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Five Muenster Scouts earn Eagle Award



Earning the rank of Eagle last weekend were, from left, Michael Valliere, Brad Endres, Evan Koesler, Jon Ambrose, and Mark Gehrig. Watch for story in next week's Muenster Enterprise. Clifford Sicking photo

Muenster visited by European dignitaries

By Janet Felderhoff
Representatives of 11 countries in Western Europe mingled with Muenster residents on Monday, June 11. They were touring beef processing plants, a feed mill, and area ranches.

The visit came about when Texoma Council of Governments was contacted recently to assist the State Department in meeting the needs of this group of agriculture professionals interested in biotechnology and the beef cattle production and processing industries. Frances Pelley, executive director of Texoma Council of Governments, arranged for the group to visit Muenster when she learned that they were interested in visiting beef processing plants.

"The community could not have been more responsive to our urgent request to design tours to meet their interest areas—especially during wheat harvest," Pelley reported on her dealings with Muenster businesses.

It was a full day for the European visitors who started with breakfast in

Sherman followed by a presentation by Grayson County Judge Drue Bynum at the Grayson County Courthouse. Arriving in Muenster before lunch, the group has time to visit some Main Street businesses before their lunch at Rohmer's Restaurant.

After lunch, there was a tour of Fischer's Meat Processing Plant, Muenster Milling Company, and Walterscheid Meat Company. Scheduled for mid afternoon was a visit to Klement Cattle Ranch. The group ended the Muenster visit with a tour of J.H. Bayer Sons Cattle Ranch northeast of town.

On Tuesday, the group toured the Tyson Plant in Sherman, visited Austin College, and had a tour and presentation at the T.V. Munson Viticulture Center.

Visitors included Edith Klaser of Austria, special political advisor to Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment, and Water Management; Jens Ejner Christensen of Denmark, president of Danish Agricultural TOUR, pg. 2

County takes care of road business

By Janet Felderhoff
Much of Monday's regular Commissioners Court meeting revolved around equipment, materials, or personnel necessary for maintaining or improving the County's rural roads. Warm months are prime time for paving projects.

Sealed bids were opened for the material needed for paving roads. Only one company participated. It was Southern Asphalt and Petroleum Company of Fort Worth and the bid prices are good for six months.

Southern Asphalt's bids for delivery to any precinct were: MC250 - \$1.872 per gallon; MC800 - \$1.852 per gallon; and MC3,000 - \$1.842 per gallon. It was noted that the price for the asphalt could not be increased to exceed 26 cents per gallon during that period. There is a pump charge of \$95 and a demerage charge after the first two hours of \$100 per hour thereafter. The bids were accepted.

Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess got the Court's approval to purchase an asphalt lay-down machine from the Texas Department of Transportation Surplus for

\$20,000. Hess said it is in excellent shape.

Sealed bids were opened for two used 2001 or newer truck/tractors for Precincts 3 and 4. V&T Truck Center of Longview was the only one to bid. It offered a 2001 truck with 133,726 miles and 11R 22.5 tires at \$39,000. To Precinct #4 it offered a 2001 truck with 146,979 miles and 11R25.5 rims at \$39,500. Bids were approved.

The need to do something about required drug testing of the County's road hands with CDL licenses was discussed. As explained by County Auditor Shelley Saunders, the Federal Department of Transportation requires that any person holding a commercial driver's license (CDL) must be regularly drug tested. The employer must randomly drug test its CDL license holders annually and they must have a physical every two years.

Saunders explained that the system the County has to randomly select employees for this testing is inadequate. She found a vendor that would handle it including the record keeping, come on-site, do the random selection for

the testing, and do the tests for less than what is now being charged by a local physician. The drug test would be \$30, the alcohol test \$15, and the physical \$37 compared to \$150 now being charged by the local physician.

It is required that 50% of the CDL holders be tested. There are 28 road hands per quarter. The number from each precinct varies from time to time as does the test. Sometimes it may be for drugs, the next for alcohol, and another for both. It could be the same employee each quarter since names are random. It is not known when testing will take place. The company comes that morning, selects the names, and calls the County barns to have those employees brought in for testing.

Vickie Barnes, Commissioners secretary, said that the program that had been used to pull the names randomly no longer worked with the new computers. It is outdated, she said.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith noted that the employees are already subject to testing. Anytime there is an accident, they are taken in immediately for a test.

Saunders said the times that drug and alcohol testing may be done are just prior to, during, or just after the performance of a safety sensitive function. An employer cannot test a particular employee just because they wish to.

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Yeggs take items from Neil's Phillips 66

By Janet Felderhoff
Neil Huchton, owner of Neil's Phillips 66 station on Hwy. 82, reported that sometime after 1 a.m. Monday, June 11, his business was broken into and items were taken. The stolen items were valued at between \$200 and \$250. They included beer, cigarettes, and about \$25 in cash.

According to Huchton, access to the business was gained by breaking glass in one of the front doors. While in the business, the perpetrators messed with a computer and printer.

The break in was reported at around 5:15 by the person who regularly delivers newspapers there. It is being investigated by the Muenster Police Department.



Clinton Bayer (center) shows a group of European dignitaries deer corn sacked by J.H. Bayer and Sons. The visitors had a hard time understanding why the corn was fed to deer. Janie Hartman photo

Dale Schilling earns honor of TAPPS AA Coach of the Year



Sacred Heart Coach Dale Schilling

Sacred Heart Catholic School Track Coach Dale Schilling was honored as the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Class AA Coach Of The Year for 2006-07. The award was presented to Coach Schilling at the TAPPS summer convention, June 1 at the Omni in San Antonio. Each year the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools selects one coach as the Coach Of The Year in all classifications of class 1A-6A.

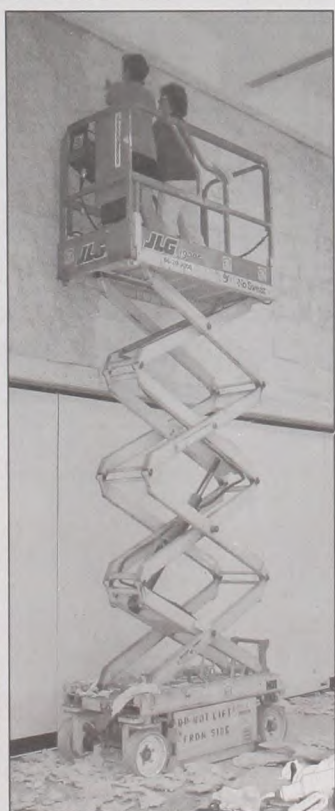
This past year Coach Schilling guided the Tiger track squad to the State Title with an impressive performance as they dominated the field. The Tigers' 2007 title marked the boys fourth State Championship under Coach Schilling's direction in his 10 years as the Tigers' mentor. He also coached six girls State Track titles the past decade.

Schilling was also honored by the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools for career success. TAPPS Executive Director Edd Burleson presented Coach Schilling with two Career Victory Award plaques for career milestones achieved in boys and girls track.

Coach Schilling has achieved 753 points in boys track and 825 points in girls track. It requires 600 points to receive an award. These milestones are equivalent to a football coach achieving over 200 career wins.

Full phase fix up

A handful of volunteers showed up this week to start the demolition of the inside of the Sacred Heart Community Center's main hall, beginning with the removal of all materials from the walls. At right, Jennifer Fuhrmann and Anne Poole peel off the old blown on acoustic cover in preparation of a new modern design. Anyone wishing to help with the cleanup can call or just come by the center when workers are present and lend a hand. Janie Hartman photo



TOUR
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tural Advisory Center; Berangere Basin of France, biotechnology specialist, Ministry of Ecology; Albino Russo of Italy, director, strategic analysis and economic monitoring unit, National Association of Consumer Co-op; Marcus Jansen of Netherlands, head of Consumer and Quality Affairs, Dutch Food Retail Organization; Joanna Rybak and Malgorzata Wozniak of Poland, senior specialists at the Department of Nature Protection, Ministry of Environment; Vladimira Puskarova of Slovak Republic, director of Agriculture and Service Department; Jelka Sustar Vozlic of Slovenia, deputy head of Crop and Seed Science Department, Agricultural Institute of Slovenia; Anders Wannberg of Sweden, Biotech section head, Ministry of Agriculture; Selda Turkoglu of Turkey, European Union assistant expert, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs; and Robin Healey of the United Kingdom, head of GM Regulatory and International Policy, Department of Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). They were accompanied by Elka Charren and William Seabolt, Jr. who are English language officers.



Fischer's Meat Market was one of the stops made by a group of European dignitaries that visited Muenster earlier this week. Janie Hartman photo

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There are six reasons that an employee can be tested. They are pre-employment, reasonable suspicion, random, return of leave, follow up, and post accident. Commissioner Gary Hollowell felt that the County was meeting requirements. Commissioner Al Smith said that in the event of an accident he wanted to be able to load that employee up and take them to a local doctor whom he knows and trusts. Hess told him he would still

be able to do that. The company is two hours away and the employee would be taken to a doctor, not made to wait. More discussion followed. County Judge Bill Freeman then appointed both Commissioners Virgil Hess and Hollowell to study the situation and the costs to make a recommendation to the Court. Commissioner Hess requested that the bid by Lemons House Moving for the purchase of an 18'x41' bridge from Precinct #4 be rescinded because of non payment. The bid was awarded in August 2006. He was contacted then and again in March 2007, but has not paid for the bridge or made an effort to get it. The bid was rescinded. Hess said he will put it in an equipment sale later on.

Johnson-Spence. Some are from before she came here. She is considering various ways to handle this. There have been requests to extend the library's hours on Saturdays. She will try to be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to accommodate those who work until noon on Saturday. Volunteers are willing to work the two additional hours.

In other business, Commissioners Court:

- Approved out-of-state travel for County Extension Agent Phyllis Griffin to attend a 4-H Washington Focus Conference in Washington D.C.
- Approved the County Auditor applying for the New Case Management Software Grant and to purchase software for the County offices.
- Approved preliminary plat for Lone Star Estates (lots 1-6) located off of CR 156 in Precinct #1.
- Approved advertising for sealed bids for four used fuel tanks to be sold individually as is from Precinct #1.
- Approved setting departmental budget hearings beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, June 18. It was approved by a vote of 3-2 with Commissioners Hess and Smith voting no since they preferred a start time of 10 a.m. to allow for other work to be done first.
- Approved Sheriff's Office bonds for Larry Lang, reserve deputy sheriff.

County Library Director Jennifer Johnson-Spence reported that the Summer Reading Program has started and will end on July 15. Participation is up again from the previous year. Story Hour draws about 100 children.

On May 25, DVDs began disappearing from the Library. So far a total of \$300 worth have been taken. She said she would not tolerate that and has changed the system for checking out DVDs to one similar to a rental store. The DVD is taken out of its case and kept in another room.

Library patrons owe more than \$10,000 in fines, said

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

A lot of people in the community have worked diligently to win the Governor's Community Achievement Awards that have paid for so much of the beautification of Muenster. The work and rewards are gifts to the community that enhances the local economy. It blesses my heart to see that June Bartush of Sister's has respected the hard work of Keep Muenster Beautiful volunteers and enhanced the landscaping gift and as a result, won the June Yard of the Month. I'm very proud of all the Main Street businesses that have shown respect for

the hard work of the volunteers by maintaining their Main Street planters that beautifully enhance the community.

Muenster has become a destination. The Executive Director of the Texoma Council of Governments, Frances Pelley is so impressed by Muenster that she brought a delegation from 14 European countries to visit Muenster on Monday. I praise all the Keep Muenster Beautiful volunteers for their continued efforts and love for the community.

MaryLee Alford
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DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO
June 12, 1942

Pfc. Bill Biffle, Myra youth, who was in the 131st Field Artillery fighting in Java, is reported missing in action. Rev. Fr. Frowin is pastor here for 24 years on June 4. **Obituary:** Henry Grotte, 50. **New Arrival:** a daughter to Tech. Sergeant and Mrs. Christopher Fette. J.B. Klement bought Frank Yosten's 165 acre farm northwest of town. John Grewing, Leo Moster, Joe Knabe, J.E. Gray, and Leo Klimpt join construction crew of Camp Howze.

50 YEARS AGO
June 14, 1957

Farmers are still waiting to start harvesting their crops due to wet weather. Nick Schenk loses truck and load of hay in fire. **New Arrival:** Diane to Tony and Sis Klement. **Wedding:** Carol Klein

and Walter Grewing. Patsy Bayer named to head Parish Catholic Youth Council. Joseph Bezner, age 17 of Lindsay, suffered burns to his eyes in tractor mishap. The Louis Robergs move into their new home.

25 YEARS AGO
June 11, 1982

A proposed survey on whether to continue or end Germanfest was blocked at the Chamber of Commerce meeting. **College graduate:** Janet Krahl Jordon, University of Texas at Arlington. **Ben Fleitman, Jr.** chosen grand knight of the Muenster Knights of Columbus. **Wedding:** Carol Yosten and Gene Vogel. **New Arrivals:** Megan to Mike and Jamie Hennigan; Zach to Paul and Joyce Sicking. **Dostart:** J.M. Weinzapfel celebrates 88th birthday.

Work continues on Park fence



Workers of Marcom's Mowing Service are constructing the new fence along Highway 82 at the City Park, under the direction of TxDOT and Keep Muenster Beautiful. Janie Hartman photo

Housing opportunity available for low income families in Texoma Area

Would you like to achieve the American dream of home ownership? Would you like to have a place to call your own? A place where you can plant roots and raise your family? Don't think it's impossible because you don't have money for a down payment or closing costs.

The Mutual Self Help Housing Program administered by the Texoma Council of Governments through a grant from the USDA Rural Development is accepting applications NOW. Families of any size, can be one person or more, will be selected for very low interest USDA mortgages based on income, credit history, and employment requirements.

This innovative housing program provides families, assigned by groups, the opportunity to work together to actually build their own homes. No experience is necessary. All specialized work

items such as electrical, plumbing, roofing, and carpentry will be completed by licensed contractors, and a general contractor will oversee the entire job. The families in each group will be required to work together and contribute a total of 20 hours per week of "sweat equity" into their homes, hence the name "Mutual Self Help." If you are physically unable to contribute your sweat equity, you may have another person or persons to fulfill this requirement of the program.

You CAN achieve the American dream of home ownership. For more specific information, contact Sue Ann Stephens at Texoma Council of Governments at 903-813-3523, email sstephens@texoma.cog.tx.us, or visit the Texoma Council of Governments at 1117 Gallagher Drive, Sherman, Texas.



Cub Scout Day Camp

The annual Cub Scout Day Camp is being held this week at the Muenster City Park. Over 100 scouts from Cooke and Montague Counties are gathering daily for swimming, crafts, games, archery, shooting, and other activities. Pictured is Daniel Hesse at the BB Range getting in some target practice. See inside for more camp photos. Janie Hartman photo



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An excerpt from **The Church's Love Letter to the World** by Rev. Richard John Neuhaus Part 5 of 12

The Gospel of Life is a call to conversion, one by one, to the Lord of life. Without such personal conversion, all our efforts to change society and the world are but delusions, and dangerous delusions at that. The culture of death has its roots in our declaration of independence from God. We declare that we are autonomous selves who, in the manner of Hobbes, rationally calculate with other autonomous selves to construct a society that serves our convenience and liking. The culture of life begins with acknowledging our dependence on the Lord of life and the dependence of others upon us. This is the foundation of our "solidarity with society's weakest members." Love of God and love of neighbor are not two separate commandments; they stand or fall together. "Cain's killing of his brother at the very dawn of history is thus a sad witness of how evil spreads with amazing speed; man's revolt against God in the earthly paradise is followed by the deadly combat of man against man" (no. 8).

Personal conversion, one by one, is the beginning of the turn away from the culture of death and toward the culture of life. The personally converted, however, then turn toward converting others, and each of the converted accepts responsibility for turning society itself toward life. *Evangelium Vitae* reflects a keen awareness of how fragile is the moral fabric of a decent society. It can never be taken for granted.

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Sunday, June 17, 2007	Monday, June 18, 2007	Tuesday, June 19, 2007	Wednesday, June 20, 2007	Thursday, June 21, 2007	Friday, June 22, 2007	Saturday, June 23, 2007
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 Father's Day	VFW Aux. mtg. 7:30pm	MMH Board mtg. 8pm	McCloud presents program after 6:30pm Mass, Comm.Ctr.	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Swim Lesson registration, 9-11am, City Pool, Wear Swimsuits
Sunday, June 24, 2007	Monday, June 25, 2007	Tuesday, June 26, 2007	Wednesday, June 27, 2007	Thursday, June 28, 2007	Friday, June 29, 2007	Saturday, June 30, 2007
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 St. Peter's Parish Picnic, Lindsay	MMH Auxiliary Trunk or Treat planning mtg., 7pm, Adm. Office, all welcome			Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	

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A conversation with Mac



U.S. Representative Mac Thornberry met with Muenster area residents last Saturday at The Center Restaurant. Scott Wood photo

New Passport Rules Require Planning Ahead

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

As Texans prepare for family trips and summer vacations, many are having difficulty getting the passports they need to travel. Under new federal requirements, more Americans will need

passports to re-enter the United States after traveling overseas. Therefore, it is important to know if you will need a passport for your trip, to be familiar with the application process, and to make your arrangements well in advance.

To help prevent undocumented persons from entering our country, new travel guidelines within the western hemisphere are in place. Although well intentioned, the new passport requirements are proving inconvenient and cumbersome. Additionally, the U.S. Department of State's delay in processing passport applications has caused great frustration.

Traditionally, our hemisphere has offered safe travel destinations and friendly neighbors. It is clear, though, that terrorists are anxious to infiltrate our nation through other countries. Further, a few rogue dictators in Central America have sought alliances with nations that harbor terrorists. As a result, a passport or other appropriate documentation is now mandatory for all air travelers re-entering the U.S. from Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda. Beginning Jan. 1, 2008, land and sea travelers will also need a passport to return from these countries. A receipt showing that you have submitted your passport application and a government issued ID will be sufficient for travel to these destinations until the end of September.

With these additional requirements in place, the State Department has received a record number of passport applications and is experiencing a sizable processing backlog. In order to avoid delays, I encourage you to complete and submit your application with all proper documentation as soon as possible.

If you are applying for your first passport, you must go in person to a Passport Acceptance Facility in Texas, most of which are post offices, county clerks' offices, or federal office buildings. Please take the following with you, and be prepared to pay the appropriate application fee:

- A completed "Application for Passport" (Form DS-11)
- Proof of citizenship (certified birth certificate, naturalization certificate, etc.)
- Proof of identity (such as a driver's license or government ID)
- Two passport photos (commercially available)

A full list of acceptance facilities and further details about the passport application process can be found online at <http://travel.state.gov>.

Your passport identifies you as a United States citizen and will grant you entry into more than 140 nations worldwide. Safeguard it at all times, travel safely, and enjoy your vacation!

Republicans hold Picnic



State Representative Rick Hardcastle and District Attorney Cindy Stormer discuss bills that didn't pass during the Texas Legislative Session. See related story and photos inside. Janie Hartman photo

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McCloud speaks on "The Eucharist and Social Justice"

Ralph McCloud will be coming to Sacred Heart Church (note change from meeting room) on Wednesday, June 20, after the 6:30 p.m. Mass (about 7 p.m.) to do a presentation on "The Eucharist and Social Justice." Everyone is invited.

Being a Eucharistic people calls us all to be concerned about and to act on behalf of the poor. We are called to walk as Jesus did in spirit and truth and in solidarity with the poor. The workshop will explore what being a Eucharistic people means in 2007, given our realities and implications for our future. We will discuss strategies for gaining a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist by gaining a deeper appreciation for our brothers and sisters through Christ. The workshop will explore Biblical origins, Catholic tradition, and our current reality.

Ralph McCloud is the department head for community and pastoral services in the Diocese of Fort Worth. He directs the Office of Peace and Justice Ministry. He is on the Board of Trustees for the Na-



Ralph McCloud

tional Black Catholic Congress and the Roundtable, a national Social Justice organization. He has done retreats, revivals, and missions across the country on the gospel call to social justice.

Ralph also served as the Mayor Pro Tempore for the City of Fort Worth and four terms on the City Council. He is a member of the National

Association of Black Catholic Administrators, and a member of American Catholic Correctional Chaplains Association. He serves on many local and national boards including Catholic Charities and AIDS Outreach Center. He chairs the Mayors Commission on Homelessness in the City of Fort Worth.

He is a recipient of awards from the State of Texas Black Legislature, and the Tarrant County Black Professionals in Higher Education. In 2007, he received the Courage Award from the Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty in Texas. In 1999, the Tarrant County Area Community of Churches awarded him the first Racial Justice and Reconciliation Award. The African Methodist Episcopal Church of North Texas named him Man of the Year for the year 2000. In 2006, he received a racial justice award from the Fort Worth Human Relations Commission. In the year 2007, he received the Courage Award from the Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

submitted by Barbara Rohmer



Cub Scout Day Camp at Muenster City Park

Taking a lunch break are, above - from left, James Dangelmayr, Aaron Davis, Grant Springer, Jared Dangelmayr, Jonathan Gregg, and Jeremy Hess; below, Owen Tolar, Andrew Stoffels, and Stone Lamar enjoy a swim; bottom - Devon Hacker and Justin Nasura at the BB range; at left - Stetson McGrew goes off the diving board.

Photos by Janie Hartman



GAS AND OIL REPORTS

The Texas average rig count as of May 18 was 818, representing about 50% of all active land rigs in the United States. In the last 12 months, total Texas reported production was 341 million barrels of oil and 6.2 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

Texas natural gas production represents approximately 29% of total U.S. natural gas demand.

The Commission's estimated final production for March 2007 is 29,085,112 barrels of crude oil and 463,274,671 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas well gas.

The Commission derives final production numbers by multiplying the preliminary March 2007 production totals of 27,861,971 barrels of crude oil and 432,522,333 Mcf of gas well gas by a production adjustment factor of 1.0439 for

crude oil and 1.0711 for gas well gas. (These production totals do not include casing-head gas or condensate.)

Texas natural gas storage reported by the Commission for April 2007 is 301,062,155 Mcf compared to 310,653,427 Mcf in April 2006. The May 2007 gas storage estimate is 316,093,411 Mcf.

The Texas Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division set initial June 2007 natural gas production allowances for prorated fields in the state to meet market demand of 19,428,199 Mcf (thousand cubic feet). In setting the initial June allowances, the Commission used historical production figures from previous months, producers' demand forecasts for the coming month, and adjusted the figures based on well capability.

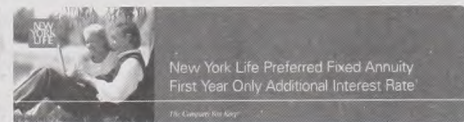
These initial allowances will be adjusted after actual production for June is reported.

APRIL OIL AND GAS COMPLETIONS

In April, operators reported 393 oil, 783 gas, 77 injection, and two other completions compared to 281 oil, 676 gas, 33 injection, and one other completion during April 2006.

Total well completions for 2007 year to date are 4,939, up from 4,390 recorded during the same period in 2006.

Operators reported 411 holes plugged and five dry holes in April compared to 232 holes plugged and zero dry holes in April 2006.



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Cleanup begins in Parish Hall

Volunteers work on the cleanup inside the Sacred Heart Community Center as the old wall covering is removed for replacement. Above, David Fleitman and Paul Fleitman load up demolished wall covering as Laura Marshall and Daniel Fleitman carry out other materials. At left, Elizabeth Marshall and Janet Strother remove acoustic material from the wall.

Janie Hartman photos

Clips from the past

Confetti

The best laugh connected with local beer raids was that of two weeks ago when officers searching one place decided on the easy way of having a suspect deliver the evidence to them. So they phoned an order for two cases of beer. With his usual independence, the man replied bluntly that he was too busy to deliver, "come and get it." They came, but a few minutes ahead of them was a friend advising that the call had come from the law, and the cleanup was completed before they arrived.

Jan. 30, '39

Three are host for "friendly visit" of Liquor Board men

Officers of the State Liquor Control Board paid their respects with "friendly visits" to three of their clients Tuesday afternoon and night. At each place they secured the customary souvenirs as tokens of friendship.

They showed some favoritism to J.C. Trachta in calling upon him in the afternoon and departing in time to permit his return to business in the evening. At Hale Eatery and Bud Bernauer's however, they arrived about 9:30 and caused their hosts to neglect business while entertaining them for almost an hour.

Feb. 3, '39

Business Brief

Latest improvement to Jimmy's Service Station is a spark plug tester and cleaner.

Feb. 10, '39

Confetti

J.G. Hooper (of the *Muenster News*) is announcing another new county paper, the *Cooke County News*... now classifies him as publisher of the chain of newspapers... the *Saint Jo Tribune*, *Montague County News* and *Muenster News* are now published in his Saint Jo plant.

Feb. 10, 1939

OBITUARIES

Raymond Zimmerer 1913 - 2007

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Raymond Zimmerer on Friday, June 8 at 2 p.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with Rev. Ken Robinson officiating. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Raymond John Zimmerer of Gainesville died of natural causes at the age of 93 on Tuesday morning, June 5, 2007 at his home.

Born July 8, 1913 in Lindsay to John and Katie Kempf Zimmerer, he attended elementary school in Lindsay. He married Magdalene Flusche on May 23, 1939 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster. His life's work was as a farmer and a carpenter. He was a member of Sacred Heart Church, continuing to attend Mass every week until Feb. 16, and then received Communion twice weekly at his home.

Survivors include his wife Magdalene of Gainesville; daughter Pat Zimmerer of Denton; sons and daughters-in-law Ray and Ida Zimmerer of Gainesville, Richard and Delores Derichsweiler Zimmerer of Grapevine, and MSgts. Clifford and Charmaine Zimmerer (retired) of Tampa, Florida; sisters and brother-in-law Margaret Koerner, and Marie and Julius Sandmann, all of Lindsay; eight grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his daughters Linda Leijonflycht on Aug. 7, 1998, and Mary Jane (baby) on May 9, 1958; sisters Elizabeth "Lizzie" Schad and Louise Zimmerer; brothers Andrew Zimmerer, Joe Zimmerer, and Norbert Zimmerer.

A Rosary service was held at 7:30 p.m. on June 7 at the funeral home in Gainesville led by Fr. Ken.

Assisting Fr. Ken at the funeral Mass were altar servers Joey and Travis Block, great-great-nephews. The First Reading was given by Matt Zimmerer, with the Second Reading by Tim Zimmerer, both grandsons. Prayers of the Faithful were

read by Anthony Zimmerer, grandson. Offertory Gifts were brought up by grandchildren SMSgt. David Zimmerer (retired) and Michelle Zimmerer Corry of England. Eucharistic ministers were nieces Clara Hermes and Marilyn Sandmann, great-niece Sonya Block, and friends Stella Hess and Viola Rohmer.

Music ministers were Linda Flusche, organist and niece, and Phillip and Brenda Flusche, great-nephew and niece, and Adria Flusche, flutist, great-great-niece. Sacred songs included "Be Not Afraid," "Here I Am Lord," "One Bread, One Body," "On Eagles Wings."

On display near the Communion rail were mementos of Raymond, including a crucifix, pictures of his wife and family, striped overalls, carpenter pencils and ruler, pliers he could never be without, baling wire with which he fixed everything, red handkerchief, stuffed chicken that did the chicken dance representing his sense of humor, 1937 Ford Pickup truck, miniature hay bales, and a smiling picture of him holding a sunflower (the arch enemy of farmers) that voluntarily grew up in his front flower bed.

Remarks of remembrance were given by grandson Doug Zimmerer, which included memories from his grandchild-



Raymond Zimmerer

dren, great-grandchildren, and daughter-in-law Charmaine. Some of the remembrances included, "...taking the tractor rides with him... the long walks to the pond... farming with Grandpa... We would stop in Era for an Orange Crush or as Grandpa called it 'sody water' and a moon pie..."

"And thanks Grandpa for instilling a strong work ethic in each one of us... fishing at the pond... Grandpa was always ready for a big hug... the glint of mischief in his blue eyes, the way he would laugh and then smile at you... his kindness..."

Pallbearers were grandsons Matt Zimmerer, Tim Zimmerer, SMSgt. David Zimmerer (retired), Anthony Zimmerer, and Doug Zimmerer, and nephew Steve Zimmerer.

Dorothy Huchton 1919 - 2007

Dorothy Pulte Huchton died June 5, 2007 in Flower Mound due to complications of Alzheimer's disease. She was born May 7, 1919 to Alex and Elizabeth Pulte in Gainesville. She resided many years in Midland and Abilene. Dorothy was a woman of great faith and was an active member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors are children Richard Michael and wife Betsy, Marilyn Stroop and husband Joe, Timothy and wife Pat, Daniel and wife Becky, and

Annette Dix; brother Herbert; sisters Lucille Hatcher and Anna Mae Gullett; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband Bernard; sons James Robert "Jamie" and Thomas Philip; brothers Raymond and Jerome; and sisters Helen Strategier and Dolores Pulte.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 9 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park.

TEXAS MONTHLY OIL & GAS STATISTICS

APRIL PERMITS TO DRILL

The Commission issued a total of 1,739 original drilling permits in April 2007 compared to 1,452 in April 2006. The April total included 1,445 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 85 to re-enter existing well bores, and 209 for re-completions. Permits issued in April 2007 included 282 oil, 416 gas, 946 oil and gas, 73 injection, zero service, and 22 other permits.

MARCH CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION

Texas preliminary March

crude oil production averaged 898,773 barrels daily, down from the 899,826 barrels daily average of March 2006.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for March is 27,861,971 barrels, a decrease from 28,162,680 barrels reported during March 2006.

MARCH NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION

Texas oil and gas wells produced 491,363,149 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas based upon preliminary production figures for March 2007, up

from the March 2006 preliminary gas production total of 434,821,678 Mcf.

Texas production in March 2007 came from 138,113 oil and 77,974 gas wells.

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Banquet theme is The Power of One

The Home Hospice Auxiliary of Cooke County hosted a membership luncheon event on Thursday, June 7 at the First Methodist Church in Gainesville. The theme for the event was The Power of One.

Home Hospice has existed in Cooke County almost 20 years, according to Kathi Kirby, Hospice volunteer coordinator, who gave the welcome. "Thank you for what you do," she told the volunteers. "Without you, we could not do what we do." In 2006, volunteers gave 3,453 hours of service.

Don Yeager, pastor of First Methodist Church, gave the invocation, noting approval of what the volunteers do, "reaching out to those who need assistance."

Kirby introduced seven volunteer leaders of Hospice, Clara Lemming, Sheila Graham, Judy Barnes, Jane Dudley, Jane Myrick, Margaret Dickson, and Marilyn Melton. Also introduced were Angie Hare with United Way, and Home Hospice staff members.

Home Hospice Executive Director Sherry Little stated how she enjoys the relationship Hospice has with such wonderful volunteers, noting the theme The Power of One. "Because they are individuals, our volunteers give with their hearts," Little added.

Outgoing Auxiliary President Margaret Dickson commented, "We don't think of ourselves as powerful women, but we still make an impact, if only in a small way." She also introduced the 2007-08 Auxiliary officers: Margie Cooper, president; Edna Slater, vice president; Jane Myrick, secretary; and Jean Hamer, treasurer.

Carol Rose, owner and operator of a horse ranch in Cooke County, was a special guest speaker. Rose told a brief early history of her life, arriving in Cooke County in 1966. She talked about her ups and downs in business, and gave the group advice on fulfilling your goals. "You have to dream. If you don't, the dreams won't come true. Never lose sight of your dreams, your goals, and your beliefs." Rose also said to believe in yourself. "Don't be afraid of your mistakes. Learn from your mistakes. When things change, change with the time." Rose added, "All of us can do something. You never know when you're going to impact someone's life or when someone will impact yours."

Door prizes were drawn. Alice Mashburn won a painting by Betty Monroe Martinez, and Sheila Graham won a quilt donated by Margie Reid.



Steve and Brenda Fuhrmann of Lindsay announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Dee Ann Fuhrmann to Larry Michael Atchley, son of Larry and Sandy Atchley of Petrolia. The couple plans to be married on Saturday, July 28, 2007, in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay at 4:30 p.m. with a reception following in Centennial Hall. Miss Fuhrmann is a 2001 graduate of Lindsay High School and a 2004 graduate of Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She is employed by Blum ISD as an elementary teacher. Mr. Atchley graduated from Petrolia High School in 2000. He is manager of Control Equipment in Cleburne. After a honeymoon trip to Riviera Maya, Mexico, the couple will reside in Burleson.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad... Let the fields be joyful and all that is therein: then shall the trees of the wood rejoice.

The Book of Psalms

CCRW picnic benefits Women's Crisis Center

The Cooke County Republican Women hosted a fundraiser picnic last Friday evening at the Muenster City Park. An auction of theme baskets brought in by volunteers was held, raising \$3,250 to benefit the proposed Women's Crisis Center of Cooke County. Donations are still being accepted.

The picnic also had a "Let the Feathers Fly Chicken Challenge" contest, open to anyone who wished to enter their favorite chicken dish. Tom Griffin, Jerry Lawson, and John Roane judged the seven entries. Winners were: 1st place, Rebecca Lawson, chicken and rice casserole; 2nd place, Robert Eggleston, chicken salad; and 3rd place, Sharon McCormack, Hawaiian chicken. The chicken dishes were then placed with other covered dishes for the picnic meal.

State representative Rick Hardcastle was a special guest, reporting on the Texas Legislative Session and answering questions. He noted that it took 12 hours to elect a speaker - the first order of business, but a lot of good things also happened. "We passed a budget that left billions in the bank of taxpayers' money and paid back every Peter and Paul. The State of Texas is booming," Hardcastle noted, saying that the good side of the price of

gas is that for every dollar a barrel oil goes up - the State of Texas gets 65¢.

Hardcastle was on the "border" committee, listening to 176 hours of comments. "We (the State of Texas) are constitutionally bound to uphold the constitution of the United States. Texas cannot control a U.S. jurisdictional border. We did take major steps to thin down the drug problem from the south."

On the subject of the Trans Corridor, Hardcastle noted that we have to lean towards the toll roads because the state doesn't have to fund maintenance. "We are facing a larger population that wants the Trans Corridor," he added, noting that an eight lane corridor is cheaper than widening I-35, because I-35 property is so high priced.

"Wind energy is good for agriculture, good for the landowner, and good for Texas, but there are a few out there against it," Hardcastle added.

Also saying a few words was Lewis Simmons, chief of staff for Senator Craig Estes, and Dorothy Lewis, representing the Women's Shelter Crisis Center. "The money earned tonight is one more step toward a crisis center in Cooke County."

Frank Rust, Cooke County Republican party chairman, conducted the auction.

Hospital Auxiliary considers a "pink ladies" volunteer program

Harriet Scoggins shared her experience as a volunteer for the North Texas Medical Center Auxiliary group with members of the Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary at its May 14 meeting. The MMH Auxiliary is considering implementing a similar program and wanted to learn more about what it entails.

Harriet said that it requires six weeks of training to become certified. The training is done at the hospital during time being volunteered. She said there are several ways in which the volunteers assist. These include making coffee for the families of surgery patients, helping

patients find their way, working in the gift shop, making favors for the patients' trays, and numerous other things to add to the comfort of patients and their families.

There are set times that Harriet does her volunteer work and the shifts are three hours. She said that she enjoys it and would encourage Muenster to start a program modified to the needs of patients at MMH.

The Muenster Auxiliary members expressed interest in pursuing the program. President Penny Fisher agreed to contact Gayla Blanton of NTMC and find out more details. The group will

make a decision at the end of the summer.

Discussion was held on the annual Trunk or Treat. Penny contacted Father Ken of Sacred Heart Parish and learned of options that would make holding the event in the Community Center possible. Some members said that if it is continued, prizes that are better or more useful should be considered. On June 25 at 7 p.m. there will be a planning meeting held for all who are interested in the event, especially if you wish to help or have ideas for changes.

Each summer, the Auxiliary hosts a picnic in the Muenster City Park for MMH staff and employees and their families. July 25 was selected. The pool and pavilion will be reserved for use that evening.

Adelia Wilson read a card of thanks from the Hospital staff for items donated by the Auxiliary to celebrate Hospital Week in May.

The Hospital Administration asked if the Auxiliary would be willing to take over care of the planters in front of the Family Health Clinic and Muenster Pharmacy. The Hospital will help with purchasing shrubs for the flowerbed now being redone in the patient patio area and supply drip irrigation to the planters so watering is not a problem. Members agreed to take on the planters.

It was agreed not to hold a regular meeting in June or July due to summer activities. The next regular meeting will be held Monday, Aug. 13 at 7 p.m.

Republican Women's Picnic



At left, Sharon McCormack checks in "theme baskets" to be auctioned; above, Jerry Lawson, Tom Griffin, and John Roane judge "Let the Feathers Fly Chicken Challenge"; and below, State Representative Rick Hardcastle (center) talks politics with Dan Hamric and Pat Peele.

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Library initiates summer reading program

The Bettie M. Luke Muenster Public Library has begun their summer reading program. Anyone ages zero through 6th grade may sign up for the program at the Library located at 418 N. Elm

Street. Those who read 20 children's books or five junior books will receive free ice cream coupons redeemable at either DI One Stop or Sonic. And, at the end of summer

party on July 28, they will receive a free meal coupon from Cracker Barrel.

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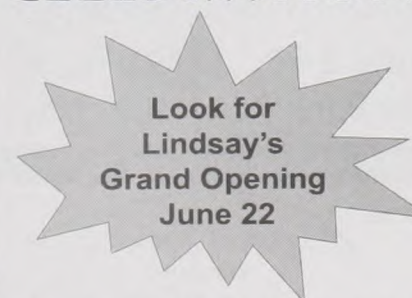
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Knabe graduates from Wayland Baptist University

Melanie Fitzhugh Knabe graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology on June 9. The graduation ceremony was held in Lubbock at First Baptist Church.

Married to Bert Knabe, Melanie is the daughter of Arthur and the late Gladys Fitzhugh, and daughter-in-law of Herbert and Edna Knabe.

Following the ceremony, the graduate, her husband Bert, their children Chris, April, Justin, Jacob, and Ty, and all family and friends enjoyed a meal and an afternoon of visiting.

Melanie plans to obtain her Master's Degree in Psychology and has already enrolled in classes.

Eric Walterscheid ranked Eagle Scout

The Boy Scouts of America Troop 298 awarded Eric Walterscheid of Highland Village the Rank of Eagle Scout, the organization's highest ranking. Eric, in scouting since 1998, advanced through the various ranks, earning over 20 merit badges, as well as induction to the Order of the Arrow.

Eric is the son of Greg and Julie Walterscheid, and grandson of Sylvan and Theresa Mae Walterscheid, Anthony Grewing, and Linda Luttmer.



Eagle Scout Eric Walterscheid

Highlights include a troop trek to Philmont and completion of his Eagle Scout project, a 50-foot brick paver path at the Outdoor Classroom of Heritage Elementary, his former elementary school.

His recently held Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony was well attended by all of his family, friends, and relatives. There he received an award from Heritage Elementary PTA for his service work, as well as recognition from U.S. Representative Michael Burgess, and a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol.

Bauer takes trip to Brazil

Muenster resident Kathy Bauer recently took a working trip to Brazil representing the Rotary International organization. She has many jobs in the Gainesville Rotary Club and one of them is YEO (Youth Exchange Officer). She has occupied this office the last four years. Bauer's full-time job is the program coordinator of the Business and Accounting Department at North Central Texas College.

given a tour to Rio Quente, or "Hot River," and a hot water park. The river water registers 88 degrees F.

She had a wonderful time and is ready to return. It is an exceptional honor to be a part of Rotary's International headquarters based in Chicago. It is a unique assignment and a step into the mainstream of progression or accession to positions of higher responsibility in the international structure.

The most recent exchange student, Jaon Garridda, attended Sacred Heart School as a senior.

Bauer traveled to Brasilia, Brazil, recently to attend a world wide conference highlighting Rotary's youth exchange program. Bauer and her fellow attendees were all designated Youth Exchange Officers who work together promoting the idea of swapping students between countries, finding homes, solving problems, forming relationships, sharing ideas, and discussing funding methods. Many of the speakers had more than 15 years experience to share.

She met several of her group in New York and entered Brazil at Sao Paulo, then flew on to Brasilia where Rotarians by the dozens met them with banners waving. Bauer explained, "I was hugged by the first welcome, hugged and kissed by the next, and somewhere along the way, it was explained to me that those Brazilians from the south hugged, those from the north kissed, and those in the middle hugged and kissed. I was told not to worry, I'd catch on in time."

It turned out to be her lucky day - Brazilians love Texans and she was introduced as a special guest from Texas. She was treated as a V.I.P. the entire conference. Subjects and areas covered from the rostrum included travel, government officials, and ways to improve the exchange program.

Not all was work. After the conference, the group was



Kathy Bauer shows a Sao Paulo Club flag from her recent trip.

You can help those in need



This was taken at one of the places in Nicaragua where clothing collected by churches here is passed out to the people. A truck will be in the Sacred Heart Community Center Parking lot this Saturday from 9 a.m. until noon accepting donations of clothing. It will be sent to those in need who come to missions in Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua for assistance. Please, bring it in trash bags and do not use hangers. Courtesy photo



New members enrolled in the Confraternity of Christian Mothers, from left, Kathy Creed, Doreen Taylor, Billie Grewing, Confraternity Director Rev. Ken Robinson, Kay Pagel, Deb Klement, Toni Deweber, Edith Leyva, and St. Ann's Society President Imelda Rohmer. Also enrolled, but not pictured were Kristi Schneider and Kim Felderhoff. Courtesy photo

St. Ann's Society puts their focus on family

The St. Ann's Society joins with the National Confraternity of Christian Mothers in helping mothers and ladies interested in working for the spiritual and general welfare of the family.

At the meetings, members pray for all children, have a short business meeting depending on help needed in the parish and welfare of St. Ann's members, something educational, and time to socialize.

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COLLEGE HONORS

Tarleton State University

The "A" Honor Roll and the Distinguished Students list for the Spring 2007 semester have been released by Tarleton State University.

Students listed on the "A" Honor Roll have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) and are taking a minimum of 12 credit hours. Listed on the "A" Honor Roll is Jalynn Wilson of Lindsay.

Distinguished Students include freshmen and sophomores who have a minimum 3.25 GPR and no grade lower than a C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum 3.5 GPR with no grade lower than a C. All must be in good standing with the university. Listed as a Distinguished

Student is Kristi McAden of Muenster.

Midwestern State University

Midwestern State University has recognized honor students for the Spring 2007 semester.

To make the President's Honor Roll, a student must complete a semester schedule of at least 12 hours with no grade lower than an A (4.0). Listed on the President's Honor Roll is Shannon Grewing.

To make the Provost's Honor Roll, a student must complete a semester schedule of at least 12 hours with a grade point average of 3.75 to 3.99 and no grade lower than a C. Listed on the Provost's Honor Roll is Jennifer Tune.

Senior citizens of Cooke County invited to patriotic celebration

The Area Agency on Aging and Meals on Wheels is sponsoring a patriotic celebration for Cooke County senior citizens. The event will honor our country and our troops on Tuesday, July 3 from 3:30 to

5 p.m. at Pecan Creek Apartments located at 110 Lawrence in Gainesville.

Entertainment and food will be provided and prize awarded for the Oldest Veteran and the Most Patriotic Dressed.

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Hot dog! It's the Fourth of July celebration in Saint Jo

The City of Saint Jo, the Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce, and the Saint Jo Volunteer Fire Department will once again sponsor a July 4th celebration fireworks display in Boggess City Park beginning at full dark (around 9 p.m.) on Wednesday, July 4. A patriotic children's parade will start at 7 p.m. at the Saint Jo square. All children under the age of 13 are welcome and they do not need to register, just show up before 7. Prizes will be awarded for the best patriotic costume. Bicycles and small wagons are allowed, and there will even be a stroller section. No motorized vehicles are allowed. For more information call Marty or Brad Bugg at

995-7049. The Chamber will sponsor the July 4th Freeze-Off. Teams of two to four people are invited to make homemade ice cream. Three prize winners, selected by popular vote after the tasting, will be announced at 9 p.m. Grand prize is \$300, 2nd place \$200, and 3rd place \$100, and will be awarded to the nonprofit youth group of the winning teams' choice. Register by calling Donna Sickles at 995-9447. This year, you can enter the simple Flavors category as a single no fanfare entry, but you won't be eligible for 1st place. The Chamber will continue

the tradition of free watermelon all evening. Beginning at 7 p.m., hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, and other refreshments will be available for purchase.

The Saint Jo community has an excellent history of providing financial support for the annual Fourth of July fireworks celebration, and is asking for your help again this year. Donation buckets are displayed at businesses in Saint Jo. Donations can also be mailed or delivered to: Fireworks Account, c/o First National Bank, P.O. Box B, Saint Jo, TX 76265. All collected deposited funds are used to buy fireworks.

Youth offered historical programs

Sign up now for a summer series of three historical programs for children ages 8 to 11 years old (3rd to 5th grades) at the Morton Museum of Cooke County in Gainesville.

In the first program, come and explore the Life of a Civil War Soldier. The second program will focus on Texas Rangers on the Frontier, and the third program will delve into Heroes in History. The children will participate in hands-on activities and enjoy great stories.

Programs will take place on Tuesday, June 26, Wednesday, June 27, and Thursday, June 28, instructed by Rodney Hess. Each session are 10 a.m. to noon.

For information, call the Museum at 668-8900.

Winners announced in Forestburg Parade and 42 Tournament

The Forestburg Sesquicentennial Celebration Parade was held Saturday, June 9 at 10:30 a.m. Tony Desmuke announced the parade, with Rebecca Holloway singing the National Anthem and Rev. Larry Kruger of Nocona United Methodist Church giving the invocation.

Leading the parade was the Forestburg Riding Club with President Garrett Johnson and Vice President Liz Johnson carrying the United States and Texas flags, followed by Club Sweetheart Lainey Boyd. Mr. Forestburg Sesquicentennial King Gordon Wade and Mrs. Forestburg Sesquicentennial Queen Helen Steadham were warmly welcomed.

There were 45 registered

entries in eight categories and many nonregistered participants. Winning entrants were as follows: Sunset fire truck, Fire Department and Emergency Vehicle trophy; Montague County Historical Society, Float trophy; Forestburg Riding Club, Riding Club trophy; Samanthie Reynolds, Individual Horse Rider trophy; Eli and Shirley Harvil, Antique Automobile trophy; 5P Welding, Inc., Commercial Division; Donnie Henzler, Best Antique Farm Equipment; Texas Longhorn Riders, Miscellaneous trophy. Judges for the parade were former Forestburg ISD teachers Dan Hamric, Jo Ann Sickling, and Carol Harris. Assisting Charles Edwards, parade director, were Dick Ellzey, Raymond Wood, and Jim Clark.

Twelve contestants entered the 42 tournament. Contestants drew for their playing schedule, with players rotated so that no one played the same partner twice. After seven 20-minute rounds of play, David Goodwin won 1st place. Charles Edwards won 2nd. Three players were tied for 3rd, and after a draw-off of dominos Gerald O'Brien, won the 3rd place trophy.

Vacation Bible School 2007



Photos by Janie Hartman

Vacation Bible School at Sacred Heart was last week. Activities were plentiful as illustrated, clockwise, starting above left - Jessie Dangelmayr, Sarah Davis, and Jena Dangelmayr enjoy snack time; Dylan Huchton and Nolan Vogel take a break; Dane Huchton and Garrett Bindel show off their craft; Hayden Otto and Kody Walterscheid in class; Hillary Walterscheid assists Ethan Muller; Matthew Klement and Jada Binder listen to a story; Jayden Walterscheid, Ryan Huchton, and Kolby Klement have playtime; Jacob Hesse; and Grace Green in center.



Will you give this to my Daddy?

Editor's note: this was taken from an e-mail being circulated

Last week I was in Atlanta, Georgia attending a conference. While I was in the airport, returning home, I heard several people behind me beginning to clap and cheer. I immediately turned around and witnessed one of the greatest acts of patriotism I have ever seen.

Moving through the terminal was a group of soldiers in their camos. As they began heading to their gate, everyone (well almost everyone) was abruptly to their feet with their hands waving and cheering.

When I saw the soldiers, probably 30-40 of them, being applauded and cheered for, it hit me. I'm not alone. I'm not the only red-blooded American who still loves this country and supports our troops and their families.

Of course I immediately stopped and began clapping for these young unsung heroes who are putting their lives on the line everyday for us so we can go to school, work, and home without fear or reprisal.

Just when I thought I could not be more proud of my country or of our service men and

women, a young girl, not more than six or seven years old, ran up to one of the male soldiers. He knelt down and said "hi."

The little girl then asked him if he would give something to her daddy for her. The young soldier, who didn't look any older than maybe 22 himself, said he would try and what did she want to give to her daddy. Then suddenly the little girl grabbed the neck of this soldier, gave him the biggest hug she could muster and then kissed him on the cheek.

The mother of the little girl, who said her daughter's name was Courtney, told the young soldier that her husband was a Marine and had been in Iraq for 11 months now. As the mom was explaining how much her daughter Courtney missed her father, the young soldier began to tear up.

When this temporarily single mom was done explaining her situation, all of the soldiers huddled together for a brief second. Then one of the other servicemen pulled out a military-looking walkie-talkie. They started playing with the device and talking back and forth on it.

After about 10-15 seconds of this, the young soldier walked back over to Courtney, bent down and said this to her, "I spoke to your daddy and he told me to give this to you." He then hugged this little girl that he had just met and gave her a kiss on the cheek. He finished by saying "your daddy told me to tell you that he loves you more than anything and he is coming home very soon."

The mom at this point was crying almost uncontrollably and as the young soldier stood to his feet, he saluted Courtney and her mom. I was standing no more than six feet away from this entire event.

As the soldiers began to leave, heading towards their gate, people resumed their applause. As I stood there applauding and looking around, there were very few dry eyes, including my own. That young soldier in one last act of selflessness, turned around and blew a kiss to Courtney with a tear rolling down his cheek.

We need to remember everyday all of our soldiers and their families and thank God

for them and their sacrifices. At the end of the day, it's good to be an American.

RED FRIDAYS — Very soon, you will see a great many people wearing red every Friday. The reason? Americans who support our troops used to be called the "silent majority". We are no longer silent, and are voicing our love for God, country, and home in record breaking numbers.

We are not organized, boisterous or over-bearing. We get no liberal media coverage on TV, to reflect our message or our opinions. Many Americans, like you, me, and all our friends, simply want to recognize that the vast majority of America supports our troops.

Our idea of showing solidarity and support for our troops with dignity and respect starts this Friday - and continues each and every Friday until the troops all come home, sending a deafening message that every red-blooded American who supports our men and women afar will wear something red.

By word of mouth, press, TV — let's make the United States on every Friday a sea of red much like a homecoming football game in the bleachers.

If every one of us who loves this country will share this with acquaintances, co-workers, friends, and family, it will not be long before the USA is covered in RED and it will let our troops know the once "silent" majority is on their side more than ever; certainly more than the media lets on.

The first thing a soldier says when asked "What can we do to make things better for you?" is... We need your support and your prayers.

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SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Preschool celebrates Moving On



Sacred Heart Preschool students enjoy entertaining family and friends at the Moving On Ceremony held May 22 to celebrate progressing on to the next year. Songs were accompanied by movements. Pictured are from left, top photo, back row - Colby Endres, Savannah Bohl, Jacob Walterscheid, Koby Hogan; front - McKenna Forshee, Kelsey Hennigan, Jared Walterscheid, and Erin Hesse; center photo, Anna Moritz, Danny Luttmmer, and Colby Endres; at right, from top - Lane Trubenbach, Wade Trubenbach, and Chloe Hacker; bottom right, from top - Logan Muller, Gavin Grewing, and Mary Fisher; bottom left, from left - McKenna Forshee and Kelsey Hennigan. Janet Felderhoff photos



Riley attends Baltimore Convention of NCEA

Chad Riley, principal of Sacred Heart Catholic School, attended the 104th annual convention and exposition of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) in Baltimore, Maryland, April 10 to 13.

Convention keynote speakers were Most Rev. Pietro Sambì, apostolic nuncio to the

United States; Sister Clare Fitzgerald, recipient of the 2006 NCEA Elizabeth Ann Seton President's Award; Mike Patin, known as the "Billy Crystal of religious education"; and Joe Garagiola, Jr., senior vice president of baseball operations for Major League Baseball.

Convention liturgies were celebrated by Cardinal William Keeler, archbishop of Baltimore; Cardinal Justin Rigali, archbishop of Philadelphia; Most Rev. Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, D.C.; Most Rev. Paul Loverde, bishop of Arlington; and Most Rev. William Francis Malooly, auxiliary bishop of Baltimore.

"The NCEA Convention is an excellent opportunity both to learn about important movements in Catholic education and talk with other Catholic educators from different parts of the country," Chad Riley said of the convention.

The theme for this year's four-day convention was "Anchor of Faith—Harbor of Light," reflecting both Baltimore's location as a harbor

for ships and for faith and the fact that education and faith are anchors to one's identity. More than 9,000 delegates from all levels of Catholic education—elementary and secondary schools, religious education programs, seminaries, colleges, and universities, governing boards and superintendents of schools—were able to select their own schedule from among more than 400 professional development sessions. Topics included special education, early childhood development, technology, religious education, governance, curriculum, legal issues, and public policy.

On the exposition floors, more than 700 booths displayed the latest in uniforms, technology, school furnishings, textbooks, fundraising products, and other items.

NCEA is the largest private professional education association in the world. Founded in 1904, the Association's membership represents more than 200,000 educators serving 7.6 million students in Catholic education at all levels. Sacred Heart is a member of NCEA.

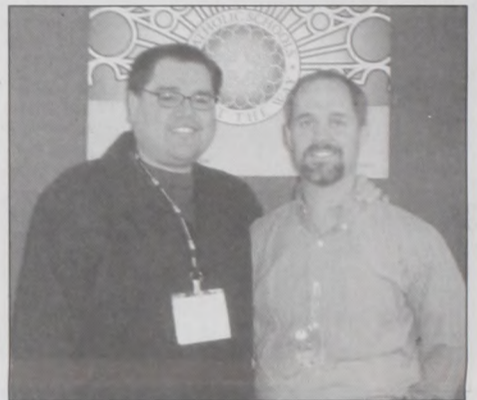
Officers elected by Muenster Junior High Student Council

The 2007-08 Muenster Junior High Student Council had their first planning meeting on May 23 in the High School Computer Lab. They had lunch and set the calendar for next year.

The new officers are: Emily Hellman, president; Tyler Anderle, vice-president; Lana Heers, secretary; Landon Presnall, treasurer; Paige Hennigan, parliamentarian; Amber Walterscheid, historian; Kalya Dangelmayr, yearbook reporter; Lauren Rohmer, *Muenster Enterprise* reporter.

The Seventh Grade representatives are Brooke Walterscheid and Hunter Klement. The Eighth Grade representatives are Blake Voth and Allison Pagel.

Members are Taylor Endres, Paige Herr, Michelle Sicking, Tori Dyess, Payton Sanders, Trevor Hess, Kristina Lamar, Christina Rohmer, Shelby Dangelmayr, Andi Felderhoff, and Andi Hess.



Xavier Rodriguez, principal of All Saints Catholic School in Fort Worth and Sacred Heart Catholic School Principal Chad Riley, at right.

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Fourth Quarter PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL

Senior - Taylor Torcellini, Terapat Pulpanyawong;

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Freshmen - Ian Barnhill, Isaac Davis, John Krawietz, Kristen Miller, Kristin LeBasseur;

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Grade 7 - Mark Bartush, Michael Davis, Benjamin Yosten;

Grade 5 - Morgan Hesse;

Grade 4 - Elizabeth Weinzapfel, Hayden Schilling.

"A" HONOR ROLL

Senior - Jessica Bartel, Dainah Hartman, Stephanie Krawietz, Kristen Miller, Jes-

sica Schilling, Mitchell Sellers;

Junior - Patricia Bujard, Lauren Creed, Ann-Marie Opperman, Tyler Rohmer;

Sophomore - Nathan Berend, Kaitlyn Felderhoff, Kirk Felderhoff, Dylan Flusche, Mitchell Hesse, Ben Walterscheid, Samantha Wimmer;

Freshmen - Virginia Bartush, Chad Henschel, Eryn Moody, Zachary Moritz, Katy Satree, Josiah Yosten;

Grade 8 - Ryan Felderhoff, Haylee Hess, Megan Hesse, Taylor Reiter, Alex Turner, Zachary White, Calvin Wimmer;

Grade 7 - Robert Bartush, Amanda Knabe, Amelia McBride, Kelsey Reeves, Quinn Sicking;

Grade 6 - Isaac Barnhill, Devan Henry, John Hesse, Michael Weinzapfel;

Grade 5 - Kylie Hess, Bailey Walterscheid, Chris Bartush;

Grade 4 - James Dangelmayr, Madison Hesse, Aaron Davis.

"B" HONOR ROLL

Senior - Mark Fleitman, Chris Hennigan, Theo Otto, Karina Skotnik;

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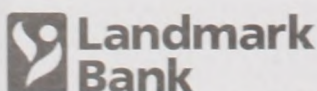
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Janie Hartman photo

SPORTS

Tigerettes shine in All-Star contest

Sacred Heart Catholic School Tigerette All-State players Lauren Creed and Samantha Wimmer helped lead their North squad to an 81-69 victory in the annual TAPPS summer All-Star game.

The games are played in conjunction with the TAPPS summer convention in San Antonio and the teams are composed of All-State players from all classifications from

the previous school year. Samantha Wimmer hit for 13 points and picked up five steals, and her teammate Lauren Creed hit for five points and collected eight rebounds.

The North squad was led in scoring by Bishop Lynch's Nicki Nester with 14 points. The South squad was led by Marble Falls Faith star Ashley Fields with 38.



Lauren Creed and Samantha Wimmer

Wimmer and Creed honored by TABC

Sacred Heart Catholic High School players Lauren Creed and Samantha Wimmer have been selected to the TABC Private School All-State Team for the 2006-07 season.

"This is a very deserving honor for these two young ladies," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "To honor Sam and Lauren by the TABC is a direct reflection of their hard work and the success of the Tigerette team."

Creed, a junior, led the Tigerettes in rebounds with 370 and shot 42% from the field as she scored 291 points for the year.

Wimmer, a sophomore, led the Tigerettes in scoring with 441 points, assists with 168, and steals with 254.

The Tigerettes finished the season with a 33-3 record and the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Class AA State Championship.

Hornet Basketball Camp produces winners

There was a 'swarm of Hornets' at basketball camp this summer. With almost 100 participants, the gym was full of excitement. Players improved upon their skills of passing, dribbling, shooting, defense, and team play. Coaches Jeff Presnall, Michael Sissney, and Amy Binder were on watch all week looking for hard working, skilled, and determined players. Players also worked hard for chances to win fun basketball prizes in daily drawings.

Competition Awards: Money Basket (3rd - 6th), Jared Endres, Kristen Reiter, Bryce Herr, Bailey Klement,

Darrell Hermes; Money Basket (7th - 9th), Demi Koelzer, Michelle Sicking, Kalynd Dangelmayr, Hunter Klement; Lay-ups, Kassie Dangelmayr, Clint Sidwell, Jacy Steelman, Blake Grewing; Free Throws, Zachary Klement, Katie Pagel, Taylor Klement, Shane Presnall; Knockout, Mason Binder, Kristen Reiter; Hot Shot, Kendi Bayer, Jared Endres, Lana Heers, Blake Grewing.

Winners of awards chosen by the coaches were: Ball Handling, Kendi Bayer, Bryce Herr, Shelby Dangelmayr, Jace Wann; Passer, Shelbi Sicking, Jer-

emy Hess, Lana Heers, Clayton Rohmer; Dribbler, Macie Pagel, Zayne Styles, Michelle Sicking, Austin Hennigan; Form Shooter, Shelby Klement, Brennan Binder, Olivia Haverkamp, Blayne Styles; Happy Camper, Natalie Fangman, Logan Wann, Amber Walterscheid, Sean Chism; Hustler, Tressa Jones, Jared Endres, Andi Felderhoff, Trevor Hess; Most Improved, Destin Fleitman, Brandon Hennigan, Demi Koelzer, Hunter Klement; Screener, Erin Hess, Zach Trubenbach, Chloe Schneider, Blake Voth; V-Cut/Backdoor, Adrien Rohmer, Trevor Cheaney,

Andi Hess, Jace Wann; Defense, Allie Walterscheid, Clayton Hess, Jacy Steelman, Tanner Silmon; Most Coachable, Brooke Walterscheid, Kalynd Dangelmayr.

All-Star Girls (3rd-6th), Kristen Reiter, Katie Pagel, Aly Schinigo, Abby Pagel; All-Star Boys (3rd - 6th), Trey Anderle, Chance Herr, Clint Sidwell, Cole Walterscheid; All-Star Girls (7th - 9th), Paige Herr, Shelby Dangelmayr, Allison Pagel, Lana Heers; All-Star Boys (7th - 9th), Tyler Anderle, Blake Grewing, Jason Luke, Garrett Walterscheid; MVP (3rd - 6th), Claire Schneider and Mason Binder; MVP (7th - 9th), Taylor Klement and Shane Presnall.



Sacred Heart Coaches Dale Schilling and Jon LeBrasseur show off some of the awards earned at the TAPPS summer convention.

Sacred Heart wins TAPPS All-Around Championship

Sacred Heart Catholic School was presented the 2006-07 Texas Association of Private And Parochial Schools (TAPPS) All-Around Championship Cup at the recent summer convention in San Antonio.

The school that earns the most points in Academics, Art, Music, and Athletics for the school year is presented the cup that will reign in the halls for the next school year.

"This is a great honor for Sacred Heart Catholic School as it is a direct reflection of the performance of our student-athletes, teachers, and

coaches for the past school year," said Athletic Director Jon LeBrasseur.

Four State Championships helped the Tigerettes and Tigers to the All-Around Title. Championships in girls cross-country, girls basketball, boys golf, and boys track, along with scoring points in every athletic event in propelled the school to the title. Sacred Heart scored 64 points to outdistance 2nd place Marble Falls Faith Academy and Sherman Texoma Christian School who tied for second with 44.



High flying action

7 on 7 football competition is being played on Monday nights in Muenster. Seen here in action is Sacred Heart vs Muenster.

Janie Hartman photo

Basketball camp offered at Lindsay

June 25 through 28, the Lindsay coaching staff is sponsoring a basketball camp for boys and girls in grades four through nine. The camp will take place in the Lindsay ISD gym with 4th through 6th graders working out from 8 to 10:30 a.m., and 7th through 9th graders going from noon until 3 p.m.

The cost is \$50 which includes a t-shirt and awards. For more information, call Don Neu at 665-5751.



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Red River Summer League Basketball

Muenster (white) and Sacred Heart (red) Junior Varsity teams battle it out earlier this week.

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In T-ball action, Jared Walterscheid watches his teammate at bat from 2nd base, guarded by Riley Stewart and Erin Osborn.

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FARM & RANCH

Eminent Domain Reform means good growth for Texas

By Kenneth Dierschke
Texas Farm Bureau

Texas continues to be one of the fastest growing states in the nation. There was an explosion of growth in the '90s, and in the 21st Century, the mass influx of people continues, spawning more businesses and increasing the need for state and local services. More than 40% of the entire nation's investment capital came to Texas in 2006. This growth brings with it increased demand on water, utilities, schools, and transportation. It is necessary growth that comes with the expansion of the population.

Obviously, there are those who oppose this growth, who would prefer to build a fence around our state to "keep the rascals out." This is not a realistic approach to address the future of Texas, and fortunately our leaders have recognized its futility.

Fortunately, the Legislature has provided a balance on our growth versus protections for those who have called Texas home for many years. That balance is in the form of the Eminent Domain bill that passed the legislature in the final days of the session. With its passage, Texas has one of the strongest property rights protections in the nation.

HB 2006 by Representative Beverly Woolley (R) of Houston and Senator Kyle Janek (R), also of Houston, assures that property owners will be adequately compensated when a governing entity seeks to take their property for public purposes.

HB 2006 requires a condemning entity to make a "good faith offer" prior to condemnation and provides incentives to the condemning entity to do so. It also provides for compensation to the

property owner when the entity does damage to the property.

HB 2006 allows us to welcome with open arms those new Texans who bring with them the increased need for services, but lets us "Natives" remain whole when we make the sacrifices necessary for our neighbors.

Future Legislatures can

address any problems created by HB 2006, but right now, it's hard to see what those might be. Eminent Domain has become too easy in Texas. It was always intended to be a last resort. HB 2006 restores that original intent.

For now, Governor Perry, show the people of the state of Texas your property rights roots, and sign HB 2006.

Animal ID — does anyone care?

A national survey conducted in the spring of 2006 indicated no large majority in favor of or opposed to the implementation of a national animal identification system.

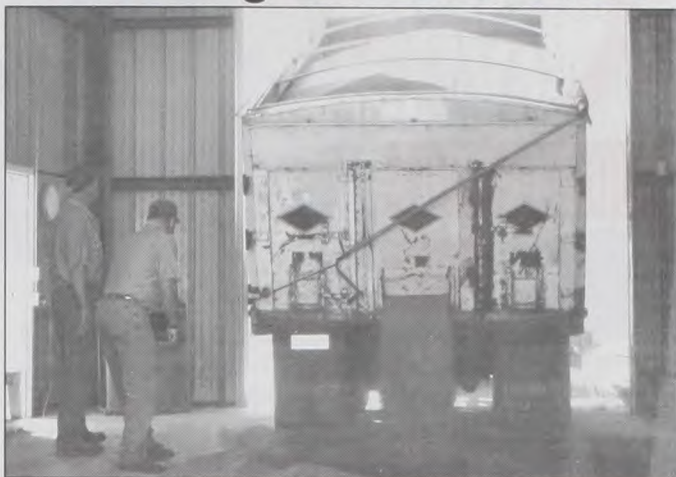
The survey, conducted as a joint project between Kansas State University and BEEF Magazine, included participants selected from a mailing list of cow-calf producers with more than 100 cows, said K-State Research and Extension beef specialist Dale Blasi.

BEEF Magazine provided

the mailing list and a random sample of 1,000 producers was selected. The survey gathered the thoughts and opinions of 522 cow-calf producers from 41 states. Data were collected by Prism Business Media, Inc., and analyzed by both Prism Business Media and K-State.

More information about the survey is available by contacting Blasi at 785-532-5427 or dblas1@ksu.edu or K-State Research and Extension veterinarian Larry Hollis at 785-532-1246 or lhollis@ksu.edu.

Harvesting between showers



A.G. and Cecil Wood of Ringgold unload wheat at Tony's Seed and Feed Saturday that was cut last Friday north of Nocona. Farmers took advantage of a break in the rain, combining muddy fields to get the crops out. Scott Wood photo

COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

WAYNE BECKER
CEA - AG/NR

Formosan Subterranean Termites

Entomologists with Texas Cooperative Extension are helping a Dallas-area community hunt Formosan subterranean termites, one of the most aggressive and destructive species in the world. "They're like termites on steroids," said Extension entomologist Mike Merchant, who is based in Dallas.

Formosans were recently discovered by a pest control company working in Wylie, a suburb of Dallas in Collin County, he said. They were found in several homes clustered in the same neighborhood.

Their presence raises concerns because they destroy more wood than common termites, Merchant said. The area's most common species, the Eastern subterranean, for example, would eat only a section of a wooden beam and move on. Formosans would hollow it out completely. "We hate to see these guys spread," he said. "We want them stopped."

The Formosan is an Asian species that was transported

to the United States aboard trade ships, according to Extension literature on the insect. They were first reported in Houston in 1956. They are named after Formosa, the large island of Taiwan. They were probably brought to the Dallas-Fort Worth area in railroad ties used to support backyard walls and as borders in landscaping, Merchant said. Since the 1990s, communities in Aledo, Grapevine, Flower Mound, and Rockwall have reported having them. Formosan termites have also been found in nine other states with temperate climates.

"People think the ties are insect-proof because they've been soaked in creosote," he said. "But the creosote only soaks in so far." Merchant advised homeowners to watch for signs of termites. Formosans swarm at night, often around artificial light, he said. Eastern subterranean swarms during the day. Formosans are honey-colored and a bit larger than the Eastern

subterranean, which are black, he said.

Property owners who find them should call a pest control company to have them exterminated, Merchant said. They should also notify Extension entomologists, 972-231-5362, who keep track of the insects' whereabouts.

Merchant said he hoped that local governments, or perhaps the state, would eventually initiate Formosan eradication programs.

"If you can get in early on an infestation, I think it's possible to eradicate them in an area," he said. "It's an issue that has been bothering me for a number of years and nobody's doing anything about it. It's pretty much left up to the homeowner."

For additional information about the pests, go to <http://termites.tamu.edu>.

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"over \$8 billion in taxpayer funds have been squandered in excess payments to insurers and other middlemen" since 2000.

The Government Accounting Office (GAO) found that crop insurance companies had rates of returns averaging 30% in 2005 and 24% in 2006, far more than other insurance companies.

Source: Doane's Ag Report

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