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Don Pettigrew, left, and Medal of Honor recipient "Doc" Ballard

Doc Ballard conveys his Medal of Honor message

By Janet Felderhoff
Colonel Don "Doc" Ballard
of Kansas City, Missoun was
in Cooke County last week.
His goal was to make people
aware of an opportunity that
occurs each March
Gainesville. That is the
month that the City of
Ganiesville bosts recipients
of the Congressional Medal of
Honor. It is scheduled for the
last week of March this year.
"Gainesville is the only city
in the United States that is
as patrioit as it can be,
remarked Col. Ballard. They
are the only host city for the
Medal of Honor Society in the
entire United States. The
program that they have
started here has labeled them
as the Host of the United
States."

The Host City Committee
the us of non a reunion and miniconvention each March to
honor all Medal of Honor
recipients. There are only
about 100 recipients alve
today. He said the last counhe'd heard was 112.
According to Ballard, the
Host City Program has been
well received in the
community, especially by the
school kids, the corporate
leaders, school
administration, and parents
in the community.

Don Pettigrew, who
accompanied Col. Ballard to
Muenster, is president and
founder of the Host City
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the recipient." He received his in May of 1970 by President Nixon.

While serving as a Navy corpsman attached to a Marine unit in Viet Nam, Ballard had the job of paramedic for the Marine Corp. "When I was out in the field in Viet Nam, I was the only medical asset that the Marine Corp had," he explained. "They called me Doc because to them I was their doctor. I was their dentist. I was their marriage counselor."

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in the Court of Appeals in Fort Worth. She requested that Commissioners Court appointed steme is the ruling as occurred last time the matter.

County Judge Bill the matter and the court of Commissioners Steme is the court of Commissioners Steme in the past and inquired if the Court of Court appointed. She then shared the fees accrued the last time that the District Attorney filed a writ of madamus was denied Aleators boild pay, leator's petition denied by the Court of Gramman and the court of Criminal Appeals and that was also demed. So, both were summarily demed. See court appointed and his storney fees were \$2,853.23 she felt that this time would be comparable to the previous time.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith asked. Will this make our County safety and Cooke County should be comparable to the previous time.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Steve Key said he was new to the job and wondered if that type of lawsuit happened often. Judge Haverkamp, who also should be comparable to the previous time.

To make our County safer: a could only comment, "I believe I made the right to appeal with the court of proposition of the pay the filing fee in the court appointed attorney. The proclamation stated in a stitute of lawsuit happened often. Judge Haverkamp who was the statement of the court appointed attorney were supported attorney fees and wondered if that type of lawsuit happened often. Judge Haverkamp who was the court appointed attorney were supported supported



Barbara Rohmer (far right) told Sacred Heart 2nd graders about her trip to the Holy Land. Pictured are, from left, Mark Davis, Samantha Koesler, Ava Hudson, Amanda Aldriedge, Nick Turner, and Devin Sicking. Rohmer shared a map and pictures of the places where Jesus was born and lived, also pictures of churches and basilicas that have been built on the holy grounds. SHCS photo

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REE-MENDUUS NEWS

65 YEARS AGO
Jan. 23, 1942
Six Muenster youths join military service this week: Bernard Schmitz, Ray Temple, Arnie Muller, Werner Cler, Cecil Cole, and Charles Miller. The Ray Klements move into new farm home. Wedding: Harold Trachta and Cora Lee. Farewell party honors Ferd Yosten who will leave for the army next week. War slows, but does not stop, local building program.

50 YEARS AGO
Jan. 25, 1957
Crops get timely lift from half inch rain. Richard Hess leaves for Marine Corp. Pat Stelzer has discharge from Marines. Obituary: infant daughter of Albert "Buster" and Ann Herr. Wedding; Mary Nell Hellman and C. J. Newman. New Arrivals: Ronnie to Henry and Janie Weinzapfel; Barbie to Ray and Lucille Hess; Gary to Paul and Marcella Fetsch. Dizzy Dozen Club has dinner party. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kubis selebrate silver wedding anniversary.

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25 YEARS AGO
Jan. 22, 1982
Two burglaries under investigation: the Felix Yosten home and the Ken McDougle home. The Herman Swirczynskis observe Golden Wedding, Obituary: I.A. Zimmerer, 104. City gets \$4,138 sales tax rebate. New Arrivals: Dianna to Don and Donna Schad; Natalie to Bill and Kathy Enderby.

Are birds becoming a nuisance in your yard?

More and more I am getting calls on the best way to get rid of birds that become a problem in our residential and commercial settings in the Muenster area. Problem bird populations can explode seemingly overnight to a point where some homeowners are ready to grab "Ole Betsy" and start shooting. Well hold up there partner, there are better ways and ones that won't have you wearing stripes.

First, let's identify the main offenders. Ninety percent of the time the culprits are the Great-tailed Grackle and the Common Starling. The other 10% of the time the culprits are the Great-tailed Grackle and the Common Starling. The biggest problem that the grackles and starlings. The biggest problem that the grackles and starlings pose is due to their numbers. That means that trees located over driveways, curbs, sidewalks, and swimming pools to name a few, can wind up littered with the bird droppings that are left behind.

Here are a few ideas on how to prevent or at least reduce grackle and starling numbers. Cliff Shackleford, nongame ornithologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife De-

partment, states that, based on several years of anecdotal evidence, the best way to reduce the evening roost-potential of a treescape is to plant trees with open-growing canopies, such as Chinkapin Oak, Bur Oak, Bloodgood Sycamore, and Chinese Pistache. Trees with tight, closed canopies should be avoided in areas where roosting birds will be a problem. Trees to avoid include, but are not limited to, Live Oak, Bradford Pear, and Cedar Elm. If you already have one of these tree types, all is not loss, because there are ways to control bird numbers in already established trees.

These include thinning out the canopies' interior sucker growth and deadwood. These birds love a nice thick crown because they feel safer and stay warmer in them. This requires a heavy thinning and will need to be repeated on a periodic basis. To scare the birds away, some have tried to use fake owls and snakes which might work at first, but the birds are pretty smart and soon learn there is nothing to fear. One thing that does work is to shine a red light into the trees in the evening time when the birds come in to roost. This can be a laser light or a spot light, but it needs to be red. For

by Stick Lamar

by Stick Lamar some reason, they do not like this color. You will need to be diligent with this for one to two weeks for this to be effective.

Another good control measure is to turn off any night lighting. The birds are attracted to these lights, again because it makes them feel safe and because they feed on the insects that the lights attract.

Lastly, stay away from fogging for bird control. I know of a number of places that fogging has been used and not one single time did it work, so in my opinion, don't waste your money.

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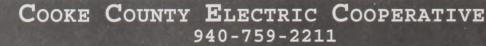
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Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Catholic		Religious Ed Mass 6:30 class follows until 8 pm SHCS Advisory Council mtg. 7:30 pm Schools		Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm AARP Board mtg. 10 am Stanford House SAT registration deadline for March	
Sunday, February 4, 2007	Monday, February 5, 2007	Tuesday, February 6, 2007	Wednesday, February 7, 2007	Thursday, February 8, 2007	Friday, February 9, 2007	Saturday, February 10, 2007
	City Council mtg. 7:30pm Muenster Hornet Booster Club mtg. 7pm girls locker room		Religious Ed classes - 7 pm TDH Immunizations 9- 11am Cooke Co. Electric		Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm AARP Luncheon mtg. 11:30am Stanford House	

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Learn about severe weather on Feb. 7

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Despite the ongoing drought plaguing north Texas, severe weather was a deadly force which impacted our area in 2006. Floods, tornadoes, damaging wind, and hail caused significant damage and impacted the lives of tens of thousands of north Texans.

The 2007 storm season is just around the corner. Is a severe weather plan in place for you, your family, and your workplace? Do you know how to recognize the clues that suggest damaging wind, large hail, or a tornado is possible? Do you want to become part of the severe weather warning system in your county? As part of its area-wide weather preparedness campaign, the National Weather Service in Fort Worth will answer these and other questions in a storm spotter training program on Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gainesville at the Civic Center, co-sponsored by the Cooke County and Gainesville Emergency Management.

The 2007 rogram will emphasize three fundamental concepts for severe weather vents: observing, reporting, and safety. The program will discuss thunderstorm forma-

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"The Good News in Education"

Gantt earns doctorate

Stephanie L. Gantt was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Chemistry from the University of Michigan in a commencement ceremony held in Ann Arbor, Michigan on Dec. 17.

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17. Attending the ceremony were her parents Doug and Valerie Gantt, and her sister Becky of West Richland,

COLLEGE Honors

Midwestern State
University
Jennifer Tune was named
to the President's Honor Roll
for the Fall 2006 semester. To
earn this recognition, a student must complete a semester schedule of at least 12
hours, with no grade lower
than an A(4.0).
Kami Klement and Shannon Grewing have been
named to the Provost's Honor
Roll for the Fall 2006 semester. 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.



NEW ARRIVAL

Hector Jesus Lara and Helen Marie Nieto of Muenster announce the birth of their first child, a son, Jesus Santiago Lara. He was born Thursday, Jan. 18, 2007 in North Texas Medical Center at 8:06 p.m. weighing 8 lb. 6 oz. and measuring 21 inches in length. Grandparents are Juan and Patricia Mazoco Lara of El Higo, Mexico and Rafael and Connie Yosten Nieto of Cd. Madero, Mexico. Great-grandparents are Hector Lara and Trinidad Fuentes Lara of Tampico, Mexico, Helen Yosten of Muenster and the late Larry Yosten, and the late Maria Jesus Jimenez, and Rafael Nieto, Sr. and Rosario Cruz Nieto of Cd. Madero, Mexico.

Hardy Perpetual Care Meeting Jan. 29, 6:30 p.m. Forestburg Community Center. Election of officers.



This "Hour Display" of pink and blue flags can be seen on the froi lawn of Sacred Heart Church. Displayed for the 34th anniversary the Roe v. Wade decision, these flags represent the number of live destroyed by abortion each hour in our country and seek to brir

BAPTISMS

Flusche, Sicking, mother Debra and gran ther Danny Voth work their Baptism. Logan

Flusche, Sicking, Sicking
On Jan. 14, 2007, at Sacred Heart Church, Carter Ray and Faith Emily, children of Jason and Debra Sicking, and cousin, Logan Thomas, son of Jeff and Jennifer Flusche, celebrated their holy Baptism into God's family by Father Ken Robinson. Godparents of Carter are Jeff Flusche and Kate Sepanski. Faith's Godparents are Michael Voth and Jennifer Flusche. Logan's Godparents are Michael Voth and Jennifer Flusche. Logan's Godparents are Jason Sicking and Jamii Flusche.

Each child wore a special family baptismal gown. Carter wore the same gown his father Jason wore on his baptismal day. Faith was dressed in the gown her

ST. RICHARD'S VILLA NEWS

By Elfreda Fette

Tuesday, Jan. 16, residents had Bible Study, sensory group, and enjoyed singing songs in the morning. That afternoon, they played a word game and did arts and crafts. Wednesday, Jan. 17, residents listened to music, played bingo, exercised, and talked about the past. In the afternoon, they watched The afternoon activity. Upcoming Events Jan. 27: Bingo, puzzles, movie matinee.

Jan. 28: Mass, Little Church, and Communion.

Beverly Hillbillies and ate popcorn.

Thursday, Jan. 18, was glamour nails, aromatherapy, and men's group.

That afternoon, trivia and a tea party were enjoyed.

Friday, Jan. 19, music, bingo, exercise, and a word game for the letter "B" were enjoyed by residents. Also discussed was cotton in Cooke County. Afterwards, Hat Day was celebrated, with the residents making paper hats and decorating them.

United Way seeks allocation applicants

The Cooke County United Way is now considering applications from qualified agencies for 2008 allocations. New agencies wishing to be considered for the 2008 program may make their request by the Cooke County United Way office no later than Feb. 15. Allocation application packets will be mailed out to all qualified new and current member agencies no later than Feb. 28. Those agencies wishing to be considered for 2008 allocations must return the packets by March 26. Request for information may be sent to P. O. Box 208, Gainesville, Texas 76241 and/or by calling the Cooke County United Way office at 940-655 and 19793.

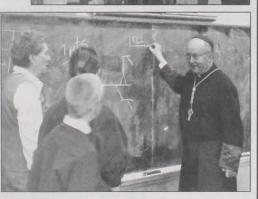
A qualified agency must additionally meet the founding criteria, financial accountability, community, needs, program priorities, and the allocation program effectiveness share two common goals in the allocation process relative to the overall mission: 1) To fund real community needs from the cooke County United Way must look at united Way m

1793.
A qualified agency must be established as a tax-exempt organization under the IRS Code Section 501(c)3. The allocation packet requests agency information in the areas of: constitution and bylaws, management, financial

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Father Ken visits school kids

Sicking wins SHCS spelling bee contest

Many Sacred Heart Elementary students found themselves busy studying for the Dallas Morning News National Spelling Bee over the Christmas holiday. Upon their return, top spellers from 4th through 8th grades competed against each other for the title of Sacred Heart School Spelling Bee Champion. On Jan. 5, Quinn Sicking, son of Allen and Martha Sicking, took the honor and is now eligible to compete at the next level, the Cooke County Spelling Bee. The Dallas Morning News Regional Bee will be held March 17.

Individual class ranking, in order from 1st place to 5th place are as follows:

4th Grade: Hayden Schilling. Brady Endres, Madison

Hesse, Aaron Davis, James Gleason, Isac Walterscheid; 5th Grade: Karleigh Reeves, Morgan Hesse, Kylie Hess, Teresa Boles, Kevin Flusche, Brooke Henry; 6th Grade: Michael Wein-zapfel, Madeline Hanson, Kaitlin Hesse, Isaac Barnhill, Devan Henry, Danielle Ber-end:

end; **7th Grade**: Quinn Sicking, Kelsey Reeves, Austin Springer, Aaron McBride, Bob Bartush, Alyssa Mora-



Qualifers from Sacred Heart Catholic School for the Duke University Talent Identification Program included, from left, front - Amanda Knabe, Kelsey Reeves; 2nd row - Michael Davis, Andy Ware, Amelia McBride; 3rd row - Bob Bartush, Josh Biffle, Mark Bartush; top row - Benjamin Yosten, Aaron McBride, Austin Springer, Quinn Sicking.

had made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Psalm 118:24

SHCS names Duke Talent qualifiers

More than 88% of Sacred in achievement testing for Heart Catholic School 7th grade class scored above the 95th percentile in one or more areas on the Stanford Achievement Tests, Tenth Edition to qualify for the Duke University Talent Identification Program. They are Amanda Knabe, Kelsey Reeves, Michael Davis, Andy Ware, Amelia McBride, Bob

Bake sale to benefit Cook Children's

Muenster ISD's National Honor Society member Noel Barnhill invites everyone to attend a fundraiser bake sale on Saturday, Jan. 27 at Fischer's Meat Market beginning at 9 a.m. All proceeds will go towards gifts and necessities for the children at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. All FCCLA members are invited and encouraged to help with this activity.

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gravy, green beans, cranberry
sauce, strawberries/bananas,
bread. Parents and grandparents are invited to eat.
Wed. - Barbecue sandwich,
potato salad, celery sticks,
fruit salad.
Thurs. - Chicken enchilada
casserole, beans, rice,
neaches

peaches. Fri. - Hamburgers w/trim-mings, potato rounds, dessert bars. LINDSAY ISD

MENUS

pinto beans, Spanish rice, apple cobbler.
Thurs. - Beef stew, lettuce salad, pears, batter bread.
Fri. - Hamburger wtrimmings, tator tots, ice cream.
ERA ISD
Mon. - Burrito, corn, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, chocolate chip cookie.
Tues. - Steak fingers or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, fruit mix, tossed salad, hot roll.
Wed. - Corn dog, broccoli and carrot sticks, tossed salad, sliced peaches, Missouri cookie.
Thurs. - Chicken fajitas, trimmings, shredded cheese, pinto beans, sliced pears, cornbread.
Fri. - Hamburgers, sliced cheese, trimmings, potato wedges, ice cream.

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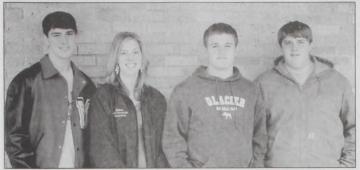
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Muenster FFA wins judging contests

Members of the Muenster FFA earned top honors at the 2007 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show's Dairy Cattle Judging Contests on Jan. 14.

Amber Fuhrmann was the High Point Senior Individual in the Jersey Junior Dairy Cattle Judging Contest. Cletus, Fuhrmann was the High Point Senior Individual in the Brown Swiss Junior Division, while the team of Amber, Cletus, and Abe Fuhrmann, and Paul Crabtree were members of the High Point Senior Team in the Jersey and in the Brown Swiss Junior Dairy Cattle Show Senior Individual in the Brown Swiss Junior Division, while the team of Amber, Cletus, and Abe Fuhrmann, and Paul Crabtree were members of the High Point Senior Team in the Jersey and in the Brown Swiss Junior Dairy Cattle Judging Contests. The Junior Show entries chotaled 10,505 at this year's Expo Show.

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LISD considers eliminating Spring Break



Sacred Heart 2nd graders pictured with their Jesse Tree are, from eft, front - Avery Truebenbach, Rylee Reiter, Samantha Koesler, Cody Dangelmayr; middle - Nikolas Saldana, Hudson Eddleman, Bennigan McCoy, Leah Knabe, Amanda Aldriedge; back - Tyler Walterscheid, Ava Hudson, Katy Bezner, Mark Davis, Alane Bartush, Devin Sicking, and Nick Turner.

Jesse Tree created by SHCS 2nd Grade

The second grade class of Sacred Heart Catholic School celebrated the Advent and Christmas seasons with the Jesse Tree. Just like the Christmas tree, the Jesse tree has beautiful decorations. But instead of having stars and lights on it, it has the promises that God made to all His People, promises made out of love. Each day the class read a Bible story from the Old Testament, and then they placed an ornament representing that story on their Jesse Tree.

The tree is named after Jesse, the father of David, the great king of Israel. The reat king of Israel. The reat

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Denise R. Bayer

The Tigerettes continue their journey to the playoffs with District victories over Canterbury and Calvary.
Last Friday, Sacred Heart hosted the DeSoto Canterbury Lady Cougars. After a close few minutes, the Tigerettes broke away for a 63-19 win.

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"Lauren Creed got us off to a fast start with 11 in the 1st frame," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur, Creed scored 15 points and pulled down 11 rebounds.

Jessica Schilling hit 12 points while grabbing 10 rebounds. Samantha Wimmer added 11 points with seven steals. Kristin LeBrasseur also scored 11 points, with Kara Felderhoff getting 5 with six assists. Stephanic Krawietz put in 4 points, Shelbye Hess 3, and Raynee Hogan 2.

SH 19 15 19 10 63 C 4 8 0 7 19 Tuesday night the Tigerettes traveled to Denton to face Calvary Christian, bringing home a 65-41 District win. The 1st quarter score decided the winer early in the game.

Four Tigerettes scored double digit points. Felder-

Tigers and Tigerettes get District wins hoff and Wimmer each put 13 points on the board, while LeBrasseur and Krawietz both added 11. Creed scored 8, Schilling 7, and Hogan 2. Creed and Krawietz pulled down 15 rebounds apiece.

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Sacred Heart will host St. Alban's on Friday, then travel to Wichita Falls in a rescheduled iced-out match with Notre Dame.

The Sacred Heart Tigers

uled iced-out match with Notre Dame.

The Sacred Heart Tigers were handed a District loss last Friday night by the Cougars of DeSoto Canterbury, who pulled out a 59-41 win.

The Tigers took an early lead, but fell behind in the 2nd quarter and couldn't make up the lost ground in the 2nd half.

Kevin Kulle scored 12 points for Sacred Heart, followed by Sam Sparkman with 8, Theo Otto 7, Colby Richey 6, Patrick Mojica 4, and 2 apiece by John Krawietz and Nick Popovich. The Tigers hit two of five free throws.

SH 16 7 9 9 4 41

record with a 52-43 victory.

Kulle burned the nets, dropping in 25 points. Mojica added 9, Richey and Sparkman 6 each, Krawietz 4, and Popovich 2. The Tigers connected 13 of 19 of their free throws.

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DC 8 8 15 12 43

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The Sacred Heart Tigers earned a District victory on Jan. 16 with a 78-26 win over Happy Hill.

The high scoring Tigers were led by Kevin Kulle who dropped in 36 points. Sam Sparkman added 15, John Krawietz 10, Colby Richey 6, Patrick Mojica, Theo Otto, and Nick Popovich 3 apiece, and Josh Yosten 2 points.

The Tigers hit nine 3-pointers and five of 10 free throws. SH 20 17 17 24 78 HH 5 7 2 12 26

Red over Gold, Muenster takes wins from Era



At right, Muenster Hornet Evan Koesler (40) reaches for the rebound but loses control as a Lindsay Knight falls back. Koesler was charged with a foul in last Friday's District contest. Above, Lady Knight Chelsea Hermes (10) grabs the rebound above teammate Emily Fuhrmann (42) and Lady Hornets Laura Heers and Sandy Endres (13). Janie Hartman photos



Lindsay teams take victories from Collinsville

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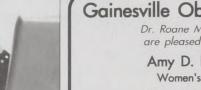
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M 9 18 19 5 51

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Muenster 64

Valley View 27

The Lady Hornets blew the Birds right out of their nest with a big Muenster win. Leading the point makers were Hillary Swirczynski, Brandy Dangelmayr, and Shaina Felderhoff with 17, 15, and 10 points. Amanda Dangelmayr added 7, Jenni Luke 6, Tori Wright and Bianca Velasquez 4 apiece, and Leaha Smith 1. The Lady Hornets improved their season record to 16-5.

M 18 13 21 12 64

VV 3 12 3 9 27

Lindsay 44

Sacred Heart 28

The Tigers couldn't score double digit points in any of the four quarters, allowing the young Knights to take a win. Nathan Berend scored 8 points to lead the Tigers in scoring. Stephen Davis, Kyle Knabe, and Mitch Hesse each added 4. Kirk Felderhoff and Dylan Flusche dropped in 3 apiece, with Lan Barnhill getting

Muenster 44 Lindsay 40 The Lady Hornets pulled out a overtime victory over the Lady nights last Friday evening. Af-r a tied 38-38 score, Muenster

win.

Hillary Swirczynski led the
Lady Hornets on the scoreboard
with 14 points. Amanda
Dangelmayr added 10, Jackie
Klement 7, with Alison Miller and
Brandy Dangelmayr each getting
4. Shaina Felderhoff dropped in
3, and Leaha Smith 2 for Muenster.

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Lindsay's high scorer was Beverly Knabe with 11 points. Katelyn Brewer and Hillary Hoelker each added 8. Rose Hermes dropped in 7, Kayla Hess 5, and Liz Martin 1.

M. 9 16 9 4 644

L. 15 11 5 7 2 40

Sacred Heart 26

Nocona 57

The Tigers fell to the Indians on Friday, Jan. 19. Six Sacred Heart players put points on the board, Garrett Berend scored 7 points, I an Barnhill 6, Kyle Knabe 5, Ben Walterscheid 4, and 2 apiece by Thad Otto and Chad Henscheid.

Muenster 59 Era 16
The Red Hornets took a big win from the Gold team Tuesday night. Brandan Bindel was high scorer with 18 points. Eric Hellman added 17, with Levi Trubenbach and TJ Acuna both scoring 10. Aaron Flusche and Chris Valliere each put in 2 points.

8. 14 26 7 12 59 5 5 2 4 16

M 14 26 7 12 59
E 5 5 2 4 16
Lindsay 58
Collinsville 21
The Lady Knights had a dozen
players put points on the board
towards Tuesday's win over the
Lady Firates. Hillary Hoelker
and Beverly Knabe were high
scorers with 12 and 11 points.
Katelyn Brewer added 8, Kayla
Hess 6, Liz Martin and Cammi
Neu 4 apiece, Rose Hermes and
Ashley Hess 3 points each, Amber Nortman, Abby Anderle, and
Shirley Hess 2 apiece, and
Natalie Rose 1.
Lindsay 74
Collinsville 46
High scorers included Colton
Hermes, who scored 21 points to
lead the Knights to victory over
the Pirates. Ryan Haverkamp
added 11, while Justin Turner
and Marcus Case each scored 8.
Ross Jones and Austin Reiter put
in 7 points apiece.
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by Allison Metzler and Vanessa Hess, and a free throw by Emily

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

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WINDTHORST
TOURNAMENT
Muenster 15
Windthorst 39
The "B" team Lady Hornets lost game one to the 7th grade Windthorst team. Scoring was spread out among eight Muenster players. Taylor Endres put 3 points on the board. Briana Bindel, Kalyn Dangelmayr, Paige Hennigan. Olivia Haverkamp, and Andi Hess each added 2, with Jacy Steelman and Andi Felderhoff both scoring 1.

M 0 4 7 4 15
W 16 10 5 8 39
Muenster 42
Windthorst 18
Taylor Klement scored 20 points to lead the "A" team Lady Stingers to victory in game one over the 8th grade Windthorst team. Lana Heers added 12, Emily Hellman 4, and 2 apiece by Demi Koelzer, Allison Pagel, and Taylor Reiter.

M 10 11 15 6 42
W 5 6 7 0 18
Muenster 26
Archer City 25

and five of 14 free throws.

M 22 22 2 11 57
E 8 2 9 10 29
Lindsay 51 Collinsville 4
The 7th grade Lady Squires got a big win on Jan. 12. Megan
Caillier led all scorers with 10 points. Lucinda Krahl and Taylor Atkins each added 8. Jordan Fleitman dropped in 6, Amelia Haverkamp 5, and 2 apiece by Katie Arendt, Mandy Hess, Kelsey Barba, Erin Copeland, Alli Fogle, Stephanie Zwinggi, and Kayla Davis.

Lindsay 19.

Lindsay 38 Valley View 6

The 7th grade girls took a big
win last week from the Lady
Peepers. Jordan Fleitman led all
scorers with 10 points. Taylor
Atkins and Megan Caillier each
added 8, and Stephanie Zwinggi
4. Scoring 2 points each were
Lucinda Krahl, Amelia
Haverkamp, Mandy Hess, and
Kelsey Barba.

Muenster 26
Archer City 25
The "B" girls pulled out a win over the AC 7th graders in game 2. Paige Hennigan led the scoring with 8 points. Stormie Wilburn and Taylor Endres each added 4. Steelman and Haverkamp scored 3 apiece, with Dangelmayr and Felderhoff getting 2 each.

M 2 7 8 9 26
AC 4 7 0 14 25
Muenster 48
Archer City 7
The "A" team Lady Stingers blew away the 8th grade Archer City girls in round 2 tournament action. Heers was high scorer in the game with 14 points. Klement added 9, with Hellman and Pagel each scoring 6. Michelle Henscheid dropped in 4 points, Reiter 3, and 2 apiece by Cathy Aston, Koelzer, and Shelby Dangelmayr.

M 19 3 12 14 48
AC 2 0 3 7
Lindsay 40
Valley View 30
The 8th grade Squires got a win on Jan. 18 after a commanding 1st quarter. Justin Anderle led all scorers with 16 points. Robert Arend added 10, with Thomas Rohmer and Madison Parkhill each getting 6, and Tyler Hundt 2.

Lindsay 40
Sacred Heart 18
Lindsay 29
The 7th grade Lindsay girls took a win at Sacred Heart Monday night. Scoring for the Lady Squires was Lucinda Krahl with 15 points. Taylor Atkins and Megan Caillier both added 4, with Erin Copeland, Alli Fogle, and Jordan Fleitman each scoring 2. Lady Cub scoring was by Karli Anderle with 8 points, Kelsey Reeves and Mikaela Bartush 4 each, and Danielle Berend 2.
SH 0 4 7 7 18
L 5 8 10 29
Sacred Heart 25
Lindsay 29
The 8th grade Lady Squires pulled out a last minute win over the "A" Lady Cubs.
Jessica Block led Lindsay with 12 points. Kelsey Hermes added 6, with Katie Nortman and Allison Metzler each scoring 4, and Bethani Eberhart 3.
Sacred Heart 25
Lindsay 29
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Sacred Heart 18
L 5 6 4 25
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Jessica Block led Lindsay with 12 points, Kelsey Hermes added 6, with Katie N

SH 2 7 2 3 14
L 5 9 8 4 26
Sacred Heart 10
Lindsay 52
The "A" Cubs struggled to get points on the board as the Squires piled on the points in a one-sided game.
Sacred Heart scorers were chad Walterscheid with 4 points, Alex Turner 3, Zach White 2, and Ryan Felderhoff 1.
Lindsay had nine players score, led by Robert Arend and Thomas Rohmer with 12 and 10 points. Tyler Hundt added 7, Justin Anderle 6, Todd Bezner 5, Christopher Klement and Madison Parkhill 4 apiece, Will Taylor 3, and Kyle Johnson 1.
SH 3 1 1 5 10
L 14 12 17 9 52
Sacred Heart 46 ICS 21
On Jan. 18, the "A" Lady Cubs brought home a victory from Denton. Megan Hesse was high scorer with 17 points. Alexandra Popovich added 12, Rebekah Hesse 6, Haley Hess 4, Sydney Hoedebeck 3, and 2 apiece by Kelsey Reeves and Victoria Endres.
SH 14 8 17 7 46
IC 6 8 2 5 21
Sacred Heart 48
Lady Cubs win over Red River Home School Danielle Berend led all scorers with 14 points. Karli Anderle added 10, Mikaela Bartush 6, Kelsey Reeves 3, and Kaillyn Hesse 2.
SH 10 10 6 9 35
RR 2 7 2 7 18
Sacred Heart 40 ICS 21
The "A" Cubs care up short in Denton. Eight Sacred Heart players put points on the board. Matt Hesse was high scorer with 12 points. Chad Walterscheid added 8, Calvin Wimmer and Zach White 6 each, and 2 apiece by Josh Biffle, Bob Bartush, Jordan Henscheid, and Ryan Felderhoff. SH 8 14 6 12 40 IC 12 9 9 15 45
NORTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT LEAGUE
BYTTH TOURNAMENT Sacred Heart 18
Siculs Bend 14
Eleven Lady Cubs scored in this one-sided victory. Kaitlyn Hesse led with 10 points. Mikaela Bartush added 8, Karli Anderle and Reeves each added 6, Berend 5, and 2 each by Knabe, Low Sacred Heart 18
Siculs Bend 14
Eleven Lady Cubs scored in this one-sided victory. Kaitlyn Hesse led with 10 points. Mikaela Bartush added 8, Karli Anderle 6, with Kelsey Reeves, Morgan Swank, Devon Henry, and Danielle Berend all adding 4.
Elizabeth Turner, Alyssa Moragues, Abby Hudson, and Amanda Knabe each scored 2.
SH 16 6 16 10 48
Sh 0 8 10 14
Sacred Heart 31
SK. Mary's 19
The Lady Cubs took another

throws in the game.

SH 4 9 9 3 4 29

IC 5 6 6 8 2 27

Sacred Heart 25

St. Mary's 37

The Cubs lost the tournament championship round after a cold start got them behind on the scoreboard. Biffle put 8 points on the board, with Miller adding 6, B. Bartush 4, M. Bartush 3, and 2 each by Davis and Austin Springer.

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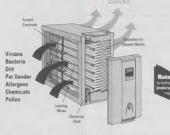
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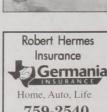
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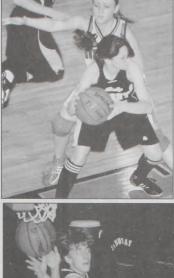








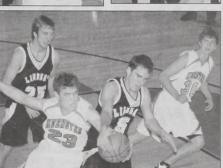






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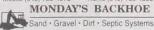
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Several areas report concerns with dwindling hay supplies.

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Rolling Plains: Cold weather and moisture (rain, last and snow) combined to weather and moisture (rain, sleet, and snow) combined to give the Rolling Plains a taste of winter. The cold blast accelerated supplemental feeding and brought new concerns regarding hay supplies for

El Niño continues to feed moisture across most of the state in the form of snow and freezing rain, according to Texas Cooperative Extension reports.

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wheat appear to be doing well.

North: The soil moisture profile has improved greatly, ranging from adequate to surplus. Over the past several days, temperatures have hovered around freezing, and accumulations of freezing rain, sleet, and snow have been from four to 11 inches. The cold temperatures and precipitation have made it hard for all livestock, and they are starting to show signs of stress.

Fields have become soggy, and supplemental hay feeding has been high. Pools are filling, and conditions are improving for farms and ranches. Lakes and ponds have caught significant runoff, but about one-third of the ponds still need water. Conditions are too wet to top dress wheat. Condition of winter ranges from fair to good condition at this time. Cotton is all harvested and pecans are nearly all harvested. The range and pasture conditions are mostly in fair condition with only a few reporting in the poor category.

Central: Soil moisture

reporting in the poor category.

Central: Soil moisture ranges from short to adequate across the district. The snow, rain, and ice have made livestock feeding difficult, but the added moisture was great. Small grains and pastures are showing some growth. Producers have a much brighter perspective for planting corn and grain sorghum with good soil moisture and strong markets.

Former Rep. Charlie Stenholm wins Tribute to Leadership Award

Former Congressman Charles Stenholm has been honored with the Tribute to Leadership Award by Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leader-

Agricultural Lifetime Leadership alumni.

A native of Stamford, Stenholm began his career as a farmer in partnership with his father, who was a vocational agriculture teacher. In 1965, he became executive vice president of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers. He was named general manager of the Stamford Electric Cooperative in 1968.

In 1978, he was elected to Congress. He served on the House Agriculture Committee for the 26 years he was in Congress and was the ranking member of the Democratic Party for the last eight years.

years.
James "Jimmie" Powell of
Fort McKavett, vice chair-man of the Texas Agricultural

Clay Wright has found the silver lining for Oklahoma and Texas cattle producers. While many producers found it necessary to de-stock during the summer and fall of 2006 because of drought conditions, Wright, a live-stock specialist with The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation, sees this as an opportunity.

Lifetime Leadership Advisory Board, said Stenholm was well-deserving of the award. "He has been a very staunch supporter of agricul-tural programs, and he has "He has been a very staunch supporter of agricul-tural programs, and he has done an outstanding job in that respect," said Powell, who has known Stenholm since his first years in Con-

since his first years in Congress.

Stenholm has "been very good in maintaining stability in agriculture," Powell said. "He's also kept agriculture in a beneficial, profitable mode. He's helped the people in agriculture stay in agriculture."

Stenholm's leadership qualities were evident when he had to build consensus in his position at the Cotton Growers Association, with the Stamford Electric Cooperative, and in Congress.

"There is no doubt that Congressman Stenholm was, and still is, a friend of agri-

ranchers are beginning to restock for the next growing season, Wright suggested buying replacements that maintain the herd uniformity established after the de-

De-stocking can bring uniformity to herd

culture," said Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz of College Station, director of the leadership program. "His influence on Texas and U.S. agriculture has made an impact on the world, and we will benefit from it for years to come."

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maintain the nerd uniformity established after the destocking.

He said that ranchers should define a 90-day calving/breeding season appropriate to their resources and management, then purchase mature replacements that will calve during the first half of that calving season. Bred heifers should calve at least 30 days before the beginning of that season.

"Replacements that calve late in the season will most likely always be late and have a higher risk of not rebreeding at all," he said. "Late calves are also lighter at weaning."

Wright offered up one final

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus (D-Mont.) and Ranking Member Charles Grassley (R-Iowa) introduced a small business tax relief package recently as a complement to legislation increasing the federal minimum wage.

Included in the tax package is language related to section 179 expensing, which allows for an immediate 100% deduction of the cost for most personal property purchased for use in a business.

The Jobs and Growth Tax Reconciliation Act of 2003 dramatically improved the value of this provision for cattle producers by expanding both the annual dollar limit and annual investment limit to \$100,000 and \$400,000, respectively. As part of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2006, this beneficial expansion to section 179 was extended through 2009.

In a letter to Chairman Baucus sent recently, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association said, "By its very nature, beef production is a capital-intensive business. In order to carry out day-to-day activities on a farm or ranch, producers are required to invest significant amounts of money in depreciable property such as machinery... Section 179 expensing is a valuable tool for cattle producers, and NCBA would ask that a continuation of the expanded dollar and investment limits be included in any small business tax relief offered as a complement to an increase in the federal minimum wage."

Flexibility may be greatest management tool in livestock operation

High corn prices, drought, terrorist attacks, mad cow disease, more drought, and high fuel prices have all cut into beef prices in the past 10 years, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

Nobody knows when these issues will develop, but building flexibility into the livestock management plan can help a producer weather the storm and come out on the other side, said Dr. Ted McCollum, Extension beef cattle specialist. He spoke at the Southwest Beef Symposium held Jan. 16-17 in Amarillo.

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"Having a system where you can react and respond, to be nimble and have room to adjust, is important," McCollum said.

Dr. Ron Gill, Extension livestock specialist in Stephenville and speaker, said several producers had to liquidate their herds for one reason or another. The rebuilding time gives them the opportunity to introduce flex-

tanze of a toss of grazing acres; explore more stable leasing options, Gill said. Wildlife or hunting ventures may be another area to build a little flexibility into the operation.

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The key areas to introduce flexibility are stocking rate, enterprise selection/diversifi-cation, counter-cyclical man-agement, genetics, supple-ments, outside investment, and emergency reserve, Gill said.

The enterprise can vary between cow/calf, young stocker cattle, and stocker

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cows, Gill said. Stocker cows
that have come through an
ordeal and are thin, but
healthy, can put on good
weight gains and be more
valuable on the other side.
Retaining the calf crop and
putting more weight on them
on grass before they go to a
feedyard is an option, as well
as purchasing calves that are
sold cheap and putting them
on grass for a cheaper gain
than the feedyard, he said.
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Niche markets, natural beef and counter-cyclical marketing, or timing the calf crop to eliminate competition with the major fall calf crops, are other means of building flexibility into a management plan, Gill said.

In summary, McCollum said producers at the symposium did not learn about new management technology, but instead heard about the importance of developing a plan and implementing proven management strategies that fit their resources and help adjust to situations.

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Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation, sees this as an opportunity. "We can use de-stocking as an opportunity to increase herd uniformity by culling outliers and emerging with a herd more uniform in size, breed type, and stage of reproduction," Wright said. "Producers that do not have a uniform majority in their herd should define a cow type appropriate to their resources and make their replacements fit this definition." Increasing herd uniformity is beneficial for several reasons. First, a limited calving season of 90 or fewer days contributes more to efficiency and profit potential than any other management practice. Wright said another opportunity to improve herd quality after the de-stocking of 2006 comes during the restocking process. Since many "If you consider a set of cattle with a 4.5 BCS, dis-count them at least \$200 to cover the cost of feeding them up to a 5 BCS before calving," Wright said. "Pass on any cattle below a 4.5 BCS."

COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

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Private applicator's pesticide training
Persons seeking to acquire a private applicator's license must attend a private applicator training prior to the test date.

The Cooke County Extension office will hold a private applicator training on Friday, Feb. 16, beginning at 8 a.m. in the Cooke County Courthouse Basement, room B-12. Contact the County Extension office at (940) 668-5412 for more information.

Five hour CEU program set for Feb. 21
As February nears, many private applicator license holders may be finding their license is in need of renewal.

The 4th annual Farmer and Rancher Symposium will help these producers obtain

Late calves are also lighter at weaning."
Wright offered up one final tip: Buy spring-calving re-placements in a body condi-tion score (BCS) of at least 5; preferably 5,5 to 6.
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the required CEUs in order to renew their license. The program will be held in the Little Theatre, which is located in the Administration Building on the North Central Texas College Campus in Gainesville. There is a \$10 fee, lunch is provided.

The day will begin with registration at 8 a.m. Speakers and categories are as follows: Potential Occurrences and Emergency Management of Foreign Animal Diseases, Ms. Angela Dement, Extension Assistant for Veterinary Medicine; Weed Identification, Dr. Mary Ketchersid, TCE Agricultural and Environmental Safety Specialist; Laws and Regulation Update, Wayne Becker, CEA Ag/NR Cooke County; Crop and Pasture Disease Identification of the same control of the same c

fication and Control, Dr. Kevin Ong, TCE Plant Pathologist; Sprayer Callibration, Jackie Risner, CEAAg/NR Grayson County. Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Feb. 12 to the Cooke County Extension office at (940) 668-5412.

Dates to Remember: Feb. 1 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting, 7 p.m., NCTC Science Bldg. 412.

Feb. 13 - Marketing Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Farm Bureau Building.
Feb. 16 - Private Applicator Pesticide License Training and Testing, Courthouse 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Feb. 21 - Tri County Farmer and Rancher Symposium 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., NCTC Little Theatre (5 CEU for TDA Pesticide Licenses). Study books available at the Extension Office 940-668-5412.

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