

SHCS Juniors re-use items for 2011 Reflections Prom

By Janet Felderhoff

With a goal to purchase as little new as possible and to re-use and recycle as much as they could, the Sacred Heart Catholic School Junior Class of 19 students, their sponsor Dale Schilling, and parents Donna Biffle and Stacie Miller set out on their mission. They chose the theme Reflections because it allowed flexibility in decor.

The decision was to not purchase a prom kit because they cost thousands of dollars and are trashed after one use. Instead they opted to use imagination, some items remaining untouched for years in attics, lots of elbow grease, and items that to others were trash.

With 180 hours of prep time and re-using or recycling 85-90% of the materials for decorations, the Junior Class saved thousands of dollars that was then used to purchase nice items that were raffled off during the evening. According to parent Donna Biffle, the only decoration items purchased new at full price were the red carpet, balloons, and glue. Chargers and votive candles were purchased at greatly reduced prices. Many items were boxed up after the event and are being stored for future use.

After selecting the theme, a search ensued to find suitable reusables. Gainesville Glass has pieces of mirrors that are discarded. Some are small and others larger. With their permission,

these were saved from the trash. Donna bought glass cutters and learned how to cut pieces from the salvaged mirrors. These were used to make decorations to be hung from trees. Larger pieces were placed around on serving and guest tables to add to the reflections. Ribbon from the school's attic served as hangers for the ornaments. Also found in the attic were silver wood boxes from a dance team routine. These were used as risers for some of the decorations.

With cardboard boxes saved from furniture and appliance stores, the junior boys built a three dimensional 70' long city. The boxes were painted black and windows added using silver reflective paper found in the elementary school attic. To give the city building height, they were set on tables. They used black paper, brittle from age from years of being stored in the attic to skirt the tables. Christmas lights from various parents framed the city. Silhouettes of a couple danced in the foreground. A rusty fence sample recovered from a field was cleaned up, given new finials, painted, and used for the city scene. Fifteen years after being stored in an attic, a lamp post was re-purposed as part of the city scene.

Covering the walls was black plastic salvaged from the 2002 prom. They cut wood for mirrored letters from scrap lumber and the last letter in Prom 2011 was

made so that it could be replaced with a 2, 3, 4, etc. for future proms.

Balloon arch bases were created from metal plate scraps that were welded to rebar poles to make a stand. Trees were branches cut and placed in tubs made from Rohmer's Restaurant food buckets. Silver lame and black felt from the school's attic draped the food buckets. Other trees came from the attic where they were stored after being used by the Drama Department.

Letters spelling out REFLECTIONS came from the freight outlet and were sprinkled with silver glitter from the school attic.

Old rope and posts once used to rope off parking areas in the Community Center parking lot were dug out from where they were discarded. With cleaning, paint, and some black fabric, these recycled item could be used to line the red carpet pathway at the prom for the seniors to enter.

Table decorations included vases that formerly held Colonial Candles. Borrowed marbles glistened in vases that held red roses. Dishes on the snack table were re-used from earlier proms. A metal tree from an attic that was repainted silver and a table used at the Chamber banquet found a place on the snack table.

When all the decorations were up, the Community Center sparkled as light

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Things once left for discard, tarnished, or abandoned in attics were brought back to life to add sparkle and beauty to the 2011 SHCS Junior/Senior Prom. Above, the prom's theme Reflections; at left - Stacie Miller and Mark Bartush hang stars made from recycled mirrors; below, from left, back - Amanda Knabe, Karli Anderle, and, front - Shelby Ratliff decorate trees for the occasion.



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MISD extends contracts with 2 salary increases

By Janet Felderhoff

After an executive session held during the Feb. 12 regular meeting of Muenster ISD's Board of Trustees, both campus principals received contract extensions and raises. High School Principal Sharon Browning's one year extension makes it a two-year term, 12 months (226 days/year) contract through the 2011-12 school year. She also received a 2% (\$1,440) pay increase in salary. Elementary Principal Lou Heers extension is for one year, making it a two-year term, 12 months (226 days/year) contract through the 2011-12 school year. The Board voted Heers a 2% (\$1,500) pay increase in salary.

The Board also extended the contract of Brady Carney for a two-year, 12 month term dual assignment as athletic director/teacher/coach through the 2012-13 school year. They approved a \$10,164 stipend for athletic director.

The Board ordered an election for Place 3 and Place 4 to be held May 14 unless there is no contest for either of the Board positions currently held by Ben Bindel and Bert Walterscheid. They appointed Celine Dittfurth as election judge on that day with two assistants.

REPORTS

Technology Director

Jeff Presnall told of the success with the new SchoolMessenger service in sending messages regarding school closings due to the winter storms. The system sent out e-mail and text messages of MISD's school closings in a matter of seconds. It rang more than 400 phones in less than 20 minutes. He encouraged parents and staff who have not done so to update their contact information by logging on to SchoolMessenger's Contact Manager. Information on the notification system can be found at muensterisd.net.

Presnall attended a workshop at ESC Region XI that included information about on-line school payment systems. Credit cards can be used to pay for things such as school lunches, T-shirts, class dues, sports equipment, etc. Parents have been inquiring about this service and would like to see MISD

implement it.

High School Principal Sharon Browning said competition is under way for CX Debate. Some FFA members participated in the Fort Worth Livestock Show and the Muenster Show. TMSCA students are attending practice meets.

Browning reported that

March is Texas Youth Art Month. Three students, Kayla Acuna, Brooke Walterscheid, and Noel Rodriguez entered art work at the secondary level. Brooke's mixed media painting entitled "Still Life With A Different Perspective" was selected to be displayed at the State

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Hospital initiates 10-stage renovation plan

By Janet Felderhoff

Interim Administrator Michael Kent received authorization from the Muenster Hospital District Board to begin a 10 stage remodeling plan for the Hospital's floors and walls. This includes waiting rooms, the dining room, and all hallways. The same will be done in patient rooms as census allows so as to not disrupt patient care. Estimated cost for the 10 stages and patient rooms

is \$85,552.88. It includes flooring, asbestos removal, wall board that can be disinfected, cleaned easily, and is high-impact to replace the carpet now on the walls. The cost was also approved by the Board.

Kent noted that he plans to start in the front lobby with tile and then complete the waiting room by the nurse's station. "I want to finish one section before we move to another section," he

told the Board. "I don't want to be on stage 7 on the floors and stage 2 on the walls. I want to finish one section at a time."

The Board heard a request submitted by Laboratory Director Richard Acayan for a Tosoh AIA-360 unit to perform PSA and TSH tests in-house. These tests are currently being sent to Quest and have a 24-hour turnaround time. If done in-house, the results could

be completed in 15 minutes and results given to the physician. Estimated cost of the equipment is \$18,750. Board Vice-President Ronnie Weinzapfel commented, "I'm a firm believer of doing everything in-house." Kent said it would provide more services for the community, which is what they need to do. The vote was unanimous 7-0 with two Board members absent.

A committee was formed to make suggestions for improvements in the Hospital. One result was removal of the display cases in the front waiting room. Medical equipment displayed there has been downsized and will be rotated. None of the museum pieces were discarded.

CFO Jerry Pickett reported that for the second consecutive month, the District cut a profit from operations although it was a small profit. Operating expenses for January totaled \$515,405 and net revenue totaled \$527,898 for a net operating revenue of \$12,493. Ad valorem taxes collected in January totaled \$562,870 to bring the excess of revenues over expenses to \$575,363 in January.

Pickett explained some of the financial graphs. He noted that January figures indicate that MMH can pay its current liabilities off 7.2 times using current cash. That did not include the debt on the construction loan. "About half of that is because we just collected taxes," he added. "That is most probably the high point we will see this year." There are 148 days or five months of operation without collecting any cash.

Statistics indicated that during January, the occupancy averaged 55.56% with

the average acute inpatient and long-term care patient totals combined being 10 a day. In January, there were 82 ER visits, 299 outpatient visits, 600 people seen at the Family Health Clinic, and 755 Home Health visits made.

An election was ordered for May 14 for three Board seats with terms that expire in May. Those are held by Paul Becker, Mary Dangelmayr, and Danny Walterscheid. None indicated whether they intended to seek another term, but Becker said he was thinking about not running again. Administrator Kent noted that an individual had picked up an application, but hadn't yet returned it. An election will be necessary only if more than three candidates file for the three Board positions.

Kent was appointed by the Board as the early voting judge should there be an election. March 14 is the last day to file as a candidate for a Board position. The three candidates with the most votes will serve the three-year terms.

In other business conducted during the Feb. 15 regular meeting, the MMH Board:

- Approved Bad Debt write offs totaling \$715.64.
- Heard report from Compliance Officer Diane Neu.
- Approved Courtesy staff privileges in Pathology to Robin Dobson, M.D. as recommended by the Medical Staff.

Board members present at the meeting were Kenny Klement, Ronnie Weinzapfel, John Aytes, Aaron Hess, Danny Walterscheid, Paul Becker, and James Walterscheid. Absent were Mary Dangelmayr and T.J. Walterscheid.

Winds fan rural grass fire on Tuesday



Muenster Volunteer Fire Department responded to a grass fire call at 1:18 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22. They were on the scene until 3:08 p.m. The fire started on Sylvan Walterscheid's property along CR 423 when a control burn in a burn pit got out of hand. It burned in a northwesterly direction toward FM 373. An estimated 80-90 acres burned according to Muenster VFD Chief Herbie Knabe. Muenster responded with five trucks and 12 firefighters and Myra VFD assisted with two trucks and four firefighters. They used 9,900 gallons of water to douse the flames. One truck got stuck in the mud while fighting the fire. The Muenster VFD was kept busy Friday morning when they were called to assist at a one-vehicle roll-over on South FM 373 below Gehrig hill. The MVFD rolled out on the call at 8:24 a.m. and arrived on the scene at 8:29. It was a very foggy morning. They were not finished assisting there until 11:12 a.m. The vehicle was an 18-wheeler hauling cattle. The driver was uninjured, but at least 24 head of cattle died as a result of injuries sustained in the accident. MVFD assisted with the cattle and traffic while the accident scene was worked.

Janie Hartman photo

Obituaries

Mary Cleo Buchner 1914 - 2011

Mary Cleo Buchner, born to George Washington Briscoe and Mary Ellen Miller in Wewoka, Oklahoma on May 7, 1914, died Feb. 9, 2011 in Kingsland, Texas at age 96. Cleo is survived by her daughter Lorene Buchner Mathis of Horseshoe Bay; daughter-in-law Janie Lemmon Buchner of San Antonio; four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandson; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband William "Bill" Buchner in 1995, son Kelly Buchner, parents, four brothers, and two sisters.

Cleo was a Sunday School teacher for 35 years at First Baptist Church, Gainesville. Cleo and her husband owned and operated A&M Exterminating for more than 30 years in Cooke County.

Memorial service was held Feb. 12 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home in Gainesville, with interment in Fairview Cemetery.

Ann Hackett 1947 - 2011

Funeral service for Ann Hackett, age 63, of Gainesville (formly of Saint Jo) were held Tuesday, Feb. 15. Burial was in Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo. Mrs. Hackett died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011 in Gainesville.

Born April 28, 1947 in Fort Smith, Arkansas to Floyd and Wilma Mitchell White, Ann received her LPN certificate, working in various nursing homes and in private care. She married Doug Hackett on May 21, 1983 in Wichita Falls. They shortly thereafter moved to Saint Jo where she cared privately for Mrs. Fields.

Survivors include her husband, mother, brother James White of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and three nieces. She was preceded in death by her father.

Vernon Keen 1969 - 2011

Funeral services for Vernon Ralph Keen, age 41 of Saint Jo, will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 26 at the First Assembly of God Church in Saint Jo. Brothers Clarence Russell and Edwin Brooks will officiate. Burial will be in Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo. Services are directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo. A visitation is set for 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Mr. Keen died Monday, Feb. 21, 2011 at Nocona General Hospital. Born Sept. 9, 1969 in Gainesville to William and Barbara Welch Keen, Vernon was raised in the Myra and Era area of Cooke County and graduated high school in Era. He married Marie Hall on March 13, 2000 in Saint Jo.

He attended the First Assembly of God Church, and worked as an inspector for Weber Aircraft.

Survivors are his wife of Saint Jo; daughter Barbara Keen of Saint Jo; sons Brandon and Eli Keen of Saint Jo; stepsons Brandon Mills and Daniel Carr of Saint Jo; his parents of Saint Jo; sister Cindy Keen of Saint Jo; and brother Carl Keen and wife Rebecca of Saint Jo.

Pallbearers will be Robert, Daniel, and Micheal Proffer, Kenny and Tommy Greene, and Tony Hacker.

Della Sweet Koonce 1935 - 2011

Funeral Mass for Della Sweet Koonce of Gainesville is set for Friday, Feb. 25 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Fr. Victor Cruz officiating, with burial in Fairview Cemetery. Rosary followed by visitation was held at 6 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 24 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Mrs. Koonce died at the age of 75 on Sunday, Feb. 20, 2011 at her residence.

Della was born to Ernest C. and Dora Lawson Sweet in Oklahoma on Nov. 18, 1935. In 1946, the family moved to the Sivells Bend.

Della married Johnny Koonce on May 15, 1954, in Sivells Bend and lived in Gainesville until 1958. Della and her family lived in West Texas for many years then in McAllen. After retirement, the family returned to Gainesville in 2000.

Survivors are her husband of 56 years; daughter Sharyn Hope and husband Terry of Katy; sons John Kenneth Koonce of Gainesville and Brandon Yancey and wife Claire of Keller; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Charlene Shasteen 1934 - 2011

Rosary and visitation for Charlene Mary Ann Deen Shasteen was Thurs, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Gainesville. Funeral Mass is set for Friday, Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's followed by interment in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home, Gainesville. Born Oct. 20, 1934, in Gainesville, Charlene died Feb. 22, 2011 in Presbyterian Hospital, Denton at the age of 76.

Charlene was preceded in death by her husband Robert Glen Shasteen; father and mother Charles Deen and Elsie Marie Luttmir Deen Graham, stepfather Clarence "Buster" Graham; sister Brenda Graham Mages and brother Ronnie Graham.

Survivors are children Sharon Godoy and Steven Shasteen of Gainesville, Carol Pitchford and husband, Greg of Oak Point, Robert "Bob" Shasteen and wife Elaine of Spring, and Susan Shasteen of Denton; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; brothers Ray Graham and Gary Graham; and aunt Sheila Husser, Rita Greer, and Virginia Capps; and sister Irene Luttmir Sicking of Myra.

A lifelong resident of Gainesville and Cooke County, she was salutatorian of St. Mary's Catholic High School in Gainesville. She met and married her husband and started their family raising them in the Catholic faith. She was a wife, mother and homemaker, a lifetime member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, who loved animals especially horses, and enjoyed nature, music, and politics.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO Feb. 22, 1946

Local electric co-op project is held up by steel strike in the East. F.A. "Wimpy" Kathman re-fans his radio and electrical appliance repair shop after returning from the service. New Arrivals: Claudia to Roy, Jr. "Tiny" and Elitha Endres; Dennis to Norbert and Elizabeth Koesler; Marcella to John and Louise Neu. Nick Dieter sustains hand injury while playing baseball. Joe and Ida Neu celebrate 20th anniversary.

50 YEARS AGO Feb. 24, 1961

Henscheid kin from five states are here for reunion. Cletus Bayer, age seven, has emergency appendectomy. TP&L increases voltage on line serving Muenster. New Arrivals: Doug to Richard and Jere Klement; a son to the

Lawrence Mosters; Darrell to the Tommy Schenks; a son to the Raymond Fuhrmanns. Mary Ellen Endres, member of Sacred Heart 4-H Club, presents program to PTA in Gainesville.

25 YEARS AGO Feb. 12, 1986

Sacred Heart Tigerettes are TCIL AAA State Basketball Champs. Richard Ferber takes manager's job for Acton Utility District. Wedding: Sherri Wolf and Jim Wornton, Jr. Marcy Wilde elected Beta Kappa president. New Arrivals: Christina to Ronnie and Tina Weinzapfel; Weston to Wayne and Tammy Wimmer; Bradley to Fray and Nancy Webster; Samuel to Paul and Joyce Dostart. Joe and Ida Neu celebrate 60th anniversary. Muenster Hornets lose Bi-District game to Ponder. Obituary: Edna Durham, 99.

Texas oil & gas reports

Permits to drill

The Commission issued a total of 1,664 original drilling permits in December 2010. Permits issued included 422 oil, 170 gas, 868 oil and gas, 74 injection, zero service, and 130 other permits.

Oil and gas completions

In December 2010, operators reported 284 oil, 306 gas, 25 injection, and zero other completions compared to 310 oil, 360 gas, 29 injection, and one other completion during December 2009.

Total well completions for 2010 year to date are 9,939, down from 15,279 recorded during the same period in 2009.

Operators reported 490 holes plugged and zero dry

holes in December 2010 compared to 458 holes plugged and one dry hole in December 2009.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I want to make the public aware of an upcoming public meeting taking place on Thursday, March 3 to discuss an Air Quality Permit for a proposed rock crusher located approximately 2 miles south of FM 1630 on the east side of CR 343 in Muenster, Cooke County, Texas. This facility will not only affect the houses and living environment directly surrounding the facility, but will greatly increase the truck traffic, decrease air quality, and increase noise and dust issues all around the area. The increased traffic will also adversely affect the already greatly deteriorated road conditions.

If you haven't traveled to the southwestern part of Cooke County lately, you should make the drive down FM1630 and check out these County Roads as well. Property values in the area have already been negatively affected by the proposed site and increased truck traffic.

If you are in any way affected by this proposed site, please come to the meeting to voice your concerns and ask questions. A representative from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the applicant, JR Thompson, Inc., will be present to address our concerns. All issues brought up during the meeting will be considered in the application process.

The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision and draft permit are locally available for viewing and copying at the Office of the Cooke County Clerk, 216 West Pecan Street, Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas. The proposed permit number is 92504L001.

I hope to see you on Thursday, March 3, 7:00 p.m. in the MISD Cafetorium.

Sincerely,
Michelle Sandmann
Representative for the
Concerned Neighbors of the
Proposed Rock Crusher

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Capitol from Feb. 26 to Mar. 6. She will be honored with an award and reception at the State Capitol on the 6th.

Elementary Principal Lou Heers said that January, kindergarten 1st, and 2nd grade students were screened using the Texas Primary Reading Inventory (TPRI). The screening is held each September, January, and May. Kindergarten students were administered the CogAT (Cognitive Abilities Test), an intelligence test, the week of Jan. 17-21.

An Open House is slated for Tuesday, Mar. 8 from 6:30-8 p.m. for Texas Public Schools Week.

Athletic Director Brady Carney reported on the success of the basketball teams thus far this season. He noted that they do not have a District loss in basketball at the high school level.

In other business, the Board:

- Heard report that delinquent tax collections for January was \$808.63.
- Voted to add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) Policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manuel Update 89.
- Approved the District Improvement Plan as presented.

The Center Restaurant and Tavern would like to express our sincere gratitude to ORR CONSTRUCTION for going out of their way to clear local business parking lots and roadways following the recent ice storm. It is because of great partners like them that many Muenster businesses were able to open to serve the community. Thank you for your dedication to our community!



**Bryan & Glenda Russell
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Dwayne J. Pagel**

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

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

Sunday, February 27, 2011	Monday, February 28, 2011	Tuesday, March 1, 2011	Wednesday, March 2, 2011	Thursday, March 3, 2011	Friday, March 4, 2011	Saturday, March 5, 2011
Muenster Museum open- 1-4 pm		Library open 10am-6:30 pm	Library open 1:30 -5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg. noon, Center Religious Ed class 7pm	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm	Muenster Museum open- 1-4pm AARP Board Mtg. 10 am	Library open 10:30 am - 2:30 pm
Sunday, March 6, 2011	Monday, March 7, 2011	Tuesday, March 8, 2011	Wednesday, March 9, 2011	Thursday, March 10, 2011	Friday, March 11, 2011	Saturday, March 12, 2011
Muenster Museum open- 1-4 pm	City Council mtg. 7:30 pm	Library open 10am-6:30 pm MISD Open House 6:30-8 pm	Library open 1:30-5:30 Kiwanis mtg. noon Center ASH WEDNESDAY Mass 7pm SH Alumni & Supp Mtg 8 pm Co-Ed V'ball M old gym 7:30	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm Muenster Museum open 1-4pm M. Historical Comm mtg. 8 am	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m AARP member luncheon 11:30 am	Library open 10:30 am - 2:30 pm
		Public	Schools	Week		

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LIFESTYLE

Senior citizens enjoy Valentine Day Social

A senior citizen Valentine Day Social was enjoyed by approximately 90 seniors at the Sacred Heart Community Center main hall. The social, sponsored by the Cooke County Board of Directors of the SNAP Program, was held from 4 to 6

p.m. A delicious dinner was prepared and served to those in attendance by a group of concerned citizens. Music was provided by Bonnie Prescher and door prizes were awarded. Another social is being planned for later in the year.



WHAT NEWS, MY LORD?—Students from the Acting II class at the NCTC Corinth Campus rehearse for the touring production of *Stone, Parchment, Saber* they will be taking to area middle and high schools in April to help introduce students to Shakespeare. Teacher/director Julie Brinker said teachers may contact her to book a Tuesday or Thursday lunch hour performance. Cast members pictured from left are: Jeffrey Krebs from Lindsay; Michael Burns, Lydia Samuelson and John Chakour, all from Denton; and Brandon Martin from Decatur. Not pictured is cast member Adrien Nong from Denton.

NCTC photo

Jewelers help CASA protect precious gems: our County's children

When Michael's mother left town, she left him behind. He was 13 and alone in the world when he entered foster care. Alone, that is, until a judge assigned Michael a court-appointed special advocate, or CASA volunteer. Having a caring adult advocate in his life made a powerful difference for Michael.

CASA volunteers are appointed by judges to represent the best interests of young people who have been removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. CASA of North Texas is dedicated to getting abused and neglected children out of the foster care system and into safe, permanent homes. On average, volunteers from the program speak out on behalf of 90 children each year in Cooke County.

Michael's CASA volunteer, Joe, knew that the social services department had been unable to locate the boy's father. But the department had thousands of children to worry about, and Joe had only one. He did some independent investigating and found Michael's father living in another state. Working with Michael's state caseworker, Joe helped arrange a phone call between Michael and his father, who was overjoyed to hear from his son and ready to parent.

Last Valentine's Day, Michael was facing five years

in "the system" and the grim prospect of aging out alone. This year, he is celebrating love in his new home – and getting to know his father. But without a CASA volunteer, their story would have a very different ending.

Jewelers have a heart for kids

Since 2003, Jewelers for Children (JFC), the industry organization of jewelry retailers, manufacturers, watch companies, and trade associations, has been the leading private supporter of the CASA of North Texas and is one of those programs receiving a grant of \$20,000 to provide direct advocacy services to abused and neglected children right here in Cooke County.

"Children often bear the brunt of tough economic times," said JFC Chairman Ed Bridge. "As families experience greater stress due to financial pressures, children in at-risk families are more likely to be victimized. That is why we remain committed to helping fund the work of community CASA programs like CASA of North Texas. Kinne's Jewelers in Gainesville is a participating member of Jewelers for Children.

To learn more about your local CASA program visit www.casant.org.

To protect the privacy of children and families, this story was edited to change names and remove details that might identify a specific child.

We worry about what a child will become tomorrow, yet we forget that he is someone today. ~ Stacia Tauscher

VFW Ladies Auxiliary hears various reports

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW held their regular meeting Monday, Feb. 21 in the Post Home. Chaplain Mary Lee Hennigan, Conductress Hilda Sicking pro tem, and Patriotic Instructor Eleanor Felderhoff gave the opening ritual followed by the pledge to the flag. Roll and call and minutes were given by Ida Mae Bindel, secretary. Lucille Hesse's treasurer's report was read by Agnes Hesse and was accepted to audit.

President Frances Bayer presided over the meeting. She reported on the District I meeting she attended along with her husband Arthur at Honey Grove #7875 on Feb. 20. Frances is District I Conductress.

She also reported on the Mid-Winter Round-up, Jan. 27-29 in Austin. Frances is Color Bearer #2 and was one of four who escorted the special officers to the meeting. She attended the meetings and school of instruction. She returned with a plaque for 100% membership and

several certificates for membership. The highlight was when 990 ladies paraded around the floor with their awesome hats decorated with buddy poppies. Votes were collected to determine the winner.

Frances is one of the Home Hospice Red Hat Ladies who go to Muenster Health and Rehab Center once a month to play bingo with the residents. They are looking for more volunteers.

A note from the Department of Veterans Affairs of Bonham was read thanking the local Auxiliary for their donation toward the Valentine party for Veterans. Also, a letter from Bonham VA included a list of larger items that are needed. Members were reminded that Feb. 11 - 17 is Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week. Members signed several cards to be sent to Veterans.

Mary Lee Hennigan served refreshments to nine members.

The next meeting will be held March 21 in the Post Home at 7:30 p.m.

New Arrival

Raschke

Natalie Jewel Raschke is proud to announce the arrival of her baby sister, Nicole Kathern Raschke, born on Oct. 23, 2010 at 9:54 a.m. She weighed 7 lb. 14 oz. and was 19 3/4 inches long. Her parents are Nathan and Jessica Raschke of Justin. Grandparents are Debra Pippin of Muenster, Jack and Debbie Schoppa of Saint Jo, and Jimmy and Kathy Raschke of Whitesboro. Great-grandparents are Henry Pippin of Jermyn and the late Peggy Pippin, R.L. and Flossie Schoppa of Saint Jo, Della Walterscheid of Muenster and the late Denis Walterscheid, Bob and Norma Volk of Henderson, Nevada, and Dick Herbst of Chloride, Arizona and the late Joyce Herbst. Nicole was named after her mother, her grandmother Kathern, and her



Nicole Raschke

grandfather Jack Cole.

Nicole was given to God in Baptism on Nov. 28, 2010 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Keller. Present for the blessed event were her parents, her sister Natalie, her grandmother Debra Pippin, her Godmother Kathleen Nelson, Cecilia Nelson, and Peggy and Megan Perez.

ICCS offers evening of fun and auctions

The Immaculate Conception Catholic School (ICCS) 17th annual auction which includes a Cajun dinner, live auction, silent auction, and dance is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, March 5, in the ICCS gymnasium and school at 2301 North Bonnie Brae in Denton. This year's theme is "A Mardi Gras Knight!"

Among live auction items are autographed baseballs by former Texas Ranger Kenney Rogers and Major League Baseball executive and University of Notre Dame alum Joe Garagiola, Jr., son of the great Cardinal and Pirate catcher Joe Garagiola, Sr.,

hotel packages from across the United States, and more. Hundreds of silent auction items will be available, donated by area businesses and ICCS supporters.

The auction is the school's major fundraiser and supports operations, capital projects, and student financial aid for the school with an enrollment of 263 students ages three through grade 8. Admission tickets are \$27 per person in advance, \$25 each for four or more tickets, or \$30 at the door. To purchase tickets or for more information, call the school office at 940-381-1155.

MCHC launches another Round Table History Forum

The first Round Table History Forum of 2011 will be hosted at the Forestburg Methodist Church on March 5, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. by the Montague County Historical Commission. Commission members will provide guests with light refreshment.

Because of interest and participation demonstrated by area history lovers in the 2010 Round Table History Forums, the M.C.H.C. is launching another round of forums for 2011. Others will follow if there is sufficient enthusiasm for the project.

This is an opportunity for all ages and levels of expertise to come, meet, and share

the common bond of our history. Bring your memories, clippings, documents, and pictures to share. Be prepared to note some of the things you will hear that you will never want to forget.

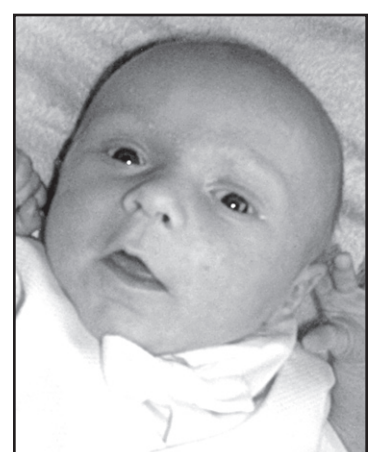
Baptism

Walterscheid

On Sunday, Feb. 13, Daniel Patrick Walterscheid was baptized in Sacred Heart Catholic Church following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Officiating at the Sacrament of Baptism was Father Ken Robinson. Daniel is the son of Ron and Celeste Walterscheid. His Godparents are Angel and Waylen Hess, friends of the couple.

For his Baptism, Daniel wore a new white romper suit with a vest effect and a bow tie. He had a St. Daniel medal pinned to his garment, a gift from his paternal grandparents, and his first rosary, a gift from his Godparents, was placed on him. Daniel was wrapped in two white blankets, one made by his dad's Godmother Ginger Kupper, and the other made by Sister Barbara Bernauer of New York.

Present at the Sacrament of Baptism were Daniel Patrick's parents, his grandparents Jerry and Betty Rose Walterscheid of Muenster and Pat and Debby Crowder of Collinsville; uncles and aunts and cousins Travis and Stephanie Irick of Pilot Point, Doug and Leigh Walterscheid and Traci and Chris of Grapevine, John and Dana Walterscheid and Sara, Abby, and Lora of



Daniel Walterscheid

Muenster; Catherine Cho of South Korea, exchange student of John and Dana; Rhonda and Frank Fangman; and Rylee Hess, daughter of Daniel's Godparents Angel and Waylen Hess. A very special guest for dinner was Father Ken.

All present renewed their Baptismal vows. After the ceremony, pictures were taken. The group then went to the home of Jerry and Betty Rose for a lasagna dinner. A special white cake trimmed in blue in the shape of a cross held a baby with gold wings and a bible. The cake was made by Betty Rose.

Many pictures were taken and special gifts were opened.

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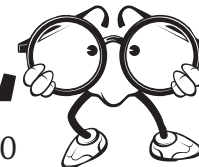
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SCHOOL



Pictured are Muenster High School UIL and TMSCA students who competed at the Valley View High School Invitational Academic Meet on Feb. 19.

Bluebonnet Program promotes reading

The Muenster ISD Library has once again promoted the Texas Bluebonnet Award (TBA) Reading Program to the Muenster Elementary students in the 3rd-6th grade, and the level of participation was outstanding. The unique characteristic of the Texas Bluebonnet Award is that the students get to vote on the winning book out of a group of 20 that were selected by a Texas Library Association (TLA) committee. Hence the motto, "Read five and then decide."

The goal of the TBA program is to "...encourage Texas children to read more books, explore a variety of current books, develop powers of discrimination, and

identify their favorite books" (txla.org). This year, 187,484 Texas students voted in January. After all votes were counted, the Texas Library Association announced that the award went to *The Uglified Ducky: A Maynard Moose Tale* by Willy Claffin. In second place was *Dying to Meet You: 43 Cemetery Road* by Kate Klise.

This year, 65 Muenster Elementary students were able to participate in the vote held in the MISD Library on Jan. 27, while enjoying pizza and cookies donated by the Muenster PTO. Eighty-four students read at least one or more, and a total of 464 of these books were read. The number of participants grew

by 59% and the total number of books read increased by 166 books.

Librarian, Vicki Eldridge, loved seeing the increase in student participation and reading. She remarked, "I was super proud of our students. Even though they were busy with UIL, school work, and extracurricular activities, they still found time to read more books."

Three sixth grade students Morgan Eldridge, Amy Luttmer, and Macie Pagel made time to read all 20 of the Bluebonnet books. For the first time ever, MISD had a class with 100% participation. Way to go sixth graders and way to go all TBA readers! Readers are Leaders!



Muenster ISD Sixth Grade students and their reading teacher, Mrs. Walterscheid. There was 100% class participation in the Texas Bluebonnet Award Reading Program. MISD photo

MHS Journalism Team takes 1st Place

Muenster High School UIL and TMSCA teams competed at the Valley View High School Invitational Academic meet Saturday, Feb. 19.

The Journalism Team of Emily Hellman, Paige Hennigan, Lauren Rohmer, Payton Sanders, and Brooke Walterscheid competed in four events as follows:

News Writing - Emily

Hellman, 1st; Payton Sanders, 4th.

Feature Writing - Paige Hennigan, 2nd; Emily Hellman, 3rd.

Editorial Writing - Paige Hennigan, 1st; Brooke Walterscheid, 2nd; Lauren Rohmer, 4th.

Headline Writing: Brooke Walterscheid, 1st; Payton Sanders, 4th, resulting in a 1st place win for the team.

Also competing were Jay Patel (5th) and Lana Heers (11th) of the Spelling Team; JJ Horsman (7th) of the Computer Science Team; Brooke Walterscheid (1st) of the Literary Criticism Team; Rishi Patel, Andi Hess, Payton Sanders, Brooke Walterscheid, and Clayton Hess of the Number Sense Team

that won 3rd Place Team; Rishi Patel, Sydney Huchton, Lauren Rohmer, Adrien Rohmer, and Kalyn Rohmer (6th) of the Calculator Applications Team that also won 3rd Place Team.

The Mathematics Team including Rishi Patel (2nd), JJ Horsman, Lauren Rohmer, Sydney Huchton, Erin Hess, Jay Patel, Jared Endres, Shelbi Sicking, Clayton Hess and Adrien Rohmer got a 2nd Place Team medal. The Science Team, Rishi Patel, JJ Horsman, Andi Hess, Sydney Huchton, Erin Hess, Jared Endres, Shelbi Sicking, and Adrien Rohmer took 3rd Place Team. The Informative Speaking Team of Caitlin Beavers and ShyAnn Bartel also competed at the tournament.

MHS UIL CX Debate Team advances to State

Two Muenster High School (MHS) Cross Examination Debate teams competed in the District 17A CX Tournament on Monday, Feb. 14 in Gainesville at Temple Baptist Church.

After six rounds of debate, MHS emerged with the 1st and 6th place teams. Brooke Walterscheid and Hannah Weger took 1st place with a 6-1 record. Austin Creswell and Jamie Magee took 6th place.

With a District win, the Walterscheid, Weger team will be competing in the UIL State CX Debate Tournament at the University of Texas in Austin on March 14-16.



Muenster ISD CX Debate Team of Hannah Weger, left, and Brooke Walterscheid. MISD photo



MISD students pictured, from left, are Amy Luttmer, Morgan Eldridge, and Macie Pagel. The three read all of the 20 Texas Bluebonnet Books and are holding the Award winner, the runner-up, and their unanimous favorite: *The Cabinet of Wonders*. MISD photo



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Second Grade - Annie Anderle, Trent Anderle, Jada Binder, Jessica Dangelmayr, Owen David, Sarah Davis, Tara Ferrell, Chloe Hacker, Kelsey Hennigan, Erin Hesse, Alyssa Huchton, Paden Jarosz, Matthew Klement, Audrey Kubis, Sarah Monday, Bayley Otto, Lance Smith, Wade Trubebach, Alexa Waneck.

Third Grade - Colt Bartling, Katie Batha, Savannah Bohl, Major Eldridge, Colby Endres, Jenna Hudspeth, Hannah Lamar, Daniel Luttmer, Zachary Sanders, Lane Trubebach, Abby Walterscheid, Warren Williams.

Fourth Grade - Isaiah Bayer, Thomas Davis, Nathan Hacker, Morgan Hennigan, Rut Rodriguez, Rudy Saucer, Lauren Trubebach, Blair Waneck.

Fifth Grade - Bailey Anderle, Lexi Blassingame, Carson Cheaney, Travis Dangelmayr, Alaina Kubis, Stone Lamar, Norma Rodriguez, Paige Saucer, Jenna Sicking, Andrew Stoffels, Carson Trubebach, Dean Walterscheid, Sterling Walterscheid.

Sixth Grade - Mark Davis, Morgan Eldridge, Amy Luttmer, Macie Pagel.

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

First Grade - Andrew Flaming, Gavin Pagel, Mariela Rodriguez, Ty Sanders, Clayton Spaeth, Logan Stewart.

Second Grade - Alexis Bateman, Shae Budish, Audrey Carnes, Justin Corcoran, Abigail Cox, Bryce Hacker, Dylan Huchton, Alyssa Hutchins, Katherine Klement, Alexander Pierce, Marianne Tai, Ty Trubebach, Jaxon Truebenbach.

Third Grade - Erik Bayer, Eve Brogdon, Noah Clure, Tanner Corcoran, Alexandra Deeken, Brittany Green, Dayton Gressett, Gavin Grewing, Brett Hammer, Brooke Hammer, Hunter Haverkamp, Kaitlin Hennigan, Roger Looye, Anna Proffer, Estefana Rodriguez, Jon Schingoi, Riley Stewart, Victoria Zimmerer.

Fourth Grade - Corbin Bayer, Garrett Bindel, Joshua

Brinkley, Hannah Clure, Allison Henschel, Dane Huchton, Ryan Huchton, Christopher Kresge, Derek Lutkenhaus, Parker McGrew, Hayden Otto, Sadie Sandmann, Jaden Walterscheid, Kody Walterscheid, Elizabeth Zimmerer.

Fifth Grade - Alexis Batha, Rylee Cain, Sidney Carnes, Colton Dangelmayr, Kagen Dangelmayr, Natalie Dangelmayr, Seth Flusche, Savannah Hermes, Max Herr, Stetson McGrew, Erin Osborn, Megan Rohmer, Erin Schniederjan, Brandon Sicking.

Sixth Grade - Brennan Binder, William Felderhoff, Allison Haubold, Zina Haverkamp, Bradley Henschel, Bryce Herr, Blayne Jones, Bailey Klement, Mathew Porter, Sawyer Sanders, Haiden Shook, Emma Wood.



MUNSTER ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S AWARD WINNERS for the 4th six weeks are, from left, row 1 - Zach Smith, Cassidy Acayan, Nathan Hartman, Gabby Fleitman; row 2 - Wade Trubebach, Bayley Otto, Jena Dangelmayr, Kylie Clure, Seth Flusche; row 3 - Lane Trubebach, Blair Waneck, Zachary Sanders, Nolan Bayer; row 4 - Travis Dangelmayr, Morgan Eldridge, Andrew Stoffels, and Brennan Binder. MISD photo

Names added to Youth Fair entries

The Muenster Enterprise received an incomplete Creative Arts list for last week's 2011 Cooke County Youth Fair supplement. Muenster FCCLA students who have Creative Arts projects in the

show, but were not listed in last week's supplement include Jeonglim Cho, Kendi Bayer, Erin Hess, Cathy Aston, Emily Hellman, Paige Herr, Andi Hess, Brooke Hess, Lauren Rohmer, Mi-

chelle Sicking, Amber Walterscheid, Brooke Walterscheid, Caitlin Beaver, Rishi Patel, and Sadie Stoffels.

The Youth Fair Sale will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Valley View Ag Barn.



MUNSTER ELEMENTARY "CAUGHT WITH GOOD CHARACTER" WINNERS for the 4th six weeks are, from left, row 1 - Stormi Richardson, Debra Huchton, Hayley Flusche; row 2 - Alexa Waneck, Yadira Ibarra, Connor Walterscheid, Ty Hess; row 3 - Alex Pierce, Roger Looye, Blair Waneck, Colby Endres; row 4 - Kaitlin Hogue, Bailey Klement, and LeeAnn West. Not pictured are Zachary Mills and Colton Dangelmayr. MISD photo



MUNSTER ELEMENTARY TERRIFIC KIDS for the 4th six weeks sponsored by the Muenster Kiwanis Club are: PreK - Lainey Grewing, Nathan Hutchins, Reece Acayan; K - Devon Bindel, Josey Grewing, Sean Sicking, Savannah Sicking, Hunter Galubenski, Gabe Grewing, Braeden Hacker, Shane Hess, Brittany Bateman; 1st - Ty Sanders, Gavin Pagel, Hillary Klement, Alex Hacker, Logan Stewart; 2nd - Sarah Monday, Shae Budish, Justin Corcoran, Sarah Davis, Bryce Hacker; 3rd - Brittany Green, Dayton Gressett, Kaitlin Hennigan, Kenadie Hess, Warren Williams, Stephanie Rodriguez, Jenna Hudspeth, Hannah Lamar; 4th - Tom Davis, Rudy Saucer, Nathan Hacker, Ryan Huchton, Rut Rodriguez, Chris Kresge, Sadie Sandmann; 5th - Jenna Sicking, Paige Saucer, Carson Trubebach, Carson Cheaney, Natalie Dangelmayr; 6th - Katie Hutson, Zina Haverkamp, and Bryce Herr. Not pictured are Eli Saucer, Abby Cox, Cole McMinn, Elizabeth Zimmerer, and Erin Osborn. MISD photo

Lunch Menus

WEEK OF FEB. 28 - MAR. 4 MUNSTER ISD

Mon. - Beef tacos w/cheese, Spanish rice, pinto beans, peaches, cake.

Tues. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pineapple, hot rolls.

Wed. - Chicken quesadillas, macaroni and cheese, pork and beans, lettuce salad w/dressing, oranges, carrots.

Thurs. - Baked ham, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, pears, hot rolls.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, ranch style beans, carrots, applesauce, ice cream.

SACRED HEART

Mon. - Cook's choice.

Tues. - Beef stew, cornbread, cheese sticks, applesauce.

Wed. - Chicken nuggets, potatoes, gravy, corn, apricots.

Thurs. - Pork chops, baked beans, carrots, hot apple slices, bread.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/trim-

mings, oven fries, oranges.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Fiesta salad w/corn chips, ranch style beans, pineapple, yellow cake w/white cream frosting.

Tues. - Corn dog, corn on the cob, carrot sticks, applesauce.

Wed. - Chicken fajitas w/trimmings, pinto beans, Spanish rice, fresh fruit.

Thurs. - Beef tips over rice, carrots, peach cups, batter-bread.

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

ERA ISD

Mon. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, peaches, chocolate chip cookie.

Tues. - Chicken nuggets, sweet potatoes, hot roll, fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

Wed. - Corn dogs, broccoli, ranch style beans, pears.

Thurs. - Burritos, corn pineapple, Missouri cookie.

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Educator Spotlight

Dianne Endres - Muenster Elementary

Dianne Endres is pleased to be in her 13th year as a teacher, with all of those years here at Muenster ISD. She currently enjoys teaching 3rd grade. Dianne not only works tirelessly in the regular classroom, but also with students through extracurricular activities including UIL Ready Writing and Listening Skills. She also devotes time as the Muenster Elementary UIL Coordinator. She has been recognized for her accomplishments with Elementary Teacher of the Year 1998, Elementary Teacher of the Month in March 2007 and December 2009, as a Jack Harvey Exemplary Teacher Nominee, and recognition for the TBEC Honor Roll. Thanks Dianne for your commitment to the students at MISD.

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SPORTS

Tigerettes win first round

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes hosted the Lady Vikings of Waco Vanguard Prep last Saturday in round one of the TAPPS basketball playoffs. "The girls' effort was outstanding," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "I am so proud of how we controlled the flow of the game on the offensive end. Playoff time is all about possession basketball, and this young squad is grasping that thought."

The Tigerettes had total control of the boards, allowing the Lady Vikings a total of 13 points in three periods, while scoring 53 - 26 in the 1st quarter alone.

Kaitlin Hesse led the Tigerettes with 20 points (10 in the 1st period) and 11 rebounds. Sydney Hoedebeck added 10, Bailey Walterscheid 8, Karleigh Reeves 7, Karli Anderle 6, Kelsey Reeves 5, and 2 apiece by Mikaela Bartush, Rebekah Hesse, Peyton Reiter, and Kylie Hess.

Anderle scored her 1,000th

point in the 1st period. The win improved the Tigerette record to 28-7.

SH 26 13 14 11 64
V 4 6 3 17 30

Next action for the Sacred Heart girls will be Saturday

in Plano as the Tigerettes take on Desoto Canterbury Episcopal in the Regional round of the playoffs. The game will be at John Paul II High School. Tip off is 10 a.m.

ANDERLE HITS 1,000



Sacred Heart Tigerette Karli Anderle hit her 1,000th career point last Saturday from the free throw line. Anderle entered the Tigerette playoff game against Vanguard with 999 points to her record. Her first point of the game hit the milestone. She is pictured here making it 1,001. Janie Hartman photo

Tigers win Bi-District, stopped at 2nd round

The Sacred Heart Tigers took the long trip to El Paso on Valentines Day to face Jesus Chapel in the Bi-District round of the TAPPS playoffs. The Tigers brought home a 58-49 victory.

Ryan Felderhoff led the scoring with 27 points. Josh Biffle added 9, Jordan Henscheid 8, Greyson Evans 5, John Paul Hesse 4, Austin Springer 3, and Matt Hesse 2.

On Saturday, the Tigers traveled to Waco in round 2 of the playoffs and faced the Vanguard Prep Vikings, the #17 ranked small private school in Texas. Sacred Heart was handed a 59-34 loss to end their season.

Felderhoff again led the scoring with 14 points. Springer added 6, M. Hesse 4, Henscheid and Michael Davis 3 each, and 2 apiece by JP Hesse and Biffle.

The Tigers were coached by Ryan Starrett.

Ratings update

As of Feb. 21, the TABC/ Tex Preps Basketball Magazine High School Basketball Ratings places the Muenster Lady Hornets in 6th place in Class 1A, Div. I in the State. Meridian, Muenster's Tuesday playoff opponent was #21. Goldthwaite sits in the #1 seat, and Kerens #9.

In the boys Class 1A, Div. I, the Hornets of Muenster are listed #20. Clarendon, Clarksville, and Eula take the top three places.

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes are ranked 11th in the Girls Small Private School Division. Their opponent

this weekend, DeSoto Canterbury is #7.

In the Texas Girls Coaches Association, the Lady Hornets are also listed at #6. Kerens is 8th with Goldthwaite in 1st place.

PLAYOFFS 2011

TAPPS

Tigerettes	64
Vanguard	30
Tigers	34
Vanguard	59

Lady Hornets win Area and Regional Quarter-Final rounds

The Muenster Lady Hornets chalked up another win last week as they ran the Lady 'Dogs of Wortham out of the house with a 75-52 Area Championship victory.

The final score doesn't tell the whole story, as Muenster had a 14 point lead in the 1st, 25 at halftime, and 31 going into the final period. The win improved the Lady Hornet season to 29-5.

All 10 Lady Hornets scored in the playoff game. Lana

Heers was high point maker with 24 points. Taylor Klement added 18, Demi Koelzer 16, Allison Pagel and Emily Hellman 4 each, Andi Felderhoff, Shelby Dangelmayr, Paige Hennigan, and Amber Walterscheid 2 apiece, and Michelle Sicking 1.

M 18 28 14 15 75
W 4 17 8 23 52

On Tuesday, the Lady Hornets traveled to Peaster to take on the Meridian Lady Yellowjackets in the Regional Quarter-Final playoff game.

After a very slow start for both teams (only 8 total points in the 1st quarter), the game continued with cold shooting. Muenster's 10 to 2 3rd quarter points gave the

Lady Hornets a nice cushion going into the final period toward the 29-19 game score.

Klement dropped in 14 points, with Felderhoff adding 5, Koelzer 4, and 2 apiece from Emily Hellman, Pagel, and Heers.

Muenster hit only 7 baskets, two 3s, and 9 of 13 free throws.

Mu 6 7 10 6 29
Me 2 7 2 8 19

Next action for the Lady Hornets will be the Regional Semi-Final game against the Hamlin Lady Pied Pipers played Friday, Feb. 25 at Abilene Christian University. The winner of this match will play the winner of the Kerens-Goldthwaite game on Saturday.

Hornets warm up for playoffs

The Muenster Hornets took in a warm-up game last Saturday against the District 6 AA Runner-Up Comanche Indians in Grandview in preparation for the Area playoff game played Thursday. The contest ended with a loss of 65-52, the Hornets first since before District play for a 20-6 season record to date.

The Hornets hit 14 from the field, five 3s, and 9 of 18 free throws.

Cole Walterscheid led Muenster's scoring with 16 points. Jason Luke added 8, Shane Presnall and Scott Porter 7 each, Andy Flusche 6, Garrett Walterscheid 5, and Tyler Anderle 3.

M 11 13 15 13 52
C 17 17 10 21 65

On Thursday night in Aledo at 7 p.m., the Hornets faced the Itasca Wampus Cats, who defeated Dawson 80-70 in Bi-District at Area.

PLAYOFFS 2011

AREA

Muenster Lady Hornets	75
Wortham Lady Bulldogs	52
Era Lady Hornets	48
Mart Lady Panthers	42

REGIONAL QUARTER-FINAL

Muenster Lady Hornets	29
Meridian Yellow Jackets	19
Era Lady Hornets	56
Kerens	67

BI-DISTRICT

Muenster - BYE	
Lindsay Knights	58
Gateway	62



Muenster Hornet Scott Porter goes up for the shot against Comanche in a warm-up game last Saturday. Melvin Luke photo

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Muenster golfers take to course

Spring golf started this week for the Muenster Lady Hornets in a big way. The Ladies in Red took 2nd place in the Pottsboro High School Invitational Meet at Tanglewood on Texoma Country Club. "With 115 girls, 19 teams, and the only class A school in the field, I hoped we could finish in the top 10," stated Coach Dan Hamric. "But the girls survived first tournament jitters and the rust from three weeks of bad weather and came in where I thought we would be in mid season instead of the first round."

The team was led by freshman stand-out Erin Hess who won the Medallist trophy with a 78, five shots ahead of her nearest competitor. Hannah Weger and Andi Hess showed their upperclassman leadership and posted solid 106s on the tough Tanglewood layout. Payton Sanders, with a nightmare front nine,

regrouped and finished with a 113 to round out a team score of 403. Chloe Schneider, who suffered a broken driver early in the round, and Miranda Pagel both carded a 118 to complete the team play. The Lady Eagles from 5A Allen took the Championship trophy with a team score of 397.

The Hornets played on Monday, Feb. 21 at Tanglewood and found tough going. With basketball playoffs going full force, the golf team is basically still waiting to field a full complement for a few weeks. However, Sean Chism and Cole McAden braved miserable weather and off-season rust to post a 107 and 108 respectively. Freshman rookie Darrell Hermes, in spite of one disaster hole, posted a 111, while rookie Rishi Patel had one of those "golf days" and closed at 143. Whitesboro took team honors

with 349. Next action for both squads will be next Wednesday, March 2 at the Nocona Indians Invitational at Turtle Hill Golf Course.

Knights win tiebreaker; lose 1st round

Third time's a charm for the Lindsay Knights as they defeated the Pirates of Collinsville last Friday to earn the 3rd place playoff spot in the District. A few extra points in the 2nd half gave the Knights a 38-34 victory.

After a low-scoring 8-8 1st half, Collinsville came out and built a small lead. A few shots eventually fell for the Knights for a 3 point lead going into the 4th period. In the final quarter, Lindsay slowly increased their lead. Garrett Yancey sealed the win with three free throws at the end.

Yancey was high scorer for the Knights with 13. Thomas Rohmer and Dean Fleitman each added 9. Madison Parkhill, Dawson Holt, and Travis Skinner scored 2 apiece, and Drew Cooney 1.

The Knights only committed nine turnovers, while the Pirates had 18.

L 2 6 18 12 38
C 2 6 15 11 34

The win advanced the Knights to a Bi-District game against Dallas Gateway Academy on Tuesday night at Aubrey.

"Our season came to a premature end," noted Coach Lynn Cook on the Knights' 62-58 loss to Gateway. "In the end, it was our old nemesis, scoring close to the basket that did us in." In the game, the Knights shot the ball 64 times, but only made 23 baskets and were 1 of 12 behind the 3-point line.

Lindsay cut the lead to 56-54 with less than 2 minutes remaining in the game, but was unable to pull out another close game.

Scorers for the Knights were Fleitman with 34 points, Holt 10, Parkhill 7, Rohmer 5, and Yancey 2. Parkhill had 12 rebounds and Fleitman 11.

L 8 22 13 15 58
G 9 28 12 13 62

Lady Knights softball

The Lady Knights opened their softball season last week with a 7-6 loss to Whitesboro.

Getting runs were Megan Caillier (2), Alyx Ethington, Erin Copeland, Rane Morrison, and Taylor Atkins. Also getting hits were Kayla Davis, Taylor Pelzel, and Rachel Fuhrmann.

Atkins took the loss on the mound, facing 29 batters, allowing 6 hits, striking out 12, and walking 1.

In their first home game of the season, the Lindsay ladies came away with an 8-0 win over Krum. Atkins pitched a no-hitter.

As a team, the Lady Knights pounded out 14 hits and committed only one error. Scoring were Atkins and Bethani Eberhart, 2 runs each, Lucinda Krahl, Davis, Caillier, and Elizabeth Zwinggi.



Members of the 6th Grade Muenster team and coach are, from left - Allison Haubold, Macie Pagel, Coach Vicki Eldridge, Morgan Eldridge, Bailey Klement, Emma Wood, and Haiden Shook.

Muenster team wins Championship

Sixth graders Morgan Eldridge, Bailey Klement, Allison Haubold, Macie Pagel, Haiden Shook, and Emma Wood played basketball under the leadership of Coach Vicki Eldridge in the Cooke County Youth Basketball (CCYC) league in Gainesville.

Thirteen teams participating in the 5th and 6th grade girls division came from Muenster, Gainesville, Collinsville, Callisburg, S & S, and Pottsboro. All teams entered the Danny Hines Farmers Insurance Hoops Tournament on the weekend of Feb. 18-19 for a double elimination tournament to declare the season Champions.

The CCYC organization decided to divide the 13 teams into two divisions for season play. Going into the tournament, Pottsboro 1 was

undefeated in Division I and the Muenster team was undefeated in Division II. Muenster beat a Pottsboro team on Saturday, then came back on Sunday and beat S & S to put them in the championship game with the also undefeated Pottsboro 1 team.

"All six of our girls played hard, worked well together, and executed team strategies

both offensively and defensively," noted Coach Eldridge. Muenster won the Championship game 22-14. "Rebounding and steals were key factors that contributed to our win," added the Coach.

Scorers for the Championship game were Klement with 7, Shook 6, Pagel 5, and Eldridge 4. Awesome season and great victory!!!

JUNIOR HIGH BALL

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The Sacred Heart Lady Cubs took 1st place in the North Texas Independent League Basketball Tournament with wins over Denton Immaculate Conception and Gainesville St. Mary's.

Against ICS, the Lady Cubs controlled the court

with a 32-18 win. Kinzie Hess and Alane Bartush led the scoring with 11 and 10 points. Hannah Hess added 6, Amanda Aldridge and Katie Davidson 2 each, and Maddie Hesse 1.

Against St. Mary's, Sacred Heart pulled out a 30-24 win. M. Hesse was high scorer for the Lady Cubs with 8. K. Hess and A. Bartush each added 5, with Alana Endres, Leah Knabe, and H. Hess each scoring 4.

The Sacred Heart Cubs also won the NTIL Tournament with wins over Tioga and Immaculate Conception.

Game one wasn't much of a challenge, as Sacred Heart mangled the host team 53-5. Three Cubs hit the double digit scores: Kevin Reeves 14, Zach Flusche 13, and Hayden Schilling 12. Brady Endres and Michael Fleitman each added 5, with Isac Walterscheid and Darian Peters scoring 2 apiece.

In the Championship round, the Cubs outplayed Denton ICS 54-23. Schilling scored 16, Reeves 13, Endres 11, Walterscheid, Flusche, and Peters 4 apiece, and Fleitman 2.

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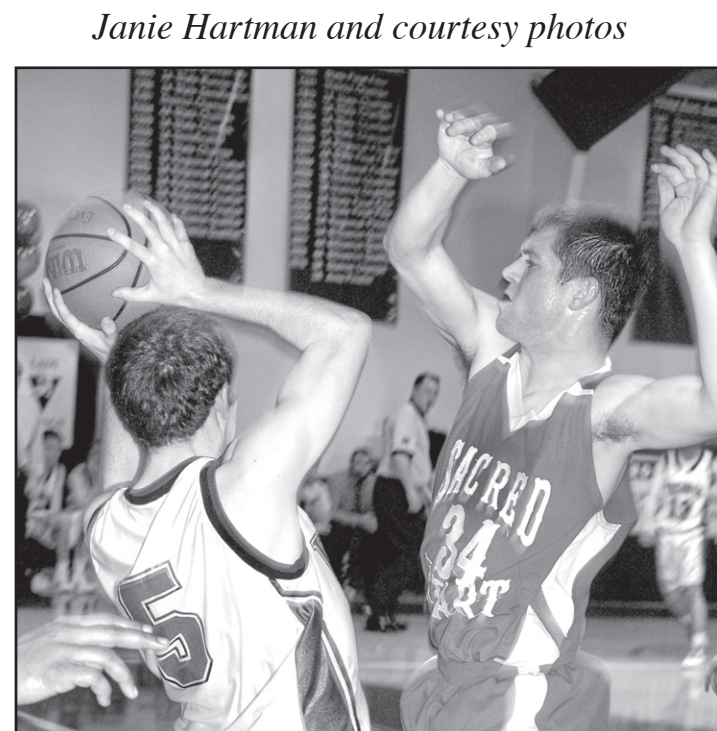
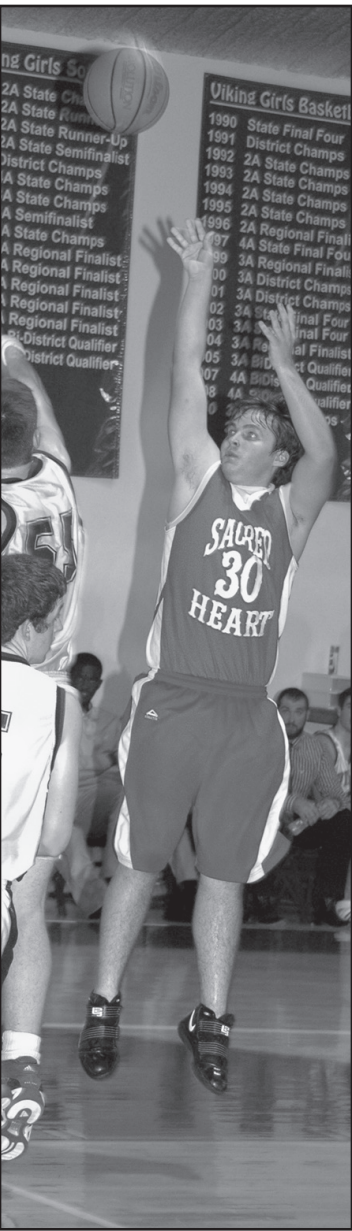
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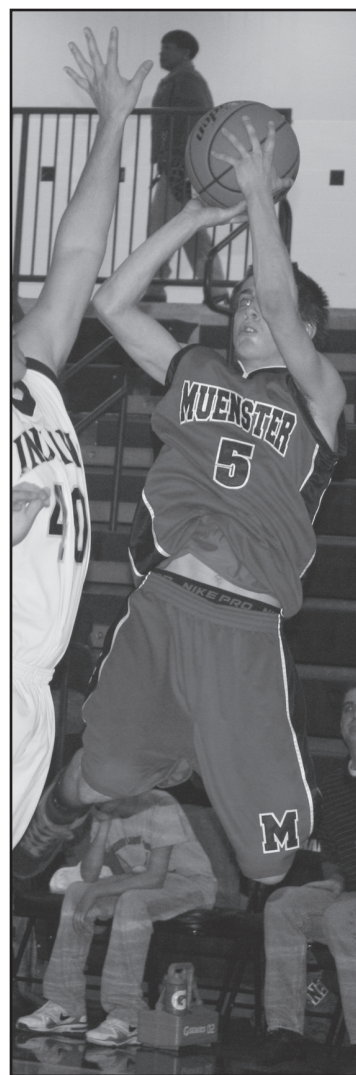
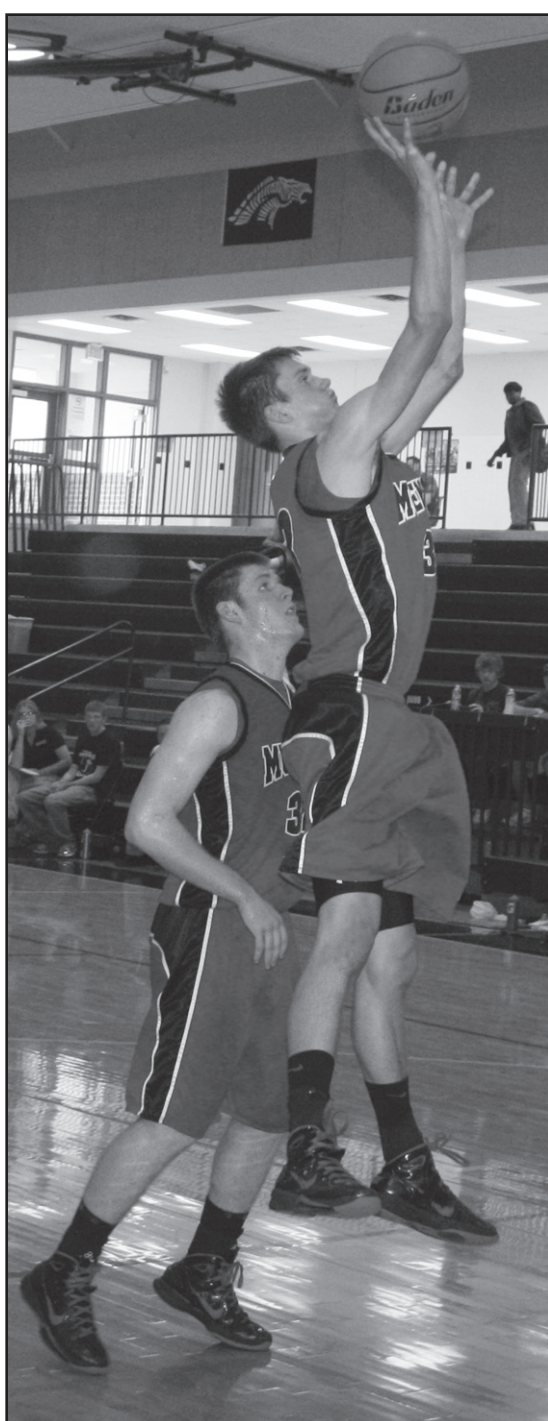
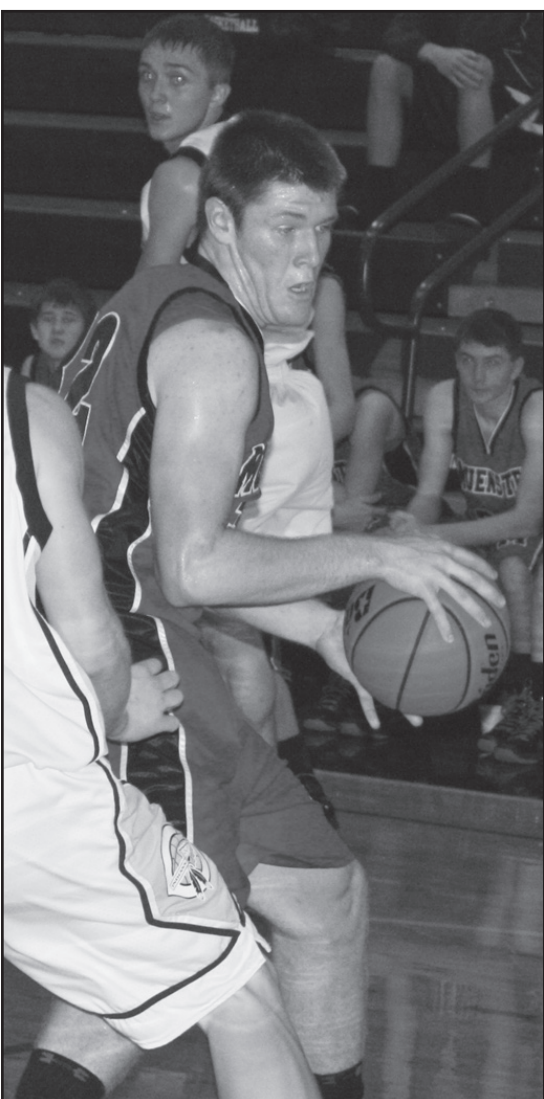


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reflected from the many recycled mirror pieces, the cardboard city glowed in the background, and the elegant tables awaited guests for the formal evening event. It surely lent truth to the saying, "One man's junk is another man's treasure."

The Junior/Senior Prom was held on Saturday, Feb. 12. Many who saw the finished product expressed amazement at its beauty.

Carla Zwinggi heard about the exceptional decorations and stopped by to see what everyone was talking about. She remarked, "It was so elegant and romantic! Then when they told me 90% of it was recycled, I couldn't believe it."

Monica and Jerry Hess also heard about the prom and went to see the decorations for themselves. Monica said, "It was beautiful and very artistic. It was an imaginative use of recycled mirrors. Pictures don't do it justice." She added that Jerry is not usually impressed by such things, but he even commented on how nice it was. Their granddaughter

attended and she also said how beautiful everything was.

Josh Biffle said, "As my junior class at Sacred Heart began making plans for the 2011 prom, talk of re-using materials from previous activities and recycling items left for the dumpster, made me wonder how it would all turn out. I was very proud to be a part of the end result. It was the nicest event I have been involved in. Our class along with our sponsors and parents continue to receive compliments and positive comments on the evening."

SHCS teacher Dolores Hofbauer attended the prom and was very impressed. She said she had attended many proms including eight for her own children. "It was just gorgeous," she noted. "And it didn't look recycled. I've seen a lot of proms and they spend \$2,000 to \$3,000 on prom decorations." She speculated that with most things being reused or recycled, decorations must have cost only \$200-\$300. She was impressed that every student attending prom re-

ceived a door prize and that many big items were given away during the evening including a flat screen television, lap tops, microwaves, and a dorm refrigerator.

Keep Muenster Beautiful President Elaine Schilling was contacted and given a pre-prom tour of the many items used in the project. She was very excited about how many of the decorations were recycled and that many were saved for someone else to use in the future.

Contributing to the recycling effort were Michael Lewis Paint & Body, Lora's Flowers, Knight Furniture, Ott's Home Furnishings, Gainesville Glass, Community Lumber, DI One Stop, Jim and Donna Biffle, Glenn and Stacie Miller, Darell Walterscheid, Jesse Walterscheid, Dan Bezner, Dale and Elaine Schilling, Duane and Mary Lin Knabe, Jayna Walterscheid, and Alan and Martha Sicking.

Word was just received that some of the items used at the prom are now slated for use at a banquet in Gainesville.

TOO HOT TO STOP



Muenster spirit was taken out onto the street in front of the school, with a painted flaming basketball made out of "Hornets - Lady Hornets - 2011 - Playoffs" Both Muenster teams remain in the playoffs. See Sports for the coverage of Muenster, Sacred Heart, and Lindsay playoff action.

Janie Hartman photo

Windthorst sets annual German sausage meal

The Annual German Sausage Meal will be held Sunday, March 6 at St. Mary's Parish Hall in Windthorst. The menu includes 100% homemade pork sausage,

spare ribs, and sauerkraut with all the trimmings. The price for the "all you can eat" meal is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Serving time is 11 a.m. to 2:30

p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Windthorst VFD and the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus in Windthorst. For more information, call Jerry Horn at 940-423-6444.



Cardboard boxes salvaged from furniture and appliance stores provided the materials to create this beautiful city setting at the SHCS prom. The junior boys designed and built it. Courtesy photo

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In observance of Dental Health Month, Iva Walterscheid (at right), dental hygienist from Dr. Elaine Schilling's office, came as a guest speaker to the Montessori classroom of Sacred Heart Catholic School. She demonstrated proper brushing and flossing techniques using "Al," the gator, and actively involved the PreK and K students in sorting pictures of good and bad food choices. Each student was delighted to receive a bag of dental materials compliments of Dr. Schilling. Pictured with Iva Walterscheid are students, from left, Tyler Felderhoff, Garrett Muller, and Carter Sicking. SHCS photo



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