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xDOT refuses City's request for lower speed limits

By Janet Felderhoff
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said TxDOT officials told him they did a traffic test within the City limits and found that most traffic was barely going over the speed limit. They said they couldn't justify lowering the speed limit. They said they couldn't justify lowering the speed limit too much causes traffic to bunch up, making it more difficult highway.

The request for a lower speed limit by the City Park was also nixed. TxDOT said that all they could do was put on an educational program with the schools to educate the children about crossing streets and highways.

Endres reported that last year he Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) found that there was a violation with the City's waste water plant. The City had completed correcting the problem and TCEQ approved what was done.

An ordinance was considered and approved making it illegal to build a house within 150 feet of the City's waste water plants.

Also approved was the purchase of Muenster Marks for holiday bonuses for City employees.

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Kiwanis donates to four local organizations



e Muenster Kiwanis presented donations to four local nonprofit groups at their Nov. 29 meeting. Pictured are Kiwanis members with the recipients (with envelopes), o are, from left, Jody Thomas, Muenster Public Library; Carol Fette, food bank; Sandee Feyereisen, ABBA; and Celine Dittfurth, Muenster Museum.

Janie Hartman photo

Barfknecht offers variety at his saddle shop

had in 16 years," said Barknecht. "It was fantastic. Of course, I brought a lot of my customers with me." He said he has customers from all over. He makes a lot of high school and college drill belts and cuffs that you see in white leather. Those orders come from costume companies. He's had fire departments that order from him, saddle customers, hunters, rodeo cowboys and working cowboys from west Texas and New Mexico order chaps. Those people don't care that I moved 60 miles.

Saddle repair is another service that Barfknecht offers. He said he actually enjoys repairing them even though it is messy work.

Besides the local saddle

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riding.

"There are two things that

Barfknecht displays one of his hand crafted leather checkbook covers. The country shop offers a nice
I have to offer other than revariety of leather goods, gift selections, tack needs, and western style jewelry.

Janet Felderhoff photo

Auxiliary brings Christmas cheer to Muenster Hospital



Sandy Bayer arranges a Victorian village scen Memorial Hospital. MMH Auxiliary members decor hallways Monday. There are many new additions Christmas holidays for patients, visitors, and staff.

Dr. Deborah Ericson joins North Texas **Dental Specialists**

By Janet Felderhoff Deborah Ericson, D.D.S.

Deborah Ericson, D.D.S. has been practicing her dental skills at North Texas Dental Specialists since July. She has been helping with the care of Dr. Elaine Schilling's general dentistry and pediatric patients so that Dr. Schilling can concentrate on her specialty practice of prosthodontics.

A Gainesville native, Deborah graduated from Gainesville High School in 1978. She attended the University of North Texas and received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology and Chemistry in 1981. She earned her Doctor of Dental Science degree from The University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio in 1987.

Dr. Ericson set up practice in Houston where she worked for 13 years. After that she practiced in Decatur and Bridgeport for six years.

Last year Dr. Ericson began looking for an associate or group practice to share the responsibilities of managing a dental practice. North Texas Dental Specialists had been interviewing perspective general dentists to help Dr. Schilling with the family dentistry portion of the practice. Dr. Schilling a specialist in prosthodontic, had become so busy treating the general dentist patients, she found it difficult to give her prosthodontic patients the time and energy needed to complete the complex and often difficult cases referred to the Muenster office by dentists in the surrounding counties.



Deborah Ericson, D.D.S.

"Dr. Ericson was a natural choice for North Texas Dental Specialists, and so the professional relationship and introduction to patients began slowly in July 2006," remarked Dr. Schilling. In September, Dr. Ericson began seeing patients three days a week. She treats patients three and up and stays busy with the preventative and restorative needs of all patients.

Since 2000, Dr. Ericson has owned a home in Decatur where she is a member of the First United Methodist Church. She said she has a lot of friends and people she is involved with and really didn't want to move. "Because this was such an outstanding."

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OBITUARIES

Wilfred Bindel 1926 - 2006

Mass of Christian Burial was offered for Wilfred Pflugerville, Texas; Phyllis Windy" Bindel on Monday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Muenster. Brother-in-law Monsignor Hubert Neu of St. Bindel of Wichita Falls, Ben Patrick's Cathedral in Fort Worth and Father Kyle Walterscheid of St. Mary's Church in Fort Worth officiated the Mass. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Clement-Keel Funeral Home.

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age of 80 on Friday, Dec. 1, 2006 at St. Richard's Villa in Muenster.

Born Aug. 16, 1926 in Muenster to Frank and Mary Fleitman Bindel, Wilfred married Ida Mae Neu on Aug. 2, 1949 in Lindsay, He served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was a life member of the Knights of Columbus, and a club manager for 15 years. Wilfred also served as president of St. Joseph's Society for 12 years and was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #6205. He worked as a farmer and a carpenter. He is fondly remembered by many students of Sacred Heart School where he worked as the maintenance supervisor for 21 years.

Survivors include is wife Ida Mae Bindel of Muenster; and numerous nieces and numerous nieces and numerous nieces and numerous nieces. A Rosary was held in Sacred Heart Church at 6 pp.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3. The Rosary was led by 4th Degree Sir Knight Gary Endres, with the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Color Guard standing at watch on both sides of the coffin.

Assisting Monsignor Neu and Fr. Kyle during the Mass of Christian Burial were granddaughter Diana Garcia who gave the First Reading, and grandson Justin Bindel

of Aubrey: 12 grandchildren and four step-grandchildren and four step-grandchildren and two step-greatgrandchildren; sisters and brothers-in-law Gertie and Arnold Wimmer of Muenster; Marcella and William Koerner of Pilot Point; brothers and sisters-in-law Leonard and Sylvia Bindel of Goldthwaite, Gibert and Joyce Bindel of Gainesville, and Harold and Betty Jean Bindel of Muenster; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents, sister Adeline Livingston, and brother Gerald Bindel.

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Palbearers were Aaron Hoenig, Tommy Neu, Chris



VFW #6205 served as color guard.
Pallbearers were Aaron Hoenig, Tommy Neu, Chris Bayer, Darren Bindel, Wayne Wimmer, and Donnie Koerner, all nephews.
For those who have asked, memorials may be made to the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department or to Sacred Heart Schools.

Regina Flusche 1916 - 2006

Mass of Christian Burial for Regina Anna Flusche, age 90 of Decatur, was held Saturday, Dec. 2 at 10 a.m. in St. Peter's Catholic Church of Lindsay with Father Ron Scheible, OSA, officiating. The service was directed by George J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home of Gainesville. Regina died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2006 at St. Richard's Villa in Muenster.

Born Aug. 23, 1916 in Lindsay to John P. and Maria (Mary) Sandmann Neu, she was the second youngest of eight children. Regina's mother died in the fluepidemic of 1918 and her father later married Margaret Schmidlkofer Neu. She attended Lindsay School. On Feb. 26, 1935 she married Conrad Max Flusche in St. Peter's Church. They lived in Muenster one year, then moved to Decatur where Conrad and his brothers Al and Lawrence brought their Flusche Bros. partnership that they began in Muenster as Ford dealers and Bus Depot managers there.

Regina was a member of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church and the Ladies Altar Society. She lived in Decatur until 1994 when her sight failed even more, she went to live at St. Richard's Villa in Muenster.

Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law Viola and Joe Schmidlkofer of Lindsay, and Evelyn and Jerry Sicking of Muenster; and daughter-in-law Judy Flusche of Decatur; 18 grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren, and stepmother; sons James

Flusche and Jerry Flusche; daughter-in-law Sally Flusche; granddaughters Cynthia Savage, Joyce Knabe, and Julia Schmidlkofer; grandson Mitchel Hurley; greatgranddaughter Kayla Sicking; great-grandson Lucas Krahl; sisters Bernadine Schmidlkofer, Elise Neu (infant), Sister Mary Olive Neu C.D.P., and Elizabeth Green; brothers John Jr., Frank, and Herman Neu.

A Rosary Service was held in Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home on Friday at 7 p.m.

Assisting Father Ron in the

A Rosary Service was held in Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home on Friday at 7 p.m.

Assisting Father Ron in the liturgy of the Mass were altar servers Kevin Flusche, greatgrandson, and Danielle Sicking, greatgranddaughter.

The First Reading was given by Kathy Todd and the Second Reading by Judy Krahl, both granddaughters. Petitions were read by Margret Strickland, granddaughter. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented by Paula Thompson, Janet Moss, Joan Deckard, and Sherilyn Sicking, granddaughters.

Eucharistic ministers were Dennis Lutkenhaus, Harold Flusche, both nephews, and Beth Kelley, friend of the family.

Church organist Clara Hellinger accompanied singers Phillip and Brenda Flusche and their daughter Adria, grandson, granddaughter-in-law, and greatgranddaughter-in-law, and greatgranddaughter "Phe Lord Is My Shepherd," "Be Not Afraid," "I Am the Bread of Life," "Only in God" (sung A'Cappella by Phillip), "Give Me Jesus" (played by Adria, flutist), and "How Great Thou Art."

Remarks of remembrance



Regina Flusche

were written by Vikki Flusche and given by Margret Strickland, granddaughter, which included in part "...Regina was very active in the Catholic Church in Decatur..., she and her family never missed a service unless they were ill.

"Among Regina's greatest enjoyments was serving the priests of the parish many meals... She did the laundry for the priests, and for a number of years she washed and ironed the altar linens. She walked to Mass almost daily until the later years, when someone would drive her to Mass...

"Regina was a dedicated homemaker who enjoyed cooking, sewing, and working in her flower and vegetables gardens. She love her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, argreat-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, avisitation was held in Assumption Church on Saturday afternoon in Decatur from 2 to 2:45 p.m. Burial was then held in Oaklawn Cemetery in Decatur, in the section for the Flusche family, with Father Sojon George officiating, under the direction of Coker Funeral Home of Decatur. Pallbearers were Stephen Schmidlkofer, Darwin Sicking. Carl Flusche, all grandsons.

Anyone wishing to make a memorial donation, the family requests it be made for research to prevent blindness or to cure eye diseases.

Gertie Irlbeck; and two
grandchildren.
A Rosary was held at 7 p.m.
in Geo. J. Carroll & Son
Funeral Home on Tuesday
followed by a visitation.
Pallbearers
grandsons Chris, Clay, and
Colby Langley, Cory and Joe
Luttmer, Dustin Bryant,
Jacob Geray, and Jeffrey
Coulter.

Letters to Santa need to be turned in by Dec. 15th.

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Steven Grahl 1956 - 2006

Services were held for Steven James Grahl, age 49 of Denison, on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at Hyde Park Baptist Church in Denison. Services were also to be held in Sandusky, Ohio. Steve died Dec. 2, 2006 at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth. Survivors are his wife of 23

Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth.
Survivors are his wife of 23 years, Carla Schmitz Grahl; father James; stepmother Lois; children Amber, Cara, Rusty, Al, Teofilo, and Nicole; two grandchildren; sister Lori Grahl; two nephews, a niece, an uncle, two aunts, and four cousins; beloved Opie and many friends.

Preceding him in death were his mother David Grahl; his grandparents; and an uncle.

Born Dec. 27, 1956 in

uncle.
Born Dec. 27, 1956 in
Columbus, Ohio, Steve
moved to Texas where he met
Carla. They were married in
Ohio on Nov. 25, 1983. The
pride of his life were his
children and he was very



involved in their lives. He was an avid sports fan and a huge music fan. He never knew a stranger and was a friend to all. Steve will be deeply missed. He was a member of the Red River, Grayson County, and Cooke County Golf Associations.

Memorials may be sent to his family at 1701 Bluebonnet, Denison, TX 75020

DAYS GONE BY.....

Joseph Luttmer 1917 - 2006

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Joseph John "Joe" Luttmer on Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Gainesville with Rev. Pat Murphy, O.S.A. officiating, Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Joe died peacefully in his sleep in his country home at the age of 89 on Dec. 3, 2006.

Born Jan. 5, 1917 in Myra to John and Mary Zwingger Luttmer, he married Blanche Edmonds in Fort Worth on Feb. 5, 1946. Joe served as a medic and physical therapist during WWII and was honorably discharged from the Army on Oct. 27, 1945. Upon his discharge he returned to Gainesville to find and marry his sweetheart and rear their

family. Joe was actively involved in politics and was a former member of the Knights of Columbus and served as Commander of the DAV. He was a lifelong member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He had been retired for many years and continued to be involved as a contractor, entrepreneur, and farmer.

Survivors are his wife of 60 years Blanche Luttmer; daughters and sons-in-law Cathy and John Langley, Becky and Donald Bryant, Lorrie and Joe Geray, and Donna Coulter; son and daughter-in-law John and Glee Luttmer; 11 grandchildren; and 15 greatgrandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brothers Leonard and Arthur Luttmer; sisters Elsie Graham and

people who made our loss easier to bear.

Thank you from:

The difficult times of our lives define us and during the loss of our Mother, Veda Brogdon, our family was defined in the outpouring of love and consideration given to us by our neighbors, friends and community. Mom loved everything about Montague County and the surrounding area. She loved the beauty of our area of Texas, the richness of our history, but most of all she loved the people. Her children and their families wish to say thank you to each and every one of those

to our community for all the support and loving medical care during the illness and death of Wilfred 'Windy' Bindel. We appreciate the prayers, abundant food, beautiful flowers and prayers, unmant you, beautiful foreers that the Muenster Fire Department and Sacred Heart School where 'Windy' worked for 21 years. Special thanks to the staff of St. Richard's Willa, Muenster Home Health, and Muenster Hospital; Knights of Columbus Council 1459; 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Color Guard; Catholic Daughters; Local VFW #6205 Honor Guards; Fort Hood Army Garrison; Monsignor Hubert Neu; Fr. Kyle Walterscheid; Sacred Heart Council Members, musicians and liturgical participants; and Clement-Keel Funeral Home.

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks

May God bless you, The family of Wilfred Bindel

G5 YEARS AGO
Dec. 5, 1941
Raymond Hellman loses
life in car-truck crash east of
town. Muenster sets new
record in Red Cross goal.
Bermuda strip will be
planted along sidewalk from
church to town. Herbert
Meurer succeeds Raymond
Hellman as City secretary.
Mrs. John Schilling is in
LaFeria to attend the funeral
of her brother Mike Sieger.
Note from records 50 years
ago: cyclone destroys first
church here.

65 YEARS AGO Dec. 5, 1941

YEARS AGO Dec. 7, 1956

Dec. 7, 1956
FFA Chapter broiler house
s damaged by fire. New
Arrivals: Kathleen to Bill and
Eileen Luke; Sherry to Joe
and Alice Hermes; a daughter
to Ronnie and Alma Herr;
Mark to Herman and Alma

Stoffels, MHS talent show award winners include: Junior Musical - Carol Henscheid, 1st; Robert Fetsch, 2nd; Kathy McGannon, 3rd, Junior Variety - Mike Hosea, 1st; Charlotte Wolf, 2nd; Bill Dean Owen, 3rd, Senior Musical - Margie Milner, 1st; Dan Hamric, 2nd; Dance Band, 3rd. Senior Variety - Helen Fisher, 1st; Pat Knight, 2nd; Pat Cain, 3rd.

25 YEARS AGO
Dec. 4, 1981
Street dust remains problem for the City. First Communion received by 24. Wedding: Peggy Fuhrmann and Leo Lutkenhaus. New Arrivals: Sarah to Michael and Judy Moster; Philip to Cyril and Angie Yosten. Ben Bindel is new manager at the Dairy Inn.

Shirley Brogdon, Jane Sledge, Max Brogdon, Margie ON CON Hess, Beckey Scott and each member of their famili 2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

Sunday, December 10, 2006	Monday, December 11, 2006	Tuesday, Decembber 12, 2006	Wednesday, December 13, 2006	Thursday, December 14, 2006	Friday, December 15, 2006	Saturday, December 16-, 2006
OPEN HOUSE at Muenster Museum	Muenster 4-H mtg. 7pm SHHS VFW Aux.mtg. 7:30pm VFW mtg. 8pm followed by Christmas Social			Historical Comm. mtg. 8am	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm SH Alumni & School Bake Sale 7am-3pm Comm. Center	
Sunday, December 17, 2006	Monday, December 18, 2006	Tuesday, December 19, 2006	Wednesday, December 20, 2006	Thursday, December 21, 2006	Friday, December 22, 2006	Saturday, December 23, 2006
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm			SHS noon dismissal for the holidays No Religious Ed class	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Santa, Christmas Dear Santa, Christmas of 2006 is so near. Surely you have re-ceived more letters than you expected. I want to send this even if the mailing deadline is over.

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After recently spending three months in Rwanda, I feel that I must share with you what I have learned. You may remember that I was in Rwanda during the genocide of 1994. Twelve years have passed since then. My Rwandan Sisters of Saint Mary, are about 60 in number. They are so faith-filled and honest. One of them told me she felt that the sisters must open a new convent in another country. She spoke of becoming closed-in on their problems and felt evangelizing in another country simply to keep an open mind to life in the church and world could add to a clearer perspective.

Keeping this in mind, we

Santa, I need your help. As

DENTIST.....

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opportunity, I decided to make the extra drive because the quality of the practice and everything about the environment is so good, it's worth the sacrifice," Dr. Ericson said.

Dr. Ericson's inspiration to become a dentist was her family dentist Dr. Milton Dickson. "He was one of the people I had a great respect and admiration for. Also, when I would go to their dental office it was fun. I loved Milton Dickson and thought that he had a great job and wanted to do what he did," commented Dr. Ericson on her career choice.

Gardening, especially growing English roses, and running are Dr. Ericson's hobbies. Her father Pete Horn lives in Lindsay. She has many old high school friends and childhood friends in the area.

"I love Muenster," remarked Dr. Ericson. "It is an outstanding community and I'm very honored to be here. Dr. Schilling and everything about the situation is just worth any sacrifice — any move or drive that I would make."

Office hours for Dr. Ericson are Tuesday, Wednesday, and

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Office hours for Dr. Ericson are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Dr. Schilling is in the Muenster office Mondays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon.

Is your Christmas shopping done yet?

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you pass through the chimneys at Christmas, would you leave a message in hearts about the situation? I will be leaving Texas, if possible, the 27th of December to join our sisters in Dar es Salaam, where the land is located. The land transaction and arranging the two small houses into a convent, as well as a fence around the property, will require a sum that we do not have. Many small gifts could be put together to make a large sum. Oh yes, the donor will receive an IRS letter for all contributions of more than

\$200. Do you remember my address?
Sisters of Saint Mary, Solidarity with Africa-Tanzanian Project, 909 W. Shaw St., Fort Worth, TX. 76110
Know that God sees the hearts of all and will bless those who help His people in need.
Santa, God will continue to bless you also. Give Rudolf and all the reindeers a big hug. Ride carefully through the sky.

MERRY CHRISTMAS. Sister Roberta Hesse

SHOP..... cont. from pg. I

shop, Barfknecht owns a saddle shop and boarding stable in Lewisville on land owned by their family. Until recently his brother was there to oversee it, but he died in early November. Charles is again split between two locations, but said he has good help at the stables.

cations, but said he has good help at the stables.

Charles said he and his wife Jane have been together since they were 15. They had two children. Besides Lisa they have a son Chad. They have a grandson Rhett.

Hours are not definite at the Saddlery. Barknecht said he tells people if he's home, he's open. He's glad to come out even if he's already gone to the house for the evening. He tries to be open by 9 a.m. He is a one-man operation, so has to close to run errands. It is safest to call before coming. The numbers to call are 759-4158 or cell 972-977-9394.



One gift you don't need in this season of frenzy the holiday blues

The hustle and bustle of the holidays doesn't always translate into feelings of warmth and "good cheer" for everyone. A sense of loneliness or isolation — particularly when compared with the glowing environment depicted all around us in seasonal movies, television drama, and store settings—often brings the "holiday blues."

Ouite different from true

blues."

Quite different from true clinical depression, the holiday blues are transient and can be resolved or prevented fairly easily, says Dr. Madhukar Trivedi, who leads the Mood Disorders Research Program and Clinic at UT Southwestern Medical Center.

Program and Clinic at UT
Southwestern Medical Center.

"Some people don't have
the opportunity or the wherewithal to get involved with
family and friends and that
offers a stark contrast to the
pictures painted by the media and the attention focused
on the season," says Dr.
Trivedi. "On the other hand,
it's surprising how soon
people can shake those blues,
if they just make a concentrated effort."

Dr. Trivedi offers the following suggestions for combating holiday blues:

* Get involved in your community or with charitable activities.

* Exercise regularly.

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* Don't drink too much alcohol.

* Get enough sleep.

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Sturm, Bubela marry in Sacred Heart Church

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ther's diamond ring.
ATTENDENTS
amy Culp of Leander, as served as her sister's id of honor. Bridesmaids re friends of the bride an Erickson of Arlington, sha Harris of endswood, Megan Namara of Austin, Bree ninger of Denton, Holli yre of Dallas, Kendra arby of Austin, and lanna Mulligan of Sacranto, California, They wore e green satin strapless Aegowns of street length h fitted bodice overlayed



Mrs. Chip Bubela 'nee Kimberly Sturm

lt's a party

The children of Mary Ann Arendt wish to invite everyone to help celebrate her 80th Birthday



Sunday, Dec. 10th from 2-4pm at Conrad Hall in Lindsay

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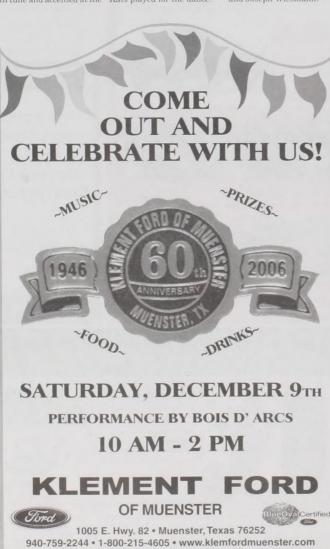
A Muenster Moment

in history

The first three colonists to arrive in Muenster were G. Koll, Theodore Wiesmann, and Joseph Wiesmann.

Saint Richard's Villa Annual Residents' Christmas Party





NOTICE

There will be a memorial tree dedication for Phil Slater, former general manager of Cooke County Electric Co-op, on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 12:30 p.m. It will take place Walking Path in Gainesville on Howeth Street. All are welcome to attend

AREA EVENT

Cookie Wonderland
The 9th Annual Homemade Cookie Wonderland
will be held on Saturday, Dec.
16 from 9 a.m. to noon at St.
Paul's Episcopal Church in
the Parish Hall. It is located
at the corner of California
and Jefferson Streets in
Gainesville. You select from a
wide variety of cookies and
fill a bag for \$10. Twenty percent of the proceeds will go to
the Cooke County Crisis Center.

Grewing inducted into Christmas spirit fills two honor societies

Megan Rose Grewing, daughter of Glenn and Connie Grewing of Muenster, was inducted into Alpha Chi at Midwestern State University on Nov. 5. Alpha Chi is the most prestigious honor society at MSU and is by invitation only for the top 10% of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Fred Stangl, professor of junior and senior students. Alpha Chi is a coeducation Megan was sponsored by Dr. Trobes was sponso



Megan Grewing

the air at the ALAIH



Members of the MMH Auxiliary spent Monday evening decorating at the Hospital. Clockwise from the top - Darlene Williams, left, and Penny Fisher string garland down the hallway; Adelia Wilson left, and Pam McCormick arrange ornaments on the gift display counter; Aileen Knabe arranges ribbons on one of the items she created to add to the Hospital's Christmas decorations. Janet Felderhoff photos ##





Winter weather terms Wind chill - a cooling ef-fect caused when wind blows across exposed skin. NWS

Our Lady of Guadalupe topic for December **Second Sunday Series**

Sacred Heart Parish is sponsoring a special time of teaching for spiritual growth and education on the second Sunday of each month. This month, the Second Sunday series will feature a video presentation on Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Catholic Church celebrates this famous apparition on the 12th of December. This presentation will reveal many fascinating details about this apparition and why it is given such special recognition by the church.

Mental Health Mental Re-rdation Services of Texoma

tardation Services of Texoma is requesting Christmas Wish List items this holiday season for approximately 30 mem-bers of an adult mental health program. This is a group of people who usually do not receive gifts. They make their homes in Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson coun-ties.

socks and underwear, shaving cream, after-shave, mouth wash, disposable razors, body lotion, toilet paper, paper towels, canned goods, facial tissue, deodorant, laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner, and hair spray.

Chambers

Cameron

Chambers

Tim Chambers and Ashley
Johnson of Forestburg announce with joy the birth of
their son Hayden Kenneth
Chambers on Nov. 26, 2006 at
8:05 p.m. in North Texas
Medical Center. Hayden
weighed 6 lb. 12 oz. and measured 19 inches in length. He
is their first child. Grandparents are Rita Chambers of
Bowie, Dorenda Johnson of
Forestburg, and Ricky
Johnson of Gainesville.
Great-grandparents are
Wade and Juanita Demoss of
Bowie, Tommy and Patsy
Skinner of Gainesville, and

Katherine Johnson of Gaines ville.

Womack

NEW ARRIVALS

Cameron

Proud first time parents
Mark and Melinda Fleitman
Cameron of Arlington announce the birth of their baby
girl Marissa Genevia
Cameron. Baby Marissa was
born Nov. 11, 2006 at 11:59:53
p.m. at Baylor Regional Medical Center in Grapevine and
now shares a birthday with
her mother. Marissa weighed
61b. 7 oz. and measured 18 3/
4 inches. The proud grandparents are Paula and August Fleitman of Muenster,
and Rosa Millan of Fort
Smith, Arkansas and the late
Harold Cameron. Greatgrandparents are Ben Fleitman of Muenster and the late
Josephine Fleitman, and
Genevia Cameron of Paris,
Arkansas and the late Horace
Cameron. Womack

Bridget Herron and Bryan
Womack of Muenster are
happy to announce the birth
of their first child, a son,
Ethan James Womack,
Ethan was born Nov. 27, 2006
in North Texas Medical Center at 1:10 a.m. weighing 7 lb.
6 oz. and measuring 20 3/4
inches long. Grandparents
are Tish Ülbig and Alton
Reeves of Muenster, David
and Angela Womack of Nocona, and Evan and Sheila
Herron of Houston. Greatgrandparents are Logan and
Bobbie Herron of Lubbock,
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Falls, and Patty Womack of
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ties. Requested items are: bath soap, dishwashing liquid, cleaning supplies, toothpaste, tooth brushes, make-up, "A Disney Christmas" is set for Dec. 11

Christmas Wish List

for some special folks

The final program in the Morton Museum of Cooke County's Fall Series "A Disney Christmas" will take place on Monday, Dec. 11. What better time to become

a child again than at Christmas. Jorge Alvarez and Gilbert Burrola of Dicho's on California Street in Gainesville will take participants on a candy land, fun-filled trip into the world of Disney collectibles in this program. Participants will tour their home on Church Street where many Disney collectibles are on display. Lunch will be provided by Miss Olivia's Bed & Breakfast. At Miss Olivia's look for Disney characters to appear. Handouts will be provided.

Two sessions will be offered one at 11 arm and one

Two sessions will be offered: one at 11 a.m. and one at 1:30 p.m. If those sessions fill up, an Afternoon Tea with Belle will be offered. For members of the Cooke County Heritage Society, the cost to attend is \$9 and for nonmembers the cost is \$10. For more information or to reserve a seat, call the Museum at 940/668-8900.



Caroline Wenzel, daughter of Jeff and Tara Yosten Wenzel of Frisco, thinks about what she'll ask Santa to bring her for Christmas this year. Santa visited with children after the Muenster Christmas Parade.

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ST. RICHARD'S VILLA NEWS

By Elfreda Fette

Past events enjoyed and recalled with pleasure included that on Monday, Nov. 27 residents played floor basketball and visited in the afternoon. Tuesday, Nov. 28, residents had Bible Study and looked at winter pictures in the morning. In the afternoon, Bowie Church of Christ provided a variety of popcorn, did a Bible activity, and made pictures with the residents of things to be thankful for. Wednesday, Nov. 29, residents played bingo in the morning. Popcorn and Painted Hills Lassie were the afternoon entertainment. Thursday, Nov. 30, residents enjoyed glamour nails and singing in the morning. A snack and visiting high-lighted the afternoon. Friday, Dec. 1, music and bingo started the morning. At 10.30 a.m. Janie Thurman and Alma Wolfled the Rosary, followed by a session of exercise. In the afternoon, residents enjoyed stories and started some decorating for Christmas. Saturday, Dec. 2, residents played bingo and enjoyed watching football. Sunday, Dec. 3, Mildred, Buddy, and Friends entertained for the monthly birth-day party. Cake and lemonade were served. "Happy Birthday" was sung to those with December birthdays. Upcoming Events

Upcoming Eve

with Mildred, Buddy, and Friends singing, and everyone's invited.

Dec. 11: 9:30 a.m., Current Events; 10 a.m., Sittercise; 10:30 a.m., Price Is Right'; 11 a.m., music; 3 p.m., kickball, and Christmas Around The World'.

Dec. 12: 9:30 a.m., Bible Study; 10:30 a.m. Sensory Group; 11 a.m., Remember When; 2 p.m., Anita and Mary for crafts; 3 p.m., All

About Poinsettias.
Dec. 13: 9:30 a.m., music;
10 a.m., bingo; 10:30 a.m.,
sittercise; 11 a.m., trivia; 2:30
p.m., movie and popcorn; 6:30
p.m., Bonny Prescher and

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Muenster Historical Commission

Annual pre-Christmas

Bake Sale

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Be mindful of allergies while decorating for the holidays

As you begin pulling down the holiday decorations from the attic this season, doctors at UT Southwestern Medical Center have some tips for cutting down allergy risks.

"Carrying items down from dusty attics or pulling them from garages and other storage areas can stir up dust and molds," says Dr. Rebecca Gruchalla, chief of allergy and immunology at UT Southwestern.

If you have fabric decorations, try washing them before putting them up. When selecting decorations, try avoiding fabric, which trap more dust than plastic, metal and glass items.

If the decorations appear dusty, take them outside and

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A Muenster Moment

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The first infant born in Muenster was Anna Hesse (Walterscheid) on Feb. 18, 1890.

The first couple married in Muenster was Stephen Grew-ing and Margaret Knauf.

The first funeral in Muener was Frances Wilde.

The name "Muenster" was chosen because it was the capital of the Flusches' native Westphalia, Germany.

The first settlement in Cooke County was on the banks of the Elm Creek in Gainesville in 1849.

August Pulte settled in Cooke County in 1877, southwest of Ganesville. Pulte wrote lettes to the Saint Louis newspaper Amerika to tell of land for sale in Texas.

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Wed. - Corny dogs, macaroni and cheese, pinto beans, baby carrots, oranges, animal cookies.
Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, cream potatoes w/gravy, green beans, pineapples, hot rolls.

ills.
Fri. - Pizza hot pockets, let-ce salad w/dressing, baby arrots, applesauce, mixed

Mon. - Pepperoni pizza, cheese sticks, carrot sticks, pineapple chunks.
Tues. - Turkey, potatoes, gravy, green peas, bread.
Wed. - Barbecue sandwich, potato salad, celery sticks, fruit jello, bread.
Thurs. - Salisbury steak, potatoes, gravy, carrots, pears.

pears. Fri. - Hoagies w/trimmings,

tortilla chips, salsa, mixed fruit.

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LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Corn dog, baked beans, corn on the cob, fresh fruit.

Tues. - Nachos w/chili and cheese, ranch style beans, fresh fruit, bread.

Wed. - Baked ham, broccoli and rice casserole, peaches, chocolate cake.

Thurs. - Chicken and noodles, peas, carrots, pineapple, batter bread.

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

ERA ISD

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ERA ISD

Mon. - Chicken spaghetti or mini corn dogs, broccoli and cheese, tossed salad, sliced peaches, breadstick.

Tues. - Crispy tacos, trimmings, sliced pears, pinto beans, cornbread.

Wed. - Turkey, dressing, gravy, green beans, strawberry delight, hot roll.

Thurs - Frito chili pie, shredded cheese, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, chocolate chip cookie.

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By Rose Rennekamp
Great things in small
packages
I know a young lady who
describes herself as average
average grades, average
achievements, and average
background. She claims to be
nothing special, yet this "average girl" graduated from
high school with almost
\$10,000 in scholarships.

My friend can't give a specific reason for her success.
She played sports in high
school, but was never the star
athlete. She participated in
extracurricular activities, but
wasn't considered a leader.
Her volunteer experience
wasn't extraordinary and her
family background was
stable. She isn't a minority
and both parents worked,
earning good money. If one
was to believe the myths surrounding college scholarships, she had nothing that
worked in her favor – except
determination.

Scholarships are the best
kind of financial aid. It is
money for college that does
not have to be paid back at
any time. This appealed to
my friend, who knew she
needed some form of financial
assistance to pay for college.
She isn't alone. Nearly 75%
of the Class of 2006 high
school graduates who took
the ACT Assessment reported
that they needed financial
aid.

the ACT Assessment reported that they needed financial aid.

Most scholarships are awarded to students because of their needs, their merits, or a combination of the two. Some scholarships have specific guidelines applicants must meet, while others are not as rigid. My friend's background disqualified her for some of the big-time scholarships – those that fully fund a four-year college education – but discovered there were multiple scholarships of less monetary value that fit her perfectly. She applied for those scholarships and was surprised with the number awarded to her.

I applaud her dedication. Too often students disregard a scholarship because its

Holiday Open House

monetary value is seen as "too little," and not worth the effort it takes to apply. What more students need to know is every little bit helps and those \$500 scholarships add up quickly. What seems like a little money now can later determine how much a student needs to borrow in loans or how many hours they have to work while attending classes.

The best way to search and apply for scholarships is to begin early. There are many scholarships out there, but there are just as many students applying for them, too. I know students who begin researching potential scholarships as early as their sophomore year in high school. They may not be able to apply for them yet, but they go into their senior year knowing what is available. I've met parents who began keeping tack of their child's academic and extracurricular accomplishments as early as elementary school. Their organization made the scholarship process a lot easier.

It is also important to take the process seriously. Some school counselors will advise students to treat scholarship applications like a part-time job. My friend prided her search on organization. Armed with a list of scholarships that fif her background, she made a calendar listing application requirements, contacts, and deadlines. She made a personal goal to apply for at least one scholarship a week, more if several deadlines fell on the same day.

made a personal goal to apply for at least one scholarship a week, more if several deadlines fell on the same day.

She started her search her junior year in high school. She was a frequent visitor at the guidance counselor's office and took advantage of the free resources at their disposal. Counselors' offices are a wealth of information. College and university financial aid officers know of opportunities within the university for students with any number of characteristics — students with high GPAs, students studying a certain major, and students with specific backgrounds. After all, that is their job.

Student athletes should explore National Collegiate Athletic Association's website at www.ncaa.org. Students who know their future major can explore association websites to see if there is a scholarship that could help them with their studies. Many occupations have organizations that are interested in attracting new people to the field. Last, there's several free scholarship sites on the Internet, including www.fastweb.com or www.finaid.com. The Internet doesn't replace a school counselor or college admissions officer, but works well as an additional resource.

It may seem that scholarships are rewarded to a small

It may seem that scholar-ships are rewarded to a small population of students – the very smart, the very talented, or the very poor – but that isn't true. Earning scholar-ships takes time, work, and dedication. And the payoff, no matter the monetary value, is well worth the effort.

Rose Rennekamp is the vice president of communication.

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SPORTS

Tigerettes win own tournament

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes took the champi-onship trophy last weekend in the KC Red River Shoot-Out held at the Tiger Den. Four schools, Sacred Heart, Prairie Valley, Chico, and Bethesda Christian, partici-pated.

Bethesda Christian, participated.

GAME ONE
In 1st round action Friday, the Tigerettes dominated the Chico Lady Dragons in a 62-21 one-sided victory. Lauren Creed led Sacred Heart with 47 points (11 in the 1st period) and 15 rebounds. Taylor Torcellini added 14 points with seven steals. Kara Felderhoff scored 11, Samantha Wimmer 7, Jessica Schilling 6, Stephanie Krawietz 4, and Kalyssa Pollard 3. Krawietz also had seven rebounds and four assists, with Wimmer getting 12 steals and four assists.

SH 18 17 16 11 62 C 5 6 7 3 21 GAME TWO

Muenster challanged by 'Cats

Nine points in the final period was not enough for the Hornets to pull out a win Tuesday night in Henrietta, losing 40-36. Muenster had a 1 point lead at the end of the Brd quarter.

Tanner Herr was the game's high scorer with 13 points. Micah and Matt Flusche each added 8, with Collin Walterscheid scoring 5, and Nick Flusche 2.

The Hornets hit five of 11 free throws.

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Just a Thought

If we were supposed to talk more than we listen, we would have two mouths and

The best rule of thumb for character is to remember that if you can't be big - don't belittle.

Understanding is a two way street.

championship round. Eight Sacred Heart players put points on the board, with Felderhoff and Kristin LeBrasseur leading the team with 15 and 12 points. Wimmer added 9, Torcellini 8, Raynee Hogan 6, Creed 5, Krawietz 4, and Lisa Miller 2. Creed pulled down 11 rebounds, Torcellini had five steals, Wimmer five assists, and Krawietz and Schilling four and two blocked shots.

SH 14 24 13 10 61 PV 6 5 1 14 26 GAME THREE

In the championship game Saturday evening, the Tigerettes again were unchallenged as they defeated Bethesda Christian with a68-19 win.

"I am very pleased at the progress of this squad. The effort and the attitude of the team is reflective on the

Tigers in Shoot-Out

The Sacred Heart Tigers, along with Chico, Prairie Valley, and Bethesda, competed in a round robin tournament held at the Tiger Den last weekend. Sacred Heart settled for 3rd place after falling to Chico, defeating Prairie Valley, and ending the competition with a loss to Bethesda.

GAME ONE

In a low scoring game, the Dragons of Chico pulled out a 41-30 win from the Tigers. Eight Tigers scored, with Theo Otto and Nick Popovich each scoring 6, while Kevin Kulle added 5, Mark Fleitman 4, Sam Sparkman 3, and 2 apiece from Colby Richey, Patrick Mojica, and Jordan Reeves. The Tigers hit only two of eight free throws, with Chico getting eight of 20. SH 10 8 4 8 30 C 7 11 6 17 41 GAME TWO

The Tigers bounced back Saturday morning with a 63-

creed Heart Tigers earning a place on the All-District football team include, from left, Colby Richey, olt Spruill, Jordan Reeves, Nolan Hartman, Tyler Rohmer, Dylan Flusche, Josh Yosten, Zach anchetta, Jake Hess, and Chris Marshall. Not pictured, Mark Fleitman and Theo Otto.

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S. H. Tigers start roundball play

The Tigers of Sacred Heart began the 2006-07 basketball season last week Tuesday, after an extended football season kept them off the court. The trip to Bryson was productive for the Tigers, as they brought home a 52-46 victory. Kevin Kulle was high scorer for Sacred Heart with 16 points. Jordan Reeves added 12, Theo Otto 8, Patrick Mojica, and Colby Richey 5 each, Colt Spruill 4,

Sacred Heart wins big over Era teams

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes continued their winning record (8-0) Tuesday night with a lopsided 65-22 victory over the Lady Hornets of Era.

"We were hot to open the game up and Era was ice cold," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Sam (Wimmer) got us off to a great start. She was all over the floor," Coach Jon also was impressed with the toughness and inside hard work displayed by Jessica Schilling, Lauren Creed, and Stephanie Krawietz.

Creed led the Tigerettes with 16 points and 10 rebounds. She was five of six from the field and two of two from the 3 point line. Wimmer added 12 points.

With five assists and 11 steals. Kara Felderhoff tropped in 10 points, taking as xsteals. Kristin LeBrasseur scored 10, Taylor Torcellini 9, Krawietz 6 with four blocks, and Schilling 2 points.

Kelly Schumacher and Joanna Bullock led Era's scoring with 6 apiece.

SH 18 21 13 13 65 E 3 7 5 7 22 Coach Jesse Lockhart on the Tigers big 66-59 victory over the Era Hornets.

Kevin Kulle led Sacred Heart on the boards with 20 points. Colby Richey and Theo Otto each added 16. Sam Sparkman put in 7 points, Nick Popovich 5, and Patrick Mojica 2. The Tigers

"Best game we played in two years," commented Tiger Coach Jesse Lockhart on the Tigers big 66-59 victory over the Era Hornets.

Kevin Kulle led Sacred Heart on the boards with 20 points. Colby Richey and Theo Otto each added 16. Sam Sparkman put in 7 points, Nick Popovich 5, and Patrick Mojica 2. The Tigers hit nine of 16 free throws.

Era's hot shooter was Huddleston, who scored 35 points.

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SACRED HEART TIGERS FOOTBALL SEASON STATISTICS

The Sacred Heart Tigers ended the 2006 season as TAPPS Division IV Regional Qualifiers with a 7-5 record. The Tigers scored 359 points to their opponents' 265, rushing 542 times for 2,659 yards, while the other teams totaled 330 carries for 1,627 yards. Sacred Heart passed for 1,424 yards, earning 237 1st downs, with the competitors getting 1,300 yards and 139 1sts. The Tigers punted 31 times during the season for an average of 38.8 yards and were penalized 81 times for 625 yards. Offensively, Joshua Yosten was top scorer for Sacred Heart with 142 season points. Nolan Hartman added 85, Colt Spruill 42, Colby Richey 38, and Mark Fleitman 20 points. Others putting points on the board were Chris Marshall, Theo Otto, Ryan Bartush, and Zach Zanchetta.

Yosten was the leading rusher with 228 carries for 1,375 yards. Hartman added 372 yards. Hartman added 372 yards in 115 attempts, Spruill 73 carries for 265, Marshall 50 for 192, Bartush 26 for 167, and Otto 25 for 166 yards. Also, Sam Sparkman and Nathan

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ted concerning the history of the Morton Museum

The Knights pulled out a 4th quarter victory at Pottsboro Tuesday night, bringing home a 64-60 win. Levi Hermes was high point maker in the game, scoring 24 points in the first three quarters. Preston Mendez added 11 and Josh Heilman three 3s. Jeff Shannon and Brian Sandmann each scored 8 points, with Travis Endres contributing 4. The Knights hit 12 of 21 free throws, eight in the final period.

Just a Thought

Kindness goes a long way lots of times when it ought to stay at home.

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in an effort to raise funds.

The Lady Knights brought home a victory, defeating the Lady Cardinals 54-39.

"I was pleased with a lot of things we did against Pottsboro, but we must improve our free throw shooting and blocking out on the boards," commented Coach Don Neu.

Brittany Anderle led Lindsay with 18 points and 11 rebounds. Christina Eckart added 15 points, pulled down 10 rebounds, had four assists, and seven blocks. Amanda Hess scored 8; Chelsea Hermes 6, with 11 rebounds, three blocks; Kaileigh Hess 3 points, five rebounds and five steals. Stephanie Neu and Emily Fuhrmann each scored 2.

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Aprilaire^{*}

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Michael Whitecotton, Sparkman, and Ben Walterscheid. The Tigers will lose only three players to graduation-Theo Otto, Mark Fleitman, and Jake Hess. Charles Boles, Dale Schilling, and Michael Becker are the coaches for the Sacred Heart Tigers.

Lady Knights take championship

The Lindsay Lady Knights won the Slidell Tournament last weekend, with victories over Callisburg, Slidell, and Graford, Brittany Anderle was named All-Tournament MVP, with Chelsea Hermes also making the All-Tournament MVP, with Chelsea Hermes also making the All-Tournament Team.

GAME ONE

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GAME THO

Saturday's first game lined against the Lady Cats of Callisburg, After taking a 28-th Lindsay with the host team Lady Hounds. A cold shooting Slidell team and outstanding defensive play by the Lady Knight sended the game with a 52-21 Lindsay victory.

Hermes and Anderle were Karissa Reiter, and Neu.

Start 4. The Lady
Knights hit only two free throws.

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GAME TWO
Saturday's first game lined Lindsay with the host team Lady Hounds. A cold shooting defensive play by the Lady Knights ended the game with a 52-21 Lindsay victory.

Hermes and Anderle was high scorer with 24 points, 18 in the 1st half. Hermes added 18, deckart 6, Murrill 5, A. Hess high scorers with 19 and 12 points. Eckart added 9, Emily Fuhrmann 4, Autumn Murrill and Neu 3 apiece, and

Knights take 2nd at Slidell Tournament

The Lindsay Knights settled for 2nd place in last weekend's Slidell Tournament. After defeating Callisburg and Slidell, the Knights came up short in the championship game with Graford.

The Knights opened the tournament Friday taking on the Callisburg Wildcats. Weak 4th quarter shooting by the 'Cats gave Lindsay a 48-40 victory.

Levi Hermes was the game's leading scorer with 20 points. Preston Mendez added 12, with Garrett Block and Clayton Starnes each

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A cold shooting 3rd quarter knocked the Knights from getting the championship trophy as Graford took a 50-45 win from Lindsay in the tournament's final game Saturday.

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Hermes was the game's high scorer with 24 points (12 in the 1st quarter) and connected six of six from the free throw line. Mendez added 10 and was also 100% on free throws. Shannon, Heilman, and G. Block each scored 3 with Starnes getting 2.

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Levi Hermes and Jeff Shannon were named to the All-Tournament Team.

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The JV Tigerettes pulled out a win Tuesday night with six players contributing points to the victory. Raynee Hogan scored 9, Lisa Miller 7, Eryn Moody 6, Shelbye Hess 5, Kalyssa Pollard 4, and Samantha Barnett 1. Hannah Howell and Casey Hudson led Era's scoring with 13 and 9 points.

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E 5 9 9 4 27
Lindsay 34 Pottsboro 28
The Lady Knights added another victory to their record Tuesday night. Beverly Knabe led the team's scoring with 10 points. Katelyn Brewer added 8, with Rose Hermes and Liz Martin each getting 4. Two points were added by Kayla Hess, Hillary Hoelker, Cammi Neu, and Katie Dieter each.

L 10 10 6 8 34
P 7 11 4 6 28
Muenster 19
Weatherford 63
The JV Hornets participated in the Windthorst JV Tournament last weekend. In game one, the Hornets were owerpowered by a 54 team.

Brandan Bindel was Muenster's leading scorer with 8 points; Eric Hellman and Levi Trubenbach each added 4. Charles Womble

JUNIOR HIGH ACTION

dropped in 2 points, and Jacob Klement 1.

JUNIOR HIGH ACTION

Sacred Heart 20
Lindsay 35
The 8th grade Lady
Squires took a win from the
"ATeam" Lady Cubs Monday
night. Eight Lindsay players
put points on the board. Jessica Block scored 7 points,
with Bethani Eberhart and
Kelsey Hermes each adding
6. Katie Nortman, Emily
Conaway, and Jessica Krahl
scored 4 points apiece, and
Katie Weber and Allison
Metzler 2 each.
Scoring for Sacred Heart
was not available.
SH 4 4 9 8 25
L 6 10 10 9 35
Sacred Heart 39
Lindsay 32

The "B" team Lady Cubs

The B team Lady Coustook an overtime victory from the 7th grade Lady Squires Monday night.

Scoring for Sacred Heart was not available.

Jordan Fleitman led Lindsay with 13 points. Lucinda Krahl added 8, Taylor Atkins 4, and 2 apiece by Amelia Haverkamp, Katie Arendt, and Ranee Morrison, and 1 unreported point.

Sacred Heart 14

Lindsay 30

The Lindsay Squire 7th grade team took a win from the "B" Cubs Monday night.

Five Lindsay players put points on the board, led by Connor Fuhrmann's 14 points. Dean Fleitman added 8, Jonathan Husman 4, and 2 apiece from Cole Hunter and Benjamin Zimmerer.

Michael Davis put in 7 points for Sacred Heart. Clay Hogan added 3, with Austin Springer and Aaron McBride 2 points each.

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Sacred Heart 9

Lindsay 52

The 8th grade Squires took a big one-sided victory over the "A Team" Cubs. Scoring for Sacred Heart were Chad Walterscheid 4 points, Zach White 3, and Matt Hesse 2.

All 10 Lindsay team members put points towards the win. Madison Parkhill scored 11, Justin Anderle and Robert Arend 10 each, Austin Hermes, Tyler Hundt, and Will Taylor 4 apiece, Todd Bezner 3, and 2 each by Kyle Johnson, Thomas Rohmer, and Christopher Klement.

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Sacred Heart 54

Immaculate Conception on Wednesday, Nov. 29 in the Tiger Den. Three girls hit double digits this game. Sydney Hoedebeck scored 18 points, Karli Anderle 12, and Megan Hesse 10. Alexandra Popovich followed with 8 points and Hayley Hess added 6.

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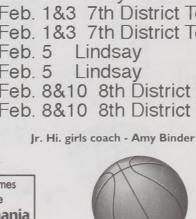
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Michael Sissney - boys coach

Jeff Presnall - girls coach



Muenster Junior High basketball

Dec. 4	Collinsville	Boys	H	5:00
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Dec. 11	Valley View	Girls	H	5:00
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Jan. 4	Lindsay	Girls	T	5:00
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Jan. 11	Era	Girls	T	5:00
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Dec. 18 Era	JVG/B - VG/B	Α	4:00
Dec. 21 Trinity Christian	JVG / VG	H	2:00
Dec. 28-30 KGAF Classic	VG/B	NCTC	TBA
Jan. 2 Valley View	JVB / VB	Н	6:00
Jan. 4 * Calvary	VG/B	Н	4:00
Jan. 6 * St. Albans	JVB - VG/B	Α	11:00
Jan. 12 Lindsay	JVG/B - VG/B	Н	6:00
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Jan. 15 * Notre Dame	VG/B	A	2:00
Jan. 16 * Happy Hill	VG/B	Α	6:00
Jan. 19 Desoto Canterbury	VG/B	Н	6:00
Jan. 23 * Calvary	VG/B	Α	4:00
Jan. 26 * St. Albans	JVB - VG/B	Н	4:30
Feb. 1 * Happy Hill	VG/B	Н	6:00
Feb. 8 * Notre Dame	VG/B	H	6:00



Jesse Lockhart - boys coach

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Sen. Cornyn addresses priorities

Sunday.

Issues such as the nation's defense in its global war on terror, shoring up what the senator called a "failed immigration policy," and writing a new farm bill that still provides for American farmers and ranchers support will be among the items Congress must pick up again as the new leadership takes over in January.

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But forging ahead on renewable energy fronts, limiting government's ability to condemn private property, and helping Texas solve its transportation concerns will also be issues that must be addressed by Congress, the former Texas Attorney General said.

Cornyn brought the crowd of more than 1,000 Texas Farm Bureau members to rousing applause when he spoke out against eminent domain and what's become a close cousin to the issue in the form of the Trans-Texas Corridor (TTC).

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domain and what's become a close cousin to the issue in the form of the Trans-Texas Cornidor (TTC).

"If you're from Texas, private property rights are by definition a top priority," Sen. Cornyn said.

The now infamous Kelo v. City of New London Supreme Court case, which granted government entities the right to seize private lands in the name of economic development, needs to be reversed. Cornyn said. In fact, when the case was first filed on a Thursday, Cornyn said he had filed legislation to reverse the court decision just four days later. Cornyn also spoke against the TTC, which under current plans will claim hundreds of acres of some of the state's finest farmland.
"I plan to advocate looking into existing arteries to solve the transportation needs of agrowing Texas," Cornyn said.

"We all know that something will have to be done to solve utransportation issues as we face tomorrow, but I am certain we can come up with a plan that is a lot more respectful to the farmers and ranchers of this state."

Of course, one of the biggest challenges that lies ahead comes in the leader-ship changes that now face Washington lawmakers, Cornyn said.

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Texans will face a challenging road ahead as Congress reconvenes in the New Year, Sen. John Cornyn told members of Texas' largest farm organization at their state convention in Arlington on Sunday.

Issues such as the nation's defense in its global war on terror, shoring up what the senator called a 'failed immigration policy," and writing a such as the nation of the aisle."

"We will have to use what leverage we have to shape legislation that is in the best interests of the American begins and I stand committed to the form groups like yours—beople who earn their living from hard work who deserve to be treated fairly by their government," Sen. Cornyn said "Itis an honor and privising a sile."

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EQIP sign-up deadline set

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has set a Dec. 15 sign-up deadline for the 2007 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). The program provides cost-share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures that help solve natural resource problems. Natural resource problems. Natural resource concerns are established in each county by local work groups, who identify the most important natural resource issues in the area.

Through EQIP, NRCS also funds projects that address special statewide resource concerns are enounce concerns are animal waste, invasive special statewide resource concerns are special statewide resource statement and special state concerns. Additional information, including ranking criteria, eligible practices, and cost-share rates for all programs can also be found on the Texas NRCS web site at www.tx.nrcs.usd.gov/programs/.—Natural Resources Conservation Services and Conservation Services and Conservation Services and Conservation Services and Con

Toxin in corn may be deadly to horses

Conditions in corn fields across the High Plains were right this year to produce a deadly toxin already responsible for the death of two horses in the Panhandle, said a Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory official in Amarillo.

Dr. John Haliburton, head of diagnostic toxicology for the vet lab, said fumonism has been found in a random sample of corn by the Texas State Chemist Office at Texas A&M University in College Station, and in two samples he tested in Amarillo.

Fumonisin comes from a mold in corn, Haliburton said. The fungus that produces the toxin is found in every corn field, however the toxin only materializes underideal conditions.

This past growing season, the temperatures and ample moisture early were ideal to produce the toxin," he said.

Horses are the most sensitive, and therefore, can eat corn that is not suitable for horses or pigs.

"We have thousands of diagnostic, and therefore, can eat corn that is not suitable for horses or pigs.

"We have thousands of backyard horse owners who may be feeding corn or corn screenings and they need to be aware of the potential problem this year," he said.

Corn that is going into a horse ration should not have more than 1 part per million, Haliburton said. The toxic norn develop lesions in their brains, causing blindness that can occur overnight, staggering, extreme depression or extreme agitation and finally death, he said, In pigs, the toxin affects the lung and causes massive edema.

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TFB calls for eminent domain reform

Nearly 1,000 voices spoke as one for additional protections in Farm Bureau policy to deal with threats to private property due to eminent domain proceedings.

Driven by concerns over the potential loss of land due to the Trans-Texas Corridor and other state and local intiatives, some 968 voing delegates at the 73rd annual Texas Farm Bureau meeting unanimously adopted state policy and recommended national policy that strengthens landowners' options when confronted with eminent domain proceedings. State policies adopted during the annual meeting serve as a roadmap to guide the state's largest farm organization as it addresses issues and challenges in 2007.

Regarding eminent domain to make a good faith offer. They suggested the condemning authority should pay attorney fees, appraisal fees and elated costs whenever the offer is challenged and the amount awarded exceeds the initial offer. Delegates said adequate time should be given to those affected by eminent domain to relocate.

Delegates also recommended a governmental review to determine the number and kind of entities that have the right to exercise eminent domain.

We encourage the legislature to consider limiting the number of entities with these powers, 'delegates said.

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Feeding goats
The goat was one of the first animals to be domesticated by humans, about 9,000 years ago. Today, there are some 200 different breeds of goats that produce a variety of products, including milk, meat, and fiber (mohair and cashmere). Worldwide, goat meat production is higher than meat production is higher than meat production from cattle or hogs.

In Cooke County and surrounding areas the goats are gaining popularity. They offer a profitable livestock production enterprise alternative to beef cattle. They are especially suited for small acreage producers, simply because of their smaller size, which allows more animals to be stocked per acre. Finally, more people are interested in capturing the benefits associated with multiple-species grazing systems.

While good quality forages are usually adequate feed sources, goats may sometimes need supplemental feeding, especially during the winter. Goats need a proper balance of energy in the form of roughage or grain, as well as protein, vitamins, minerals, and clean water. Protein and energy requirements vary, depending on the type of goat and its stage of production

When it comes to feeding goats, Linda Coffey, NCAT Agriculture Specialist, has identified a rule of thumb for all goats: browse and pasture in the summer, hay and grain in the winter, trace-mineralized salt at all times. (The mineral mixture should be fortified with selenium if you live in an area of the country with selenium-poor soil. Check with your Extension agent or veterinarian.) During breeding time, some pro-

ducers may choose to feed not only hay, grain, and salt but also vitamins (A, D, and E) and di-calcium phosphate. Alternative feeds such as kelp, roots and tubers (sugar beets, mangels, sweet potatoes, turnips) may be fed for the energy content if it is deemed cost effective to do so. Various milling by-products are commonly fed to goats as well.

Grain is the concentrate most often fed to goats; cereal grains such as oats, corn, barley, and wheat are high in energy (carbohydrate/fat). Less commonplace grains such as amaranth and buckwheat are also sometimes used. Soybean meal and cottonsed meal are high-protein supplements. The choice of concentrate should be determined by the composition of the forage. High-quality forages usually have adequate or even excess protein; animals eating these will need a higher-energy concentrate to utilize the protein present in the forages. Lower-quality pastures or hays will require feeding a higher-protein supplement to meet the goats' protein requirement.

Goats can be picky eaters, and they may not immediately accept new feeds. Any feed changes should be made gradually to avoid upsetting the rumen bacteria. Feeding very high levels of grain can also upset the rumen. Grain should never be more than 50% of the total diet, except for heavily-producing dairy goats. Adult meat goats should be fed a maximum of 1% of bodyweight in supplemental grain, with lactating does reaching a maximum of 1.5%. Feeding an animal a large amount of concentrate (grain) causes acidosis: the rumen pH will drop and ru-

and water until the animal recovers.

Enterotoxemia can also occur if there is a sudden change in diet that stimulates certain rumen microbes to overpopulate and produce toxins that cause symptoms similar to acidosis. Enterotoxemia usually results in death. To prevent this disease, all animals should be vaccinated for enterotoxemia and their access to grain or lush pasture should be controlled (increase access cautiously).

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Biocontrol of wavy leaf thistle being studied in Texas

ral controls about two years ago.

Michels' entomology team travels the highways to Colorado frequently each year to monitor biocontrol work with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. At first, they noticed wavy leaf thistle growing in small clumps along roadsides, Michels said, but in the past few years it seemed to be spreading.

Deciding they wanted to look at possible control measures, he submitted a proposal for a grant to the Joe Skeen Institute for Rangeland Restoration. His team received funding for two years.

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In spring 2005, Earle began mapping the infestations across the Panhandle. The highest concentrations were found in the northern Panhandle down to U.S. Interstate 40, he said. Wavy leaf thistle has been found along 1-40 from New Mexico to Colorado, but not much to the south.

south.
"Our idea was that it was coming in through vehicle traffic, because it is common in Colorado, Nebraska, and Wyoming," Michels said. "Also, thistles love disturbed areas, so any road work could have increased the infestation."

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Once it was all mapped, Earle looked for naturally occurring insects that fed off the plant. He found one large beetle that fed on the seed heads, but that beetle was considered an economic pest of sunflowers, so it was unof sunflowers, so it was u desirable for use as

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specialist.
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search and Extension Center at Overton.
In years past, producers could present a valid pesticide applicator's license, their driver's license, or their Social Security number to receive credit for the training.
Not any more, said Dr. Billy Higginbotham, Extension fisheries and wildlife specialist.

New privacy laws affect

COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT Pruning mature pecan trees From the time the tree comes into economic production, it is a mature tree. There is another group of pruning operations that can help the producer increase or maintain yields and improve nut quality. The other pruning practices are usually accomplished during the training and establishment stage of orchard development. Mature trees are pruned to decrease shading, to remove had limb angles, to remove dead limbs, and to remove lower branches to accommodate orchard equipment. It is important to realize that there are differences in pruning recommendations for trees in an orchard vs. trees in the home landscape. Some of the hedging practices include: Mechanical hedging and complete tree removal are practices that are utilized by the commercial pecan industry to increase pecan production and to make it possible to manipulate large harvest equipment in and around groves of trees. Mechanical hedging will allow greater amounts of sunlight to reach the lower branches of the tree

to be repeated within a couple of years and will only improve yields for a short period of time.

After three or four hedging treatments, benefits are reduced to a point where hedging may not be beneficial. The roots start to compete for moisture and nutrients and the trees will shade each other. The only economical treatment is to remove trees.

In instances where trees were planted too close and were allowed to grow together and crowd, growers may try to correct the situation by cutting the trees back severely. This is commonly called dehorning, tree topping, or pollarding. This pruning process is not effective in bringing the trees back into full production. This all-too-common practice of severely topping pecans and other trees is not recommended. Severe topping of a healthy tree ruins its looks and can allow insect and disease entry that may kill the tree.

Also, the new limbs developed after topping usually

organic products in 2005.

Seventy-five percent of U.S. crop workers were born in Mexico.

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Seventy-three percent of total farm production comes from those large or non-fam-ily farms.

Average operating profit margins are negative for small farms, but positive for large or non-family farms.

AGRICULTURE BRIEFS

This July, 241,000 head of cull cows were slaughtered

cull cows were staugntered compared to approximately 189,000 in July 2005. Prices held steady, averaging \$47 per hundredweight.

The Homeland Security Department has taken over the duty of inspecting food and agricultural products entering the U.S.

and increase nut production.
As the name implies, it makes the trees look as if they are hedges. It will need to be repeated within a couple of years and will only improve yields for a short period of time.

tree.
Also, the new limbs developed after topping usually have narrow branching angles and are easily split out.

producers can no longer use their Social Security numbers as identification when they attend pesticide applicator trainings, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

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also be eliminated routinely to prevent limb shading. Cuts should be made to the nearest crotch to prevent regrowth of suckers.

Lower scaffold limbs that prevent clamping of the tree shaker during harvest must be removed. Limbs that are low enough, because of the tree's heavy crop, that tractor wheels will run over or damage them, should be removed. Dead wood can be removed. But most producers just shake it out during harvest. Those orchards that have been hedged a couple of times usually have a large amount of ead limbs.

In orchards, pruning mature trees is expensive but necessary. Most pruning operations that are done to maintain tree size and to reduce shading are temporary fixes at best, and are used to put off the ultimate pruning operation, which is the periodic removal of trees to maximize production and maintain quality.

In our landscapes, large pecan trees seldom need major pruning. Late winter, when the trees are dormant, is the normal time to remove dead wood, low hanging limbs, or branches that are in the way, endangering structures or power lines. However, pruning can be done anytime it is necessary.

Information regarding oil and gas leases.

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eral acres in Hutchinson County was selected as a treatment site, Michels said. Cages were set up with four treatments: no action, mowing, chemical control, and biocontrol agents.

The thistle seedhead weevils used for the biocontrol study were collected around Kerrville, where the beetle has been released on wavy leaf thistle with good results, he said. This beetle feeds on the seed heads.

"This preliminary year, the biocontrol seems to be working better than the mowing or chemical control," Michels said.

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However, he is going to study a musk thistle rosette weevil used in Colorado to help control musk thistle. This beetle feeds on the root of the plant.

Michels hopes the combination of beetles can control the perennial plant and keep it from resprouting each year.

The musk thistle rosette weevil is found primarily north of Texas where the growing season of thistle is different, Michels said. The problem is trying to gather



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fisheries and wildlife specialist. "TDA advised we cannot ask for their Social Security number only driver's or pesticide licenses," Higginbotham said. By state law, the Texas Department of Agriculture requires private pesticide applicators to earn 15 hours of continuing education units every five years to maintain their licenses, Higginbotham said. A news release distributed in late October listed Social Security numbers as still being an accepted identification The Bureau of Labor Statistics notes that 155,000 jobs under "farmers and ranchers" are in jeopardy between now and 2014 because of the long-term trend toward consolidation of farms into fewer and larger farms. American shoppers spent \$51 billion on natural and Third annual

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