County mass casualty drill hones skills in disaster response

By Janet Felderhoff
What looks and sounds good on paper may not be as effective as it should be. That is why disaster drills, such as the one played out on Friday, March 14 in Era, are held.
Planning for the event began months ahead of time. It was an orchestrated effort between Era Volunteer Fire Department, Valley View Volunteer Era volunteer Fire Department, Valley View Volunteer Fire Department, Volunteer Fire Department, Valley View Volun

unnecessary visitors out while the patients were being treated.

As the first "victims" arrived by private vehicles, triage was initiated to determine which patients needed care most urgently. Staff other than nursing personnel are called on to do this to allow the medical staff to give full attention to the patients. First responders and EMS had already done triage on the scene and sent those with more minor injuries by private vehicle.

Era had 10 "injuries" and all were transported to Muenster Memorial Hospital, one by CareFlite, three by EMS, two by private vehicle, and four by school bus.

Students playing the part of accident victims from Era were all seniors. They were Amanda Arend, JoAnna Bulloch, Aaron Fortenberry, Trent Jarvis, Tony Miller, Cierra Renteria, Justin Smith, Katie Sutton, and Daniel Wiersema. Susan Bryant, head custodian, was the CareFlite transport. Participating parents were Nancy Bulloch, Kim Miller, and Brian Sutton.

Valley View had 18 "injuries" and all were sent to North Texas Medical Center. One was sent via CareFlite, three by EMS, three by private vehicle, 11 by school bus.





Muenster Memorial Hospital staff Dr. Henry Hewes, left, and Diane Neu, R.N. accept "patient" transported from Era's Disaster Drill accident. Also shown is EMT Keith Nierste. Janet Felderhoff photo

Commissioners consolidate polling places for April 8 runoff elections

By Janet Felderhoff
To reduce expenses incurred with an election, Cooke County Commissioners Court at its regular meeting on Monday, March 24 voted to consolidate polling places for the April 8 runoff elections. Both the Democratic and Republican Parties in Cooke County have races to be decided with a runoff.
The Cooke County Republicans will return to the poll to decide its nominee for District Attorney of the 235th District Court. Incumbent Cindy Stormer and Janice Warder are the two contenders for that position. In November, the winner will face Nancy Manning who filed as an Independent seeking the District Attorney position.

Democrats will vote for their nominee for Railroad Commissioner. Contenders for that position are Dale Henry and Mark Thompson.
All polling places remain the same as for the March Primary with the exception of the one for Precincts 15, 17, and 18. It has been changed from the Community Center

in Muenster.

Election judges were also approved and remain the same as for the March Primary election.

During Public Comments, Ken Arterbury informed the Court that some citizens of Cooke county would be circulating a petition "requiring this Commissioners Court and all taxing entities to instruct CCAD (Cooke County Appraisal District) to lower all property values by 20% or more to reflect the current markettrends." He requested that if the Court felt the petition needed to be voted on by all citizens of the County, it be placed on the November 2008 ballot.

In other business, Commissioners Court:

Approved request by Copano Field Services/North Texas, L.L.C. at its expense, to install a 10 inch steel pipeline for a low pressure gas gathering system across CR 371 approximately 562 feet southwest of the intersection of FM 922 and CR 371 in Precinct #3.

Approved request by Woodbine Water Supply, at the first months.

3000 for six months.

Approved preliminary plat of Horseman's Ranch Phase II (lots 18-48) located off of CR 115 in Precinct #1.

Approved reducing speed limit to Horsed with homes built close to the road.

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of FM 922 and CR 371 in Precinct #3.

• Approved request by Woodbine Water Supply, at its expense, to install a two inch casing for a one inch fresh water line running north and south across CR 2134 approximately 3/10 of a mile east of CR 211 in Precinct #2.

• Issued proclamation declaring April 7-13 as National Public Health Week. This is to make people aware of climate related health care issues.

• Approved bid specifications for crushed rock, chip material, hot mix-hot/codl lay, and fuel for the next 12 months and MC250, 800, and

trators, and Ameriflex of New Jersey.

Declared the week of April 6-12 as County Government Week.

Authorized Courthouse Interior Renovation Committee members Commissioners Virgil Hess and Al Smith to contact Biggerstaff, Heath, and Smiley to start the process of bid specifications on the interior of the Courthouse.

the interior of the courbouse.

• Approved surplusing items from Precinct #2 Road and Bridge and advertising for sealed bids for the equipment and materials.

• Held an Executive Session, but took no action.

At right - a Dutch Iris blooms as Muenster and Cooke County welcome Spring with hopes of favorable weather. Spring fever has affected many who have begun to work in their yards and gardens. Remember, nominations are being accepted for Keep Muenster Beautiful's Yard of the Month. Janie Hartman photo

School personnel contracts approved

By Janie Hartman
The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees held their monthly meeting on March 14. The consideration of personnel contracts for the 2008-09 school year included probationary teacher contracts, term contracts for teachers, dual teacher/coach contracts, nurse contract, and athletic director contract.

The following approved contracts of school personnel included: Jill Reiter, Bernadette Otto, Dianne Endres, Danna Fredrick, Kay Hickey, Beth Saucer, Jennifer Walterscheid, Cicily Waneck, Lisa Pagel, Amy Anderle, Kim Budish, Debra Sicking, Deb Klement, Cheryl Presnall, Sabrina Truebenbach, Deanna Hellman, Cassie Freeman, Amy Huchton, Vicki Eldridge, Aaron Klement, Kristi Schneider, Quentin Berend, Nancy Perryman, Martha Koesler, Joni Sturm Also Stephanie Krebs, Danna Hess, Lisa Walterscheid, Brad Giles, Katina Bartel, Carolyn Lutkenhaus, Gynell Oppermann, Carmen Reiter, Becky Felderhoff, Molly Sicking, Darlene Williams, Ron Abner, Michael Sissney, Kip Holloway, Amy Binder, Jeff Presnall, Marlene Fisher, and Monte Endres.

The Board also approved the resignation of Kathryn

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lene Fisher, and Monte Endres.
The Board also approved the resignation of Kathryn Lamar.
In other business, the Sivells Bend ISD contract for transfers was extended one year.

year.
The Board ordered an election for trustee positions Place 3 and 4. Ben Bindel and Lee Buddy are running for Place 3, currently held by Jeff McAden who did not seek reelection. Bert is uncontested for Place 4. Also approved were election judges.

ere election judges. Ad valorem property taxes

teacher Cicily Waiter will
compete in the VISTO fundraiser "Are You Smarter Than
a 5th Grader?"

Students K-6 raised
\$6,850 for the American
Heart Association on "Jump
Rope for Heart Day."

April 7-11 is Pre-K registration, and on Wednesday,
April 9 Kindergarten registration will be held.

78% of the students in
grades 1 - 6 were either on the
"A" or "AB" honor roll.

Only eight elementary
students did not pass at least
one class, and three of those
failed more than one class.
The Junior High/High
School report included:

Alist of FCCLA and FFA
results from the Cooke
County Youth Fair.

TMSCA State competition and State Cross X Debate.

The Technology report included:

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Capture and network
repairs, upgrades, and new
programs installed.

Lady Hornet Laura
Heers was KXII Channel 12's
"A+ Athlete of the Week" for
the first week in March. Her
segment was aired March 7
and 9, and can be viewed on
the station's website,
www.kxii.com.

The Athletic report included:

Abasketball season summary.

Jenni Luke and Chase
Serna qualified to compete in-

Abasketball season summary.
Jenni Luke and Chase Serna qualified to compete in State powerlifting.
Progress of the track, softball, and golf teams.



Undercover officers set to catch bashers

By Janet Felderhoff
Those who seek excitement by destroying rural mailboxes may find that they get more than they bargained for.
Cooke County Sheriff Mike Compton reported that mailbox bashing has always gone on in Cooke County, but recently more than 50 mailboxes were bashed in the Lake Kiowa area. Since destruction of mailboxes is a

OBITUARIES

Yvonne Hanza 1934 - 2008

Funeral services for Yvonne Hanza of Hobart, Oklahoma were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 15 in First Lutheran Church of Hobart with the Rev. Ann Wasson officiating. Interment followed in Hobart Rose Cemetery. Yvonne died at the age of 73 on Wednesday, March 12, 2008 in the University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Born May 24, 1934 in Electra to Walter and Nettic Webster Scoggins, she graduated from Muenster High School in 1951. Yvonne married Karl Hanza, Jr. on Jan. 15, 1952 in Lawton, Oklahoma. During the early years of their marriage, Yvonne was with Karl while he served in the military in Maryland.
Following his time in the service, they returned to Lawton where Yvonne worked with Karl on the Hanza family dairy farm.

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In the early 1960s, they moved north of Gotebo to farm. They moved to Hobart in 1975 where Yvonne enjoyed several careers. An excellent seamstress, she used her knowledge and skill while working for Paxton Fashions, McAbee Fabrics, and sewing for the public. Yvonne recently completed 18 years of employment at Chicago Rawhide. She was a member of the First Lutheran Church in Hobart.

Hobart.
Survivors include her husband Karl; daughters Marie Hanza and John Powell of Weatherford, Oklahoma, Karri Burch and husband Keith of Cordell, Oklahoma, and Karlinda Hess and husband Karlinda H



lewell Edes 1917 - 2008

Funeral services for Jewell Lee Dunn Edes, age 90 of Saint Jo, were held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 22 at the McCoy Funeral Chapel in Saint Jo with Loyd Morris officiating, Burial followed in Dye Mound Cemetery. Visitation was held from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Jewell died late Thursday evening, March 20, 2008 in San Angelo.

Born Nov. 19, 1917 in Saint Jo, the daughter of William Albert and Georgie Oldham Dunn, Jewell grew up in the Peabody area, attended school there through the 9th grade, and then graduated high school in Saint Jo where she was salutatorian. While in school in Saint Jo, she was very busy with scholastic activities and was on the volleyball team.

Jewell married Alvin William Edes on Dec. 20, 1941 in Saint Jo. They lived on a farm

DAYS GONE BY

until moving to Saint Jo in 1946. They raised peanuts, other crops, and cattle while farming. They lived in Saint Jo from 1946 throughout their lives. Jewell was a lifetime member of the Church of Christ. She was a Sunday school teacher for many years and assisted with Vacation Bible School. She was a homemaker and did sewing for her family and for the public. She made several quilts, some of which were prize winners. Jewell mostly tended to and cared for her family. She was a quiet, nice, loving lady and a friend to many. She was one of the last three students surviving her high school class of 17.

Survivors are her son Troy Edes and his wife Bonnie of San Angelo; sister Geraldine Cook of Saint Jo; two grand-children and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Alvin on July 21, 1995; her parents; sister Chancie Carlton.

Pallbearers were Chester Cullum, Stanton Field, David Doshier, Troy Pitman, Butch Schmidlkofer, and JD Carlton.

There comes an hour of sadness with the setting of the sun for the things I have not done

By working faithfully eight hours a day, you may eventually get to be a boss and work

The family of Frances "Betsy" Knabe

would like to thank everyone for their

thoughtfulness and kindness during the recent loss of their mother. We especially thank

Dr. Advincula, MMH Home Health and

Home Hospice for the good care they gave our

mother during her long illness. We also thank

Father Ken for his beautiful service, and the

musicians for their beautiful music. Thanks to the Catholic Daughters for the delicious meal

and all who donated to the meal and brought

food to the house. We thank all who sent

Masses, flowers, and cards. Your thoughtfulness

will be remembered

The family of

Frances "Betsy" Knabe

New Arrival: Kevin to the Paul Hackers. Ed Pels is elected new president of Subi-aco Alumni. Ansley resigns as Muenster High head coach. William Walterscheid gets William Walterscheid gets discharge from the Army. 25 YEARS AGO March 25, 1983 Stephen Vogel has grand champion limousm in Cooke County FFA and 4-H Livestock Show. First Communion received by 17 during Sacred Heart Parish CCD service. New Arrivals: Dana to Glenn and Stacie Miller; William to Robert and Sheila Scoggins; Diane to Alan and Norma Britain; Kacie to Andy and Sherrie Garcia.

65 YEARS AGO
March 26, 1943
Richard Fette wins wings as a member of the Navy Air Corps. Texas Company brought in a 65-barrel-anhour well on Joe Fleitman farm northwest of Muenster. Dorothy Hartman has appendectomy. New chicken house under construction at Alphonse Reiter farm. Elizabeth Herr is now on duty at local telephone office. State Theatre advertises Casablanca starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman.

March 28, 1958
Dan Luke to become new
owner of H&H Oil Company
and agent of American
Petrofina products; Fred
Hennigan is present owner.

Correction

Janie Hartman was mis-takenly given credit for sev-eral pictures printed in last week's Muenster Enterprise that she did not take. Thanks to those who cov-ered for her during her ab-

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Property tax exemptions help reduce disabled veterans' taxes

"Veterans with a serviceconnected disability may reduce their property taxes in
2008 by filling out a simple
exemption form at the Cooke
County Appraisal District office," Chief Appraiser Doug
Smithson said.

A veteran's percentage of
service-connected disability
determines the size of the exemption. The exemption
ranges from a \$5,000 to a
\$12,000 deduction from the
veteran's property value.
Smithson explained that
those who are eligible for the
application include: disabled
veterans; surviving spouses
of deceased disabled veterans, as long as the spouse remains unmarried; surviving
30," Smithson said.

"Any eligible person who
has not received this exemption should apply by April
30," Smithson said. "But, if
you received the exemption in
2007, you do not have to reapply in 2008." Late applications are allowed if filed
within one year of the date
the taxes went delinquent.

An applicant may claim the exemption on only one piece of property, such as a home or any other property the applicant owned on Jan. 1. The applicant must be a Texas resident to qualify.

The appraisal district may require proof of the disability, such as documentation from the Veterans Administration or the branch of the armed service in which the veteran served. Applicants may need proof of marriage, age, or spouse's or parent's death.

Obtain an application form and more information about specific qualifications from Smithson at the Cooke County Appraisal District office, 201 North Dixon, Gainesville, TX 76240. Phone: 940-665-7651.

Submitted by Cooke County Appraisal District of Appraisal District of Submitted by Cooke County Appraisal District of Appraisal District of Dixon, Gainesville, TX 76240.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

THINK

After the Second World War, America was the greatest industrial complex the world had ever seen, the source of the jobs and income to the blue collar and middle class of this country. Our positive balance of trade was the envy of every nation in the world. Today, our manufacturing is insignificant; we don't make steel, clothes, toys, or anything else that a viable U.S. economy should. Our negative balance of trade is deplorable.

The American dollar, formerly the standard monetary unit of the world, diminishes daily, and our government continues to spend money that it does not have, building a national debt that is beyond comprehension. This reflects, in my opinion, a U.S. Federal Government that either has no concept of economics or is significantly bought out by special interest groups and foreign governments, such as Saudi Arabia, China, etc. Elect a Congress and President that will put this country and its people first.

Many American companies, such as the oil industry, continue to pay key executives exorbitant incomes with little care for employees, shipping jobs and manufacturing overseas to the detriment of U.S. employees and this great country of America. At one point, a new oil refinery had not been built in the U.S. for over 20 years.

We should penalize U.S. corporations that ship jobs and manufacturing plants, products, and jobs in the U.S. Bring U.S. jobs and products back to this country.

In March of 2005, the Presidents of the U.S. and Mexico and the Prime Minister of Canada entered into an agreement called the America The same month, Governor Rick Perry signed a contract with Cintra (a Spanish corporation) to build the Trans flexas Corridor, a toll road from Mexico to the Red River. As a part of this common market, through the abuse of eminent

domain, they will build a NAFTA Super Highway going from Canada, the U.S., and to Mexico. Thousands of people from Minnesota to Texas will lose their homes, farms, and ranches. This giant toll road will bring products from China through Mexican ports and up into the heartland of America then to Canada, probably destroying most remaining manufacturing jobs in the U.S.

Remember the Alamo. Now is not the time to eliminate our borders when thousands of terrorists want to destroy this country.

Let our elected officials know how you feel and make them stop this North American Union, and make them restore manufacturing and jobs to this country so we can return to a positive balance of trade and a prosperous America.

Van Adamson Gainesville

Seven things you will never regret

Showing kindness to an aged person.

Destroying a letter written in anger. Offering the apology that saves a friendship. Stopping a scandal that was wreaking a reputa-

tion. Helping a child find themself. Taking time to show your parents consider-

ation. Accepting the judgment of God on any question.

To Celine Dittfurth, Bob Bauer, and Pat Stelzer

Many thanks for your years of hard work and diligence in making the dream of Muenster Lake a reality. No one knows the total number of hours of your personal time invested and the struggles to overcome many hurdles. Hopefully you feel a great sense of pride in this accomplishment. Muenster Lake will serve the citizens of Muenster for their water source, flood retention, and the added enjoyment of a park area.

Volunteers are the heart of every community. While there are many areas yet to be completed, the accomplishments to date are in large part due to your participation. There are no words to fully acknowledge your time and participation in serving as members of the Muenster Water District. The succeeding board members will work hard to fulfill the ongoing requirements of this project.

Please accept this thank you as an acknowledgment from the citizens of Muenster for your diligent work.

Milton Knauf President Muenster Water District

Johnny Pagel Мауот City of Muenster

Thank you!!!

St. Richards Villa would like to thank Muenster State Bank and 1st National Bank of St. Jo for their monetary contribution for the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a great (600 success and made the kids happy.

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

Sunday, March 30, 2008	Monday, March 31, 2008	Tuesday, April 1, 2008	Wednesday, April 2, 2008	Thursday, April 3, 2008	Friday, April 4, 2008	Saturday, April 5, 2008
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 MISD St. Jude fundraiser, 3-5pm, door to door	SHCS classes resume		Religious Ed Class, 7pm TDH Immunization Clinic, 9-11am, Cooke County Electric Love & Logic Session, 7pm, Community Center	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm AARP Board mtg., 10am, Stanford House, Gainesville	SH Buckaroo Rodeo, 4pm, Circle A Arena, Muenster
Sunday, April 6, 2008	Monday, April 7, 2008	Tuesday, April 8, 2008	Wednesday, April 9, 2008	Thursday, April 10, 2008	Friday, April 11, 2008	Saturday, April 12, 2008
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 SH Ranch Rodeo, 1pm, Circle A Arena	City Council mtg., 7/30pm		Religious Ed Class, 7pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	

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Ten receive Sacraments of **Initiation at Sacred Heart**

Ten received Sacraments of Initiation recently at Sacred Heart Church. On Palm Sunday, March 16, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, four who had been baptized in other Christian churches made Profession of Faith and received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. They were Ammie Hennigan, Angela Hennigan, Prew Springer, and Tiffany Reed. Their sponsors were Anne Hesse, Neil Hesse, Dale Schilling, and Penny Fisher.

Father Ken Robinson received them into the Catholic Church. Then he called Patsy Walter forward. She had been baptized Catholic when she was seriously ill. Then Father Ken conferred the sacrament of Confirmation on all five of them. They brought up the Offertory Gifts, and at Common of Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmed by Father Ken. Afterward, they brought up the Offertory Gifts, and at Common of Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmed Perkins and her son Dalton West, Michelle Schilling, Curtis Elling, Curtis Elling, and Penny Fisher.

They were dands of Confirmation, and Eucharist. They were Audra Perkins and her son Dalton West, Michelle Schilling, Curtis Elling, and Penny Fisher.

Their Godparents were Rhonda Hartman, Kenny Hartman, Amber Morris, Tim

Divine Mercy Services

Sunday, March 30 is Divine Mercy Sunday, and Sacred the Sacrament of Confirmation on all five of them. They brought up the Offertory Gifts, and at Communion received the Eucharist.

Schneider, and Dave Flusche, Christy Hesse and Ashley Hartman.

At the Easter Vigil Mass on offirmed by Father Ken. Afterward, they brought up the Offertony Gifts, and at Common and Eucharist. They were baptized and confirmed by Father Ken. Afterward, they brought up the Offertony Gifts, and at Common and Eucharist.

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Celebrating Easter at St. Richards

Muenster Jaycees make the move



struction of the new Muenster Jaycee meeting room on East Ninth Street has been completed. new building is larger to accommodate the growing membership, and has more storage space. Thursday, March 20, the Jaycees held their first regular meeting at the facility. A large group of Courteys photo

Van Dormolen to speak at Cooke County Republican Women meeting

The next meeting of the Cooke County Republican Women will be held on Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m., First Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 401 N. Dixon Street in Gainesville. The program will feature "Borah Van Dormolen, immediate past president of Texas Federation of Republican Women and candidate for National Committeewoman to be elected at the Texas Republican Convention in June. Borah Van Dormolen is no ordinary per-

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son. She is an accomplished soldier, businessperson, Republican political leader, legislative advocate, athlete, and community leader. She is also an interesting and dynamic speaker.

Both men and women are encouraged to attend this informative program. Refreshments will be served following the meeting. For questions, please contact Sharon McCormack 668-6762.

Eckart chooses grotto for Girl Scout project

Senior Girl Scout Christina Eckart has begun work on re-vitalizing the Our Lady of Lourdes grotto on the south-west side of St. Peter's Church in Lindsay. The Gold Award project will include improving the landscaping, lighting, etc. around that area.

A scrapbooking fundraiser for the project is set for Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Conrad Hall. The cost is \$20, which includes a relaxing time with friends, work space, door prizes, lunch, and dinner. Donations

to the project are appreciated if you do not scrapbook.

To register or make a donation, make checks payable to St. Peter's Church, P.O. Box 148, Lindsay, TX 76250, or drop them in the mail slot at the rectory in Lindsay. For any questions, contact Gerri Eckart at 940-736-0289 or geckart@ntin.net.

rds Villa residents enjoyed an Easter visitor last Friday during the Annured are, from left - Lorene Schmitz, Teresa Fowler, Louise Walterscheid, Mau Inez Sparkman, Laura Province, Norbert Flusche, and Rosalie Cox.

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office.

She has handled every aspect of criminal cases from the call coming into the police department, as an officer on patrol, as an investigator, and at every stage in the prosecutor's office from intake to trial to appeal.

Instructor of attorneys for the State Bar's Advanced Criminal Law Course; Named "Outstanding Attorney of the Year" by the Court Appointed Special Advacates of North Texas, Inc. (Abused and neglected children); Licensed in the United States Supreme Court.

Cindy Stormer is endorsed by Combined Law Enforcement Association of Texas (CLEAT), the largest and most professional police association in the State. She is a former Assistant District Attorney in Tarrant County, the most professional District Attorney's Office in the State, and has over twenty years experience in law PLUS ten years experience in law enforcement. The work done by the District Attorney's office under Cindy Stormer's watch is unsurpassed in both volume and quality. Keeping her campaign promises Cindy Stormer stopped the revolving door at the jail and has prosecuted a record number of felonies each year (hundreds more cases than ever before with virtually the same budget). The number of felons on the street is about half what it was before Stormer took office. In Gainesville alone, the crime rate went down by 25% during her first two years in office. She has handled every aspect of criminal cases from the call coming into the call.

Praised by the Director of the Texas District and County Attorney Association for winning the mandamas (article in Texas Prosecutor magazine).



Vote in this runoff April 8th.

Early voting at the courthouse March 31st - April 4th.

For more information and confirmation of all facts visit the website at www.cstormer.com

Pol. Adv. Cindy Stormer, 6793 CR 411, Gainesville, Texas

Morton Museum features antique jewelry program

On Tuesday, April 1 at 10:30 a.m., in honor of Women's History Month and Medal of Honor Activities, the Morton Museum will host a Sweetheart Jewelry program by Gina Dill from Kinne's Jewelry The jewelry was made during the World War I and World II periods. Gina Dill will have a display of Antique Sweetheart Jewelry. The collection is from the Mezzanine Museum at Kinne's Jewelers.

Sweetheart Jewelry will always be important as mementos. The jewelry was special to the military men and women who were abroad. The creation of pins, bracelets, necklaces, earrings, lockets, and many other items gave those dealing with war on the home front something to honor loved ones.

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Cooke County entities work together in



At left - Carolyn Barnett wheels "patient" Justin Smith into MMH while Kenya Endres and Richard Acayan assist the others on board; Above - Marnee Smith and Zach Kupper of EMS with firefighters Keith Bentley and Todd Reiter load Era busdriver Sarah Bryant while Justin Smith waits on the ground; Top right - MH staff, from left, Shirley Endres L.V.N., Darla Anderle, R.N., and Amanda Barnett work with patient; At right - one of the first "patients" to arrive Daniel Wiersema is checked by Melissa Trubenbach, FNP, at left, and Kelly Seeds, L.V.N.

MMH photos by Janet Felderhoff Era photos courtesy of **Bradley Mitchell**



Loading a "patient" on CareFlite for air transport are CareFlite crew pilot Richard Andro, Lola Earley, R.N., Paramedic Scott Veterrick and Cooke County EMT Keith Nierste.



taff from Gainesville Health and Rehab teamed up with the Home Hospice of Cooke County to ork with patient care volunteers. Volunteers learned how to be most effective with nursing home stients that are on hospice service. Pictured are, from left - Nancy Otto, Janie Weinzapfel, Car ytes, Susan Cassidy, Lou Schmitt, Aaron Terrel, Jana Cockrell, Ruth Ann Morrison, and Rhondi cam.

Medal of Honor recipients come to Gainesville April 2-6

More than a dozen recipients of the nation's highest award for valor will gather in Gainesville April 2-6 for an annual event that is gaining national attention.

"There are only 105 living recipients of the Medal of Honor, we've lost two just in the last couple of weeks," said Mike McHorse, president of the Gainesville Medal of Honor Host City Program.

"They constitute a rare and dwindling natural resource. We want to give our young people and students the opportunity meet and be inspired by these men who have given so much, and continue to give to our nation."

Three Medals of Honor have been awarded in the War on Terror—all posthumously.

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Medicular Institute a recipient of the Ia Drang Valley—the pivotal 1965 battle in South Vietnam. Bruce Crandall, Vietnam. Bruce Crandall, then an Army 7th Air Cavalry Gainesville's California and Vietnam era military venetnelly awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in the Sautions in the Sautions





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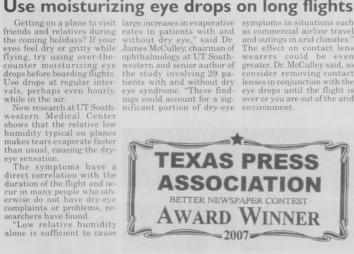




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Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Bunny attended this year's Easter Egg hunt held last Saturday in the Muenster City Park. Parents took advantage of the photo opportunity, as shown at left. Above, kids take off across the Park, picking up baskets full of goodies. The Muenster High School National Honor Society sponsored the event, funded by the Muenster Jaycees. Hunters were divided into three age groups. The hunt was a big success, with beautiful weather and a big turnout. MISD photos

4th Degree Knights sponsor scholarship local essay contest

The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Lee Wolf Assembly of Cooke County is sponsoring a scholarship essays contest. The essay theme is "What does patriotism mean to me?" Essays will be accepted April 1 through May 1.

Those who are eligible are high school seniors who are Catholic, graduating from high school in Cooke County, and plan to attend college in the fall of 2008.

Essays must have a minimum of 400 words and a maximum of 600 words. They must be typed and double-spaced with a cover sheet complete with full name, address, phone number, and Catholic Parish affiliation of

Time change for Sunday kickoff of MISD St. Jude fundraiser
A fundraising event benefiting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will be held on Sunday, March 30 in Muenster. Muenster ISD students will be walking door to door from 3 to 5 p.m. (instead of 2 to 4) collecting money for the fundraiser. Donations can be dropped off in front of the high school, where event coordinators Charlotte Klement and Darlene Williams, Student Council sponsors, will be stationed.
By participating in or attending the event, you will help raise funds for children who are stricken with diseases like cancer, AIDS, and Sickle Cell Anemia. These funds will help St. Jude in its ongoing fight against childhood cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

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uenster High School's National Honor Society sponsored an Eater Egg Hunt last weekend. Member elping included, from left, back - Mara Erickson, Brandan Bindel, Heather Harrison, Noel Barnhil naina Felderhoff, Laura Heers, Cletus Fuhrmann; front - Alison Miller, Rebecca Grewing, Cassie Har hris Yalliere, Hillary Swirczynski, and Lia Heers, Muenster lavces funded the event.

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toes, gravy, green peas, pears, bread.
Wed. - Chicken tetrazzini, green beans, strawberries/bananas, garlic toast.
Thurs. - Ham, black-eyed peas, green salad, applesauce, cornbread.
Fri. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, French fries, fruit jello.

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Mon. - Fajita chicken taco,
lettuce, tomatoes, macaroni
and cheese, pinto beans,
peaches, cake.

Tues. - Chicken fried steak,
creamed potatoes w/gravy,
corn, pears, hot rolls.

Wed. - Ham and cheese
sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes,

chips and salsa, apples, cookies.

Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes w/grayy, green beans, pineapple, hot rolls.

Fri. - Barbecue sandwich, potato salad, cole slaw, pork and beans, applesauce, ice cream.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Fiesta salad w/corn chips, ranch style beans, fresh fruit, crackers.

Tues. - Pepperoni pizza, corn, lettuce salad, pineapple.
Wed. - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, bread.

Thurs. - Chicken on a bun w/ trimmings, tator tots, ice cream.

ERA ISD

Mon. - Barbecue sandwich, ator tots, pickle spears, fruit mix.

Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, carrots, pears, bread-stick, tossed salad.

Wed. - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, bread.

Thurs. - Frito chili pie, story in mix, chocolate chip cookie.

Fri. - Hamburger, sliced cheese, chips, trimmings, applesauce, ice cream.

April hath put a spirit of youth in everything. -- William Shakespe

JUDGE FINDS FORMER PROSECUTOR BROKE LAW

ere the headlines in Associated Press. This article has h Dallas Morning News, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, NBC5i, KXII Channel 12, the Denton Record Chronicle; Houston Chronicle; KDFA Channel 10, Amarillo; KRISTV.com - Corpus Christi, TX; kvia.com - El Paso, KWTX Ch 10, Waco; KTRK, ABC, Austin, Paris, Brownwood . . .)

The article describes how Janice Warder, a former prosecutor, now running for Cooke County district attorney broke the law by not disclosing evidence favorable to a man accused of raping and killing a woman. The decision was recently reached by a Dallas County judge. The Judge found that Warder failed to turn over statements and discussions to the defense. The judge found Warder did not disclose inconsistent statements given by a man whose testimony was crucial in the conviction. The testimony was deconvict some from the real rapist.

A woman was tied up, raped and shot in her home. The testimony at the original trial indicated that Pabst tied the woman up and robbed her. Warder reduced Pabst's murder charge to misdemeanor theft and he was given credit for time served - 30 days in jail.

Warder also provided different accounts about when a deal was made with Pabst for his testimony, according to court records. At a federal hearing in 1994, Warder testi-fied that her previous affidavit was false.

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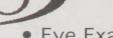
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SPORTS

Lady Hornets fall to Lindsay

District softball match last Thursday, March 20. The Lady Knights defeated the first season Muenster team by scores of 17-4 and 17-2. In the first game, Lindsay won in five innings. Muenster scored in the 1st, but 5, 4, then 8 points the next three innings gave the Lady Knights the winning edge. Jenni Luke faced 40 batters, allowing 10 hits, 14 walks, and 1 strikeout. Lady Hornets scoring runs were Samantha Endres, Hillary Swirczynski, Alison

Lindsay track members in action at the Hornet Relays include, above - 4x200 exchange Bethani Eberhart to Jessica Block; below - Dillon Ott wins the 800m; and Keith Hermet hands the stick to Ryan Haverkamp in the 4x100 relay. Janie Hartman photos

Miller, and Rebecca Grewing.
Swirczynski got 3 hits, with
Miller and Laura Heers each
getting 1 hit.
Alyx Ethington, Lindsay
pitcher, faced 25 batters,
struck out 12, walked 4, and
allowed 2 hits.
Lady Knights scoring runs
were Kaylee Murphree 3, Jordan Heilman 3, Diane Brown
3, Ethington 2, Haley Hughes
2, Kayla Hess 2, Kendall Neu
1, and Rose Hermes 1. Katie
Dieter hit 4 singles, but didn't
make it home.
In the second game, it took
the Lady Knights just three
innings to win, after scoring
14 in the 1st.

Luke pitched to 27 batters,
walked 12, and allowed 6
hits.
Muenster had 2 hits, 1each
from Jackie Klement and
Swirczynski, with Endres
struck out 6, and allowed 2
hits.
Beverly Knabe. scored 3
runs, with Ethington, Bething 2, and Murphree each getting 2, and Hess, Heilman,
and Brown 1 apiece. Dieter
hit 3 singles.

The wins improved the
Lady Knight record to 3-1 in
District.

Lady Hornets net more honors





on Teafatiller (left) and junior forward Samantha Endres were bott ion of Basketball Coaches. Both of the Lady Hornets were named Feam, and Endres was selected to the Class A All-State Team as we ently named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association All-State Tear

Sacred Heart hosts tournament

Sacred Heart's Annual Invitational Golf Tournament was held this week at Turtle Hill Golf Course. The two day event began Monday with the boys competing under mostly sunny skies, a cool 54° temperature, with a 10-15 m.p.h. southerly breeze. Midland Classical Academy scored a 68. Tach Malterscheid 96. Midland Classical Academy scored a 68. Tach Malterscheid 96. Sacred Heart Skevin Kulle finished 8th with a score of 82 and Nolan Hartman 10th Tiger team were Colby Richey ton American Heritage followed. In the top 10 individual finalists, Neil Dufford of Classical Academy scored a 68. Tach Claxton of Gainesville, Bowrie, Walterscheid 96. Tuesday, the girls took the Walterscheid 96. Tuesday, the girls took the Walterscheid 96. The team from Leonard took 1st place, scoring 395. Midland Classical, Melissa, Gainesville, Byers, and Bowie followed. Sierra Strait from Gainesville was the top individual score with 90. Sacred Heart's Kevin Kulle in Strum, with 344. Colinsville, Gainesville, Bowrie, and Nolan Hartman 10th Tiger team were Colby Richey 85, Ian Barnhill 93, and Ben Walterscheid 96. Tuesday, the girls took the Walterscheid 96. The two day event began Monday with the boys competing and very strum, with 344. Colinsville, Gainesville, Bowrie, and Nolan Hartman 10th Tiger team were Colby Richey 85, Ian Barnhill 93, and Ben Walterscheid 96. Tuesday, the girls took the Walterscheid 96. The two followed. Sierra Strait from Gainesville down 187 rebounds. Sierra Strait from Gainesville down 187 rebounds. Kulle, a 6'5" sophomore, soored 412 points and pulled down 187 rebounds.

Tigers win opener

The Sacred Heart Tiger baseball team began its season Friday, March 14 at Wichita Falls, defeating the Notre Dame Knights 8-0.
Colt Spruill pitched five innings, allowing 1 hit, 3 walks, and 9 strikeouts. Sam Sparkman pitched two innings with 4 strikeouts and 1 hit.
Sparkman hit a homerun, scored 2 runs, had 3 RBIs and 2 steals. Stephen Davis scored 3 runs, had 4 stolen bases, and 1 hit. Others scoring runs were Nate Berend, Ben Walterscheid, and Colt Spruill.

Walterscheid and Dylan Flusche also had hits. Flusche stole 2 bases, with Berend, Walterscheid, Spruill, Tommy Torcellini, and Chad Walterscheid each taking a base. The Tigers had 3 errors.

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Senior Lauren Creed, junior Samantha Wimmer, and Sophomore Kristin' LeBrasseur were all named to the 1st Team (announced and pictured in last week's Muenster Enterprise).

"The honors for these three girls is a direct reflection of their teammates and the success of the Tigerettes," added the coach.

Sacred Heart Tiger Kevin Kulle was named to the TAPPS 2nd Team All-State. "Kevin had a great year, and his success is directly tied to the upstart Tigers," LeBrasseur said.

Creed had a season 391 points, with 369 rebounds, 32 blocks, and 88 steals. Wimmer added 400 points, pulled down 166 rebounds, had 214 assists, and 150 steals. LeBrasseur was the Tigerettes' high scorer with 488 points this season. She had 161 rebounds and 145 steals.

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SPORTS

Lady **Pirates** swat Muenster

On Friday, March 14, the Muenster Lady Hornets opened league play in their first season of softball, taking on district leaders and last year's #1 ranked team, the Lady Pirates of Collinsville. Collinsville scored 5 in the first two innings, then blew Muenster away in the 3rd inning, scoring 11 runs. The Lady Hornets scored 2 in the 3rd, and 1 in the 5th for an 18-3 final.

Muenster pitcher Alison Teafatiller faced 36 batters and allowed 23 hits.

Scoring runs for Muenster were Jackie Klement, Alison Miller, and Laura Heers.

Klement got 2 hits, with Jadi Abner, Hillary Swirczynski, Miller, and Lacey Trubenbach each getting 1 hit.

Pirates sink **Knights**

The Lindsay Knights baseball team faced the Pirates from Petrolia, falling 13-2. "We made several costly errors during the game, which ultimately did us in," noted Coach Cody Bounds. "The boys are working hard and are getting better. I can see improvement in every game and that is the main thing this season."

Ryan Haverkamp and Dax Fleitman both pitched in the loss. Keith Hermes hit a two run homerun for the Knights' only scores.

Lady **Knights** beat **Valley** View

The Lady Knights won their fourth District softball game, defeating Valley View 9-1. The win sets Lindsay in 2nd place behind Collinsville midway through District.

Scoring runs for Lindsay were Alyx Ethington 3, Rose Hermes and Haley Hughes 2 apiece, and 1 each by Bethani Eberhart and Jordan Heilman. Also getting hits were Beverly Knabe, Kendall Neu, Kayla Hess, and Katie Dieter. Ethington was the winning pitcher, facing 28 batters. She struck out 10, walked 4, and allowed 3 hits.

Correction

Kevin Flusche placed 6th for the Sacred Heart Cubs in the 7th grade boys division of the 400m dash in the March 10 junior high track meet. Andy Flusche was given credit in the meet results printed in the March 14 Muenster Enterprise.





Janie Hartman photos







Time capsule found in Myra Cornerstone

On March 15, the Myra Masonic Lodge removed the cornerstone from the old Myra School. (See related story in last week's Muenster Enterprise). Pictured above left - Myra School built in 1912, as seen today; top - Myra Postmistress Linda Hacker takes her turn helping remove the stone; above - Steven Muller pries the stone free to discover a "tin box" time capsule; at left - Muller shows the crowd, including Nell Powell, the contents of the box; below far left - the Masonic tools - the square, a level, and plum, the treasurer emblem, senior decan, and junior decan, and the Masons' working tools, a compost and trowel, and an old penny; below center - a linen with the Myra charter members from 1903, and 1912 "current" members; and below - items found in the time capsule are viewed inside the Community Center.



Applications being taken for Game Warden Academy

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is taking applications for a game warden cadet class scheduled to start Nov. 1. Applications will be accepted through April 30.

It is anticipated that up to 55 cadets will be accepted into the 54th Game Warden Academy, which will begin its seven-month training in October. More than 400 people applied for the 40 positions in the previous cadet class that will graduate in May.

Applicants must be 21 years old on or before October 2008 and have a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. The degree requirement must be met prior to Sept. 1, 2008.

To be accepted, applicants must meet the minimum eligibility requirements and successfully complete a regional interview, an extensive background investigation,

and a physical agility test held in Austin. Applicants must successfully complete each step before advancing to the next step.

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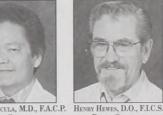
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Higher retail beef prices caused by rising production and transportation costs

Rising feed and transportation costs continue to keep retail beef prices edging shigher, a Texas AgriLife Extension Service economists and "One of the big stories this year as we start 2008 is we're seeing higher prices for consumer beef, whether it's at the grocery store or restaurants," said Dr. David Anderson, AgriLife Extension Service livestock marketing economist.

The annual average retail beef price for 2007 was \$4.16 per pound, which was 5% nigher than 2006 and exceeded the previous 2005 record of \$4.09 per pound, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture-Economic Research Service data. Factor-state the high beef prices

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which is increasing transportation costs for many beef suppliers, he said.

There are higher costs of getting it to the store," Anderson said. "When we talk about \$100 per barrel oil, it ripples through the economy. Everything you get at a restaurant or grocery store, we have to get it from somewhere else."

Another reason is a leveling of beef production across the U.S., Anderson said. With fewer cows and calves in national inventory, and increased export demand for U.S. beef, "that's keeping pressure on beef prices," he said.

At the producer level, calf prices have been forced lowest by rising feed costs which are tied to ethanol production. Lighter-weight calves are getting the most discounts because they require more feed to add weight before slaughter, Anderson said.

Anderson described the current calf market as a "tug of war." USDA inventory indicates 1% fewer beef cows, which will lead to a smaller calf crop, he said.

There are algebra week ending March 2c, feeder cattle prices at ady to mostly lower. Large numbers of cattle coming off wheat pasture and high feed costs of cattle coming off wheat pasture and high feed costs ontinue to pressure the market. Fed cattle prices were sharply lower steady in limited holiday-week trade.

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COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

Damage from a woodpecker, known as a sapsucker, is very common in
Live Oak trees in the Cooke
County area. Sapsuckers
bore a series of rows of 1/4 to
3/8 inch closely spaced holes
in the bark of limbs or trunks
of trees and use their tongues
to remove the sap. The birds
usually have a few favorite
trees which are fed upon extensively. Nearby trees may
be untouched. Often the damage they cause is mistaken for
borer damage. Sapsucker
damage is easily identified by
the fact that the holes are
usually in a line, the line can
be either horizontal or vertical on the tree.

In a few cases, especially on
younger trees, sapsucker
damage can be quite severe.
In these cases it may be wise
to try to stop future damage
from occurring. All woodpeckers are listed as migratory,
non-game birds and are protected by state and federal
laws. Therefore, non-lethal
methods of control are recommended.

Visual and auditory repellents may be effective in deterring woodpeckers from
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CEA - AG/NR

Bennett, Extension Economist.

Three CEUs will be given to participants to apply toward their TDA applicator licenses. Please RSVP to 668-5412 by April 8, to help us make preparations for a hamburger lunch provided by AgriPro Wheat and J.H Bayer and Sons.

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