

## Lindsay football bleachers collapse in mock disaster drill

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Sirens pierced the air in the western end of Cooke County last Wednesday afternoon. The scanners announced mass casualties at Lindsay ISD where football stadium bleachers had collapsed. It was also noted that this was a mock disaster drill.

The scene was set on the Lindsay football field during

a Lindsay versus Muenster football game. There were approximately 150 victims whose injuries appeared authentic thanks to the talented work of the North Texas Central College Drama Department.

Participants included Cooke County EMS, CareFlite, volunteer fire departments from Muenster,

Lindsay, Era, Myra, and Moss Lake, Muenster Memorial Hospital (MMH), North Texas Medical Center (NTMC), students from North Central Texas College nursing, cosmetology, and drama departments, and City of Muenster Police Department and City manager, and employees.

"It was the best drill I've ever participated in during my career of 30 years now. It was really good," praised MMH Administrator Lynn Heller.

Muenster VFD Chief Herbie Knabe explained what went on at the scene in Lindsay. He said that the first thing was to triage the victims. To do this bags, made by EarthPac that were filled with various colored bands were used to tag the injured. On the scene, injuries were assessed and tagged as black for dead, yellow for very critically injured, incoherent, and unable to move, and green for injured and mobile. There were about 20 people tagging for the triage. This took less than 10 minutes.

During the drill, there was a real emergency. Era VFD and one of the CareFlite helicopters were called to assist at a car accident on Hwy. 51. Knabe said that added to the drill because during emergencies that can also happen.

Knabe said that the drill did what it was supposed to do. Those involved found ar-



Muenster Hospital R.N. Doreen Taylor gives medical attention to a "victim" of the mock bleacher collapse at Lindsay last Wednesday. MMH photo



With about 150 people "injured" in last week's mock disaster, buses were used to get them to area hospitals. At MMH, Danny Lovelace, center, and City employees David Dittfurth, left, and Rick Hennigan, assist with unloading patients. MMH photo

eaas that need to be improved on and what their strong points are. He said that not as many volunteer firemen got to participate as would have liked to because most couldn't take another day off work.

With the large number of "injuries", there weren't

enough ambulances to transport the patients to area hospitals. The solution was to load those with less life threatening injuries on school buses. A few were even brought in by parents. NTMC received 80 victims and MMH 44.

locked down and people were not allowed to come and go during the drill. Outside the Hospital, the Muenster Police Department, City Manager Stan Endres, and five City employees assisted with traffic control and unloading the

At MMH, the Hospital was

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## Muenster Elementary Christmas program draws a full house



At left, Travis Dangelmayr, Alaina Kubis, Carson Cheaney, Carson Trubebach, Trenton Harris and Brandon Sicking. "Ain't gettin nuttin for Christmas." Above Lora Waterscheid shows she's in the Christmas spirit singing ever so quietly with her Santa hat while Caroline Gressett sings her heart out! Deborah Wood photos



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## Ten Commandments find resting place at Sacred Heart Church



Front left, Mike Hesse, and John Bartush, back left, Randy Huneycutt and Joe Lively of Richardson's Monument in Gainesville help place the Ten Commandments at Sacred Heart Church on Thursday, Dec. 7, and a blessing was given by Father Kyle Waterscheid after the 6 p.m. Mass on Friday, Dec. 8. At right are Shawn Dangelmayr, Ernie Martin, Tony Moster, and Adam Schiederjan. Deborah Wood photo

## Commissioners give thumbs up to CareFlite membership program

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Beginning Feb. 1, residents of Cooke County will have the option of subscribing to the CareFlite Air Ambulance Membership Program. The cost \$49 per household per year would cover the transport of anyone in that household to any place that CareFlite operates.

Fred Tsosie, director of business development at CareFlite, approached Cooke County Commissioners Court at Monday's meeting seeking the County's approval to solicit memberships to the new program. EMS Director Bob Harbin introduced him and added, "I think it would be a good benefit for the citizens who want to participate."

Tsosie said that for those who have insurance that would pay on the transport, they wouldn't have to pay the deductible. The uninsured with a membership would only be charged half the cost of the transport.

With the County's approval, the next step is seek-

ing state approval. After that, the program will begin in February. Memberships will be sought by distributing brochures, advertising with billboards, etc.

County Judge Freeman said that he liked the program and would be one of the first to sign up for it.

Hunt and Wise counties have already approved the membership program for their counties. Plans are to have the membership offered in 20 counties.

Judge Freeman had a special presentation for the commissioners. "This has been an interesting year for Commissioners Court," noted Freeman. "We have completed the Justice Center, for all intents and purposes, completed the Courthouse, and I was looking for some way to commemorate what this Court has done over the past year."

A coffee shop conversation with Don Hawkins provided the solution. A woodcraftsman, Hawkins agreed to fashion ink pens

using wood from a huge oak tree that had to be removed from the Courthouse lawn. Judge Freeman had each inscribed with the commissioner's name so that all four had a remembrance of the oak tree and of the memorable previous year.

Bids were opened for vehicles for the Sheriff's department and jail. All were awarded except for the SUV, which needed clarification and was tabled until the Dec. 26 meeting.

Bids on three patrol cars came from Klement Ford for \$20,270.15 each with a trade in allowance of \$6,000 for a total cost of \$54,810.45 and Glenn Polk Autoplex for \$21,368 each and a \$2,200 trade in each for a total cost of \$57,504.45. Klement Ford was awarded the bid on the three patrol cars.

A transportation van for the jail received a bid from Klement for \$16,493.61 and from Glenn Polk for \$16,989.61. Neither had a trade in. Klement was awarded that bid also.

In other business, Cooke County Commissioners Court:

- Approved a resolution honoring Precinct #2 Commissioner Bill Cox for his many years of dedicated service to Cooke County. It was announced that a reception would be held in his honor on Thursday, Dec. 14 at 10 a.m. The resolution would be read at that time.
- Tabled decision on possible addendum with Jim Robertson, attorney at law,

for the collection of delinquent taxes. It would allow him to begin collecting delinquent taxes in April rather than July. A modification in the tax code makes this a possibility. Commissioners want to study the impact of such a change prior to making a decision.

- Approved Interlocal agreement with Denton County for juvenile pre and post adjudication services. This is a boot camp for juvenile females explained Jim Farquhar. He said it is usually to house them for six months. State funds cover the expense.
- Heard a presentation by Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Kent Sharp.
- Approved out of state travel for Phyllis Griffin, Cooke County Cooperative Extension Agent. She will attend a two-day program in Ardmore.
- Approved three-year Interlocal agreements between Cooke County and volunteer fire departments from Moss Lake, Lindsay, Valley View, Myra, Lake Kiowa, and Callisburg. There is already an agreement with Muenster and the other County departments have not returned their paperwork.

Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher said that in this year's budget it was decided to provide the opportunity for the County's volunteer fire departments to seek grants by assisting them with matching funds. The amount

of \$1,500 per department was set aside. After a designated period, any department that didn't get grant money could

request unspent money. Valley View received a

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## Sacred Heart School to present Christmas programs

Sacred Heart School has scheduled two Christmas programs for Tuesday, Dec. 19.

Sacred Heart Elementary will present their Christmas program at 6:30 p.m. in Sacred Heart Community Center.

Following the Elementary Christmas program will be the High School Drama Department's Christmas play. A *Modern Christmas Carol* will begin around 7:45 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend both events.

## Klement celebrates 60 years



Kirk Klement poses with longtime employee and friend, Marguerite "Kitty" King. She was the first bookkeeper for Endres Motor Co. (which later became Klement Ford) and worked for them for 33 years. Deborah Wood photo



# OBITUARIES

## Loretta Wimmer 1917 - 2006

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Loretta Wimmer, age 89 of Muenster, on Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster. Fr. Pat Murphy officiated. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Loretta Rose Lueb Wimmer died in Vintage Healthcare Center in Denton, where she had lived the last year and a half, on Friday, Dec. 8, 2006 at 10:30 p.m.

Born in Ardmore, Oklahoma on Sept. 26, 1917 to Henry and Mary Lueb, the third of 10 children, Loretta lived most of her life in and around Muenster. She married Anton Joseph Wimmer in Dallas on Nov. 17, 1936 and they became the parents of three sons and three daughters. She was a member of Sacred Heart Church, St. Ann's Society, SNAP, and the Love Group. Loretta was a homemaker and enjoyed life while doing things for herself, her family, her friends, and her community. Her hobbies included sewing for her grandchildren, quilting, volunteer work with SNAP, delivering Meals-on-Wheels, and baking. Much of her time was spent caring for her family and just being with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include daughters Ruby Otto of Arlington, Jacquelyn Riddle of Mesquite, and Della Hellman of Muenster; sons Jerry Wimmer of Gainesville, Charles Wimmer of Edmond,

Oklahoma, and Roy Wimmer of Denton; 17 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; sisters Lucille Wayland of Oklahoma City, Louise Metcalf of Oklahoma City, and Catherine Fuhrmann of Lindsay; brother Ray Lueb of Edmond.

She was preceded in death by her husband Anton on Aug. 4, 1996; grandson Steven Wimmer; sisters Anna Mae Monaghan, Clara Minnick, and Agatha Wolf; brothers Frank Lueb and Henry Paul Lueb.

A Rosary Service was held on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. in McCoy Funeral Home. It was led by Bruce Bezner. A Vigil was held at the funeral home at 6 p.m. and was led by Dolores Wimmer.

Assisting Father Pat during the Mass of Christian Burial were altar servers Eric, Jordanne, and Emily Hellman. The First Reading was given by John Killgallon. The Second Reading and the petitions were read by Jill Bezner. Carrying Offertory Gifts to the altar were Chase Moore, Trevor Moore, Blake Voth, and Zane Kemp.

Eucharistic ministers were Dolores Wimmer, Tina Moore, Deanna Hellman, Annette Anderle, Darla Anderle, and Julian Bezner.

Music ministers were Christi Klement, Diane Grewing, Linda Flusche, Doug Yosten, and Jim Endres. Sacred songs were "How Great Thou Art," "Amazing Grace," "Servant Song," "Songs of the Angels," and "Till Fly Away."



Loretta Wimmer

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Pam Sweetland, granddaughter, who said in part... "She married Tony Wimmer... They resided on a farm in Muenster... For enjoyment Granddad and Grandmother loved to fish, play cards, and go dancing with their many friends... Grandmother enjoyed taking care of her yard and flowers..."

"I have so many personal memories of my time with Grandmother. I knew as a child that Grandmother made the Lord #1 in her life... She could make anything... She was a fantastic cook!... She loved to try new recipes. Grandma was a great listener and a prayer warrior... she passed her love of the Lord to her family..."

"Grandmother will be missed by all who knew her family and friends alike." Pallbearers were Marlin Wimmer, Monte Wimmer, Stanley Wimmer, Lance Wimmer, Damian Hellman, Jeff Hellman, Jason Hanna, and Brandon Hanna.

For those who have asked, memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

## Hildegarde Swirczynski 1919 - 2006



Hildegarde Swirczynski

Mass of Christian Burial for Hildegarde Theresa "Hix" Swirczynski of Muenster was held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 11 at Sacred Heart Church with Fr. Pat Murphy officiating. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery. Services were under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Hix died at the age of 87 at 2:55 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9, 2006 at St. Richard's Villa.

Born April 11, 1919 in Muenster to Frank J. and Mayme Grewing Trubenbach, she was one of nine children and lived most of her life in Muenster. She married Robert Joseph Swirczynski on June 19, 1939 in Sacred Heart Church. They were the proud parents of two daughters and two sons. She was a member of Sacred Heart Church, and while living in Ardmore, Oklahoma, she served on the Altar Society. A volunteer at Sacred Heart School for a number of years, she was later employed by the school, working in the cafeteria some 15 years. Her interests were pointed toward the school children and all their activities. She enjoyed sewing, embroidery, caring for her family, and crossword puzzles. Hix operated a small business from her home, selling wedding invitations for about 20 years. She was a loving mother and grandmother, who dearly enjoyed children and her friends.

Survivors include daughters Sonja Swirczynski of Muenster and Jill Kralicke of Colleyville; sons Roy

Franklin Swirczynski of Stavanger, Norway, and Kevin Swirczynski of Greenville; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; sisters Isabel Swirczynski of San Angelo, Florentine Pappas of Jacksonville, Florida, and Ethel Metzler of Lindsay; brother Alfred Trubenbach of Denton.

Preceding her in death were her husband Robert on Oct. 3, 1978; sisters Veronica Neu and Alice Hellman; brothers Frank Trubenbach, Jr. and Harry Trubenbach; and two grandchildren Dean Swirczynski and Dea Swirczynski.

At the Mass of Christian Burial, Butch Fisher and Alvin Hartman were altar servers. The First Reading was given by Steve Kralicke and the Second Reading by Patsy Eberhart. Sonja Swirczynski read the Prayers of the Faithful. Offertory Gifts were presented by Megan Swirczynski and Crystal Kinner.

Eucharistic ministers were Caroline Bayer, Debbie Endres, Imelda Rohmer, Linda Sepanski, and Ethel Bayer.

Music ministers were Christy Hesse, Diane Grewing, and Ruth Felderhoff, pianist. Sacred songs included "Christ Be Our Light," "Be Not Afraid," "On Eagles Wings," and "How Great Thou Art."

Remarks of remembrance were given by Kevin Swirczynski who said in part

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injured from the school buses. Endres remarked that the victims appeared really bloodied up. "It was a good experience," he said.

MMH Administrator Heller remarked, "It will enable us to build upon what we have learned. We have good ideas coming from everyone." He said that every employee was given an evaluation form to fill out.

Heller said that each employee would probably be trained to fill about four different roles. That way they will be able to step into whichever role needs to be filled. "Everyone is much more aware of what needs to

be done. I'm very proud of our staff. Everything went very well overall," said Heller. He said that the Hospital's safety coordinator Michael Kent and Director of Nursing Renate Pagel did great jobs preparing for the event.

Having the ability to see what needs to be done and to react to it are important. One not having to wait to ask if they can do a necessary task is important, according to Heller. "As things happen you react to it," Heller stated. "Nurses react to emergencies all the time."

Heller praised Brad Mitchell with Cooke County EMS for coordinating with the

Hospital. "I'm happy with what happened," he concluded.

After the mock disaster drill, Adelia Wilson of Muenster Memorial called in a news report. There were 44 patients brought to MMH and of that number, 13 were deceased. "It went well. It was a learning experience," she noted.

Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher was also very proud of the exercise. He said it was the first time that a mass casualty event on that large a scale was done with the volunteer fire departments, EMS, and hospitals in the County.

"It exposed some areas that we need to work on," said Fletcher. "We have a good system in place, but it needs refined."

Fletcher said it is his goal to do a similar drill in every

community in the County that has a large population. School districts are now required to have an actual drill every year, so that could be of help to them, he noted.

Goals set for the mock disaster on Dec. 6 were:

- To ensure adequate communication capability exists between participating agencies;
- To better determine the capability of health services in Cooke County to handle a mass casualty event;
- To identify challenges faced by individual entities as a result of the exercise;
- To allow first responders and medical professionals the opportunity to practice the same triage system and further its incorporation as the County standard;
- To allow Cooke County school leadership the chance to observe and identify challenges in their disaster plans.

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grant of \$64,253 with the Department of Homeland Security to purchase air packs and air pack filling stations. Valley View Volunteer Fire Department's share of the match is \$3,212, and they requested their \$1,500 to offset that cost. The request was approved.

Approved an agreement with Parker County to house inmates at a cost of \$45 per day per inmate.

Took no action on changing the current mileage reimbursement from \$0.40 per mile to \$0.485 per mile as allowed by the IRS 2007 Standard Mileage Rate.

Approved contract with Global Software for the Cooke County Sheriff's Office. It is for the CAD system.

Approved bond for elected officials Constable Tony Ward; Commissioners Gary Hollowell and Steven Key; Justices of the Peace John Roane and Dorothy Lewis; Treasurer Judy Hunter; and County Judge Bill Freeman.

Took no action on regulating fireworks in the unincorporated areas of the County.

Completion certificates were accepted for County officials and staff for Open Records and Open Meetings training. Certified in both were Alan Smith, John Gurk, Billie Jean Knight, Tanya Davis, Anthony Ward, Bob Harbin, Dorothy Lewis, Terry Gilbert, Mike Compton, John Roane, Pat Payne, Judy Hunter, Shelley Saunders, Virgil Hess, Gary Hollowell, Vickie Barnes, Bill Freeman, Rheta Gilmer, Cindy Stormer Open Meetings only; Mike Compton Public Information only.



## DAYS GONE BY.....

### 65 YEARS AGO

Dec. 12, 1941  
Muenster anxiously follows reports of Japanese conflict... several youths from here are believed located in war zone... Ensign Robert Weinzapfel, dive bomber pilot on aircraft Lexington, is stationed at Pearl Harbor, scene of last Sunday's Jap assault. Railroad crossing crash is fatal to Marvin Davidson, 24, of Myra. Thirty-one children are in this year's First Communion class.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Dec. 14, 1956  
Cold, wet weather handicaps Christmas Parade. Fire Department elects Herbie Herr as fire chief. Wilfred Koelzer has the fingers of his right hand crushed in oil field accident. Obituaries: Jonathon Fette, premature infant, son of the Eddie Fettes, dies about two hours after birth; Julius Filer, 84.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 11, 1981  
TCIL dream team includes

13 Tigers. Obituary: Frank Herr, 79. Wedding: Jack Schoppa and Debra Pippin. New Arrivals: Jason to Robert and Linda Lutkenhaus; Allison to Jim and Shirley Endres; Robert to Michael and Carla Sicking; Bryan to Alan and Darlene Miller; Amy to Curtis and Janet Pagel.

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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		SH Elem. Christmas prog. 6:30pm Comm. Center SHHS Christmas Play 7:45pm Comm. Center	SHS noon dismissal for the holidays No Religious Ed class	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	
Sunday, December 24, 2006	Monday, December 25, 2006	Tuesday, December 26, 2006	Wednesday, December 27, 2006	Thursday, December 28, 2006	Friday, December 29, 2006	Saturday, December 30, 2006
Muenster Museum CLOSED	<i>God Bless You at Christmas</i>		No Religious Ed class	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	



# LIFESTYLE

## Endres, Charles marry in Lake Tahoe, California

Trisha Endres and Darrell Charles were married in St. Theresa's Catholic Church of Lake Tahoe, California on Oct. 12, 2006. Monsignor Murrough Wallace officiated for the double ring ceremony, which took place at 3 p.m. The couple chose to have their wedding in Lake Tahoe because it was also the location of their first date.

The bride is the daughter of Clinton and Debbie Endres of Muenster and the granddaughter of Clara Endres of Muenster. She attended North Central Texas College and Midwestern State University. She is employed as a rural carrier by the United States Postal Service.

Darrell is the son of Earl "Deuce" and Donna Charles of Muenster and the grandson of Judy Grewing of Muenster. He attended Midwestern State University and University of North Texas. He earned a business degree from UNT and is co-owner of Absolute Pools.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride was wearing an Alfred Angelo strapless gown with a dropped waist. Pearls and swarovski crystals adorned it. She carried a bouquet of Black Magic roses encircled with ivory roses and greenery.

The couple recited their vows before an altar flanked by white baskets filled with ferns, red and white roses,

and gladiolus. Behind the altar, snow capped mountains were viewed through a large glass window.

Karri Jo Bindel of Muenster was her sister's matron of honor. Cory Charles served as his brother's best man. Jason Endres, brother of the bride was an usher.

Maureen Leonard, organist for St. Theresa's provided music for the wedding. Songs included "Ave Maria," "Canon in D," "Cavatina," "Where There is Love," and "Ode to Joy."

### RECEPTION

Family and friends gathered for a sunset dinner cruise aboard the Tahoe Queen, an 1860s paddleboat, that toured Emerald Bay on Lake Tahoe. A buffet of prime rib, salmon, and chicken was served.

After dinner, guests en-

joyed the traditional champagne toast. They danced to music by the Wayne Miller Band.

The wedding cake was decorated with black satin ribbon, fresh rose petals, and was topped with a stylized figurine of a bride and groom.

A reception for extended family and friends was held on Nov. 4, after the couple returned from their honeymoon cruise to the Hawaiian Islands. Autumn decorations emphasized the "Fall in Love" theme.

Guests were treated to a sampling of wine and cheeses from the California vineyards. After dinner entertainment included a dance and a picture montage of the Tahoe wedding.

The couple is now at home in Muenster.



Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Charles ... 'nee Trisha Endres ...

## NEW ARRIVALS

### Meeks

Proud big sister Melanie Meeks and uncles James and Jared Dangelmayr announce the birth of their favorite little girl, Meredith Ann Meeks. She was born to Justin and Kristen Meeks on Nov. 28, 2006, at 1:59 p.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock. She weighed 6 lbs. and measured 19 inches in length. Proud grandparents are James and Cathy Dangelmayr of Muenster and Steve and Cindy Meeks of Texico, New Mexico. Great-grandparents are Victor and Frances Sicking and Betty Dangelmayr of Muenster and Leon and Sharon Meeks of Texico.



Logan Flusche

### Flusche

Jeff and Jennifer Flusche of Muenster announce with joy the birth of their son Logan Thomas Flusche on Monday, Nov. 27, 2006. Logan was born in Presbyterian Hospital of Denton at 6:07 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 9 oz. and measuring 19 3/4 inches in length. Welcoming him to the family is his sister Haley Rae Flusche, age 3. Grandparents are Dina and Troy Sicking and Tom and Judy Flusche, all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Agnes Rohmer of Muenster, Betty Dangelmayr of Muenster, and Bernice Sicking of Myra.

### Wildfire safety

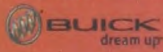
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## BAPTISMS

### Hess

Halle Elizabeth Hess, daughter of Brian and Danna Hess, was baptized in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday Dec. 9, 2006 after the 5 p.m. Mass. The ceremony was under the direction of Father John Robert Skeldon. Halle was christened in the same baptismal gown worn by her big sister Erin. Her Godparents are Arthur and Gynell Oppermann, close friends of the family. The family had a party afterwards in Halle's honor, hosted in the home of her great-uncle Weldon Vogel. Family and friends were served hamburgers, hot dogs, cake, and drinks. Those sharing in this great celebration were her parents and sister; Godparents and their daughter Ann Marie Oppermann; grandparents Leo Hess, Dan and Fay Hamric; uncles and aunts Bob Hamric, Lisa and Marcus Sadler, Sherri and Darren Bodine; great-uncles and great-aunts Weldon, Leonard, Donny and Jamie Vogel, Earl and MaryAnn Hess, Lillian Walterscheid; and close friends Michelle, Sadie, and Lenzie Sandmann, Jane Monday, Dana, Zach, and Ty Sanders, and Dale and Elaine Schilling.



Halle Hess



Garrett Muller

### Muller

Garrett Kade Muller, infant son of Gary and Kathleen Muller, born Sept. 9, 2006, was baptized on Sunday, Nov. 12, 2006 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church after the morning Mass. The Baptismal Ceremony was performed by Father John Robert Skeldon. The baby's Godparents are an aunt and an uncle, Gina Henley of Lindsay and Wayne Muller of Muenster.

Garrett's special day was celebrated with a family luncheon at the home of his maternal grandparents, James and Carol Ann Hess, of Muenster. Attending the luncheon were baby Garrett and his parents, his maternal great-grandmother, Frances Stevens, his maternal grandparents James and Carol Ann Hess and Bob Henley, his paternal grandparents Steve and Sharon Muller, Gina, Rob, Kate, and Lauren Henley, Jon and Helene Henley, and Wayne, Deann, Samantha, Ethan, and Logan Muller.

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## ST. RICHARD'S VILLA NEWS By Elfreda Fette

Monday, Dec. 4, residents discussed current events, exercised, and visited in the morning. Singing and ball toss took up the afternoon.

Tuesday, Dec. 5, residents enjoyed Bible study and reading Christmas poems in the morning. In the afternoon, they decorated green felt Christmas trees, visited, and took a walk outside.

Wednesday, Dec. 6, bingo was played, followed by the monthly residential Council meeting and exercise. "White Fang" and popcorn were enjoyed in the afternoon.

Thursday, Dec. 7, glamour nails took place in the morning. In the afternoon, stories of the history of Pearl Harbor with pictures celebrated Pearl Harbor Day.

Friday, Dec. 8, bingo, sitters, and making homemade bread highlighted the morning. Visiting, eating homemade bread, and Christmas music rounded out the day.

Sunday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. residents, families, and staff enjoyed the annual Christmas party. Mildred Lawson, Buddy Yosten, and friends

entertained with Christmas music. Louis Nicholson, resident, president, and co-owner, thanked everyone for attending and said the blessing. At 2:15, Santa Claus arrived to "Here Comes Santa Claus." He visited with everyone, and handed out candy canes. The staff handed out gifts to the residents, and punch, coffee, cookies, breads, and cake were served.

**Upcoming Events**  
 Dec. 16: Games, puzzles, movies; 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus will lead singing, a Santa visit, and treats and presents.  
 Dec. 17: Mass and distribution of Holy Communion, dominoes, and TV time.  
 Dec. 18: Current events, sitters, "Price Is Right," music, floor basketball, history of bingo, and at 6 p.m., Cub Scouts will lead Christmas singing.  
 Dec. 19: Bible study, sensory group, remember when, creative hands, candy cane treats.  
 Dec. 20: Music, bingo, sitters, trivia, movies and popcorn.  
 Dec. 21: Glamour nails, sing-a-long, bean bag toss, winter social.  
 Dec. 22: Music, bingo, sitters, stories, trivia, history of Christmas.  
 Dec. 23: Games, puzzles, movies.

### Lindsay 4-H play wins at District



Lindsay 4-H Share the Fun program was a play on Celebrating 4-H. The play, "A Blast from the Past," won 1st place in county and district competition. Pictured are, from left, Rose Wyrick, Paige Dill, Alex Harrell, Amelia Wyrick, Cade Hess, Jacob Sprouse, and Payton Dill. Coaches were Marsha Dill, Theresa Sprouse, and Joyce Harrell. Courtesy photo

## Family celebrates St. Nicholas feast

The annual celebration of the feast of St. Nicholas by the Tony and Theresa Dangelmayr Felderhoff family was hosted by Sylvan and Theresa Mae Walterscheid on Saturday, Dec. 9. This family gathering for the feast of St. Nicholas was started many years ago by parents and grandparents Joseph and Theresa Dangelmayr. Now, their third generation has taken over to continue the tradition.

Family members arrived early to join in singing Christmas carols, led by Christy Hesse and Ruth Felderhoff on the piano. The group was smaller this year due to conflicts with school activities and distance.

All anxiously awaited the knocking on the door announcing the arrival of St. Nicholas. He entered carry-

ing the staff of the late uncle Bishop Dangelmayr along with two huge bags of goodies for all good children and adults.

The children prayed, and told St. Nicholas something special they were going to do for their mother before Christmas. They sang Christmas songs and gave St. Nicholas their Christmas lists. St. Nicholas then called each name and gave them a bag of goodies along with a holy card.

Attending were Girlie Felderhoff of Gainesville, Kathy and Jacob Metzler of Era, Alvin and Joan Hartman, Jon, Monica, and Kristin LeBrasseur, Bobby, Sharlene, and Dainah Hartman, Kenny and Holly Hartman, Lance and Parker Hillis, Sylvan, Theresa Mae,

and Laurie Walterscheid, Danny, Nannette, Isaac, and Isabella Walterscheid, Greg, Julie, Eric, Alexandra, and Hillary Walterscheid of Highland Village, and Glen, Amy, Seth, and Ryan Swirczynski of Celina.

Also Ruth Felderhoff, Christy, Joe, Rebekah, John Paul, Daniel, Julian, Rachel, and Nathan Hesse, Jenny, Alyssa, Amy, Grace, Bert, and Isaac White, Neil, Anne, Matthew, Kaitlin, and Sam Hesse, Charles and Bunny Felderhoff of West, Celia Felderhoff of Australia, and Father John Robert Skeldon.

On Sunday, continuing tradition, the Sylvan Waltersheids and the Alvin Hartmans went Christmas tree hunting and enjoyed grilling hamburgers and s'mores.

## VFW Auxiliary holds December meeting

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW #6205 held their regular meeting on Dec. 11 in the Post Home with President Frances Bayer presiding. She thanked those who helped with the children's Christmas party. The veterans' little children and grandchildren enjoyed visiting with Santa and getting a little gift from him.

Members were reminded of the Dec. 18 deadline for In Lieu of Christmas Cards. A donation of \$10 or more will put your name on the list to be published in the Christmas card in the Muenster Enterprise. Proceeds help the Auxiliary with their local projects.

The Voice of Democracy essays "Freedom's Challenge" by high school student winners, and the Patriot's Pen

essays "Citizenship in America" by junior high student winners, were sent to District.

The ladies brought covered dishes and the men fixed fried chicken for their Christmas party after the meetings.



The Tiger and Wolf Cubs of Pack 664 had a great time constructing individual treasure boxes at their December den meeting. The treasure boxes were complimentary of Home Depot's Kid's Workshop Program. Allen Sicking, den leader, also brought a varied assortment of tools and gave a demonstration explaining the proper name of each tool and how it is used. Pictured with their treasure boxes are, from left, Devin Sicking, Hudson Eddleman, Tanner Eddleman, Shane Sicking, Nick Turner, and Tyler Walterscheid.

## Health Dept. has flu vaccine

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# SCHOOL

## Lindsay's SSAC discusses views of 2006-07 school calendar dates

The Lindsay ISD Superintendent Student Advisory Committee (SSAC) recently met to discuss issues pertinent to the students and to school operations. Two students, one boy and one girl, from each grade level 7th - 12th grade serve on the committee. To qualify to serve on the committee, the student must have no grades lower than an 80 (75 for AP classes) for the first six weeks, have no discipline referrals requiring detention during the first six weeks, be willing to serve on the committee, be referred by any teacher Kindergarten through 12th grade, and be elected to the committee by the students in his or her grade level.

Representing the students on this committee are 7th Graders Ashton Reynolds and Drew Cooney, 8th Graders Kelsey Hermes and Todd Bezner, Freshmen Shirley Hess and Colton Hermes, Sophomores Kelly Laux and Jon Sweeney, Juniors Taylor Horn and Keith Hermes, and Seniors Rachel Zimmerer and Joe Otto.

During the meeting, Dr. Ceyanes, superintendent, presented the Exemplary Status Incentive Plan and asked the students for input and modifications. Last year, all secondary students earned a trip to the movies in Sherman as a reward for earning the Exemplary status at Lindsay High School during the 2005-06 school year. In addition, grade levels and both campuses earned other rewards such as popcorn parties, additional classroom supply money for teachers, and exam exemptions for 11th grade students.

The students expressed strong support for the current Exemplary Status Incentive Plan and did not recommend any changes for the 2006-07 school year.

Dr. Ceyanes presented three possible school calendars for the 2007-08 school year. He explained that new laws passed by the Texas State Legislature prevent schools from beginning prior to the fourth Monday in August, which falls on Aug. 27, 2007. Because of this restriction, most superintendents have discovered that the first semester will have to end in January instead of prior to the Christmas Break in order to ensure equally balanced semesters.

The students overwhelmingly expressed opposition to having semester exams after the break. The students questioned why the Legislature cares when we start school in Lindsay and that each district should have the right to decide its own calendar. Dr. Ceyanes encouraged the students to spread the word to their friends, to contact their Legislators, and to encourage their parents to contact their Legislators to express their concerns. In addition, Dr. Ceyanes stated that he would contact our State Legislators

to voice the concerns of the SSAC.

The students discussed the implementation of baseball for the 2007-08 school year. The students were split on this issue. Reasons for opposition included the possible negative impacts on other programs such as UIL Academics, One Act Play, and Track. Those supporting the implementation of baseball felt as though baseball would not have a negative impact on other programs and that it would provide more opportu-

nities for other students to participate in school activities. Dr. Ceyanes assured the committee that this was a very difficult decision and that there are both positive and negative consequences for adding baseball.

Finally, the students asked that the committee discuss College Days at the upcoming meeting in January. The committee plans to meet on the second Wednesday of each month for the remainder of the school year.



Students and teachers for the month of November were announced at Muenster ISD. Teachers of the month were high school Spanish teacher Carmen Reiter and elementary science teacher for grades 4 through 6 Ciciy Wanek. Students of the month were junior Hillary Swirczynski, 6th grader BriAnna Bayer, and 1st grader Travis Dangelmayr. Pictured are from left - front - Travis Dangelmayr and BriAnna Bayer; back: Elementary Principal Lou Heers, Carmen Reiter, JHHS Assistant Principal Brandon Peavey, Hillary Swirczynski, and Ciciy Wanek. MISD photo



Members of the Muenster Elementary Student Council.

MISD photo



On Nov. 29, 67 Muenster FCCLA members went on a field trip to tour the Central Market in Dallas. They had lunch at the Hard Rock Cafe. MISD photo

## Veterans' Day observed at Muenster ISD

On Friday, Nov. 10, a Veterans' Day ceremony was held in the Muenster High School gymnasium. Faculty, staff, and students from Sacred Heart School and Muenster ISD, and members of the community attended. Every year following the ceremony, the Muenster Elementary Student Council provides the veterans with food and drinks. This year the nine Student Council members

provided both snacks and punch. While the veterans enjoyed their snacks, students asked them a few questions about their war and military experiences and jobs.

Wilfred Bindel's scariest moment was almost getting blown away in a typhoon.

"I was very happy when I was going to go overseas but I got canceled out and didn't have to go," said Frank Zim-

merer from the Air Force.

Pat Stelzer added, "My scariest moment was going over the side of a ship and crawling down the cargo nets into a landing craft, and my best moment was surviving boot camp."

Don Hennigan was very sad during the winters in Germany.

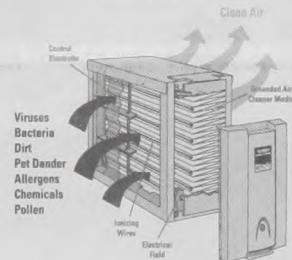
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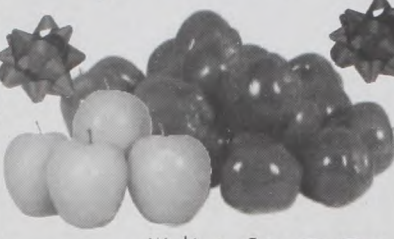


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# Muenster Elementary students place 2nd at District meet

The cold weather did not dampen the spirit of sportsmanship and competition as students from Muenster, Lindsay, Collinsville, Era, and Valley View came together for the District 16A East Zone Elementary UIL Contest at NCTC on Dec. 8. Sixty-six students from Muenster in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade competed. It was a great day of academic competition as talented students from every district put forth a tremendous effort and gave each school something to truly be proud of.

Students helping to earn 2<sup>nd</sup> place for Muenster follow:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Creative Writing:** Macie Pagel 1<sup>st</sup>, Bailey Klement 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
**Storytelling:** Emma Wood 1<sup>st</sup>.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Ready Writing:** Reagan Weger 2<sup>nd</sup>, Alison Morris 5<sup>th</sup>, Kimber Walterscheid 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Spelling:** Alaina Reiter 1<sup>st</sup>, Jordan Buddy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Claire Schneider 3<sup>rd</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;  
**Storytelling:** Kimber Walterscheid 2<sup>nd</sup>, Alison Morris 3<sup>rd</sup>;

**Music Memory:** Mahayla Bohl 1<sup>st</sup>, Alaina Reiter 2<sup>nd</sup>, Claire Schneider 4<sup>th</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade - Art:** Tara Gunnels 3<sup>rd</sup>, Kristen Reiter 4<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Number Sense:** Rachel Hare 3<sup>rd</sup>;

**Music Memory:** Kristen Reiter 2<sup>nd</sup>, Trey Anderle 3<sup>rd</sup>, Zach Trubebach 5<sup>th</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;

**Ready Writing:** Tara Gunnels 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kristen Reiter 5<sup>th</sup>;

**Spelling:** Kristen Reiter 2<sup>nd</sup>, Collin Pagel 3<sup>rd</sup>, Chance Herr 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Art:** Jay Patel 2<sup>nd</sup>, Shelby Klement 4<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Dictionary Skills:** Shelby Klement 1<sup>st</sup>, Audrey Saavedra Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup>, Shelbi Sicking 3<sup>rd</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;

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**Number Sense:** Mason Binder 2<sup>nd</sup>, Clayton Hess 3<sup>rd</sup>, Cole Walterscheid 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;



Muenster UIL participants in the 2nd and 3rd grades.

**Music Memory:** Erin Hess 2<sup>nd</sup>, Adrien Rohmer 4<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Spelling:** Jay Patel 2<sup>nd</sup>, Shelbi Sicking 4<sup>th</sup>, Shelby Klement 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade - Art:** Brooke Walterscheid 1<sup>st</sup>, Lauren Rohmer 4<sup>th</sup>, Amber Walterscheid 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;

**Dictionary Skills:** Amber Walterscheid 4<sup>th</sup> place, Chris-

tina Rohmer 6<sup>th</sup> place, Team 3<sup>rd</sup>;

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**Maps, Graphs, & Charts:** Lauren Rohmer 3<sup>rd</sup>, JJ Horsman 5<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Math:** Hunter Klement 4<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Number Sense:** Hunter Klement 2<sup>nd</sup>, Brooke Walter-



Muenster 6th grade UIL participants.

scheid 5<sup>th</sup>, Lauren Rohmer 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Music Memory:** Michelle Sicking 5<sup>th</sup>, Miranda Pagel 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Oral Reading:** Rosalee Bayer 6<sup>th</sup>;

**Ready Writing:** Brooke Walterscheid 1<sup>st</sup>;

**Social Studies:** Austin Hennigan 6<sup>th</sup>, Team 2<sup>nd</sup>;

**Spelling:** Brooke Walterscheid 2<sup>nd</sup>, Paige Herr 5<sup>th</sup>, Team 1<sup>st</sup>;



Muenster 5th grade UIL participants.



Muenster UIL participants from the 4th grade.

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# SPORTS

## Tigerettes take 2nd at Nocona Tournament

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes won three of four round robin tournament games at Nocona's 6th annual Flame-Out last weekend, setting for the 2nd place trophy after Wichita Falls Rider handed them their first loss of the season.

"We just ran out of gas," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "We played like a tired team with four games in three days."

Samantha Wimmer and Kristin LeBrasseur were named to the All-Tournament Team.

### GAME ONE

The Tigerettes took a 59-31 win over Denton Calvary Thursday afternoon to begin their participation in the tournament. Wimmer and LeBrasseur both scored 14 points. Kara Felderhoff

added 12, Taylor Torcellini 7, Stephanie Krawietz 6, Jessica Schilling 4, and Lauren Creed 2.

Wimmer also pulled down eight rebounds, had 10 assists, and eight steals. Torcellini and LeBrasseur also each got six steals, Schilling six rebounds, and Krawietz four blocks.

SH 14 24 11 10 59  
DC 6 9 5 11 31

### GAME TWO

Friday's first game was a 51-35 victory over the Lady Cats of Callisburg. Wimmer and LeBrasseur again led the scoring with each getting 14 points. Wimmer also had 10 assists and six steals. Felderhoff added 8, Krawietz 6 and two blocks. Creed scored 4 points and pulled down nine rebounds, with Torcellini 3 and Schilling 2

points.  
SH 23 6 13 9 51  
C 10 10 3 12 35

### GAME THREE

The Tigerettes' second game Friday improved their season record to 11-0 with a 52-37 win over the host Nocona Lady Indians. Sacred Heart had seven players score, led by LeBrasseur with 18 points. Wimmer added 16, Creed 6, Krawietz 5, Felderhoff 3, and 2 each by Torcellini and Schilling.

Wimmer pulled down 13 rebounds and got six steals. Krawietz got 11 rebounds, and LeBrasseur had four assists.

SH 6 17 10 19 52  
N 9 8 5 15 37

### GAME FOUR

With a tied score at halftime, it was anyone's game going into the second half. Low scoring by Sacred Heart in the 3rd and 4th quarters gave the Tigerettes their first loss of the season, 55-44 against Wichita Falls Rider.

Kara Felderhoff and Kristin LeBrasseur were high scorers with 14 points, and sharing 11 steals. Wimmer and Torcellini each added 6, Schilling 2, and 1 apiece by Creed and Krawietz. Creed also had 13 rebounds.

"We continue to improve and that is what is important," added Coach LeBrasseur.

SH 18 14 5 7 44  
R 12 20 12 11 55

## Tigers in Flame-Out

The Sacred Heart Tigers were one of the teams competing in the Nocona Flame-Out basketball tournament last weekend. They ended with two losses and a win. Kevin Kulle was named to the All-Tournament Team.

### GAME ONE

Thursday evening, the Tigers tangled with Melissa, losing 45-28. Kevin Kulle scored 11 points for Sacred Heart. Colby Richey added 8, Sam Sparkman a 3, and 2 apiece by Patrick Mojica, Theo Otto, and Nick Popovich.

The Tigers hit 100% of their free throws.

SH 6 3 7 12 28  
M 12 12 8 13 45



The Muenster Hornets brought home the Championship trophy from last weekend's Chico Tournament. Team members are, from left, Tanner Herr, Nick Flusche, Matt Flusche, Garrett Hennigan, Collin Walterscheid, Zach Swirczynski, Brad Endres, Corey Reynolds, Evan Koesler, and Micah Flusche.

## Muenster Hornets win Championship trophy

The Muenster Hornets won all three games at the Chico basketball tournament last weekend with victories over Chico, Alvord, and Bryson, bringing home the Championship trophy.

### GAME ONE

The Hornets got their first win of the season with a 74-61 overtime victory over the Chico Dragons. Muenster out-scored the host team 16-3 in the 5th period for the win.

Four Muenster boys scored double digit points. Nick Flusche led with 17. Collin Walterscheid added 16, and 15 each by Tanner Herr and Micah Flusche. Brad Endres dropped in 7, and Matt Flusche 4. The Hornets hit only 46% of their free throws.

M 13 10 10 22 16 74  
C 17 13 18 10 3 61

### GAME TWO

After an 8 point lead in the 1st, the Hornets allowed the Bulldogs to close within 2 at halftime, before taking a good lead into the 4th for a 57-46 win.

Nick Flusche again scored 17 points, Herr added 12, and Micah Flusche 11 to lead Muenster's scoring. Walterscheid put 8 points on the board, Corey Reynolds 4, Matt Flusche 3, and Endres 2. The Hornets were 16 of 24 from the free throw line.

M 20 6 18 13 57  
A 12 12 9 13 46

### GAME THREE

The final game of the tournament was a one-sided win over the Bryson Cowboys. The 71-39 victory improved the Hornet season record to 3-3.

Scoring double digit points were Hornets Tanner Herr with 14, Corey Reynolds 13, and 11 apiece by Walterscheid and N. Flusche. Matt Flusche added 8, Micah Flusche 6, Evan Koesler 5, and Garrett Hennigan 3.

M 21 13 24 13 71  
B 10 5 9 15 39

Two Hornets earned a place on the All-Tournament Team, Collin Walterscheid and Tanner Herr.

## Felderhoff competes in Dallas Marathon

Amanda Felderhoff was one of 3,507 runners in the 37th Wellstone's Dallas White Rock Marathon. She finished with a time of 4:19:58, slightly ahead of the average finish time of 4:21:04. She place 38th of 75 runners in her gender/age division of 20-24 year old females.

The event boasted an official number of 10,317 finishers for the marathon, half marathon, and marathon relays.

Amanda is a senior civil engineering major who plans to graduate from Texas Tech in May 2007. She has run well over 420 miles since September of 2006 in training for this event. She said that it got really hard from mile 21-23, and then it got worse. "I'm glad that I did it, but I will never do it again," remarked Amanda.

On hand to witness the event and encourage her were her parents Ronnie and Sharon Felderhoff, as well as her aunt Gina Pape, who ran in the White Rock Lake Marathon in 1983, and her

daughter Lauren Pape, and Diann, Ashley, and Whitney Hultstrand. Also cheering Amanda on was a friend of the family Norm Herrera, who ran the half marathon partnered with Dallas Mayor Laura Miller.



Amanda Felderhoff after the Marathon race.

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## Muenster sinks Pirates

The Muenster varsity basketball teams traveled to Petrolia Tuesday night and brought home two more victories.

The Lady Hornets got season victory #16 with a 66-35 win over the Lady Pirates.

Megan Felderhoff was high scorer with 17 points. Sandy Endres added 14, Sam Endres 10, Lindsey Watson and Laura Heers 8 apiece, Lia Heers 7, and Rebecca Grewing 2. The Lady Hornets were 13 of 14 from the line.

M 14 15 18 19 66  
P 11 10 10 4 35

The Hornets brought home a 46-35 victory to gain another win in the W column.

Nick Flusche dropped in 19 points for Muenster, Micah Flusche added 7, and Matt Flusche 6. Corey Reynolds, Tanner Herr, and Brad Endres each scored 4, and Collin Walterscheid 2.

The Hornets hit 50% of their free throws.

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P 5 8 11 11 35

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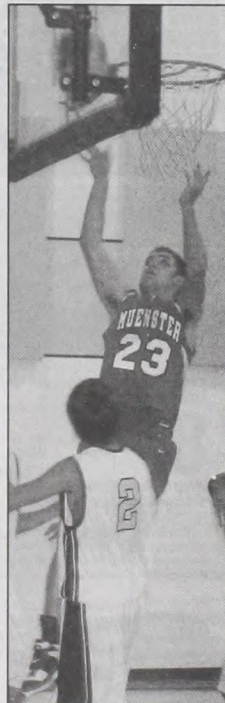
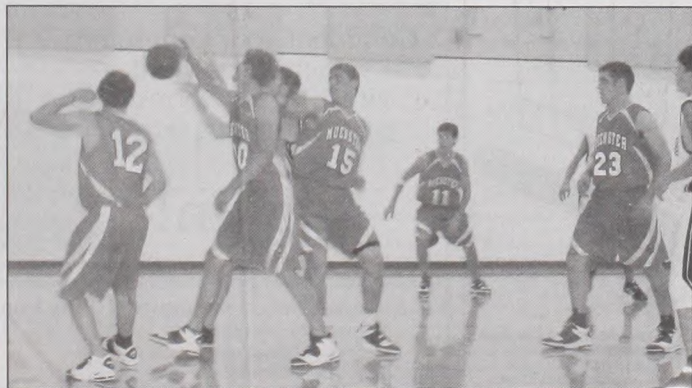
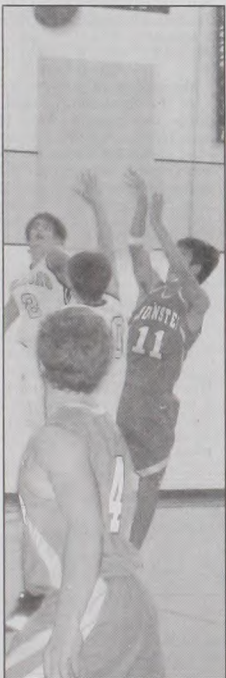
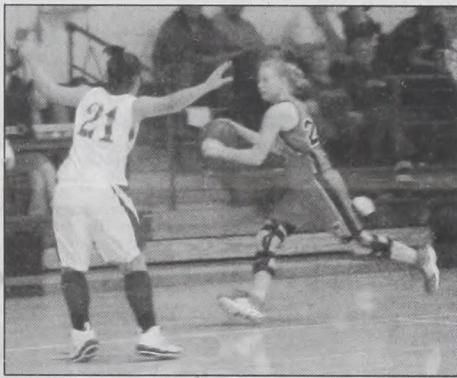
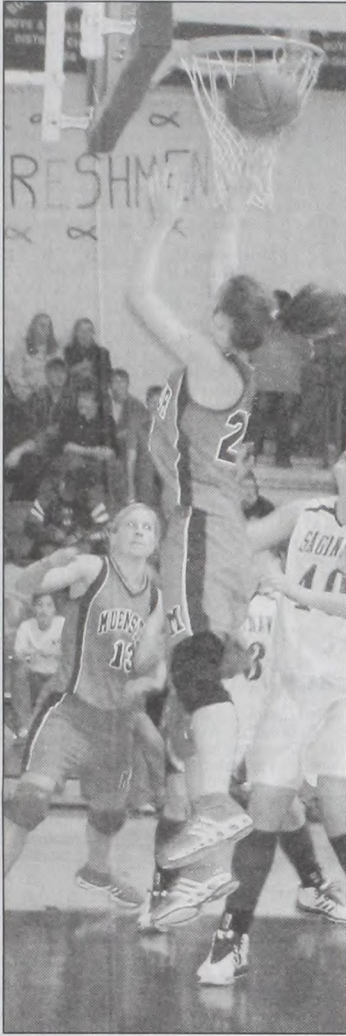
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# JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

**Muenster 24 Collinsville 31**  
 Twelve Pirate points in the 3rd period took away the Muenster "A" team's advantage in their Dec. 4 loss. Taylor Klement dropped in 14 points and was 100% at the free throw line. Emily Hellman added 4 points, with Lana Heers, Alison Pagel, and Taylor Reiter each scoring 2.  
**M** 10 4 6 4 24  
**C** 5 8 12 6 31

**Muenster 38 Collinsville 5**  
 Two scoreless quarters added to Collinsville's low score and the Lady Stinger "B" team's victory. Eight Muenster players dropped balls through the nets. Paige Hennigan and Andi Felderhoff led all scorers with 8 points each. Lacey Trubenbach added 6, with Taylor Endres, Kalyn

Dangelmayr, and Andi Hess all scoring 4. Jacy Steelman and Briana Klement rounded out the scoring with 2 points apiece.  
**M** 2 16 8 12 38  
**C** 0 2 0 3 5

**Sacred Heart vs. Lindsay**  
*(Previously reported)*  
 The "B" team Lady Cubs scoring in their 39-32 win were Kelsey Reeves with 20 points, Danielle Berend 11, Karli Anderle and Amanda Knabe 3 each, and Mikaela Bartush 2.  
 Scoring in the 8th grade game were Megan Hesse, Sydney Hoedebeck, and Alexandra Popovich 6 each, and 2 by Kelsey Reeves.  
**Sacred Heart 4 St. Mary's 7**  
 Eight "A" team Lady Cubs scored in this Dec. 7 one-sided victory. Megan Hesse and Alexandra Popovich led the

scoring with 10 points apiece, Sydney Hoedebeck added 8, Hayley Hess 6, Karli Anderle 5, Victoria Endres 4, and 2 apiece by Rebekah Hesse and Kelsey Reeves.  
**SH** 12 14 8 13 47  
**SM** 0 3 4 0 7

**Lindsay 41 Era 19**  
 Monday night, the 7th grade Lady Squires took a big win from Era. Megan Caillier led Lindsay scorers with 14 points. Lucinda Krahl added 6, Jordan Fleitman 5, and 4 apiece by Katie Arendt, Mandy Hess, Taylor Atkins, and Erin Copeland.  
**Lindsay 40 Era 16**  
 The 8th grade girls also got a victory from the Lady Bees. Kelsey Hermes led with 12 points. Jessica Block added 7, Vanessa Hess 5, Katie Nortman, Jessica Krahl, and Allison Metzler 4 each, and 2 apiece by Bethani Eberhart and Kalyln Gum.

# Knabe plays for Colorado team

"With 10 ticks left on the scoreboard and the Spartans down by 3, Washburn drives down the court as the crowd screams their lungs out. Washburn passes to Glazier... Glazier then kicks it out to Lewis. Lewis passes the ball to Cheryl Knabe. There's a defender right on her, so Knabe passes it right back to Glazier who looks for the 3-point play. It is not made," notes a press release.  
 The women's basketball team of Colorado North Western Community College (CNCC) lost their first home game, 66-63. Former Lindsay Lady Knight Cheryl Knabe was the leading scorer with 15 points and four rebounds.

She was 6-8 from the line and 4-6 from inside the 3 point line. And this was just one game Knabe has played for the Lady Spartans.  
 CNCC is holding pre-conference play with a 2-3 record, beginning conference action the first of this month.  
 Cheryl has averaged 9 points per game for a total of 45 points, 3rd on the team. She is also the 2nd free throw percentage shooter (3rd free throw scorer), pulling down 11 rebounds in five games.  
 In the team's last non-conference game (game #6) Knabe was again high scorer. Also playing for the Lady Spartans with Knabe (#32) are Anasia Johnson (#21) of

Valley View and Stevie Shelton (#25) of Collinsville. All three girls are sophomores at the college.

Knabe is the daughter of Collette and Dominic Knabe of Lindsay.



## Lindsay wins at Chico

The Lindsay Knights and Lady Knights both brought home victories from the Chico basketball tournament last weekend, each winning three games.

**ROUND ONE**  
 The Lady Knights began competition on Thursday with a 59-47 victory over Windthorst. A 15-6 1st quarter gave Lindsay an early boost.

Chelsea Hermes led all scorers with 20 points. Britany Anderle added 13, with Christina Eckart and Emily Fuhrmann each getting 8. Amanda Hess dropped in 7, Kaleigh Hess 2, and Karissa Reiter 1.  
**L** 15 12 16 16 59  
**W** 6 12 11 18 47

The Knights first opponent was the Bryson Cowboys. Lindsay took an early lead, but an 8 point 2nd half shot down Bryson for a 63-28 Lindsay victory.

Nine Knights contributed points toward the win, led by Levi Hermes' 20 points. Preston Mendez added 11, Clayton Starnes 9, Josh Heilman 8, and 4 each by Brian Sandmann and Travis Endres. Garrett Block dropped in 3 points, with Jeff Shannon and Justin Turner getting 2 apiece. The Knights hit 77% of their free throws.  
**L** 18 18 19 8 63  
**B** 9 11 2 6 28

**ROUND TWO**  
 The Chico Lady Dragons scored only 13 points against the Lady Knights in a one-sided 67-13 Lindsay win. Anderle burned the boards with 29 points. Hermes added 14 and Fuhrmann 11. Eckart scored 8 points, Reiter and Autumn Murrill 2 apiece, and K. Hess 1. Lindsay was seven of 10 from the free throw line.  
**L** 26 12 17 12 67  
**C** 5 5 1 2 13

The Knights also faced the host team on Friday, holding onto a 58-50 winning score. Knight shooting started hot, then went cold, picked back

up in the 3rd, then cooled down again in the final quarter.

Hermes again was high point maker with 20. Mendez added 15, Shannon 14, Endres 4, Nathan Martin 3, and Starnes 2.  
**L** 21 9 20 8 58  
**C** 11 11 9 19 50

**ROUND THREE**  
 The final game lined up the Lady Knights against the Lady Bulldogs of Alvord. Lindsay took an early 24-6 lead to set the pace of the game toward a 66-43 final.  
 Eckart scored 20 points to lead all scorers. Anderle added 16 and Hermes 14. Amanda Hess got 5 points. Murrill dropped in 4, Stephanie Neu a 3, and Reiter and Fuhrmann 2 apiece.  
**L** 24 10 20 12 66  
**A** 6 10 6 21 43

The Bulldogs of Alvord attempted to pull out a 4th quarter win, but came up short, giving the Knights a 65-56 final tournament victory.  
 Hermes scored 22 points for the Knights, with Shannon and Heilman each adding 10. Mendez and Starnes dropped in 8 points apiece, with Block getting 5, and Martin 2.  
**L** 21 19 9 16 65  
**A** 12 14 11 19 56

Named to the All-Tournament Teams were Britany Anderle, Chelsea Hermes, and Levi Hermes.  
**L** 21 19 9 16 65  
**A** 12 14 11 19 56

## Knights beat Hounds

Lindsay hosted the teams from Sidell Tuesday night, sending the Hounds home to the doghouse in defeat.

In boys action, the score the first three quarters remained tight with the Knights having a slight edge. The final period saw the Greyhounds score only 4 points while Lindsay dropped in 17 for a 58-43 Knight victory.

Levi Hermes led all scorers with 27 points. Josh Heilman added 9 (all 3s), Travis Endres 8, Jeff Shannon and Preston Mendez 5 each, and 2 apiece by Nathan Martin and Clayton Starnes.  
 The Knights hit five 3s and 63% of their free throws.  
**L** 16 13 12 17 58  
**S** 13 12 14 4 43

## Sacred Heart Tigerettes over V.V. Lady Eagles

Tuesday night at Valley View, the Sacred Heart Tigerettes got their first dozen victories for the season with a 51-39 win over the Lady Eagles.

"Coach Blackburn is doing a good job. His girls were ready and are improving," noted Tigerette Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "We were a little out of sync tonight and Valley View had something to do

**Sacred Heart 31 Era 30**  
 A Kirk Felderhoff shot at the buzzer gave the Tigers a win on Dec. 5. John Krawietz led the scoring with 10 points. Felderhoff and Tyler Rohmer each added 5. Stephen Davis scored 4, Tommy Torcellini 3, and 2 apiece by Kyle Knabe and Mitch Hesse. The Tigers hit only five of 14 free throws.  
**SH** 6 10 6 9 31  
**E** 8 10 1 11 30

**Muenster 16 Windthorst 9**  
 The JV Lady Hornets participated in a Tournament at Windthorst on Dec. 2, winning "mini-game" #1. Hillary Swirczynski scored 12 of the 16 points and hit 100% of her free throws. Also scoring were Brandy Dangelmayr and Erin Endres, both adding 2.  
**M** 4 6 4 2 16  
**W** 0 0 2 7 9

**Muenster 8 Olney 4**  
 Game two was a very low scoring contest, with Swirczynski and Jackie Klement each scoring 3 and Dangelmayr 2.  
**M** 2 0 3 3 8  
**O** 2 0 2 0 4

**Muenster 30 Bridgeport 37**  
 The championship game started cold for the Lady Hornets, allowing Bridgeport to take a 22-12 halftime lead. Alison Miller was high scorer in this match with 16 points. Klement added 7, Dangelmayr 3, and 2 apiece by Delana Rohmer and Shaina Felderhoff.  
**M** 3 9 9 9 30  
**B** 9 13 8 7 37

**Lindsay 32 Nocona 30**  
 On Dec. 12, the Lady Knights held on to an early lead to get the win. Rose Hermes, Beverly Knabe and Hillary Hoelker each scored 8 points. Katelyn Brewer added 3, Kayla Hess and Katie Dieter 2 apiece, and Liz Martin 1. Hermes also pulled down six rebounds and got three steals.  
**L** 4 7 12 9 32  
**N** 6 6 5 13 30

**Sacred Heart 38 Aubrey 55**  
 Cold shooting the 1st quarter got the Tigers behind early in a Saturday game at Nocona. Eight Tigers put points on the board. Tyler Rohmer scored 9, Mitch Hesse 8, Dylan Flusche 6, Nathan Berend and Kirk Felderhoff 4 apiece, 3 each by Tommy Torcellini and Thad Otto, and Kyle Knabe 1.  
**SH** 2 8 8 20 38  
**A** 17 13 16 9 55

**Sacred Heart 28**

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## Profitable grain outlook possible?

Grain producers can look forward to a profitable market for several years, but cattle producers must work through some shocks in the market, a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist said.

"The overall outlook for grain producers is the best I've seen it in 20 years," said Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist in Amarillo.

Amosson will give High Plains producers more details on the market outlook during Profitability Workshops scheduled in January.

"With near-record prices for corn and sorghum, producers are going to have an opportunity to lock in profits for not only this year, but for the next couple of years," he said. "This means profits above all costs."

Ethanol production has raised corn use 500 million bushels in the last year, Amosson said. If the planned ethanol plants all come on line, corn usage could increase another 500 million bushels.

"In fact, in order to meet the proposed goal of producing 15 billion gallons of ethanol, we'd need to increase in corn acreage somewhere between 21 (million) to 23 million acres nationwide," he said. "We're already hearing from some seed dealers who said early corn sales are up 25 to 30% this year."

Some of the ethanol plants will utilize sorghum, but in the short-term the majority will be corn-based, Amosson said. The cellululosic-based ethanol production could impact the future demand for corn, but that process may still be a ways from being economical.

On another front, wheat is ringing up high prices for producers, for a different reason, he said. Production throughout the nation and world has been short.

"So producers can lock in prices around \$4.50 per bushel for this year's crop, as well as next year's," Amosson said. "There's definitely an opportunity in wheat to make a profit, considering the typical price is \$3.05 per bushel in this area."

While natural gas prices can wreak havoc with profits,

he said the natural gas futures are showing prices to be stable or falling in the next couple of years. That not only affects irrigation pumping prices, but also fertilizer prices.

Availability of water was a concern that prompted some producers to switch to cotton to conserve water, but higher corn prices will likely bring them back, at least partly, Amosson said.

"The risk on corn production, to me, is less than that of cotton," he said. "If I had the water, I would do it. If you figure in \$50 to \$150 profit, above all costs, you don't see many years when that could happen. And we're looking at it for two to three years. It's not hard to make the decision."

Other bright spots in the forecast include rising silage prices on the heels of corn, as well as the eventual increase in cotton and soybean prices, Amosson said.

The corn acreage has to come from somewhere, he explained, predicting it would be from soybean, cotton, and some wheat acreage. Shorter supplies of these crops could lead to higher prices in the future.

The not-so-bright part of the agriculture picture is with the cattle industry, Amosson said.

"They are going to see some heavy losses, especially if they bought cattle before the corn price run-up," he said. "The rule of thumb is for every 10 cent increase in corn prices, calf prices will fall \$1.50 per hundredweight."

The cattle industry will go through some adjustments, he said. The distiller's grains, a by-product of the ethanol industry, will be built into feed rations to help offset some of the corn currently being fed to cattle.

Some areas have fed as much as 30% of the ration as distiller's grain without losing any gain, but researchers are still working out the best fit for the ethanol by-product for the Texas feeding industry, Amosson said.

In addition to learning to

feed the distiller's grain, he said the industry might move to shorter feeding periods to reduce feed bills.

"It's going to be a shock to the system, and then things will start to adjust," he said.

The one caveat Amosson puts on his outlook is, "You have to produce it to make it. You can have \$10 corn and if you can't produce it, it won't do you any good."

"We're hoping the biggest problem after this year for producers will be income taxes," Amosson said.

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## COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

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### Invasive plant species

New varieties of invasive plants like the Tropical Soda Apple have been identified in Texas recently. Livestock grazing has been one of the most important management tools for our natural grasslands and established pastures in Texas, but a number of exotic, invasive plant species have gained a foothold on Texas grazing lands and all other land forms, like riparian and aquatic systems. Dr. Barron Rector, Associate Professor at Texas A&M University, suggests that landowners need to be made aware of these problems and control measures should be implemented.

The word "invasive" is usually defined as meaning intrusive, invading, and offensive. To be invasive may imply that the organism has

never occurred on a specific site or niche before or prior to its first introduction. Invasive plants are those that have a tendency to spread and invade healthy landscapes ultimately causing some kind of negative impact. Invasive plants occur all over the state of Texas and today are recognized as a serious environmental threat.

Most often we tend to think of invasive plants such as honey mesquite, common broomweed, ragweed, huisache, dewberry, green briars, persimmon, prickly pear, and others. These plants will increase on the land and are looked at as pests which reduce livestock carrying capacity of the land and may contribute to economic decline of a farm or ranch. In reality they are plants that are native to

Texas, and are actually responding to human management and/or changes in the prevailing climate. Problems with these plants may be most adequately tackled by changing our land management that created a suitable environment or place for them to grow. From an ecological perspective, these native plants often called "weeds" or "brush" are

classified as "invaders." As part of the natural ecology and change in the landscape, they are supposed to be here. Exotic invasive plants are those that are and have been introduced to Texas from foreign countries. Plants that have been moved from their native habitat to a new location (such as a different country) are typically referred to as "non-native." Musk Thistle and Johnson grass are two examples. One is introduced accidentally and the other intentionally.

Once many of these invasive plants set and scatter seed, the problem may not be solved for years. Several years of good seed production will lead to an abundant amount of seed in the soil bank. Most weedy species do not germinate all of the previous years' seed in one year, as we see with many of our domestic or row crop species. It is a survival mechanism to spread the germination of seed out over a longer period of time. Even the native Texas bluebonnet will germinate only from 10-15% of seed in any one year. If a manager begins to work on control of a new plant some years after the initial invasion, plants continue to come up for many seasons and require a landowner to address a large problem when the plant first showed up. The management cost is increased and the potential for further spread encouraged.

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#### Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)

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