dies Sept. 4

Dr. Martin Kralicke, age 83 of Muenster, died on Monday, Sept. 4, 2006. Mass of Christian Burial was held on

Thursday, Sept. 7 at 10:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church. The complete obituary will be in next week's Enterprise.

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Sacred Heart Pre-School & Alumni and Supporters present their

19th Annual Las Vegas Night & Raffle

Saturday, Sept. 16, 2006

Sacred Heart Community Center Muenster, Texas

Doors Open at 6:30
Auction Starts at 10:00

Blackjack • Craps
Roulette
Texas Hold'em

\$25/person - in Advance
\$30/person - at the Door

Door Prizes
Admission includes \$2,000 in chips PLUS complimentary food, wine, beer & drinks

The event will have a Country Store
Donations of craft items & goodies are needed.
To donate call Tammy @ 759-2300

For more information, Call 759-4050 or 759-2300

4th Annual "Jacob Hesse & Friends" Teeing Off For A Cure Golf Tournament

A FIGHT Against Cystic Fibrosis!

4 person scramble
Turtle Hill Golf Course
September 9, 2006
Tee Off @ 2:00 pm
\$65⁰⁰/person \$260⁰⁰/team

To sign up your team Call Kim Hesse @ 940-759-4698 or 940-736-1043 leave message

Door Prizes, Closest to the pin on par 3's, Longest drives, and a Meal

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Florence Valliere 1918 - 2006



Florence Valliere

Graveside services for Florence Valliere, 88 of Muenster, were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Muenster with Rev. Pat Murphy officiating. Services were directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Florence died at 6:25 a.m. Monday, Sept. 4, 2006 at Muenster Memorial Hospital.

A Rosary service was held at the funeral home at 7 p.m. on Tuesday.

Born March 8, 1918 in Coshhatta, Louisiana, Florence married Donald William Valliere on June 13, 1940 in Marshall, Texas. They lived most of their lives in Shreveport. After Donald's death in 1982, she continued living in Shreveport until 1996 when she moved to Muenster.

Florence was a member of Sacred Heart Parish, and a very active and longtime member of Beta Sigma Phi where she held every office many times. The Sorority prided themselves in helping those in need. They really enjoyed helping others and playing bridge. Florence and Donald were avid bridge players and were involved in serious bridge competition.

She was extremely active in the Schumpert Hospital Auxiliary in Shreveport and was a strong supporter of the Muenster Public Library. Florence was also involved in all sorts of crafts, especially as a seamstress. She was extremely gifted in making clothes, ranging from common wear to the best of formal wear. She loved flower

gardening and raised competition camellia while a member of the flower club in Shreveport.

Florence was a lovely lady, a great family person, and a friend to anyone who knew her.

Survivors include her son, Tom and wife Laurie Valliere of Muenster; a brother, Louie Fittz of Denton; grandchildren, Michael, Chris, Steven, and Natalie Valliere, and Don Horn, who were all honorary pallbearers; and great-grandson, Will Horn, also an honorary pallbearer.

Preceding her in death were her husband; a daughter Donna Lou Horn; and parents Andrew Fittz and Marvin and Allie Horn.

The family requests memorials be made to Boy Scouts of America, or Sacred Heart Youth Ministry, or Muenster Public Library.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who offered expressions of sympathy including Mass offerings, memorial donations, food, flowers, or your presence at one of the services for Odellia Dettten.

A special thank you to Father John Ohmer for the beautiful funeral service, Ruth and Christy for the lovely music, to all who took part in the services, to Imelda Rohmer for leading the rosary service, to McCoy's Funeral Home, and to the ladies who prepared and served the beautiful and delicious meal after the funeral.

Also, thank you to the staff of St. Richard's Villa and Dr. Edd who took such good care of Odellia during her last years, and to all who showed her kindnesses during her time there.

Thank you all,
The family of Odellia Dettten
Clara Wilde
Bobby Lutkenhaus
Nieces and Nephews

2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

Sunday, September 10, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Archery shoot-out 10 am Grandparents Day	Monday, September 11, 2006 City Council mtg. 7:30 pm VFW mtg. 8 pm Booster Club mtg. 7 pm Muenster ISD girls locker rm.	Tuesday, September 12, 2006	Wednesday, September 13, 2006 Religious Ed classes - 7 pm SH Alumni & Supporters mtg. SNAP rm. 7:30 pm C of C mixer MSB 5:30 pm Co-ed Volleyball 7:30 pm MISD Jr. High gym MISD Board mtg. 7:30 pm	Thursday, September 14, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Historical Commission mtg. 8 am Rohmer's Restaurant	Friday, September 15, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Saturday, September 16, 2006 Vegas Night SH Comm. Center 7:15 pm
Sunday, September 10, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Citizenship Constitution Day Fly Flags	Monday, September 18, 2006 VFW Aux mtg. 7:30 pm Cooke Co. Farm Bureau County Convention, The Center Restaurant, 6:30 pm Keeping Children Safe mtg. SNAP rm. 6-9 pm	Tuesday, September 19, 2006 MMH Board mtg. 7 pm Diabetes Support Group mtg., NTC classrooms, 7 pm	Wednesday, September 20, 2006 Religious Ed classes - 7 pm Co ed Volleyball 7:30 pm MISD Jr. High gym Master Gardener Training Course, CCEC 9 am - 4 pm	Thursday, September 21, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Fall Festival, Pecan Creek Village 4-5:30	Friday, September 22, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Saturday, September 23, 2006

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:
In last week's *Enterprise*, Mr. Bob Bergstrom, representative of FPL Energy, in a detailed letter accused certain groups and individuals with spreading false information about Wolf Ridge Energy Center. Then, he credited his "wind team" with providing accurate and factual information. We'd like to present some basic facts as we see them and let you decide who's telling the whoppers.

Typically, peak demand for electricity is evident in the months of June, July, and August, when our temperature soars to 100° or higher. The National Weather Service recorded for Gainesville, TX the average wind speed for the following months of 2006:

JUNE	JULY	AUGUST
7.9 mph	8.9 mph	7.5 mph
3 MONTH AVG.		
8.1 mph		

Remember these are average wind speeds. Also be mindful that wind turbines produce absolutely no electricity when the wind is blowing 8 mph or less, and don't reach full rated capacity until the wind reaches 33 mph. Folks, you couldn't fly a kite in this wind. So how does FPL expect to generate power from a wind turbine at a time when demand for electricity is greatest? Is this the reliable, affordable energy that Mr. Bergstrom

wrote about last week? Wind velocity data, including maps and charts for the State of Texas, are documented and readily available. Cooke and Montague Counties are deemed marginal at best for turbine placement, due to low wind speeds. A wind project or any other business endeavor that creates little or no product revenue and very possibly operates "in the red" is normally doomed to rapid abject financial failure. However, this is no normal business venture.

Like hungry parasites, siphoning off massive federal subsidies in the form of tax credits, abatements and other questionable perks, these energy companies successfully bleed the public treasury of millions at the expense of our tax-paying population. And for cover they have the perfect camouflage disguised as "green energy." This wind farm may look like a "bum steer," but in reality, it has become a "cash cow" lush with tax-payer derived money.

It is puzzling how FPL agents sometimes seem to contradict themselves. They enjoy appearing before local school boards and citizen groups to brag about the benevolent sharing of their wealth and the "common good" they do for the community. And in the same breath, while smoozing county officials, they beg for tax relief in the form of abatements. As well, they continue to lobby state and federal politicians in an effort to garner still more funds and pass legislation favorable to their cause.

Of particular interest was Mr. Bergstrom's promise to remove the derelict wind turbines when FPL abandons

this project. We applaud him in this regard, but must remind readers of a terrible mess left near Livermore, California, where hundreds of wind turbines litter the once beautiful landscape. Many lie in rusty disrepair, strewn along the abandoned and neglected roads. It resembles a war zone and we're sure someone promised a cleanup, but it never happened. Since FPL operates wind farms in California and with Mr. Bergstrom's considerable clout, perhaps he could lead the effort to clean up this mess.

Mr. Bergstrom noted FPL's requirement of a signed confidentiality agreement with his clients. This "gag order," bolstered by fear of a lawsuit, effectively prohibits landowners from discussing "their deal" with neighbors. Mr. Bergstrom further states that it is not unusual for other businesses, such as oil and gas, to protect the details of their contracts. Hmmm... We checked with several oil people to get their comment. NONE of the oil people we visited with admitted to using this "gag order" tactic as employed by FPL Energy. In fact, they all denied using this practice in acquiring leases with mineral owners.

In closing, we've addressed some of Mr. Bergstrom's points while expressing our own views regarding wind energy. Sadly, wind turbines, although basically obsolete, gain a measure of legitimacy by their mere presence on someone's land. And like others, we once blindly felt wind could solve our energy problems. We now see these wind farms as colossal money laundering venues that squander our tax dollars like water while doing virtually nothing to solve our energy needs.

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Too good to be true?

By Jack Hunt
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In looking at recent statements coming out of the Texas General Land Office (TGLO), I am reminded of the old saying, "if a deal sounds too good to be true, then it probably is." Such is the case when describing the TGLO's deal with wind generators. Backed by ratepayer subsidies, school district and county tax abatements, and massive federal tax subsidies, Texans are being lured by the promise of these projects creating millions of dollars for the public school children of Texas. Unfortunately, these projects may only create hot air and rob our state of needed funds.

What has this agency negotiated that has me concerned? Specifically, I'm disturbed about the representations made regarding the newly announced, Superior Renewable Energy wind generation project - apparently negotiated by the TGLO without so much as a bidding process.

This project, touted as "the biggest offshore wind farm in U.S. history," provides for the lease of 39,900 acres of submerged land off the coast of the Padre Island National Seashore to Superior Renewable Energy. The 500 megawatt wind generation facility will include between 100 and 250 40-story tall turbine structures located 2 to 8 miles offshore.

Proceeds are dedicated to the Permanent School Fund (PSF). The PSF was originally established in 1854 to provide non-tax funding to public schools in an effort to help offset local property taxes and protect schools from indebtedness.

On the surface, the Superior project sounds like a Texas-sized dream come true with its promise of clean, renewable energy produced on lands with the energy proceeds dedicated to the

advancement of our State's school children.

A closer look at the numbers, however, reveals a dramatically different story. Though few specifics about the economics have been released to the public, we have been told by the TGLO press release that the wind project will generate between \$34 and \$112 million for the PSF over the life of the project.

In fact, Commissioner Patterson summed up the financial importance of the Superior project by stating, "We're not putting up one nickel and we're getting clean energy right next to the grid and millions in royalties, so I'd say it's a good deal." But Commissioner Patterson's statement is hardly the whole story.

In reality, this project should generate for its investors approximately \$2.46 billion over 20 years through the sale of power and Texas renewable energy credits (credits actually paid by Texas rate payers). An additional \$333 million in Federal production tax credits will be added to the revenue stream along with an anticipated county and school tax abatement (tax forgiveness) generally demanded by all wind project developers of between \$125 and \$265 million (depending upon the ultimate project cost). With the project taking

advantage of almost half a billion in tax abatements and credits (some taken directly out of school district funds and State school funds), lease royalties of only \$34-112 million to benefit the state education fund hardly add up to a "good deal."

Simply put, Texas public school children, and all Texas residents, will be harmed from a revenue standpoint if the Superior project is built. Directly tapping one pool of taxpayer dollars through tax abatements to then funnel only a portion back to the PSF just does not create value. It is hard to believe that county/school district tax payers and Texas utility rate payers can be asked to accept a "best case" \$112 million in lease revenue in exchange for their \$500+ million tax credits and forgiveness to the wealthy investors as a "good deal."

Former President Harry Truman once joked, "If you can't convince them, confuse them." Painting a rosy picture of a bad deal after it has been struck is not the way any public agency should do business.

Is the TGLO's "good deal" too good to be true? When all the facts and numbers are understood, you bet it is!

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50th anniversary celebrated by Sr. Mary Helen Fuhrmann SSMN

Sr. Mary Helen Fuhrmann SSMN celebrated her 50th anniversary as a Sister of St. Mary of Namur on Saturday, Aug. 12, 2006 at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Fort Worth, and at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville on Sunday, Aug. 27, where she has been Pastoral Associate since 1992.

Sr. Mary Helen Fuhrmann, the former Maria Agatha Fuhrmann, daughter of the late Henry N. and Lena Walterscheid Fuhrmann, entered the Sisters of St. Mary of Namur of the Western Province at Our Lady of Victory in Fort Worth on Sept. 8, 1956. Her religious order is an international congregation founded by Father Dom Minsart in Namur, Belgium in 1819.

Bishop Kevin Vann and Father Michael Olson celebrated a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Andrews on Saturday, Aug. 12 at 2 p.m. when 10 Sisters of St. Mary renewed their vows in front of many family members and friends. Three Sisters were celebrating their 50th

anniversary, six sisters their 60th anniversary, and one sister her 70th.

The Auxiliary members of the Sisters of St. Mary hosted a reception following the Mass in St. Andrew's Parish Hall in Fort Worth.

Father Jim Sheridan, pastor of St. Mary's Church, celebrated the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Aug. 27, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville, as Sr. Mary Helen Fuhrmann SSMN renewed her religious vows after the homily before the parish community. St. Mary's Choir provided the music and family members were the readers, ushers, gift bearers, and ministers of the Eucharist.

Present for the celebration of the Mass and the reception were her sisters and brothers, many nephews and nieces, relatives, friends, and parishioners. There were seven children in the family: Anita (Mrs. Cletus Bauer), Sr. Mary Helen, Eileen (Mrs. David Endres), Michael, Leon, Jerome, and Francis. The family gathered together after Mass in Lindsay for dinner at Conrad Hall in



Sr. Mary Helen Fuhrmann

Lindsay, took pictures, and shared stories.

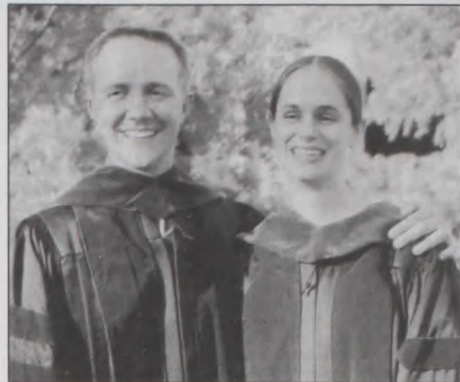
A "Come and Go" reception was hosted by St. Mary's Staff and catered by Donna Hertel from 3 to 5 p.m. in St. Mary's parish hall. The parish hall was exquisitely decorated and a large variety of tasty finger foods with punch were served. A DVD presentation of Sister's life and of her family were shown throughout the afternoon event. The beautiful white

tablecloths on the tables were decorated with green vines, candies, and framed pictures of Sister and of her family.

Sister Mary Helen attended 12 years of school in Lindsay. She is a graduate of University of Dallas (1962) and Texas Woman's University in Denton (1975), and has attended several different universities throughout her life.

Before coming to St. Mary's, she served 30 years in the Catholic School System in the Dallas and Fort Worth Diocese. She was an elementary school teacher for nine years and an elementary school principal for 21 years. Her assignments were in St. Mary's and St. Peter's in Fort Worth, St. Xavier in Denison, St. Mary's in Sherman, and Notre Dame Elementary School in Wichita Falls. Sr. Mary Helen has been doing parish work the last 14 years at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville.

While at St. Mary's Parish, Sister has been involved in the Religious Education programs, and is presently the RCIA director, an Advocate of the Diocesan Tribunal, and the chairperson of the Worship Committee. She is presently serving her religious community on the province-governing board named the Provincial Council and is a member of the Diocesan Ministerium Planning Board.



Dr. Leslie R. Cler and Dr. Kristin M. Cler

Dr. Leslie R. Cler and Dr. Kristin M. Cler graduate from medical school

Dr. Leslie and Kristin Cler graduated from the University of Texas Southwest Medical School on June 3. The hooding ceremony was held at the University at 6 p.m. and the graduation ceremony was held in the plaza of the University at 8 p.m.

Dr. Leslie Cler will be doing his residence in Internal Medicine at Parkland Medical Center, and Dr. Kristin Cler will be doing her residence in Pathology at

Southwest Medical Center. Dr. Leslie Cler is a graduate of Lindsay ISD and Texas Tech. He is the son of Charles and Alyce Cler, and the grandson of C. William and Mary Evelyn Hermes and Armella Cler. Dr. Kristin Cler is a graduate of Livermore High School and UCLA. She is the daughter of Dan and Jean Hardin of Livermore, California, and the granddaughter of James Hardin.

Dr. Leslie and Kristin Cler were married June 26, 2004.

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How Much Life Insurance Do You Need?

The main purpose of life insurance is to provide financial security for your family when you die. It helps to ensure that there will be adequate financial resources to provide for your spouse, children, an elderly parent or some other dependent. However, permanent life insurance also may be used to meet a variety of long-term financial goals. Its cash value can be accessed via loans to help provide educational funds for your children or funds for your own retirement. The question that most families and individuals have, then, is "How much life insurance do I need?" The answer depends largely on your family's individual circumstances.

There are no hard and fast rules for determining how much life insurance is enough, because no two families have exactly the same needs or resources. You may be single, supporting no one but yourself. Or, you may be supporting an elderly mother or father. You may have several children, but also two incomes and considerable net worth. Or, you may have several children, be dependent on one income and have few back-up resources.

There are several things to consider when you buy life insurance, since the proceeds can be used with several goals in mind. For example, proceeds can help:

Provide ready cash for final expenses, including funeral costs, medical expenses, probate fees, and estate taxes.

Pay off outstanding debts: not only hospital bills, for example, but a mortgage or an auto loan.

Provide replacement income in amounts necessary to cover:

A readjustment period of two or three years after your death. If you are a two-income family, it takes time to adjust to one paycheck instead of two. If you are the sole wage earner, with young children at home, your spouse's need for a readjustment period is obvious.

The period while children under age 18 still are at home and dependent. (Social Security benefits that may be available may supply only part of your family's income needs.)

The college years, when Social Security benefits for dependents generally come to an end just as expenses grow.

The years between the time the youngest child becomes independent and the time the surviving spouse reaches retirement age.

The period after the survivor retires and receives Social Security or a pension.

In general, determining how much life insurance you need means deducting the sum total of the income that would be lost upon the insured's death from the sum total of your family's ongoing financial need. It also means calculating the impact of inflation (usually assuming 4% per year) and building in enough "extra" to counteract inflation's effects. It may seem complicated, but it is an exercise that is well worth doing. It is also one that you do not have to tackle alone.

A life insurance agent can help determine how much life insurance your family will need over time, based on the extent of your financial responsibilities and the kinds and amounts of your other resources. Life insurance is flexible - with several types of policies and riders available - and an agent can work with you to determine what products will best fit your ongoing needs and future goals. To learn more about life insurance products, please contact Denise R. Bayer, Agent, New York Life Insurance Company, at 940-665-5863.

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Second Sunday Series to be held at Sacred Heart Parish

Sacred Heart Parish will sponsor a series of presentations which will be held on the second Sunday of each month in which all parishioners will be able to learn more about their Catholic faith. The series will be held between the Sunday morning Masses from

approximately 9 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. in the meeting room (SNAP) of the Community Center.

The purpose of the meetings will be to help educate parishioners on their Catholic faith and promote their spiritual growth. The meetings may feature video

presentations or talks given by various speakers on a variety of topics. They will be held only on the Second Sunday of each month.

This Sunday, September 10, will be the regular Second Sunday presentation. Eucharistic Adoration will be the topic of discussion for this meeting. There will be a short video presentation explaining what Eucharistic Adoration is and how this powerful time of prayer has changed many parishes and individuals. It will then be followed by a brief discussion on Eucharistic Adoration by fellow parishioners. They will share how spending time in prayer before the Eucharist has impacted their lives.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this session, with the hope that more parishioners will begin to participate in this wonderful program every Friday in our Parish. Eucharistic Adoration takes places every Friday from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. in the Convent Chapel in the Sacred Heart Business Office.

Both adults and teens are encouraged and welcome to attend this Second Sunday presentation. Refreshments will be provided.

Noble Foundation sets hoop house field day

Market and hobby gardeners interested in extending their growing season and reducing weather-related risks are invited to attend a hoop house field day scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Noble Foundation's Headquarters Farm in Ardmore. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The field day is co-sponsored by the Noble Foundation and the Kerr Center for Sustainable Agriculture.

Participants will have the opportunity to tour Noble's hoop house research and demonstration plots. Topics to be addressed include hoop house structures, hoop house economics, crop options and strategies for temperature, weed, pest, water, and nutrient management. During lunch, participants will hear how growers can take advantage of season extension technology to market produce to schools as part of the new Oklahoma Farm-to-School program.

Following lunch, Noble personnel will demonstrate several hoop house

construction techniques, including laying out a foundation, installing ground posts, hoops, doors, plastic film, and roll-up side vents.

The field day is free to the public; participants are encouraged to pre-register by contacting Melissa Castleman at Noble at (580) 224-6411 or mdcastleman@noble.org or Jessica Castillo or Lena Moore at the Kerr Center at (918)647-9123 or mailbox@kerrcenter.com.

Participants also are encouraged to bring a lawn chair. The field day will be held rain or shine.

4-H meeting set

Münster 4-H will meet for the first time this school year on Monday, Sept. 11. New members are welcome. The meeting will take place under the pavilion of Sacred Heart Church at 7 p.m.

The group will meet on the second Monday of each month from September through May at 7 p.m. For more information, call Donna Bayer at 759-4930 or 736-6482.

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Red Cross to teach shelter workshop

The American Red Cross will conduct a workshop and shelter simulation exercise on Saturday, Sept. 16, at Sacred Heart Community Center in Muenster. The purpose of the event is to train volunteers to assist in opening and operating a shelter. The workshop begins at 9 a.m. and will end at approximately 4 p.m. with a "canteen" lunch served.

Many lessons were learned last year when the Red Cross opened hurricane evacuee shelters. The workshop is designed to incorporate "real-life" experiences into the routine classroom session. It is hosted by Sacred Heart School and the Muenster Independent School District in cooperation with Cooke County and Muenster Emergency Management.

In addition to preparing for potential evacuees from the Gulf Coast, the shelter workshop will serve as a training group for other

disaster-related shelter needs. Last January, a shelter opened briefly in Muenster as wildfires prompted the evacuation of the town of Nocona. In preparation for the workshop, volunteers are asked to go to the Red Cross web page, www.redcross.org <<http://www.redcross.org>>, click on "disaster" and take the on-line Introduction to Disaster Services class as indicated in the right hand box on the web page.

The training also qualifies as certification to work in shelters anywhere Red Cross is called upon to provide assistance. Participants should be 18 or older (under 14-17 with parental consent). Advance registration is requested so that adequate training materials and food can be planned. The Red Cross requests that registration be made by Sept. 13 by calling 940-665-4365.



Six members of the North Texas Medical Center Auxiliary attended the Texas Association of Healthcare Volunteers State Convention in Galveston this summer. Pictured are, from left, Clyde Davis, Shirley Woolldridge, Joyce Hankins, Betty Morgan, Pat Tamplin, and Charles Brown of Brown Motor Company. Not pictured is Betty Gaertner. NTMC photo

NTMC Auxiliary donates equipment

Members of the North Texas Medical Center Auxiliary spent a warm day in July making members of the hospital staff extremely happy.

At the group's regular meeting July 20, the Hospital volunteers voted to donate \$11,000 to the Hospital for the purchase of three portable Dinamap blood pressure monitors for use on the medical and surgical nursing floors and in the Women's

Center. A Dinamap is a machine that measures vital signs (temperature, pulse, and blood pressure). The units also have the ability to perform pulse oximetry. Oximetry is used to measure the concentration of oxygen in a patient's blood in a non-invasive manner.

In other business, the group met the four recipients of the Auxiliary in-house

SAINT RICHARD'S VILLA NEWS

By Elfreda Fette

On Tuesday, Aug. 29, residents enjoyed Bible study, a craft, and ice cream cones with Bowie Church of Christ members.

One Wednesday, Aug. 30, popcorn was served and the movie *Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm* was seen.

On Thursday, Aug. 31, residents got to build their own ice cream sundaes. They had vanilla ice cream, a variety of toppings, and cherries for the top.

A treasured time is Rosary time on Friday at 10:30 led by Janie Thurman and Alma Wolf.

On Friday, Sept. 1, residents enjoyed a chips and dips social. Potato chips, tortilla chips, and a variety of dips were served.

Because residents are keenly interested in daily news, they meet to discuss current events. They met Monday morning at 10 a.m. Highlights discussed included: a terror attack in Jordan; Steve Irwin, Australian "Crocodile Hunter" killed at age 44 by a stingray; wildfire in Montana; five people killed in boating accident on Lake Texoma.

Coming up will be celebrations for September birthdays: Rita Milton, Sept. 1; Ora King, Sept. 10; Willie Bengfort, Sept. 15; Maudine Durham, Sept. 28.

Other future events include: Bingo, Sept. 9 at 10 a.m.; Ora King birthday party on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 2 p.m.; Chocolate milk shakes served, Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 3 p.m.; Bonny Prescher and friends, Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m.; Food time (making a cake), Thursday, Sept. 14; Pie tasting party, Friday, Sept. 15 at 3 p.m.; Country and Western Week, Sept. 18 to Sept. 21.

Search announced for Mrs. Cooke County

Applications are now being accepted for the title of 2007 "Mrs. Cooke County". Mrs. Cooke County will have the honor of representing her county at the Mrs. Texas Pageant to be held at the Scottish Rite Auditorium in San Antonio, Texas May 4 - 6, 2007.

The woman chosen as "Mrs. Cooke County" will become an ambassador from the Cooke County area and receive an official title and sash. The woman chosen as a prize package valued at over \$11,000 and the opportunity to represent Texas at the "2007" Mrs. International Pageant. The American Heart Association and The United Way are the official charities of the Mrs. Texas Pageant.

Mrs. contestants will compete in Personal Interview, Fitness Wear, and Evening Gown. (There is no talent or swimsuit competition!!!)

Married women living in Cooke County interested in applying should write for bio. form: Mrs. Texas International Pageant, 14427 Brookhollow, Suite 197, San Antonio, TX 78232, or call or e-mail for more information: 210-403-0589 or Director@TXBeautyQueens.com

It's a fact

In 2004, an average of one alcohol-related fatality occurred every 31 minutes.

Master Gardeners schedule Sept. 14 meeting and Fall training program

Cooke County Master Gardeners will meet Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. in the NCTC Library Lyceum. The September meeting will focus on Association business issues. There will also be a plant ID contest and an overview of the Heritage Garden Earthkind Rose Trial.

Plans will also be made for the Fall 2006 Master Gardeners Course. Texas Cooperative Extension is once again hosting training

for individuals interested in becoming Master Gardeners. The Gardeners are a group of individuals who have an interest in horticulture and in their community. They agree to be volunteers for Texas Cooperative Extension, assisting the community by providing education and community service relating to horticulture. A personal commitment to the Master Gardener program enables a person to continue to receive specialized horticultural

training and to participate in numerous group trips and activities.

The training will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 20 and continue every Wednesday for nine weeks, ending on Nov. 15. Classes will be held at Cooke County Electric Cooperative from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this time participants will receive training on plant growth and development, soil's water and nutrients,

environmental horticulture, managing plant health, home fruit and nut production, vegetable and herb gardening, landscaping, and lawn care.

Cost for the course is \$125.00. Persons interested in the program should contact the Texas Cooperative Extension office in Cooke or Montague counties at (940) 668-5412 or (940) 894-2831, respectively, or Sylvia Bayer at 940-665-4851.

Health Effects of Wind Turbines ?

Wind energy developers are presently working to place large numbers of wind turbines in Cooke and Montague Counties. A number of health issues have been raised in this regard. Dr. Nina Pierpont, a respected doctor in Malone, NY (MD from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, 1991; PhD in Population Biology from Princeton, 1985; BA in Biology from Yale, 1977; and a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics), testified before the New York State Assembly Energy Committee on March 7, 2006, that there is a recognized cluster of symptoms which occurs in a significant number of people in the vicinity of industrial wind turbines. Persons susceptible to these symptoms include a substantial portion of the population, and include those sensitive to low frequency vibration, those with preexisting migraine disorder (12 % of all Americans), and those with inner-ear/ visual/ muscular interactions that make them prone to seasickness or vertigo. What are the symptoms?



1. Sleep problems, due to noise or sensations of pulsation or pressure, making it difficult to go to sleep and causing frequent awakening.

- Headaches, which are increased in both frequency and duration.
- Dizziness, unsteadiness, and nausea.
- Exhaustion, anxiety, anger, irritability, and depression.
- Problems with concentration and learning.
- Tinnitus, a ringing in the ears.

Dr. Pierpont also reports that Vibroacoustic Disease (VAD) results from long term exposure to low-frequency noise, below the range of hearing, and is characterized by fibrous thickening in the cardiovascular and pulmonary systems, and seizures and cognitive changes in the brain. Air pressure (sound) waves, resonating inside the chest and skull, set up vibrations to which the body responds by reinforcing its softer tissues with extra collagen, causing thickening of the pericardium (membrane surrounding the heart) and cardiac valves, fibrosis of the lungs, and the proliferation of glial (supporting) cells in the brain. This condition was first studied in pilots, flight attendants, and aviation technicians, but is found in other industrial and community settings. Medical researchers have found that the low-frequency noise intensities in the vicinity of wind turbines are in the range which can cause VAD, particularly with prolonged in-home and overnight exposures.

Dr. Pierpont strongly recommends that wind turbines be set back at least one and one-half (1 1/2) miles from any home, any school, hospital, or similar institution, in order to protect people from the adverse health effects of wind turbines. In the absence of state requirements, no wind developers are presently following this advice.

Dr. Pierpont's papers are available at her website, www.ninapierpont.com, under "publishing/ wind energy".

The North Texas Wind Resistance Alliance
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www.northtexaswindresistance.com



Lucas Sebade

Lucas turns 1!

Lucas Sebade celebrated his first birthday at his home in Lindsay. Friends and family helped to mark the special day with a pool party on Saturday, Aug. 26. Everyone enjoyed lots of good food, birthday cake, and homemade ice cream.

Family and friends attending the party were his parents Marilyn and Kevin; grandparents Sue Fields, Alvin and Kay Fields of Honey Grove, and Tom and Marlice Sebade of Fremont, Nebraska; Uncle Mark and Aunt Sheila Reece, along with cousins Samantha and Macey Reece of Honey Grove; Great Aunt Peggy Montgomery of Richardson; and Lovie, Avery, and Aynslie Andrew of Honey Grove.

Lucas enjoyed the many nice gifts he received.

Bylaws revisions were discussed and will be voted on in September.

Ways and Means Chairman Virginia Bryant announced proceeds from the painting raffle of \$563. Upcoming fundraisers for the Auxiliary include a Jewelry Sale Oct. 12 and 13, a pre-Thanksgiving bake sale Nov. 17, and a special holiday raffle in December.

Honorary life membership was voted for Annis Crawford and Ruth Smith. Both have distinguished themselves with many hours of service to the Auxiliary.

Receiving service awards were: Shirley Dorsch, 2,500 hours; Pat Tamplin, Florence Schumacher, and Clyde Davis, 1,500 hours; Mary Morris, 1,000 hours; Mitzie Underwood and Clara Hermes, 500 hours; Betty Morgan, Doris Javors, Virginia Bryant, and Nancy Anderson, 300 hours.

The Auxiliary worked 1007.25 hours in May and 1,123 hours in June.

A special welcome was given to new members Darlene Campbell, Patsy Hudson, Sue Reid, and Mary Sowder.

The next meeting of the NTMC Auxiliary is scheduled Sept. 21.

Wildlife

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Sacred Heart Parish Religious Education Program begins

Approximately 240 students are enrolled in the 2006-07 Religious Education program at Sacred Heart Church for grades K through 12. The Religious Education Program got off to a great start with an opening Mass celebrated by Father John Ohner on Aug. 23. The Mass was prepared by Rose Henschel and the 8th grade students.

After Mass, Barbara Rohmer, director of Religious Education, reviewed the contracts for parents and students and had them sign them. The contracts spell out what is expected of both parents and students. Then she read the names of the students in each class beginning with kindergarten, and the students went with the teachers to the classrooms.

The teachers for the coming year are Carol Klement and Judy Trubenbach for Kindergarten, Candice Kubis and Dyan Huchton for 1A and Jane Monday and Michelle Sandman for 1B. Linda Knabe and Penny Fisher will teach the 2nd grade. Debbie Bindel Endres and Susan Hermes will teach 3A and Diane Sicking and Linda Pels will teach 3B. The 4th grade will be taught by Jill Swirczynski and LeAnn Mollenkopf. The teachers for grade 5A are Grace Bezner and Mary Cochran and those for 5B are Tara Bayer and Terry Bartel. Sixth grade teachers are Margie York and Penni Haverkamp for section 6A and Lisa Walterscheid and Tim Schneider for 6B. Seventh grade teachers are Monte and Jacque Endres. Eighth grade teachers are Rose Henschel and Mary Baxter. The 9th grade will be taught by John Bezner and Johnathan Cochran. Teachers for the 10th grade are Chuck Bartush and Susan Flusche. The 11th grade will be taught by Phil Endres and Denis Moody. Susan Moody and Alan Miller will teach the 12th grade.

Anyone who would like to enroll their children or teens in the Religious Education Program should pick up the registration forms from the vestibule of church or go by the business office. For further information you may call Barbara Rohmer at 759-2511, Ext. 16.

2006 Hornet Queen's Court



The 2006 Muenster High School Homecoming Queen's Court consists of, from left, front - Senior queen candidates Megan Felderhoff, Jessica Walterscheid, Melissa Cox, Sandy Endres. Back - princesses, Heather Harrison, Lauren Haverkamp, and Erin Endres. Muenster Homecoming will be Sept. 29 when the Hornets play Wolfe City. Janie Hartman photo

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

WEEK OF SEPT. 11 - 15 MÜNSTER ISD

Mon. - Tacos w/beef, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, Spanish rice, pinto beans, peaches, brownies.

Tues. - Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, pineapple, hot rolls.

Wed. - Chicken patty sandwich, oven baked tater tots, lettuce, tomatoes, oranges, graham crackers.

Thurs. - Salisbury steak, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pears, hot rolls.

Fri. - Hamburger w/cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, chips, carrot sticks, applesauce, cookies.

SACRED HEART

Mon. - Chili dogs, potato wedges, pears, pudding.

Tues. - Chicken spaghetti, green beans, strawberries/bananas, garlic toast.

Wed. - Salisbury steak, potatoes, brown gravy, green

salad, apricots, bread.

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

Fri. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, potato rounds apples.

LINDSAY ISD
Mon. - Nachos w/chili and cheese, ranch style beans, fresh fruit, bread.

Tues. - Barbecue on a bun, pickle wedges, carrot sticks, potato chips, apple crisp.

Wed. - Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pineapple, bread.

Thurs. - Fish strips, macaroni and cheese, black-eyed peas, coleslaw, peaches, cornbread.

Fri. - Chicken on a bun w/

trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

ERA ISD
Mon. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed salad, sliced pears, wacky cake.

Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce or chicken nuggets, green beans, sliced peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.

Wed. - Salisbury steak or fish sticks, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, fruit mix, hot roll.

Thurs. - Sausage or cheese pizza, corn, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, sugar cookie.

Fri. - Hamburger, sliced cheese, trimmings, potato wedges, ice cream.

Lindsay renames stadium



Lindsay ISD's Knight Field has been renamed Henry B. Schroeder Knight Field in honor of Lindsay's first and only coach for many years. "Coach" Schroeder came to Lindsay in 1958 to teach and start the sports program. The dedication took place during last Friday's football game halftime. Members of the Schroeder family are pictured at mid-field during the ceremony. Janie Hartman photo

September is month for Life Insurance Awareness

September marks the beginning of the 3rd annual Life Insurance Awareness Month. Life Insurance Awareness Month was created in response to growing concern about the large number of Americans who lack adequate life insurance protection. Life insurance ownership has dropped sharply over the past two decades. The Life Insurance Marketing & Research Association (LIMRA) estimates that more than 68 million adult Americans have no life insurance whatsoever. Only four in 10 adult Americans own individual life insurance. On average, insured adults have coverage equal to just three years of replacement income, which is far less than most experts recommend.

"By failing to have adequate life insurance coverage, tens of millions of Americans are gambling with their families' financial futures each and every day," says David F. Woods, CLU, ChFC, president of the Life and Health Insurance Foundation for Education (LIFE) and CEO of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, the industry's

largest membership association. "The financial security of your family is not something you should leave to chance, and that's a message the industry will communicate loud and clear during Life Insurance Awareness Month."

Once again this September, life insurance agents, companies, and industry associations join forces to promote the awareness and sale of life insurance. The purpose of Life Insurance Awareness Month is to encourage the American public to take stock of their life insurance needs and to help the millions of uninsured and underinsured Americans obtain the coverage they need to protect their families. LIFE initiated the campaign, with support from other industry associations and more than 100 insurance companies.

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Destination Dignity Month observed during September

Individuals with mental and developmental disabilities will be celebrating September as Destination Dignity Month in Texas. The annual celebration will be held Thursday, Sept. 28 at the Sherman VFW, Baker and Frisco Road, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Senator Larry Phillips will be on hand to address the group.

Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. There is no charge. Area businesses and individuals are sponsoring the event. Everyone who has a mental disability is invited. The event is a great opportunity for the community to better understand the obstacles people with mental disabilities face and the contributions they make to the community. Reservations must be made and can be done by calling 903-957-4865.

Destination Dignity is a statewide effort by the Texas Council of Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center, Inc., a statewide association of the 41 community MHMR centers that offer public services in every county in Texas. Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed September as

Destination Dignity Month.

The campaign will focus on:

1. Educating the general public about individuals with mental disabilities;

2. Helping gain independence and dignity for the individuals MHMR serves by reducing the stigma associated with mental disabilities;

3. Acquainting the public with the services available through local community MHMR center.

The MHMR community center for Texas is Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texas. MHMRST was established in 1974 and serves Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson counties. Through 11 services locations, MHMRST has provided services to almost 3,500 individuals and families in the past year. The center provides a variety of services for people of all ages with mental illness and mental retardation. Those who would like more information about obtaining services can contact: Grayson Mental Health Center 903-957-4701; Cooke Mental Health Center 940-957-4766; Fannin Mental Health Center 903-957-4751; Child & Adolescent Mental Health 903-957-4820; Mental Retardation Authority Services 903-957-4796; Early Childhood Intervention 903-957-4810; Administration 903-957-4700.

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Pirates sink Tigers in opener

The Petrolia Pirates came to town Friday night and challenged the Tigers of Sacred Heart. When all was said and done, the Tigers had more 1st downs, and both teams had the same gains. The difference in the game was turnovers and the final outcome. Sacred Heart threw three interceptions to Petrolia's zero, and lost five of nine fumbles. The visitors lost two. These mistakes led to the final 36-12 Tiger loss.

"I thought overall the Tigers played well. Their effort was great," commented Charles Boles, Sacred Heart coach. "We made too many mistakes against a good team. We have to eliminate our mistakes."

Chris Marshall ran the first play of the game for 11 yards, then a holding flag and unsuccessful runs forced a punt on 4th and 12. Tackles by Colt Spruill, Joshua Yosten, and Mark Fleitman returned the ball to the Tigers. A few plays later, fumble number one. The Tiger defense, led by Yosten, forced a Pirate punt.

A flag delayed the Tiger drive which was highlighted by a 21 yard run by Theo Otto, a 12 yard Nolan Hartman to Yosten pass, and a 35 yard Hartman to Colby Richey pass to the Pirate 20 yard line. Three penalty flags called back a Yosten touchdown, then the Tigers couldn't find the end zone back, giving the ball to Petrolia on the 12 yard line.

Three plays and punt, and Sacred Heart got the ball back at midfield. An interception at the Pirate 8 was followed by Marshall recovering the ball on the 6. Three plays gained a yard and the Tigers settled for a field goal by Richey just seconds into the 2nd quarter.

Tackles by Hartman, Tyler Rohmer, and Yosten forced another Pirate punt, putting the Tigers on their 18 yard line. A fumble gave Petrolia possession 14 yards from paydirt. Four plays later, the Pirates took an 8-3 lead with 7:42 remaining on the clock.

An interception on the Tigers' next offensive attempt set up Petrolia's next touchdown. Nine plays later, 14-3 with 2:30 on the clock.

Both teams fumbled the ball before the halftime intermission, with Zach Zanchetta covering for the Tigers.

Petrolia took the 3rd quarter kickoff. Three plays and 73 yards later, 21-3.

The Tigers got in one run, then fumbled again. Two good runs, 28-3.

Sacred Heart's turnovers continued after two plays, an interception. The Pirates moved just inside Tiger territory, then were forced to punt, putting Sacred Heart on their 27 yard line. Yosten ran for 6, then Spruill gained 34 yards in four consecutive carries. A keeper by Hartman put the Tigers on the Pirate 29. A Hartman to Yosten pass was good for 6 points. Hartman added the PAT for a 28-10 score with 3:25 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

After a Petrolia punt, the Tigers carried the ball into the final period, getting near midfield before punting.

Tackles by Yosten and Jordan Reeves forced a short Pirate punt covered by Richey on the Petrolia 36. A Hartman to Yosten to Sparkman pass picked up 16

yards. Spruill moved the ball to the 10, a holding flag to the 5, then Hartman and Marshall to the 2 foot line. On 4th down, a fumble gave the

vidual stats will be released at the end of the season.

Next Action

The Tigers will host the Collinsville Pirates in week



Tiger quarterback Nolan Hartman attempts to shake off a defending Pirate. Janie Hartman photo

ball to Petrolia on the 2. A high snap out of the end zone gave the Tigers a 2 point safety. With 4:50 on the clock, the score read 28-12.

The Tigers took the free punt, but couldn't get the needed 10 yards. Two plays later, Petrolia found paydirt and the score changed to 36-12. Sacred Heart got in a few plays, punted, and the Pirates ran out the clock.

SH 0 3 7 2 12
P 0 14 14 8 36

SH	1st downs	P
13	12	
39/164	Rushes/yds	20/103
11/25/3	Comp/att/int	12/24/0
134	Passing yds	195
4/36	Punts/avg	6/31
9/5	Fumbles/lost	4/2
7/47	Penalties/yds	9/70

There will be no weekly individual stats recorded this season. Coach Boles and the team captains want the team to focus on team goals, and not individual goals. All indi-

two Friday night. "Collinsville is a very good team, well coached, with lots of proud tradition. It will be a good test for us," Coach Boles noted. "We'll have to play well and eliminate our mistakes to give us a chance to win the game."

Action begins at 7:30 p.m.



Tigers moving in on a Pirate include Dylan Flusche (56) and Mark Fleitman (33). Janie Hartman photo



Micah Flusche (62) trips a Wildcat ball carrier as Hornet teammates move in to finish the job. Scott Wood photo

Cats scratch Hornets

The Muenster Hornets statistically controlled most of their season's first game Friday night. They had more first downs: 17 - 9, ran more plays: 63 - 30, gained more yards: 237 - 191, and had only 10 yards of penalties. "Stats are for losers," noted Coach Monte Endres. "There is only one stat that matters." When the final second ticked off the clock, they lost the game 20-12 to the Archer City Wildcats. The Hornets' downfall was being unable to score once they got inside the Red Zone.

"We had trouble putting the ball in," said the Hornet coach. "We traveled 75 2/3 yards and came up one foot short in the 4th. We didn't make the plays when we had to and they did," added Endres.

The game began in Muenster's favor. A fumble on the Wildcat 16 the first play

of the game was caused and recovered by Zach Swirczynski. Three runs each by Swirczynski and Bill Haverkamp put the Hornets on the 3 yard line. On 1st and goal, Swirczynski found paydirt. The PAT kick failed for a 6-0 score four minutes into the game.

Starting on their 29, Archer City fought back with nine plays, including a few good passes, to tie the game. The extra points were good and the Cats took an 8-6 lead.

Muenster got in four plays, including a Brad Endres to Collin Walterscheid pass, then fumbled at midfield. The Hornet defense allowed only 6 yards, forcing a punt that placed the ball on the Muenster 18. Two plays later, Ar-

punted. From their 24, the Hornets ran 16 plays, which included a dozen by Swirczynski, one by Haverkamp, and three by Garrett Hennigan, to the Archer City 3 yard line. Two plays later, the Cats took over on downs at the 1 yard line.

Archer City ran enough plays to kill the clock and take the win.

M 6 0 6 0 12
AC 8 6 6 0 20

Team Stats

M	AC
17	9
56/212	Rushes/yds 22/102
2/7/2	Comp/att/int 4/8/2
15	Passing yds 89
0	Punts 2/39
1/1	Fumbles/lost 3/1
2/10	Penalties/yds 7/46



An opening up the middle is soon closed as Archer City defenders move in on a Hornet runner. Scott Wood photo

cher City intercepted the ball and ran it in for 6 points. The PAT kick failed for a 14-6 score with 10:13 remaining in the 1st half.

Starting on their 39, the Hornets threw two incomplete passes and ran Swirczynski six plays to the 18. Haverkamp gained 2 yards, Swirczynski 5 on two runs, but on 4th and 3, 2 yards were lost and the Cats took the ball.

Archer City slowly moved out to the 26 before Micah Flusche intercepted a pass, placing Muenster 15 yards from the end zone. The Hornets gained only 6 yards in three plays and on 4th and 4 a quarterback sack gave Archer City the ball. The 1st half ended when Tanner Herr intercepted the Cats' ball.

Muenster took the 3rd quarter kick, but lost the ball on the second play by interception. Archer City took only four plays to cover 30 yards and increase their lead to 20-6 with 9:23 on the clock.

The Hornets battled back. From their 45, Swirczynski ran three for 15 yards, Haverkamp picked up 2, then Swirczynski 11 to the Cat 27. Haverkamp, Endres, and Swirczynski ran seven more plays to the 3 yard line. Muenster found the end zone on an Endres to Swirczynski pass. The extra run was no good for a 20-12 score with 1:40 remaining in the 3rd period.

The Wildcats carried the ball into the final quarter and

Individual Stats

RUSHING: Zach Swirczynski, 40/167; Bill Haverkamp, 11/27; Garrett Hennigan, 4/22. **TACKLES:** Zach Swirczynski (6), Chad Endres (5); Collin Walterscheid (4), Micah Flusche (3). **PANCAKE BLOCKS:** Micah Flusche (6), Cole Harrison, Matt Flusche, Collin Walterscheid, Michael Faries (all 2 each). **INTERCEPTIONS:** Micah Flusche, Tanner Herr. **FUMBLE RECOVERY:** Zach Swirczynski.

The Junior Varsity Hornets traveled to Archer City last Thursday and were defeated 36-0.

Next Action

The Hornets will host the Nocona Indians this Friday night. "It will be a very tough game," noted Coach Endres. "Their quarterback is good. We'll have to find a way to control him and find a way to put points on the board. We need to get motivated and work things out."

Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Hornet Stadium.

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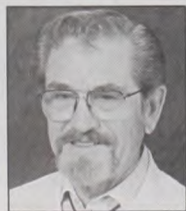
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The 2006 Sacred Heart Tiger team lines up before their opening game against the Petrolia Pirates last Friday night.



The Tigers get a last minute pep talk from the coaches before taking the field.



Chris Marshall (10) drives for more gain as six Pirates try to bring him down.



Colby Richey chases down a Petrolia receiver for an incomplete pass.



Joshua Yosten makes the tackle after a completed Pirate pass.



Above, Tiger quarterback Nolan Hartman gives the ball to Chris Marshall (10). At right, a Sacred Heart timeout.



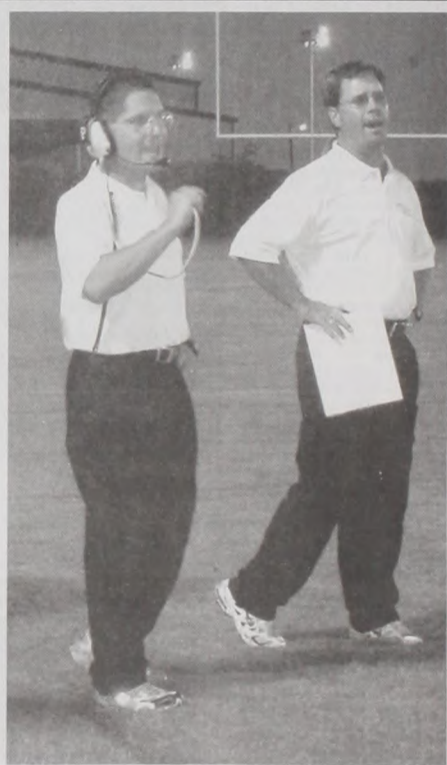
The Tiger defense piles on a Petrolia receiver to turn a screen pass into a loss.



Colt Spruill (2) takes the ball from quarterback Nolan Hartman (14) than follows the blocking of Tyler Rohmer (54), Tommy Torcellini (55), and Jake Hess (72).



**Sacred
Heart
vs
Petrolia**



Tiger Coaches Charles Boles and Dale Schilling question an official's call.

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Above, the Hornets huddle before the start of the 2nd half. At right, Matt Flusche (75) rushes the Archer City quarterback.



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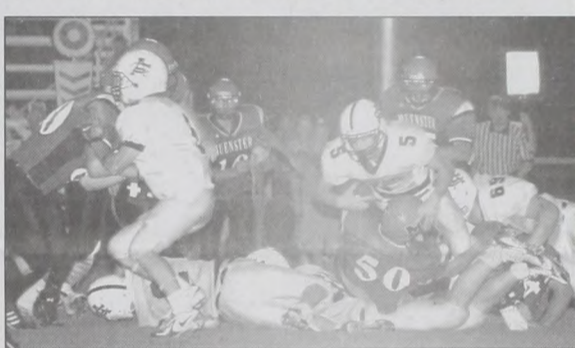
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Leading the way for the Hornet runner include Micah Flusche (62), Cole Harrison (54), and Chad Endres (50). Also pictured is quarterback Brad Endres (11).

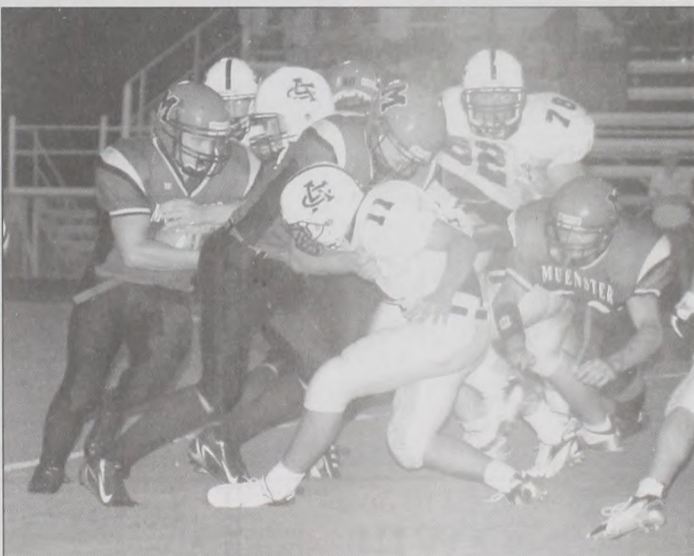


Above left, Brad Endres (11) hands the ball to Zach Swirczynski (45) who heads to the hole made by the offensive linemen. Above right, Brad Endres (50) and other Hornets work to bring down a Wildcat. At left, this Cat has nowhere to go a Muenster teams up to bring him down.

Muenster Hornets
vs Archer City

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The Hornet blockers attempt to eliminate a Wildcat from making a tackle.

A Hornet defender puts pressure on the Archer City quarterback.

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JV Tigers begin with a 48-12 victory

The Junior Varsity Sacred Heart Tigers traveled to Petrolia last Thursday and opened the season with a 48-12 victory over the Pirates.

After the teams exchanged punts, Ryan Bartush picked off a Pirate pass and returned it 15 yards for a Sacred Heart touchdown. The extra run failed for a 6-0 score with 6:15 in the 1st quarter clock. Eight plays later, Petrolia tied the game 6-6.

The Tigers quickly broke the tie when Bartush returned the kick 76 yards for another Tiger TD. The PAT failed for a 12-6 score with 2:41 still remaining in the 1st quarter.

Three plays later, Sam Sparkman intercepted a pass, putting Sacred Heart on the Pirate 31. A Nathan Berend to Sparkman pass the next play put 6 more points on the board. With 50 seconds on the clock, the Tigers had an 18-6 lead.

The Tiger defense halted the Pirates early in the 2nd quarter. A Berend to Bartush pass picked up 16 yards. A Sparkman and Bartush run moved the ball to the 27. A keeper by Berend then scored for a 24-6 score. Sparkman ran in the extra points for a 20 point Tiger lead with 6:53 remaining in the 1st half.

Petrolia's offense used up most of the clock until the halftime break.

Sacred Heart took the 3rd quarter kick at their 28. After struggling to make 11 yards, Bartush broke free on a 61 yard touchdown run. Berend ran in the extra points to put the Tigers on top 34-6 with 7:57 still on the clock.

The teams exchanged possessions with a fumble recovered by Nick Popovich to end the quarter.

A Berend to Stephen Davis pass quickly moved the Ti-

gers into Pirate territory. Sparkman then scored on a 40 yard run for a 40-6 score with 9:18 remaining in the game.

Two plays later, Bartush covered a loose ball to set up Sacred Heart's next touchdown. Berend scored on a 17 yard run, then added the PAT for a 48-6 score with 7:39 on the clock.

The Pirates got in 10 plays and scored for the final 48-12 score.



The 100° temperatures didn't prevent Sacred Heart Catholic High School athletic students from having a jumping good time last week. Coach Jon LeBrasseur instructed the workout. Janie Hartman photo

Rain Dance - Saturday - Muenster City Park

Lady Knights win Marcus Meet

The Lindsay High Cross Country runners participated in the Marcus Meet at Denton North Lakes Park on Saturday. The Lady Knights won their division with 24 points. Krum A settled for 2nd place with 80, followed by Paradise 85, Krum B 114, Era 168, and Anna 170.

Five Lindsay varsity runners finished in the top 10, led by Chelsea Hermes, gold medalist with a time of 12:31. Katelyn Brewer took 2nd place with a 13:22 time, Rose Hermes 5th at 13:51, Shirley Hess 6th at 14:09, and Laura Zimmerer 10th at 14:19.

Other Lady Knight finishers were: Rachel Zimmerer, 22, 15:19; Alli Copeland, 24, 15:25; Kendall Neu, 26, 15:27; Jenny Schroeder, 34, 15:53.

The Knights had two varsity and one junior varsity runners compete. Matt Dieter finished 20th with a time of 21:37, followed by Mitch Dieter at 21:52. Bernhard Gabriel, in the JV division, finished in 8th place, clocking in at 20:05.

The next cross country meet for Lindsay is Saturday, Sept. 9 at Bland.

Lindsay Jr. Hi. Lady Squires win Ponder CC Meet

Kelsey Hermes led the Lindsay Lady Squires to a 3rd place junior high finish at the Ponder Cross Country Meet last Thursday with a winning time of 13:21. Bethany Eberhart finished 8th, clocking in at 15:23, followed by Megan Caillier 12th at 16:13; Katie Nortman, 18th, 16:39; Jordan Fleitman, 29th, 17:46; McKenzie Neu, 30th, 17:50; and Jessica Krahl, 44th, 18:37.

Also running were Emily Conway, Alex Ethington, Kailyn Gum, Amelia Wyrick, Taylor Atkins, and Alli Fogle.

The Junior High Lady Squires placed 68 and finished in 3rd place as a team.

The junior high boys had one individual, Thomas Rohmer, run the race. He finished in 14th place with a time of 14:04.

Lindsay's next cross country meet is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 9 at Bland.

Red River Quail Symposium

Texas Cooperative Extension will co-host the "Red River Quail Symposium" Oct. 11-13 at Wichita Falls.

Dr. Dale Rollins, Extension wildlife specialist at San Angelo, said the symposium's theme will be "Habitat Management and Hunting in Transition."

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Knights begin 06 with a victory

The Knights dominated the field Friday night, gaining 299 yards to the visiting Tom Bean TomCats' 78 yards. Lindsay earned 19 1st downs to the Cats 3 in their 30-6 season opening win.

"It was the first time to see the boys in play action," said Knight Coach Cody Bounds. "The boys played extremely hard, but we have a long way to go. Bounds noted that the Knights had a lot of first game type mistakes - penalties, missed assignments, things they can correct and get better at. "It's always nice to get that first win, but we know we have to get better to compete in our district," Bounds added.

The Knights scored first. Runs by Travis Endres for 29 yards, 2 yards by Dustin Neu, another 8 by Endres, and a Keith Hermes to Nathan Martin pass for 17 yards put the Knights on the Cat 16 yard line. A flag moved the ball to the 2, where Hermes then scored. The extra point failed for a 6-0 score with 8:43 on the clock.

Tackles by Neil Jones and Johnathan Zimmerer forced a Cat punt on 4th and 23. From midfield, Lindsay moved the ball with Hermes gaining 22 yards in two runs, but after several flags and a fumbled play, the Knights settled for a 34 yard Dustin Neu field goal. With 3:31 still left in the 1st quarter, Lindsay led 9-0.

Again the Knight defense, led by Zimmerer and Justin Caillier, forced another Tom Bean punt. Too many flags followed Lindsay into the 2nd quarter and the drive ended with a punt. Nine plays later the Cats closed the score to 9-6.

Endres returned the kick 25 yards to midfield. A 12 yard run by Endres and a 16 yard keeper by Hermes highlighted the 10 play drive,

which ended with a 10 yard touchdown pass from Keith Hermes to Levi Hermes. Neu's PAT kick gave Lindsay a 16-6 lead with 3:57 on the clock.

Gang tackles by Martin, Jones, Dustin Reed, Zimmerer, Neu, and Caillier were followed by an interception by Garrett Block. The Knights got to the Cat 13 yard line and attempted a 30 yard field goal before the half-time break.

The Knight offense started action the 2nd half, but ended when Tom Bean picked off a pass. The next play, Caillier covered a fumble near midfield. K. Hermes got in a 20 yard run before Lindsay ran out of downs on the Tom Cat 21 yard line.

Tackles by Block, Martin, Caillier, Jones, and Zimmerer, and two pass defensive plays by Endres gave the ball back to Lindsay 28 yards from paydirt. Five plays later, K. Hermes scored from the 2, and Neu added the PAT for a 23-6 score with 4:20 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

A tackle by L. Hermes dropped Tom Bean for a 10 yard loss and forced a punt. The 10 yard punt put Lindsay on the Cat 23. Unable to get any gain, the Knights gave the ball back to the Cats. Two plays later, Garrett Block intercepted another Tom Bean pass, allowing Lindsay to carry the ball into the final quarter. A fumble ended the drive, but again the Knight defense, led by L. Hermes and Jones, gave the Cats no ground.

With 8 minutes remaining in the game, runs by Neu, K. Hermes, and Martin got the ball to the 20. A quarterback sack lost 6 yards, then a K. Hermes to Nathan Martin pass tuned into a Lindsay touchdown. Neu added the extra kick for a 30-6 score.

Tom Bean gained only 8 yards, with Mustafa Hweidi, L. Hermes, and Christopher Dieter getting a tackles. The Knights ran five plays before time ran out.

L	9	7	7	7	30
TB	0	6	0	0	6

Team Stats

	L	TB
1st downs	19	3
Rushes/yds	24/231	21/43
Passing yds	68	35
Comp/att/int	7/15/1	3/14/2
Punts/avg	1/32	4/35
Fumbles/lost	3/1	2/1
Penalties/yds	12/66	11/85

Individual Stats

RUSHING: Keith Hermes, 21/119; Travis Endres, 6/60; Nathan Martin, 6/37. **TACKLES:** Nathan Martin, Johnathan Zimmerer, Justin Caillier, Neil Jones, Levi Hermes. **INTERCEPTIONS:** Garrett Block 2. **FUMBLE RECOVERY:** Justin Caillier.

Next Action

The Knights travel to Windthorst this Friday to take on the Trojans. "This is a great opportunity for our team - to play the #1 team in Texas," said Coach Bounds. "An opportunity to get out and see how the game is played."

Bounds noted that the Trojans are big, with lots of last year's players returning, including their All-State quarterback. "It is said that this is their (Windthorst's) year," concluded the Lindsay coach.

Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. at Trojan Field.



The Lindsay defense moves in on a Tomcat who comes up short of the 1st down.



Knight Justin Caillier (56) strips the ball from the Tom Bean ball carrier, then covered the fumbled ball for Lindsay.



Travis Endres (2) catches a screen pass.



Keith Hermes (3) and Johnathan Zimmerer (60) pull down a Cat.

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Nathan Martin (44) catches this pass and turns the play into six points.



Johnathan Zimmerer (60) and a teammate bring down a Cat.

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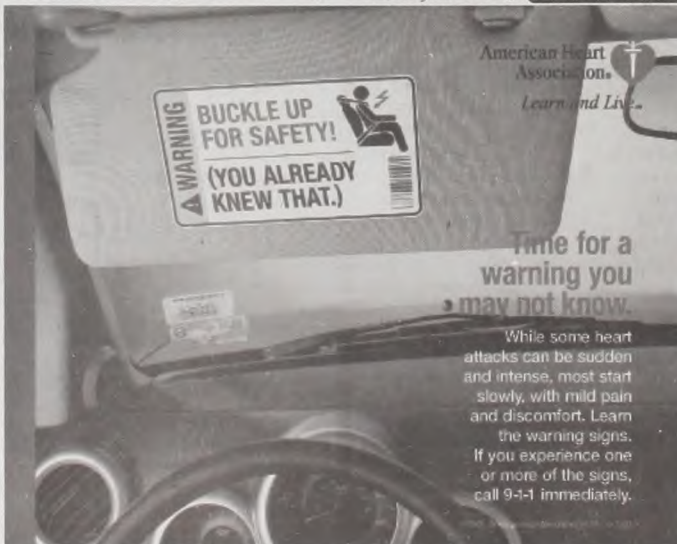
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PUBLIC NOTICES
"The Muenster Hospital District will hold
a meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday,
September 19, 2006 at the hospital
boardroom to consider adopting a
proposed tax rate for the tax year 2006.
The proposed tax rate is .1899 per \$100 of
value.
The proposed tax rate will decrease the
amount of taxes collected in the Muenster
Hospital District by \$10,989.00 below the
adjusted operating taxes for 2005."

PUBLIC NOTICE
On August 9, 2006, an application was filed with the Federal
Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. requesting
its consent to the assignment of license of Station KZZA(FM),
Muenster, Texas (106.7 megahertz), from Entravision Holdings,
LLC to Liberman Broadcasting of Dallas License Corp.
The officers, directors, and members holding more than a 10%
interest in Entravision Holdings, LLC are: Walter F. Ullod and
Entravision Communications Corporation. The officers directors
and shareholders owning more than a 10% voting interest in
Entravision Communications Corporation are: Walter F. Ullod,
Philip C. Wilkinson, Paul A. Zevnik, Univision Communications,
Inc., Jesse Casso, Jr., Darryl B. Thompson, John F.
DeLorenzo, Michael S. Rosen, Esteban S. Torres, Jeffrey A.
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The Assignee, Liberman Broadcasting of Dallas License Corp.,
is a wholly owned subsidiary of Liberman Broadcasting of Dallas,
Inc. which, in turn, is a wholly owned subsidiary of LBI
Media, Inc. LBI Media is wholly owned by LBI Media Holdings,
Inc., which is owned by LBI Holdings I, Inc. LBI Holdings
is owned equally by Lenard Liberman and Jose Liberman,
who votes the shares held through 3 trusts: Lenard Liberman,
Jose Liberman and William Kesan serve as officers and/or directors
of each of the aforementioned companies.
A copy of the application, amendments, and related materials
are on file for public inspection during regular business hours
at: Suite 500, 5307 E. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas.



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FARM & RANCH

Dairy prices in the tank

Between increasing its herd size by 60% and losing \$45,000 since April because of low dairy prices, Clayton and Betty Bare's dairy farm has been riding a roller coaster this year. Paul Dietmann from the University of Wisconsin-Extension said the cost of production has exceeded the price farmers are paid for milk for the last few months, resulting in lost revenue for Sauk County's 291 dairy herds.

"Usually, it isn't quite this bad," Dietmann said. With high temperatures hitting California, another high dairy-producing state, he said production should have been decreasing nationwide, which would have driven prices up. "Theoretically, we would've had a shortage of milk," Dietmann said.

But talk to a local dairy farmer, and he'll tell you this isn't the case. Clayton Bare said his farm receives \$12.05 for a hundred pounds of milk, which is up 15 cents from last month but is still well below his cost of production, \$14.

"We have had some good years and some bad years," said Harlan Theiding, who works with his son on a small dairy farm near Loganville. This year, by Theiding's calculation, qualifies as a "bad year." He guessed prices will head upward when the full affect of the summer's heat wave takes its toll on California's breeding.

Mitch Breunig, owner of Mystic Valley Dairy in Sauk County, said lower prices translate into a tighter budget for new equipment or facility upgrades. "It's the difference between paying the bills and having something left over," Breunig said.

Fuel prices have also contributed to agricultural belt-tightening across the state. Breunig said everything from farm equipment to milk hauling trucks are guzzling gas at a more expensive rate, which only compounds the problem of low milk prices.

Dietmann said the fees saved by processors don't trickle down to the consumer level. Only when milk prices soar does the average customer see a difference in weekly milk purchases, he said.

There's one type of Sauk County farmer that isn't affected by the low prices. John Kinsman, an organic dairy farmer near Lime Ridge, said the demand for organic milk hasn't decreased like conventional milk.

"There's a shortage of organic products," he said, quickly adding that he feels the pain of conventional farmers, many of whom are forced to compensate with off-farm income.

Still, Bare is hopeful. "If it's short-term," he said, "we'll be all right."

The stock forecast in Chicago is "showing a little bit of strength" for next month, he said, so he expects prices to rise in the early winter.

from Baraboo News Republic, Sauk County, Wisconsin

COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

WAYNE BECKER
CEA - AG/INR

Grasshoppers

Allen Knutson, Extension entomologist, Texas A&M Research & Extension Center, Dallas gives us a list of frequently asked questions about grasshoppers:

Why are grasshoppers so bad this year, again?

Consecutive years of hot, dry summers and warm, dry autumns favor grasshopper survival and reproduction. Warm, dry fall weather allows grasshoppers more time to feed and lay eggs. The large numbers of grasshoppers present last fall left many eggs in the soil which hatched this spring. Also, rains in the spring when eggs are hatching drown young hoppers and encourage fungal diseases which kill hoppers. Thus, dry weather in the spring favors their survival.

During hot, dry summers, weedy hosts dry up and grasshoppers fly in search of green plants. The search for food can result in large numbers of grasshoppers concentrating in orchards, crops, and irrigated landscapes.

From where do grasshopper come?

The irrigated area per person reached a high of 113 acres per 1000 people in 1978. It has been shrinking since 1992, down to 106 acres. As rivers run dry, lakes also suffer. The Dead Sea has dropped 82 feet since the 1970s. In Central Asia, some ports on the shore of the Aral Sea are 100 miles from the water's edge.

China, India, and the United States produce half of the world's grain and use 75% of the world's water. All three face shrinking aquifers and drying rivers.

The lack of available water is the major constraint to increasing grain production.

Grasshopper eggs are deposited in the soil-two inches deep in weedy areas, fence rows, ditches and hay fields. The eggs hatch in the spring and early summer. Eggs of different grasshopper species hatch out at different times, so young grasshoppers can be seen throughout the spring and early summer. Young grasshoppers, called nymphs, feed for about six weeks. Once nymphs reach the adult stage, they can fly. As weedy plants are consumed or dry in the summer heat, adult grasshoppers can fly from weedy areas and pastures to more succulent crops and landscapes.

When will grasshopper numbers decrease this season?

Although grasshoppers complete only one generation a year, eggs hatch over a long period of time. Development from egg to adult requires about 40-60 days. Also, eggs of different species hatch at different times so small grasshoppers can be found throughout the growing season. Grasshoppers can persist until late fall when old adults begin to die or when a killing frost occurs.

What can be done to reduce their numbers?

Weed control. Eliminating weeds will starve young hoppers and later discourage adults from laying eggs in the area. Destroying weeds infested with large numbers of grasshoppers can force the hungry grasshoppers to move to nearby crops or landscapes. Control the grasshoppers in the weedy area first with insecticides or be ready to protect nearby crops if they become infested. Grasshoppers deposit their eggs in undisturbed soil, as in fallow fields, road banks, and fence rows. Shallow tillage of the soil in late summer may be of some benefit in discouraging egg laying.

Are insecticides effective?

Grasshoppers are susceptible to many insecticides. However, insecticides typically do not persist more than a few days and grasshoppers may soon re-invade the treated area. The length of control will depend on the residual activity of the insecticides and the frequency of retreatment. Controlling grasshoppers over a large area will reduce the numbers present which can re-infest a treated area. Dimilin 2L provides long residual of young hoppers but is not effective against adults.

When should insecticides be applied?

Monitor grasshopper infestations and treat threatening infestations while grasshoppers are still small and before they move

into crops and landscapes. Immature grasshoppers (without wings) are more susceptible to insecticides than adults.

Some insecticides for controlling grasshoppers in the home landscape include: Cyfluthrin, Bifenthrin, Permethrin, and Acephate.

What about insecticide baits for grasshopper control?

Sevin 5 Bait is a ready-to-use bait which can be applied to many crop and non-crop sites, including around ornamentals and many fruit and vegetable crops. For those wanting to make their own grasshopper bait, the labels for Sevin XLR and Sevin 4-Oil ULV provide directions for mixing these products with cereal grains to make a 2% to 10% carbaryl bait. The bait is labeled for use in rangeland, wasteland, ditch banks, and roadsides. The label further states the bait is for use "only by government personnel or persons under their direct supervision (e.g. USDA, state and local extension personnel, etc.)."

Are biological control products such as Nolo Bait, Grasshopper Attack, and others effective?

These products contain spores of a protozoan called *Nosema locustae*, formulated in a bait. Grasshoppers consuming the bait become infected by the *Nosema* organism. Some immature grasshoppers die, while adults often survive but females lay fewer eggs. *Nosema* baits act too slowly and kill too few grasshoppers to be of much value when the need for control is immediate.

What other non-pesticide controls can be used?

Floating row covers can protect vegetables, flower gardens, small fruit trees, and other small areas from grasshoppers. These lightweight fabrics let sunlight in while protecting plants from insects and cold.

What insecticides can be used on pastures and hayfield?

Carbaryl, formulated as Sevin 4F, Sevin XLR, Sevin WSP, Carbaryl 4L, and others, is also labeled for pastures. Refer to the carbaryl label for waiting period after treatment before grazing or harvesting. Malathion 57 EC and malathion ULV are labeled and have no grazing or harvest restrictions. Dimilin 2L is also labeled for pastures (see below).

What is Dimilin 2L?

Dimilin 2L is a new product for grasshopper control for pastures, including forage which is mechanically harvested, roadsides, fence rows, and other non-crop areas. Dimilin disrupts the normal molting process during which young grasshoppers shed their skins. Thus, Dimilin is only effective on immature grasshoppers and does not kill adults. Control may be slow because grasshoppers must first eat Dimilin and then molt (shed their skin) before dying. Residual control of hatching grasshoppers may be several weeks or more, or until the residual insecticide is removed by harvesting hay. Wait one day after treatment before harvesting hay.

What others think

Fix those things you can fix - leave those you can't well enough alone

There are certain things in life that we can't control. Weather is very important to my beef operation. Too much rain or not enough!

I've been faced with too much rain over the past few years. However, 2006 was a dry summer, raising concerns on growing enough grass for cattle to extend them to graze into the winter months.

When almost experiencing a drought, as producers we say, when it is wet you get something and when it is dry you get nothing.

We were fortunate to get some rain recently. This rain helped change farmers moods and create hope to grow more grass. Each shower helps improve our pasture and of course our moods.

As mentioned before, there are things we can't control. Weather, environmentalists, protestors, and other obstacles, that can often discourage a farmer. The weather, nobody can control. The environmentalists and protestors we can at least challenge and usually prove wrong with facts! We can also find markets by diversifying or changing normal marketing procedures.

Overall, you often work out things, providing you want to. Any moisture we do get or not, we will take as it comes.

Russian wheat will open the way to the private sector of Egyptian grain market

Taking into account the results of last tenders for wheat purchasing held by the Egyptian state importer, GASC, one can suppose that Russian grain will try to open the way to the Egyptian market owing to private sector, APK-Inform experts report.

As traders informed to the agency from the beginning of the current marketing year, the share of Russian wheat in the whole volume of Government Purchases has totaled only 7% (Russian grain is offered in every GASC tender), 57% fall on the USA, 37% - Canada, French and Australian wheat has not

and be grateful for the rain.

Wildlife theories

I'm certainly no authority on this, but every year there seems to be more wildlife on the farmland. Harvest is a great time to see all kinds of animals. At one time, it was rare to see a deer. Now, there are deer and antelope all over the place. As a kid, it was a rarity to see a coyote. Now there are so many coyotes that they are often a problem around farmsteads.

There are now regular sightings of raccoons and moose in areas of the state where those animals rarely appeared. Cougar sightings are also more common. Big owls and hawks seem to be everywhere.

I have some theories about the increase in wildlife. For one thing, abandoned farmyards now dot the landscape and they offer a new habitat. There are fewer people in rural areas and there is a wider array of crops. For instance, deer seem to love chickpeas. With the gun laws and an aging rural population, there's less hunting and less control of pest species. Whatever the reasons, agriculture seems to be supporting a large and diverse wildlife population, the likes of which hasn't been seen for decades. Now, if we could just get paid for this public service we're providing.

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Water [the lack of it] will keep us from increasing grain production

The amount of irrigated land in the world has peaked at 650 million acres. We have tapped the easy water. In the '70s, the area of irrigated land grew at 2.1% a year on the ability to pump from greater depths and build larger dams.

Now annual growth is down to 0.4% and, at the same time, people are taking land out of irrigation as aquifers empty, rivers dry up, and available water is switched from agriculture to industrial and household applications.

216 Texas drought counties qualify for livestock assistance

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that livestock producers in 216 drought-stressed Texas counties may be eligible for \$14.5 million in assistance under the recently announced federal Livestock Assistance Grant Program. The livestock block grant is part of a broad-based national drought disaster assistance program for American farmers and ranchers announced by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

USDA will distribute \$50 million in state block grants to 20 states to help livestock producers recover losses suffered because of the ongoing drought. Assistance may cover such items as the cost of lost forage, supplemental feeding, the cost of relocating livestock to new pastures, and the cost of emergency water supplies.

Only livestock producers in the eligible counties who suffered a loss of forage production because of the 2006 drought may receive assistance. Payments are limited to \$10,000 and cannot exceed the amount of lost

forage production and related losses.

Livestock producers in Texas counties that may be eligible for assistance include Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Denton, Fannin, Grayson, Jack, Montague, Tarrant, Wichita, and Wise.

For timely information on the Livestock Assistance Grant Program for Texas, please visit TDA's Web site at www.agr.state.tx.us under "New at TDA."

Sorghum Board approves check-off

The NSP Board of Directors voted unanimously recently to move forward with the process of creating a national sorghum checkoff. Directors made this decision based on the recommendation of a checkoff committee made up of NSP directors, state checkoff and association representatives, and state staff.

Earlier this summer, NSP President Greg Shelor appointed members to the committee that is chaired by

NSP President-Elect Dale Murden. The Board also accepted some of the committee's ideas regarding cornerstones of a possible program. Directors on the NSP board are now getting input from their sponsoring organizations before the process moves forward.

If you have any questions about the process of moving forward with a national checkoff, please don't hesitate to call the NSP office at (806) 749-3478.

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Bulls 55-58 Md • Gd Bulls 52-55

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Gd • Ch Steers 110-115, Md • Gd Steers 105-110, Gd • Ch Heifers 107-112, Md • Gd Heifers 100-107

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200-300 lbs. Gd • Choice 1.40-1.50, Med. Gd. 1.35-1.40, 300-400 lbs. Gd • Choice 1.30-1.35, Med. Gd. 1.25-1.30, 400-500 lbs. Gd • Choice 1.20-1.27, 500-600 lbs. Gd • Choice 1.17-1.20, Med. Gd. 1.12-1.17

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HOLSTEIN STEER CALVES
200-400 lbs. 90-105
400-600 lbs. 85-90.

Attend Your County Convention
September 18, 2006

Dear Farm Bureau Members,
The Cooke County Farm Bureau invites you to attend the Annual County Convention on Monday, September 18, 2006 starting at 6:30 P.M. at The Center Restaurant in Muenster, Texas.

All County Farm Bureau members are invited to attend this meeting.

Due to limited seating availability, you are asked to call the Gainesville office at 940-665-1763 or our Muenster office at 940-759-4052 prior to noon on Friday, September 15th to confirm that you will be attending.

Cooke County Farm Bureau Board of Directors

Special Note:
We will have an estate planner at 5 P.M. to answer any questions about the new estate tax.

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Light Weight Steers & Heifers - \$2 to \$5 HIGHER. Feeder Steers & Heifers - \$1 to \$2 HIGHER. Packer Cows & Bulls - \$2 to \$4 HIGHER. Pairs & Bred Cows - \$20 to \$40 LOWER. Sold at Friday's sale September 1 were 1014 compared to 1179 head of cattle the previous week. Sold at Tuesday's sale September 1 were 417 Cows, 145 Sheep, and 106 Hogs. The numbers from last week were 582 Cows, 138 Sheep, and 93 Hogs. Results follow:

Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.38-1.63; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.38; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.35-1.63; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.35; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.22-1.38; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.22; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.13-1.26; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95; 1.13-1.26; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.09-1.20; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-109; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 1.00-1.08; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-100	Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: \$700-\$790; Medium Frame: \$500-\$700. Cow/Calf Pairs weanlings under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$650-\$850; Medium Frame: \$500-\$850. Baby Calves Holstein, NT, Cross Breeds: \$125-\$295	Ewes (per lb.) Steer: 45-55; Thin: 25-90; Fat: 40-50
Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.25-1.41; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.25; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.22-1.35; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.22; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.13-1.24; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-109; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.09-1.20; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-95; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 85-100; Nos. 2 & 3, 55-85	Barrows & Gilts (per lb.) US #1, 230-270: 55-65; US #2, 220-280: 50-58	Bucks (per lb.) Thin: NT, Fat: NT Barbados (per head) Lamb: \$5-\$45; Ewes: \$15-\$65; Bucks: \$40-\$100
Slaughter Cattle (per lb.) Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.20-2.05; lbs., 51-6500; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 46-55; Cutter: 25-46	Feeders (per head) 100-175 lbs. \$50-\$95; 25-30 lbs. \$30-\$55	Goats (per head) Kids: 20-35 lbs., \$15-\$45; 35-55 lbs., \$25-\$60; 55-75 lbs., \$45-\$75
	Boars (per lb.) 300 lb. up: 08-10; 200-300 lbs.: 20-25; Light wt.: 35-40	Yearlings (per head) 75-120 lbs., \$75-\$115 Nannies (per head) Steer: \$40-\$85; Milk Type: \$30-\$70; Slaughter: \$50-\$80; Thin: \$15-\$45; Fat: \$50-\$80
	Sheep (per lb.) Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs., 80-115; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 80-100; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., 75-95	Billed (per head) 120 lbs-up Slaughter: \$60-\$100; Breeder: \$65-\$90
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HEIFERS
300-400 lb.: \$125 to \$135;
400-500 lb.: \$120 to \$131;
500-600 lb.: \$115 to \$123;
600-700 lb.: \$105 to \$115;
700-800 lb.: \$95 to \$105.

PACKER COWS
Utility Boning: \$32 to \$40;
Canner/Cutter: \$42 to \$47;
Bulls: \$55 to \$63.

BRED COWS
Choice: \$600 to \$920;
Medium-Good: \$700 to \$800;
Medium-Poor: \$450 to \$650.

COW CALVES
Choice: \$925 to \$1050;
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Medium-Poor: \$650 to \$750.

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WEEKLY SPECIALS

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STAUFFER'S Vanilla Wafers	16 OZ.	99¢	WISHBONE ASSORTED Salad Dressing	16 OZ.	3 for \$5
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SELECT GROUP Act II Popcorn	6-8 CT.	2 for \$4	LIPTON ASSORTED Rice & Sauce	5-6 OZ.	99¢
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ROSARITA ORIGINAL OR SPICY Refried Beans	16 OZ.	89¢	HEAVY DUTY 9" Shurfine Plates	40 CT.	\$2.29
ORTEGA MEDIUM Taco Sauce	8 OZ.	3 for \$4	BOUNTY BASIC PRINTS Paper Towels	6 ROLL	\$4.99
EL PATO MEXICAN Tomato Sauce	7.75 OZ.	2 for \$1	ASSORTED FLAVORS Gatorade	20 OZ.	89¢

WEEKLY BEER SPECIAL

24 PACK, 12 OZ. **Coors or Coors Light** **\$17.99**

HEALTH & BEAUTY CARE

RAPID RELEASE GELCAP OR 8 HOUR CAPLET Tylenol	50 CT.	\$5.99	SELECT GROUP Visine	5 OZ.	\$3.49
SELECT GROUP 40 CT. LIQUIGELS OR 4 OZ. LIQUID Advil	YOUR CHOICE	\$5.49	CREST SELECT GROUP Toothbrush	EACH	\$2.49
SELECT GROUP SKIN CARE Sea Breeze Naturals	8 OZ.	\$3.99	PEPSODENT ORIGINAL OR WHITENING Toothpaste	6 OZ.	89¢

GARDEN FRESH PRODUCE

RED RIPE Roma Tomatoes **8\$1** FOR

FRESH Jumbo Garlic	5 for \$1	FRESH Green Onions	2 for \$1
SALAD SIZE Avocados	3 for \$1	FRESH GREEN Broccoli Crowns	1 LB. 99¢
MPK FOODS MILD OR SPICY Guacamole Mix	1 OZ. 69¢	CELLO PACK PEELLED Baby Carrots	1 LB. 99¢
SPICY PEPPERS Jalapeños	1 LB. 69¢	FRESH BLACK PLUMS, Peaches or Nectarines	1 LB. 99¢
WASHINGTON EX. FANCY GALA OR JONAGOLD New Crop Apples	1 LB. 99¢	VERY VEGGIE, SPRING BLEND OR ROMAINE BLEND Dole Salad Blends	5-12 OZ. 2 for \$5
FRESH Bartlett Pears	1 LB. 99¢	RED RIPE Tomatoes	1 LB. 99¢
FRESH Yellow Onions	2 lbs. \$1	CALIFORNIA BREAKFAST SIZE Grapefruit	2 for \$1
TROPICAL Coconuts	EACH 99¢	LARGE RED Globe Grapes	2 lbs. \$3

FROZEN & DAIRY

SHURFINE ASSORTED FLAVORS Ice Cream 1/2 GAL. SQUARES	2 for \$4	SHURFINE Mini Corn on the Cob	8 CT. 2 for \$3
BLUE BUNNY SELECT GROUP Ice Cream Cups	12 CT. \$3.99	PLAIN Choco Dream	GAL. 2 for \$3
ASSORTED Patio Dinners	11-12.25 OZ. 5 for \$5	KRAFT SELECT GROUP Chunk Cheese	6-8 OZ. 3 for \$5
TOTINO'S ASSORTED CRISP CRUST Party Pizzas	9-10.9 OZ. 5 for \$5	KRAFT INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED American Singles	16 OZ. \$2.99
ORIGINAL, LEAN, CROISSANT OR BISCUIT Hot Pockets	8-9 OZ. 2 for \$5	PLAIN Orange Juice	GAL. \$3.99
		FLEISCHMANN'S ORIGINAL OR UNSALTED Spread Quarters	16 OZ. \$1.49
		WHIPPED, SOFT OR OLIVE OIL BLEND SPREAD Fleischmann's	16 OZ. OR 2-8 OZ. \$1.49
		SHEDD'S SPREAD SELECT GROUP Country Crock	48 OZ. 2 for \$4

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