



Keep Muenster Beautiful officers and Board members pose with a few of the awards they acquired over the years. Their most recent recognition will be presented in January in Washington, DC. Pictured are, from left, Gary Fisher, Jewel Otto, Kay Hickey, and Steve Broyles. Not pictured are Kay Broyles, Dr. Elaine Schilling, and Janie Hennigan. Janet Felderhoff photo

KMB recognized with KAB President's Circle Award

Keep Muenster Beautiful (KMB) was selected to receive Keep America Beautiful's (KAB) 2012 President's Circle Recipient Award. Keep Muenster Beautiful earned this recognition through the community's efforts in recycling, litter prevention, beautification, education, public awareness, community leadership, law enforcement, and illegal dumping. Beyond doing all that is required by Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) that enabled the community to win the \$90,000 Governor's Community Achievement Award, the group also fulfilled extra requirements

including filing two reports each year to Keep America Beautiful. Muenster was one of 37 Texas communities to receive this recognition, and is the smallest community to accomplish this goal. The other cities were Abilene, Allen, Alvin, Angleton, Athens, Bryan, Colleyville, Coppell, Copperas Cove, Denton, Fort Worth, Grapevine, Haltom City, Houston, Irving, Katy, Killeen, Lake Jackson, Laredo, Lewisville, Longview, Lufkin, McAllen, Mesquite, Midland, Nacogdoches, Pearland, Plano, Port Aransas, Richland Hills, Richwood, Southlake,

Sugar Land, Temple, Tyler, and Waco. Many of these cities have paid employees running their beautification programs. Muenster citizens can be proud of their volunteer efforts. The award will be presented at the KAB National Conference during the President's Circle Luncheon on Wednesday, Jan. 30. Any Muenster resident who would be able to attend this Washington DC event and receive this honor on behalf of Keep Muenster Beautiful should contact any KMB Board member for more information, or call Steve at 759-4505

Santa sets up workshop for Parade in Muenster

Muenster's Annual Christmas Parade and visit from Santa takes place on Saturday, Nov. 24. After riding in the Parade, Santa will receive visitors inside his workshop at 202 N. Main (east corner of Main and First) compliments of building owner Scotty Thurman. Area craft vendors will display items inside the shop. Food vendors will offer seasonal delicacies such as roasted nuts, wassail, Christmas cake balls, and hot chocolate. The Christmas Parade rolls down Main Street beginning at 1 p.m. Leon Klement and Rick Walterscheid again serve as Parade chairmen. Announcers for the event will be radio personalities Jon and Sherry Rivers. Dee Blanton of KGAF Radio and his wife Gayla, North Texas

Medical Center marketing director, agreed to serve as Parade judges. In regard to the Parade theme, Muenster Chamber of Commerce Executive Director John Broyles said, "There is no set theme other than Christmas, so let the spirit move you." There is still time to enter a float. Broyles will accept entries until 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23. To enter, call the Chamber at 759-2227 or enter online at www.muensterchamber.com to fill out the entry form there. Following the Parade, a drawing will be held for MuensterMarks. Businesses in Muenster donate money for this drawing. Boxes were placed in Muenster businesses with entry forms on Nov. 12. Entries will be taken up until around noon Saturday when boxes are picked

up for the drawing. You must be present to win. Town will adopt its Christmas attire before the Parade. Honor students from Muenster and Sacred Heart Catholic high schools will decorate the antique light poles, MISD Junior Sydney Huchton took on the task of repainting all of the Christmas wreaths. Caroline Gressett is spearheading the window painting at Santa's workshop. The Chamber requests that anyone with surplus decorations consider donating them to the Chamber to assist in decorating the interior of Santa's workshop. They would like to receive any donations at the Chamber office by Wednesday, Nov. 21. Broyles remarked, "Look for a winter wonderland surprise at this year's Parade."

Events honor area Veterans

By Linda Flusche
Muenster Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #6205 and its Ladies Auxiliary celebrated Veterans Day in grand style on Sunday, Nov. 11. The day began with the 8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church being celebrated by Fr. Ken Robinson for all living and deceased Veterans. Participating in Mass were Offertory Gift bearers Leonard and Don Vogel, both Veterans. Ushers were Don Eckart, Leon Knauf, Maurus Hacker, and Doug Martin. Plans were to hold a ceremony at Sacred Heart Cemetery after Mass honoring Veterans, but due to inclement weather, it was held in church. The introduction and welcome was given by Auxiliary President Frances Bayer. She and the Color Guard, consisting of Arthur Bayer,

Leonard Vogel, Don Vogel, Don Hess, Don Fisher, and Bernard Hesse, processed to the altar rail where the Color Guard led the Pledge of Allegiance. *Battle Hymn of the Republic* was sung by those in attendance. A memorial wreath was placed by President Bayer. The wreath was

later placed at the Veterans Monument in Sacred Heart Cemetery where it was surrounded by flags that were arranged on the graves of the Veterans by Junior Vice President Sandra Hennigan and Girl Scouts and their leader Angela Hennigan. The symbolism of the colors of **See VETERANS, pg. 3**



Colonel Chris Martin was a guest speaker on Sunday, Nov. 11 at the grand opening of the new Muenster VFW Post home. Below is a table decorated in red, white, and blue to honor the celebration of Veterans Day. Courtesy photos



United Way surpasses goal

By Janet Felderhoff
Cooke County United Way celebrated a grand total of \$413,000 in pledges for its 2013 campaign. This topped the \$398,000 campaign goal. The announcement was made last Thursday during the celebration luncheon. Executive Director Angie Hare remarked, "It is extremely important to the campaign that we exceed our goal amount. Most of the dollars that make up the grand total is pledged dollars. A campaign has a financial life of 18 months for a donor to fi-

nalize their pledge. When we close the books on our campaigns, we know that we will not have collected all monies pledged. We refer to that difference as shrinkage and historically we experience an average of 6.5% shrinkage for our campaigns. The importance of the campaign exceeding the goal is similar to an insurance policy as it helps fill that gap. United Way has issued agreements with our 18 agencies based on the \$398,000 goal and any paid pledges received beyond the goal amount are

offered to these same agencies as grants at the closing of the campaign." Hare added that this year they experienced the highest number of businesses that increased their giving by 50%. Campaign Chair Laura Otts recognized businesses earning Campaign Awards. These awards are Campaign Awards: Pacesetters Awards - businesses that held their employee campaign prior to the community campaign **See GOAL, pg. 2**

Sacred Heart Machinators capture 2nd Place at Robotics Championship

It was a fight to the finish as the Sacred Heart Machinators competed against 60 teams from across Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona to capture Second Place in the 2012 Texas BEST Regional Robotics Game Championship held on Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Curtis Culwell Center in Garland. In addition to the Second Place award, the Machinators also received the Most Robust Award. This award is given to the team whose robot is well built, performs efficiently, and needs few repairs. Driving the robot for the Machinators during the 2012 Texas BEST Robotics Game Championship was junior Keith Metzler; sophomore Aaron Davis; eighth graders Nick Turner and Mark Davis; and freshman Michael Fleitman. Eighth grader Devin Sicking also assisted the drivers during each match. The Machinators started off the Qualifying Rounds with a strong first match scoring 31 points, compliments of the upgrades they had made on the robot after their District win. However, they were disqualified



Members of the SH Machinator team present at the 2012 Texas BEST Regional Robotics Game Championship pose with the 2nd Place Trophy and their robot. Pictured from left, front - James Proctor and Mackenzie Mason; middle - Mark Davis, Juan Orcio, Devin Sicking, Michael Fleitman, Ro Orcio, Bailey Walterscheid, Aaron Davis; back - Nick Turner, Grant Springer, Keith Metzler, Jacob Neusch, and Darian Peters. SHCS photo

in the second match for not hooking up a required cable. Thinking their chances to make it into the Semi-Final Round was now very slim, the team pressed on. During the next three matches, the Machinators encountered various difficulties. They were able to score points each match, but not the total 31 points they were capable of. The Machinators were surprised to learn that each team's lowest score during the Qualifying Rounds was dropped. Despite their difficulties, the Machinators found themselves advancing into the Semi-Finals. Before the Semi-Final Round began, the judges announced the Top Gun Award. It was given to the team that had scored the most points in one of the matches. Seventeen teams, which included Sacred Heart, had scored 31 points in a single match. However, only one team had been able to score 31 points in two of their matches, and so the Top Gun Award went to Birdville Center of Technology and Advanced Learning (BCTAL). With this information, the Machinators knew the Semi-Finals would

be challenging. Only the four top scoring teams would advance into the final Championship Round. During the Semi-Final Round, the Machinators continued to encounter difficulties. On several matches, they received a 20 second penalty. The Machinators had time to score only 25 points with the liter bottle exchange and one solar panel. The intensity continued to build. When the scores for the last Semi-Final matches were tallied, the SH Machinators found themselves in the top four. They headed into the final Championship Round, competing against Tom Bean High School, Caddo Mills High School, and BCTAL. In the Championship Round, each team ran three matches. The Machinators had a perfect run and scored 31 points in the first match. BCTAL also scored 31 points. The other two teams fell behind. During the second match, the Machinators had another perfect run and scored 31 points, but so did BCTAL. Going into the last and final match of the com- **See ROBOTICS, pg. 3**

TDLR letter exasperates Court

By Janet Felderhoff

After almost an hour-long discussion that had some tempers flaring, Cooke County Commissioners Court could not reach agreement on what should be done on a Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations (TDLR) letter. About 10 months ago, County Judge John Roane received a letter stating that handicap areas on the southwest corner of the parking lot have some improper elevations or slants.

Commissioner Leon Klement stated that the outside of the building passed inspection several years ago for ADA compliance. Another inspector came for the interior inspection and said that those parking spaces are not correct.

Commissioner Gary Hollowell said he feels that if the County holds a letter saying it is compliant (from the first inspection), and nothing was changed, they should not have to fix anything. He wondered, "Why take taxpayer dollars and go pay a state agency when they say we're not in compliance?"

The parking lot was constructed prior to the present Court's supervision. Judge Roane commented, "Regardless of when it was done, regardless of when it was inspected, we have to deal with a subsequent inspection that says it is not in compliance. My opinion is it is wrong. It could lead to problems in the future. It needs to be corrected. If it's wrong, it needs to be fixed."

Hollowell contended that they need to inquire of TDLR what changed and why it passed one inspection and not another. What is to prevent if they fix the parking lot, another inspector ruling that the fix is not compliant.

Commissioner Klement offered an explanation of what happened and said remember he's not the judge and does not get or see the paperwork. He said one inspector passed it and another did not. He warned that TDLR doesn't care that they passed the first inspection.

They found a fault and they can shut the place down. "The problem is that we've had the paperwork since December or January and are given 270 days to make corrections. "We are between a rock and a hard place because the corrections have not been made," Klement stressed. "We should have been more involved earlier on, but Judge, I think you were in discussion with Kumatsu (the architect), and they said they would handle it." He added that there is also railing on the outside of the Courthouse that needs fixed.

Klement noted that they have been in the Courthouse a year and it is still not finished. As a commissioner, he said he can't make people finish. Hollowell offered to contact TDLR, but Klement said it is the judge's place to do that job. Judge Roane did not want to ask that. He feels they should just fix the problem.

After more contention, the Court agreed to have Commissioner Hollowell contact TDLR to see why the original letter is no longer applicable. After that answer if heard, they will get quotes on the cost of fixing the problem if TDLR says there is a problem.

Cooke County Fire Marshal Ray Fletcher updated the Court on fire danger conditions. He said, "The KBDI is a good tool, but it's certainly not the end all. The soil moisture is good, but the cured vegetation burns a lot quicker in the winter, especially when we get the really dry front through. With the freezes we've had, we've got the vegetation going dormant and starting to get its winter cure. The drought monitor shows we are in severe drought conditions in Cooke County."

Fletcher said current fire conditions are not drastic. "I think if things don't change and we keep going down this trail it could be a pretty interesting winter." He did not recommend a burn ban at this point. Commissioner B.C. Lemons agreed, but feels that by next Court, a burn ban might be needed. The Court agreed not to pass a burn ban.

Lynette Pettigrew, Gainesville Chamber of Commerce executive director, asked the County to again host the Festival of Trees in the Courthouse from Dec. 3-28. She said it draws a lot of people into the Courthouse to view the trees. People vote on the trees.

Pettigrew told of plans to hold the Parade on Thursday, Dec. 6 and have Santa light the big tree from his sleigh. She also asked permission for Santa to visit with children in the Courthouse following the Parade.

The Court approved hosting the Festival of Trees and gave permission for Santa to use the Courthouse after the Parade.

CASA Executive Director Vicki Robertson brought her quest to find sufficient CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteers to fill the need of all of Cooke County's children in need of such representation. She hopes that raising awareness of the need will draw volunteers.

Robertson noted, "In recent months we've had an increase in the number of children in foster care. Today, in Cooke County there are 76 children in foster care through no fault of their own. Today, 15 of those children

do not have a CASA advocate. We are close to having to turn them away. That's not something that we ever want to do."

The CASA director asked those who could not serve as a CASA volunteer to think about people they know who might make good advocates for the County's children. These persons must be over 21, have a clean CPS and criminal record, be objective, and have 10 to 15 hours a month to give to their case. Most of that time can be according to the individual's schedule with the exception of court dates and meetings at CPS which are scheduled about every four months. They must stay with the case from 12 to 18 months.

Robertson hopes to have a training session in the first week of December and asks that interested persons contact her.

In other business, Commissioners Court:

- Approved Cooke County Treasurer's October 2012 report showing cash on hand, short term money market, and short-term investments totaling \$20,827,737.38.
- Appointed Paula C. Roberts to the Board of Trustees for Texoma Community Center for a two-year term.
- Approved bid specs for the new EMS facility located at 300 Church Street in Gainesville and approved advertising for bids for construction of that facility.
- Approved change order for the Cooke County Annex project that would reroute conduit at a cost of \$6,479.
- Approved imposing a speed limit of 35 mph on County Road 224 at the request of Precinct #2 Commissioner B.C. Lemons.
- Approved funds to pay for Sheriff Elect Terry Gilbert to attend a conference for newly elected Sheriffs sponsored by the Sheriff's Association of Texas. Funds will come from the Sheriff's Office budget.
- Approved the use of the Texas DPS criminal history record information to obtain criminal history background information on applicants for employment within the County.
- Accepted grant money from NCTTRAC in the amount of \$8,408.
- Approved the surplus or salvage of bailiff uniforms, boots, and other miscellaneous items.
- Approved Adult Probation and Juvenile Probation Officer bonds.

Electrifying donations

Cooke County Electric Cooperative Association presented checks to Abigail's Arms Family Crisis Center (at right) and to Heritage Park, future home of Germanfest (below), from proceeds from their recently sponsored golf tournament. See related story on page 9.



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in order to "Set the Pace" for the upcoming campaign; Arley Daurity Awards - over 25 employees with 100% employee participation; Community Excellence Awards - over 25 employees with \$100 + per capita given and 80% participation; Gold Award - Over 25 employees with \$60 + per capita and 60% participation; Silver Award - over 25 employees with \$50 + per capita and 50% participation; Presidential Awards - businesses with a 50% increase over last year's giving; Small Business Awards - less than 25 employees with 100% participation; Community Partner Award - businesses that conducted special promotions benefitting the United Way campaign.

Awards were presented as follows based on pledges and contributions turned in as of Nov. 7: American Bank of Texas - Small Business Award; Applebee's Restaurant - Community Partner Award; Boys & Girls Club of Cooke County - Small Business Award; Callisburg ISD - Pacesetter Award, Elementary School - Community Excellence Award, Middle School - Community Excellence Award, High School - Silver Award; CASA of North Texas - Small Business Award; Chicken Express - Presidential Award; City of Gainesville - Pacesetter Award; Community Lumber Company - Small Business Award; Cooke County Electric Co-op - Silver Award; Dry Clean Super Center - Community Partner Award; Dustin's Office Machines - Small Business Award; First State Bank - Pacesetter Award, Arley Daurity Award, Community Excellence; Fuzzy's Taco Shop -

Community Partner Award; Gainesville Antique & Classic Car Club - Community Partner Award; Gainesville ISD - Pacesetter Award, GISSD Special Ed - Arley Daurity Award, Edison Primary School - Arley Daurity Award, Robert E. Lee Intermediate - Arley Daurity Award, Margaret Galubenski Achievement Center - Arley Daurity Award, Head Start - Arley Daurity Award; Gainesville Foundry - Presidential Award, Silver Award; Gainesville Daily Register - Community Partner Award; Jim Goldsworthy State Farm Insurance - Small Business Award; Home Hospice of Cooke County - Small Business Award, Presidential Award; 1580 Hometown Radio KGAF - Community Partner Award; Klement Ford Co. - Presidential Award; Landmark Bank - Small Business Award, Presidential Award; Lindsay Letter - Community Partner Award; Los Mariachis Mexican Restaurant - Presidential Award; Luttrull McNatt Chevrolet - Community Partner Award; Meals on Wheels - Presidential Award; Mom's Donuts - Community Partner Award; Muenster Chamber of Commerce - Presidential Award; Muenster Drilling Co. Inc. - Presidential Award; Muenster Enterprise - Community Partner Award; Muenster Garden Center - Presidential Award; Muenster Milling Co. - Presidential Award; Muenster State Bank - Pacesetter Award, Small Business Award; Nortex Communications - Pacesetter Award, Arley Daurity Award, Gold Award; North Central Texas College - Pacesetter Award; North Texas Medical Center - Community Excellence

Award; Community Partner Award; Phil's Collision Repair & Customs - Presidential Award; Prosperity Bank - Small Business Award, Community Excellence Award; Pumpco Energy Services Inc - Presidential Award; Reedy Ballard & Company PC - Small Business Award; Rustic Ranch - Presidential Award; Select Energy Services LLC - Presidential Award, Community Partner Award; Sisters - Presidential Award; TEAM - Community Partner Award; The Weekly News of Cooke County - Community Partner Award; Walmart Supercenter - Pacesetter Award; Wilhite Land Surveyors - Small Business Award; Zodiak Seats US LLC (formally Weber Aircraft) - Community Impact Award.

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Wed & Thurs
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11/16-11/22

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

Sunday, November 18, 2012	Monday, November 19, 2012	Tuesday, November 20, 2012	Wednesday, November 21, 2012	Thursday, November 22, 2012	Friday, November 23, 2012	Saturday, November 24, 2012
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 Sacred Heart Parish Picnic	VFW Aux mtg. 7:30 pm	Library open 10am-6:30 pm MMH Board mtg. 7 pm	Library open 10 am -5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg. noon, Center NO Religious Ed class SH Grandparents Day-Open House 8-10 am	Muenster Museum CLOSED Library CLOSED 	Muenster Museum open 1-4 NO SCHOOL 	Library open 10:00 - 2:30 MUENSTER CHRISTMAS PARADE
Sunday, November 25, 2012	Monday, November 26, 2012	Tuesday, November 27, 2012	Wednesday, November 28, 2012	Thursday, November 29, 2012	Friday, November 30, 2012	Saturday, December 1, 2012
Muenster Museum Open 1-4		Library open 10am-6:30 pm 	Library open 10 am-5:30 Kiwanis mtg. noon Center Religious Ed class 7 pm	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm Museum open 1-4 pm	Muenster Museum open -1-4 SHCS - NO SCHOOL NTIL Academic Meet	Library open 10:00-2:30

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Obituary

Faye Perrin 1927 - 2012

Funeral for Faye Perrin, age 85 of Gainesville, was held at 10 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 15 at Calvary Baptist Church in Gainesville. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Services were officiated by Rev. Hubert Wright and directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Faye "Memaw" Perrin died Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012. She was surrounded by her family in the Renaissance Nursing Home before, and at the time of death.

Born in Denison on Feb. 28, 1927, Faye attended and graduated from Denison High School. She was an active member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Gainesville and was a member of the choir there. She worked in the Vehicle Registration Department and Tax Office in the Cooke County Courthouse for some 30 years.

She was a great homemaker, loved to cook, and could always be seen caring for her yard.

Faye married Bill Perrin on Oct. 23, 1948 in Sherman.

Survivors include children Alan Perrin and wife Andra of Justin, Wallace Perrin, Bob Perrin, and Diane Perrin, all of Gainesville, and Susan Scott and husband Les of Saint Jo; 13 grandchildren and spouses, 20 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Faye was preceded in death by her husband; infant son Bill Deuand; brothers Doyle and J.D. Burkham; and sister Olean Simpson.

Pallbearers were Jordan Scott, Michael Perrin, Barry Hunter, Ralph Garcia, Brad Perrin, and Jake Reynolds.

Six great trees for Muenster

By Greg David, Registered consulting arborist, Muenster
Drought, disease, and wind storms have really taken their toll on Muenster-area trees over the past couple of years, and a lot of homeowners are planning on replanting soon. Autumn is a great time to plant trees, since planting now gives a new tree all winter and spring to become established before hot weather arrives next summer.

Six great tree choices for the Muenster area:

- Chinkapin Oak (*Quercus muehlenbergii*) is probably the best of the best, when it comes to great trees for Muenster. Chinkapin is one of the dominant trees at Muenster's City Park, and it is found abundantly along creeks and woodlands throughout the area. Beautiful, tough, drought-hardy, and pest and disease free - Chinkapin Oak is at the top of the list for best long-term shade for the Muenster area.

- Bur Oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*) is the other outstanding oak species found in City Park. With a long life-span; moderately-rapid growth rate; huge, deeply-lobed leaves; and stout branching, Bur Oak is an excellent selection for long-term shade.

- Pecan (*Carya illinoensis*), the official "State Tree of Texas." Although Pecan can be a bit messy over sidewalks, streets, and pools, the native variety offers excellent long-term shade with few life-threatening pest problems.

- Cedar Elm (*Ulmus crassifolia*) offers a "tough-as-nails" solution where shade is needed. Native to our area, Cedar Elm provides excellent long-term, drought-hardy, pest-free performance.

- Chinese Pistache (*Pistacia chinensis*) is another great tree for our area. Although not native to Muenster, Chinese Pistache is practically pest and disease-free. Over time, Chinese Pistache trees begin to look very much like large Pecan trees.



DO YOU REMEMBER? Sunday's celebration at the Muenster VFW provided a time for Veterans to reminisce with fellow Veterans and friends. Pictured, from left, Ray Wilde shares his war experiences with Ray Hoenig and Col. Chris Martin. Tables like the one at right held war memorabilia for guests to view.

Courtesy photos

This tree offers durable long-term shade and excellent fall color!

- Texas Ash (*Fraxinus texensis*) - if you need quick shade, consider Texas Ash. This tree grows rapidly and has few serious pest or disease problems. A word of caution, though - Emerald Ash Borers are devastating Ash populations in the Great Lakes region, and they are headed our way. It would be prudent to avoid relying on any type of Ash tree for your only source of shade.

There are other good tree choices for the Muenster area: Escarpment Live Oak (*Quercus fusiformis*), Mexican White Oak (*Quercus polymorpha*), Shumard Red Oak (*Quercus shumardii*), Buckley Oak (*Quercus buckleyi*), and Bald Cypress (*Taxodium distichum*) all provide excellent shade with few serious problems. Next week, a few trees to avoid.

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The wreath was explained by Conductress Linda Knabe. Fr. Ken offered prayers for past and present Veterans.

The Color Guard has been in existence since the VFW's inception in 1946, as told by President Bayer, who gave credit to its members. Bill Hess was the first squad leader and sergeant-at-arms, followed by Al Felderhoff in 1948, and from 1954 to present is Arthur Bayer. Only living members of the first Color Guard are Bill Hess, Theo Voth, and Ray Wilde. Art Bayer has been a member of the Color Guard the longest of all the past and present members.

Frances Bayer went on to thank all men who participate in this duty and privilege. She gave credit to the many businesses that permit their employees to leave work to participate in funerals, parades, etc. She also acknowledged Ronnie and Tina Weinzapfel who serve the VFW with their trumpet talent.



ROBOTICS

petition, the Machinators and BCTAL were tied.

The final match began. The Machinators were looking good. They had one solar panel hung and had completed the liter bottle exchange. They still had time to hang a second solar panel. Hurrying to complete this final task, the solar panel wasn't hung completely and fell to the ground. The timer sounded. BCTAL had completed another perfect run, outscoring the Machinators

by only a few points. The Sacred Heart Machinators finished in Second Place; an awesome accomplishment for this year's young team.

Darrell Walterscheid, volunteered many hours of guidance and instruction for this project and allowed the team to use his shop.

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.

- Helen Keller

VETERANS

of active duty. His military awards include the Legion of Merit; Bronze Star, Meritorious Service, Army Commendation, Army Achievement, and Humanitarian Service medals, as well as Air Assault and Airborne Wings, and the Ranger Tab. He spoke of the selfless giving of fellow service members. He suggested that anytime anyone sees a Veteran, expressing appreciation for their service is always appreciated.

On view throughout the afternoon was a video taken by Joe Pulte of a Veterans memorial garden and the Medal of Honor Parade held in Gainesville. Past Commander Martin and Joe Pulte drew for patriotic door prizes.

Monday evening, Sacred Heart Elementary students and their director Clint Kelley gave a special musical tribute to Veterans. "I Love America" was an especially touching song, along with a medley of songs of each arm of the service.

On Monday morning, a special Veterans Day ceremony was held at Muenster ISD to honor Veterans. Posting and Retiring of Colors was done by the local VFW Post 6205 and their Auxiliary. The Muenster band played patriotic songs and TAPS was performed by Blake Haubold. Several speeches were given by students. Following the ceremony, refreshments were served.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO

Nov. 14, 1947

Little Gene Hartman was absent from school this week on account of a rising in his ear. Obituaries: Mrs. Sylvester Streng, 48; Joe Coursey, 58. New Arrival: Glenn to John and Veronica Durbin. Hermes sisters, Louise and Elfrieda, became the brides of Ed Schad and Joe B. Hundt in double nuptials at Lindsay.

25 YEARS AGO

Nov. 13, 1987

State Representative Ric Williamson speaks at Chamber luncheon. Obituaries: Sr. Gerardo Carns, 82; Winnefred Streng, 67. Arthur and Evelyn Felderhoff honored on 39th anniversary. Wedding: Gina Felderhoff and Kenneth Pape; Beverly Hermes and Ronnie Fisher. College Graduate: Stephen Hammond, Tulane University. New Arrival: Angela to Cliff and Tina Cox.

Angie Lutkenhaus; Lisa to Arthur and Rachel Hennigan. The State Theatre advertises *The Spiral Road* starring Rock Hudson, Burl Ives, and Gena Rowlands. Fisher's weekend special is 5 lb. sugar for 19¢ with purchase of \$7.50 of groceries.

25 YEARS AGO

Nov. 13, 1987

State Representative Ric Williamson speaks at Chamber luncheon. Obituaries: Sr. Gerardo Carns, 82; Winnefred Streng, 67. Arthur and Evelyn Felderhoff honored on 39th anniversary. Wedding: Gina Felderhoff and Kenneth Pape; Beverly Hermes and Ronnie Fisher. College Graduate: Stephen Hammond, Tulane University. New Arrival: Angela to Cliff and Tina Cox.



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Rite of Acceptance and Welcome held at SH Church

At the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Nov. 4, those who had been participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation in order to join the Catholic Church went through two special rituals. Jeremy Zwinggi, who has never been baptized, went through the Rite of Acceptance to become a catechumen. His sponsor is Mike Marshall. Now he begins a long period of instruction leading to the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Those who were already baptized in other Christian churches went through a Rite of Welcome. They will receive further instruction to prepare for a profession of faith and for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Those going through the Rite of Welcome and their sponsors were Billie Joe James with his sponsor Tony Grewing, Ronnie Andrews, Sr., with Jason Brogdon standing in for his sponsor Charlie Sue Andrews, Stephen Osborn with his sponsor Brian Almejo, Thomas

Eddowes with his sponsor Chris Hess, Isaac Rodriguez with his sponsor Tonya Hess, and Andrew Milburn with his sponsor Katrinka Bartush.

After the entrance hymn, Fr. Ken Robinson invited all the candidates to come forward with their sponsors. They were asked to give their name and what they asked of the Church. Then the sponsors were asked for their prayerful support. Afterward, the sponsors signed the catechumen and the candidates on the forehead. All were marked with the sign of the cross on their ears, eyes, lips, heart, shoulders, hands, and feet as a first step toward receiving the sacraments of initiation. Brenda and Phillip Flusche accompanied by Isaac Davis sang responses for the signing.

After the Homily, each person was presented with a Bible and dismissed to reflect on the Scripture readings. They will continue to be dismissed at the 10:30 a.m. Masses as they prepare to receive the sacraments.

New Arrivals



Ann Marie Monday

Monday

Craig and Kim Monday of Muenster are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Ann Marie Jane Monday. She was born on Monday, Sept. 10, 2012 at 3:44 in the afternoon at Presbyterian Hospital of Denton, weighing 7 lb. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Ann Marie Jane joins her brother Jacob Hesse and sister Sarah Monday along with her parents at home, and also with her sister Stephanie Thomas of South Australia. Grandparents include Roy and Jane Monday, Rick and Darlene Stewart, all of Muenster, and Laurie and George Gould of Denton. Great-grandmothers are Evelyn Monday and Antonia Hess, both of Muenster. Ann Marie Jane shares this very special birthday with her niece, Maddison Rose-Marie Thomas of South Australia and her Grandma Jane Monday.

Endres

Trent and D'Ann Endres of Plano are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Eva Clare Endres. Eva arrived at 9:08 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 4, 2012 at Centennial Medical Center in Frisco. She weighed 7 lb. and measured 20 inches in length. Eva is the first grandchild for Pat and Janice Endres of Gainesville and Jim and Debbie Perryman of Graham. Great-grandparents are Leon and Eileen Krebs of Gainesville, Eliha Endres of Muenster, Bill and Rosemarie Williams of Huntsville, and Mary Diehl of Lawton, Oklahoma.

Thomas

Jacob Hesse and Sarah Monday would like to announce the birth of their niece Maddison Rose-Marie Thomas! Maddison arrived at 2:42 on the morning of Monday, Sept. 10, 2012 in Whyalla, South Australia. She weighed 8 lb. 2 oz. and measured 21 inches long. Proud parents are Kevin and Stephanie Thomas. Grandparents are Craig and Kim Monday. Great-grandparents are Roy and Jane Monday.



Madison Thomas

Charles

Darrell and Trisha Charles of Muenster announce with joy the birth of their first child, son Drue Clinton Charles on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012 at 10:06 a.m. Drue was born at North Texas Medical Center weighing 6 lb. 11 oz. and measuring 20 inches in length. Grandparents are Clinton and Debbie Endres and Earl and Donna Charles, all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Clara Endres and Judy Grewing, both of Muenster.



Drue Charles

Skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it has been.

- Wayne Gretzky

Home Hospice helps cover tough topic

Home Hospice of Grayson, Cooke, and Fannin counties is shedding light on a topic that many avoid -- communicating your wishes for end-of-life care. Home Hospice is hosting a workshop called The Great Conversation designed to help the community learn how to start the conversation with loved ones and tackle a difficult subject.

This workshop will be offered on Nov. 19 and Dec. 10 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Home Hospice located at 505 W. Center Street in Sherman.

"The opportunity to talk with your loved ones, whether your parents, your spouse, brother, sister, or child, about their wishes, desires, and hopes provides for an immense sense of peace and comfort in the midst of one of the most difficult storms in life," said JoCarolyn Chambers, LCSW, social worker for Home Hospice of Grayson, Cooke, and Fannin

counties and facilitator for the workshop. "The knowledge that you have done what your family member or friend entrusted to you is truly a gift that you will have forever."

The Great Conversation will provide tools for each individual to determine what matters to them and to their family, and it will cover topics such as advance directives, end-of-life care, and other tough decisions that arise at the end-of-life.

Home Hospice is also offering the opportunity for a staff member to come to your organization or group and administer this workshop. Call Sherry Little at 903-868-9315 to discuss this possibility. This program is offered at no cost for anyone who would like to attend, but reservations are requested to ensure availability of materials. For more information, call 903-868-9315 or visit www.homehospice.org/advanced-planning.

Area Events

Saint Jo Santa on the Square and Christmas Parade

The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce will host its annual "Santa on the Square" Christmas festival on Saturday, Dec. 8. Headlining the event will be the Christmas parade that begins at 6 p.m. This year's theme is "Westward, Ho Ho Ho!" All entries must be lighted and registered with the Chamber prior to the parade.

Cash prizes are as follows: Grand Champion - \$150; Best Animal Drawn Entry - \$100; Best Mechanical Drawn Entry - \$100.

In order to enter the parade, contact Larry Smith via telephone or e-mail. After contact is made, further details will be given. Phone: 940-736-9846; E-mail: lsmithisd@earthlink.net

\$10 per person. As an added bonus, several retailers are offering a one-time shopping discount to tour ticket holders.

Valley View Holiday Parade

Sunday, Nov. 25 is the date for the Valley View Holiday Parade sponsored by Keep Valley View Beautiful and the Valley View Area Chamber of Commerce. Line-up begins at the Valley View Football Field at 3:30 p.m., with the parade beginning at 3:55 p.m. Following the parade, Santa will be available on the square for picture taking. For more information, call 940-634-2968.

Era Christmas Parade

Era 4-H, Era Youth Supporters, and the Era Community Club will host a "Holidays In Our Town" Christmas Parade on Sunday, Dec. 9 beginning at 3 p.m. Participants are asked to line up at the Feed Store on FM 922 west of Era. Pictures with Santa will be held at the Community Center after the parade. For more information, call Harold Bowles at 940-668-8989 or Denise at 940-634-2968.

Holiday Home Tour Gainesville

The 2012 Holiday Home Tour will be held on Dec. 8 from 4-8 p.m. in historic south Gainesville. The tour is comprised of several 1800s Victorians, a Mid-Century modern, and an Arts and Crafts style all decorated in holiday finery. Tickets are

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- Eat before the main event. Skipping breakfast or "saving room for Thanksgiving dinner" will likely make you hungrier, eat faster, and overindulge.
- Give recipes a lighter touch. Substitute fat-laden ingredients such as butter and sour cream with healthier alternatives such as chicken broth and yogurt, bake instead of fry, replace white bread with whole-wheat.
- Be mindful of portions and make your plate colorful. It's easy to load up on mashed potatoes, stuffing, and turkey,

but your healthier options are fruits and salad. Try to strike a healthy balance so you get a variety of vitamins and minerals.

- Eat slowly. Savor each bite and focus on conversation with family and friends.
- Drink plenty of water. Water helps your body break down food and keep your digestive system working smoothly.
- Go easy on desserts. Even though you claimed you wouldn't eat for days after the main meal, there always seems to be room for a sweet treat. Don't deprive yourself, but take a smaller slice, top pie with sorbet instead of whipped cream or ice cream, choose fruit over chocolate.
- Take a walk. Some light physical activity after eating a large meal can give your metabolism a boost. Plus it's a great way to spend time with those you love.

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Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Jones donated pumpkins to the 4th-6th grade classes for experimentation. They have used the pumpkins to observe several areas of science. Initially, they cut the tops off of the pumpkins and filled them with soil to observe plant growth. While the pumpkins were decomposing, students were able to study molds and fungi which happens to be a big part of the 6th grade curriculum. Meat from the tops was used to feed their mealworm population. They also used the tops to start a compost bin with red worms. MISD photo

Muenster ISD Honor Roll

2nd Six Weeks "A" HONOR ROLL
7th Grade: Bailey Anderle, Natalie Dangelmayr, Travis Dangelmayr, Max Herr, Zwaine Lamar, Megan Rohrer, Paige Saucer, Erin Schiederjan, Brandon Sicking, Jenna Sicking, Andrew Stoffels, Carson Trubebach, Dean Walterscheid, Sterling Walterscheid.
8th Grade: Morgan Eldridge, Bryce Herr, Amy Luttmner, Sawyer Sanders, Haiden Shook, Emma Wood.
9th Grade: Abby Luttmner.
11th Grade: Sydney Huchton, Jaisal Patel.
12th Grade: Miranda Pagel.
"A/B" HONOR ROLL
7th Grade: Rylee Cain, Carson Cheaney, Natalie Chism, Jess Dangelmayr, Ethan Flaming, Seth Flusche, Mandy Hacker, Savannah Hermes, Zoe Klement, Taylor Knabe, Alaina Kubis, Stetson McGraw, Clay Stevens, Madyson Walterscheid, LeeAnn West.
8th Grade: Brennan Binder, Devon Brinkley, Allison Haubold, Zina Haverkamp, Katlain Hogue, Katie Hutson, Blayne Jones, Bailey Klement, Katie Kresge, Macie Pagel, Mathew Porter.
9th Grade: Mahayla Bohl, Mason Davis, Chase Deeken, Dalton Hess, Alison Morris, Karli Mouring, Samuel Saucer, Claire Schneider, Kelsie Sicking, Allie Walterscheid, Kimber Walterscheid, Reagan Weger.
10th Grade: Kevin Barnes, Jonathan Cooley, Kassie Dangelmayr, Morgan Flusche, Caroline Gressett, Tara Gunnels, Rachel Hare, Blake Haubold, Kalee Hennigan, Chance Herr, Mikaela Lamar, Kristen Reiter, Georgia Taylor Saavedra, Lora Walterscheid.
11th Grade: Hannah Bayer, Austin Creswell, Jared Endres, Clayton Hess, Erin Hess, Reagan Knightstep, Abigail Pagel, Adrienne Rohmer, Shelbi Sicking.
12th Grade: Jordan Frick, Trevor Hess, Hunter Klement, Paul Mouring, Trevor Muller, Lauren Rohmer, Peyton Sanders, Michelle Sicking, Sadie Stoffels, Brooke Walterscheid.

Lunch Menus

WEEK OF NOV. 20 - 24
 MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Pepperoni hot pockets, lettuce salad w/dressing, corn on the cob, fresh fruit and vegetables, mixed fruit, teddy grahams.

Tues. - Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pin-to beans, baked chips, fresh fruit and vegetables, oranges, baby carrots, animal crackers.

Wed. thru Fri. - No school.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Beef soft taco, lettuce, refried beans, rice (9-12), salsa, jalapenos or tomatoes (9-12), pears.

Tues. - Pizza, corn, fresh carrots, lettuce salad, fruit.

Wed. thru Fri. - No school.

ERA ISD

Mon. - Chicken and vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, salad, fruit.

Tues. - Sub sandwich, trimmings, chips, fruit.

Wed. thru Fri. - No school.

Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must first be overcome. Samuel Johnson

New items at Muenster Public Library

Fiction/Non-Fiction
Peaches for Father Francis by Joanne Harris, *Wanted Man* by Lee Child, *Tombs* by Clive Cussler, *Light Between the Oceans* by M.L Stedman, *Delusion in Death* by J. D. Robb, *Zoo* by James Patterson, *Inn at Rose Harbor* by Debbie Macomber, *Angels at the Table* by Debbie Macomber, *Bridge* by Karen Kingsbury, *Dancing Dogs: stories* by Jon Katz, *Jewels of Paradise* by Donna Leon, *What the Cat Saw* by Carolyn G. Hart, *Secret Keeper* by Kate Morton, *Rock Bottom* by Sarah Andrews, *Beautiful Mystery* by Louise Penny, *Fistful of Collars* by Spencer Quinn, *Road to Grace* by Richard Paul Evans, *Power Play* by Patrick Robinson, *Killing Kennedy* by Bill O'Reilly, *No Easy Day* by Mark Owen.

Junior Fiction/Non-Fiction
Mark of Athena by Rick Riordan, *Just for Fins* by Tera Lynn Childs, *Empty City* by Erin Hunter, *Peculiar* by Stefan Bachmann, *Almost Home* by Joan Bauer, *Kill Order* by James Dashner, *Alabama Moon* by Watt Key, *Raven Boys* by Maggie Stiefvater, *Tale Dark & Grimm* by Adam Gidwitz, *Zero to Hero* by Henry Winkler.

Easy Picture Books
Ivy + Bean Make the Rules by Annie Barrows, *Llama Llama Time to Share* by Anna Dewdney, *Mossy* by Jan Brett, *Penny and Her Doll* by Kevin Henkes, *Cat Tale* by Michael Hall, *Mooshka* by Julie Paschkis.

CD Books
Mark of Athena by Rick Riordan, *Peaches for Father Francis* by Joanne Harris, *Reunion* by Dan Walsh, *Dog Stars* by Peter Heller, *Bridge* by Karen Kingsbury.

DVDS
October Baby, *Veggie Tales: Little Ones Can Do Great Things*, *Hunger Games*.

The strength of a man's virtue should not be measured by his special exertions, but by his habitual acts. Blaise Pascal



October Teachers and Students of the Month at Muenster ISD are pictured with their principals, from left, front - Kindergarten student Brison Hermes; back - Elementary Principal Lou Heers, JH/HS Special Education English Language Arts teacher Dana Klement, 1st grade teacher Jill Reiter, sophomore Kristen Reiter, 7th grader Rylee Cain, and JH/HS Principal Sharon Browning. MISD photo

Thanksgiving: so much to be thankful for

By Bryan Golden
 Thanksgiving is much more than a big meal with family and friends. It's a time to reflect on, and be thankful for, all of the good things you have. Even with all of the uncertainty and turmoil in the world, you have so much to be thankful for. It's important to be grateful, not just on Thanksgiving, but each and every day. Rather than lamenting what you feel is lacking in your life, begin each new day by developing an attitude of gratitude. Take inventory of your blessings and you will be surprised at just how much you have to be thankful for.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive aspects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Dreams of the future shouldn't diminish appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you won't enjoy today. Don't be jealous of others; what they do or have has no bearing on you.

You can feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. Perhaps you feel something is missing from your life, things aren't going your way, or you have been treated unfairly. You may wonder, "why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to dominate your thoughts, turning your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things you think would make your life better if you had them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different

boss, had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become overwhelmed by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a consuming vicious cycle starts.

Being bitter or resentful blows situations out of proportion. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges might befall you, bitterness makes finding solutions much more elusive.

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you, and makes things worse. Filling yourself with gratitude on a daily basis makes you feel good, while driv-

ing out negative feelings.

Begin your practice of gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great day. If you have any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't waste any time with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

Make every day a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

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Thanksgiving Picnic Sunday - Nov. 18

SPORTS

Tigers' roar fails to bring down Eagles

"We played hard, but were too inconsistent and made too many mental errors," Sacred Heart Coach Dale Schilling said of the Tigers' 28-14 District final loss to the Lake Country Eagles last Friday night. The loss gave Lake Country the District Championship, with Sacred Heart settling for Runner-up.

The Tiger offense was first on the field, taking four John Paul Hesse runs to get to the Eagle 12 yard line. Runs by Juan Salinas, Hesse, and Kason Reeves gained 6 yards, but an incomplete pass on 4th down stopped the drive.

The Tiger defense held the Eagles to 2 yards. The punt put the ball on the Eagle 42 yard line. A Reeves to Isac Walterscheid pass picked up 20 yards, Hesse ran for 11, and another Reeves to Walterscheid play moved the ball to the 2 yard line. With 4:05 on the clock, Justin Brown scored the first points of the game. The extra point conversion failed for a 6-0 score.

The Eagles' next drive of six plays tied the game 6-6 with 38 seconds remaining in the 1st period.

Sacred Heart got in some short runs, but a flag forced a punt. Lake Country used up most of the clock, getting in 13 plays for 75 yards and taking a 14-6 lead with 1:28 on the clock.

A 41 yard kick return by Hesse started the Tigers on the Eagle 39. A Reeves to Keith Metzler pass play

moved the ball to the 22. Two plays later, Reeves and Hesse connected for the touchdown. Hesse ran in the points after to tie the game 14-14 at the halftime break.

The 3rd quarter opened with Hayden Schilling covering an Eagle fumble on the Eagle 22. Hesse and a penalty took the Tigers to the 6. The next three plays were unsuccessful and Lake Country took over on the 7 yard line.

Gaining only a yard, the Eagles punted. A 28 yard Reeves to Hesse pass play took the ball to the Eagle 29. Three plays later, Lake Country picked off a pass at the 10 yard line. The teams exchanged possessions before entering the final period. Fifty-one seconds later, the Eagles took a 21-14 lead.

A pass interference call and a 48 yard run by Hesse carried the Tigers to the Lake Country 17 yard line. A 3 yard loss and three incomplete pass attempts ended the drive on the 20. The Eagles then took nine plays and extended their lead to 28-14 with 2:45 remaining in the game.

Again, three incomplete passes followed a loss, giving the Eagles the ball on downs. Two 10-yard penalties and a sack by Luke Cochran on 4th down ended the game.

Team Stats				
SH	E	LC	0	14
6	8	0	0	14
LC	6	8	0	14
SH	14	1st downs	LC	17

31/147	Rushes/yds	34/153
102	Passing yds	163
6/22/1	Comp/att/int	10/16/0
2/25	Punts/avg	2/38
0/0	Fumbles/lost	2/1
9/80	Penalties/yds	7/65

Individual Stats
RUSHERS: John Paul Hesse 14/145, Juan Salinas 7/9, Keith Metzler 2/5, Justin Brown 2/3, Kason Reeves 6/-5. **RECEIVERS:** John Paul Hesse 3/51, Isac Walterscheid 2/32, Keith Metzler 1/19. **TACKLES:** Garrett Wheeler, Juan Salinas, Justin Brown, Isac Walterscheid, Luke Cochran, Keith Metzler, Omar Colmenero, Hayden Schilling, John Paul Hesse. **FUMBLE RECOVERY:** Hayden Schilling.

Next Action
 The Tigers will face the Colleyville Covenant Cougars this Friday night in round one of the TAPPS Division III State Championship Playoffs.

The undefeated 10-0 Cougars defeated the Tigers in week two of this season 31-14. "As I mentioned the first time we played them - they don't have a weakness on their team," commented Coach Schilling. "We have to play mistake-free football to beat them. We can't make mistakes and give them the game."

The game will take place at Pennington Field in Bedford. Sacred Heart will be the visiting team. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.



Red Hornets sting Era as Steven Flusche (33), Hunter Klement (16), Jared Endres (66), and Andy Flusche (44) swarm in. Janie Hartman photo

Muenster Hornets Terminate Era

The Muenster Hornets completed District play last Friday night in Era with a 45-12 victory in the Battle of the Hornets.

"Offensively, we came out and scored quickly. I was happy with the way we ran the ball and the blocking; but we need more work on our throwing game," noted Coach Brady Carney. "Defensively, we struggled early with our pass defense a couple of plays. After the 1st quarter, did an outstanding job." Coach Carney mentioned Hunter Klement's kickoffs that kept Era deep in their own territory and Klement's 42-yard field goal.

Era took the opening kick, was held to 4 yards, and punted a short kick, placing Muenster on the Era 35 yard line. A run each by Steven Flusche, Clint Sidwell, and Hunter Klement moved the ball to the 14. With 8:09 on the clock, Flusche crossed the goal line to put the first points on the board. A Cole Walterscheid pass to Trevor Hess made the score 8-0.

Era fought back with a few good plays, scoring on a 41 yard touchdown run. The PAT failed for an 8-6 score with 5:27 on the clock.

The Red Hornets lit up the scoreboard again when Clint Sidwell returned Era's kick 82 yards for 6 points. Klement added the point after for a 15-6 score with 5:12 remaining in the 1st period. Eight plays later, Era scored again on a 47 yard pass play. The PAT was blocked by Walterscheid for a 15-12 score with a minute on the clock.

The scoring wasn't over for the quarter. Sidwell returned the kick 72 yards to the Era 19 yard line. A quarterback keeper by Klement gained 7 and with no time on the clock, Trevor Hess found the end zone. Klement kicked the PAT for a 22-12 score.

Muenster's defense held Era to 6 yards, forcing a punt. From their own 45, the Red Hornets took just five plays to again find the end zone, including short runs by Binder and Hess, a Binder to Andy Flusche play, and a Klement to Sidwell pass to the 1 yard line. Hess finished the drive for the touchdown. The PAT failed for a 28-12 lead with 7:56 remaining in the 2nd period.

Era gained 4 yards and punted. Runs by Binder and Hess and a couple of incomplete passes were followed by an 18 yard scoring run by S. Flusche with 3:31 on the clock. Klement added the extra point for a 35-12 score.

The teams exchanged punts, Muenster's defense sacked Era's quarterback - twice, Muenster threw an interception, and Colton Lang picked off an Era pass all before the halftime break.

Mason Binder returned the 2nd half kick 21 yards. Thirteen plays later, Muenster sat on the Era 25 with a 4th and 23. Hunter Klement booted a 42-yard field goal to extend Muenster's lead to 38-12 with 6:52 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

Muenster's next drive began at 3:59 on their own 20 yard line. Klement completed passes to Walterscheid, Sidwell, and A. Flusche mixed with runs by S. Flusche, Tavi Saldana, and Hess to move to the Era 8. With 45 seconds on the clock, Sidwell crossed the goal line for a touchdown. Klement's PAT kick gave Muenster a 45-12 lead.

Gaining only 4 yards, Era punted. From the Red 40, runs by Saldana, Binder, Trevor Muller, and Austin Hennigan took the ball to the Gold 4 yard line. The drive ended with a fumble on the 2, covered by Era.

The Gold Hornets got in four plays and punted. Hennigan and Muller traded out six runs before time ran out.

M	22	13	10	0	45
E	12	0	0	0	12

Team Stats				
M	E	1st downs	E	8
38/278	Rushes/yds	37/126		
120	Passing yds	115		
7/21/1	Comp/att/int	5/10/1		
1/49	Punts/avg	8/28		
2/1	Fumbles/lost	1/0		
7/55	Penalties/yds	1/5		



Sacred Heart Tiger Isac Walterscheid (6) tries to dodge an Eagle defender. Pat Springer photo

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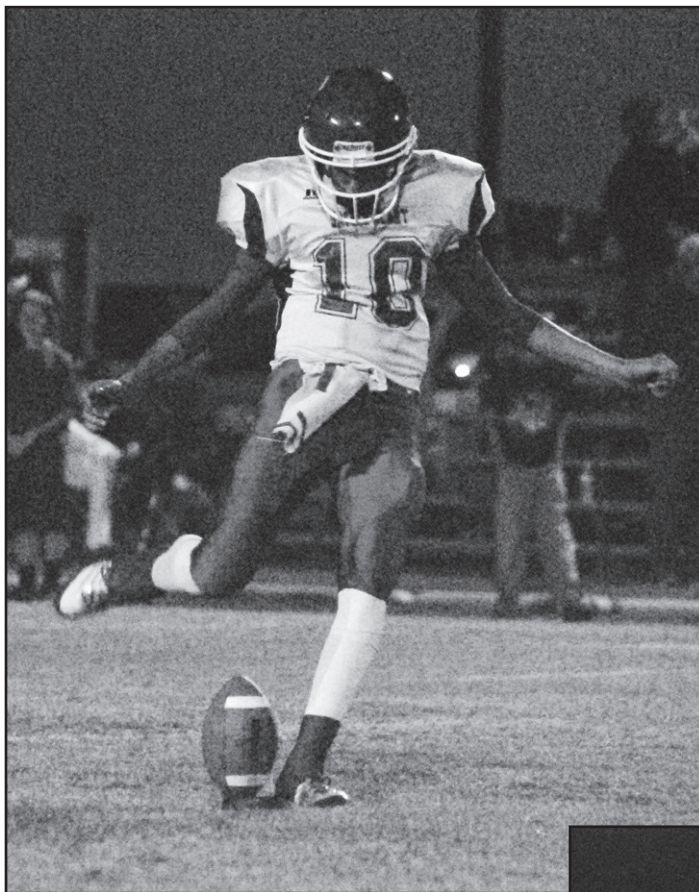
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Tigerettes take wins to start basketball season

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes opened their basketball season with a win over Poolville 46-35. "Anytime you play at Poolville, you know you are in for a tough game," commented Coach Jon LeBrosseur. "I was pleased with our effort for the first time out this season. Eleven turnovers is outstanding. It is always good to win that first one on the road."

Hess 3 each, Kaitlin Hesse 2, and Michelle Zimmerer 1. Hesse had 9 rebounds and 6 assists, while Reiter had 6 steals.

SH	11	10	9	16	46
P	10	6	7	12	35

On Tuesday, Nov. 13, the Tigerettes beat Whitesboro 63-38. Reeves was top scorer for Sacred Heart with 10 points. Berend had 9 points and 6 steals. Putting in 8 points apiece were Hesse (8 assists), Hess, and Walterscheid (8 rebounds). Scoring 6 each were Reiter, Henry, and Bartush. Zimmerer scored 2 and had 10 rebounds.

Lady Hornets take a win and a loss

Argyle defeated the Muenster Lady Hornets by a score of 45-39. Lauren Rohmer and Amber Walterscheid hit double digits with 11 and 10 points respectively. Kristen Reiter put in 8 points, Cedy Burnett 6, and Paige Herr and Kassie Dangelmayr 2 each.

In the Lady Hornet 49-16 victory over Saint Jo Tuesday night, Rohmer and Michelle Sicking hit double digits with 10 points each. Burnett dropped in 9, A. Walterscheid and Dangelmayr 5 apiece, Herr and Brooke Walterscheid 4 each, and Sydney Huchton 2.

Charity Golf Tournament

Cooke County Electric Cooperative Association sponsored its inaugural Charity Golf Tournament on Oct. 26 with a sellout crowd of golfers from all over Texas.

The tournament, benefitting Abigail's Arms Family Crisis Center of Cooke County, raised a sizeable amount of money to which CoBank has added a matching grant of \$5000. The donation in the amount of \$10,000 was presented to Abigail's Arms Family Crisis Center on Tuesday, Nov. 13. An additional donation of \$2,500 was presented to Heritage Park, Home of the Germanfest.

There was a definite early morning chill in the air at Turtle Hill Golf Course as the golfers arrived to play. The layout of Turtle Hill, which is served by CCECA and located north of Muenster, winds through limestone canyons and hardwood forests, making it a fun challenge to play.

Golfers Ronnie Bieber of API Systems and Kevin Sebade of Muenster State Bank were awarded closest to the pin honors. Kevin Bridges of Buffalo Business Products and John Hurst won long-drive recognitions. The two top raffle prizes of an iPad and four Dallas Cowboys tickets created quite the buzz among the golfers during the barbecue lunch served after the tournament.

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Muenster 288 Opponents 44

SUB-VARSITY BASKETBALL

Muenster JV 19 Argyle 30

The Muenster JV Lady Hornets were defeated by Argyle 30-19. Abby Pagel put in 8 points, Katie Pagel 5, Claire Schneider 4, and Morgan Flusche 2.

Muenster JV 48 WF Rider Freshman 20

On Tuesday evening, the Muenster JV girls took a 48-20 win over the WF Rider Freshman team. Adrien Rohmer burned the boards with 23 points. K. Pagel added 13, Morgan Flusche 5, Allison Morris 3, Allie Walterscheid 2, and A. Pagel and Abby Flaming 1 apiece.

Sacred Heart JV 34 Poolville 30

The Sacred Heart JV Tigerettes took a 34-30 victory over Poolville. Kinzie Hess put in 17 points for the Tigerettes. Kate Davidson and Mikayla Fleitman each scored 6, Alana Endres 4, and Mikenzie Fleitman 1.

Sacred Heart JV 38 Whitesboro 10

In Sacred Heart's 38-10 victory over Whitesboro on Tuesday night, Mikayla Fleitman led with 15 points followed by Hess with 14. Davidson rounded out the scoring with 9.

PROSPECTS GOOD FOR TEXAS DEER SEASON

Texas hunters should be seeing deer in good condition and above average numbers of mature bucks this deer hunting season.

"Despite the drought of 2011m deer appeared to come through the season in fair shape, which I think in part is a tribute to hunters and landowners doing a better job of managing deer populations and the native habitat across the state," said Alan Cain, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department white-tailed deer program leader. "Couple the results of good management, lower harvest in 2011, and some late winter and spring precipitation and the stage is set for a good deer season in 2012."

TPWD Big Game Harvest survey results confirmed what biologists and hunters already knew, the deer harvest was down in 2011. Last year's estimated harvest was 574,808 white-tailed deer; 309,207 being bucks and 265,601 antlerless deer. Compare those statistics to the 2010 season, one of the better seasons, when total deer harvest was estimated at 647,975 deer; 336,550 being bucks and 311,425 antlerless deer. However, a little perspective is in order here. Keep in mind the 11-year average for annual total harvest is 574,423 deer and the lowest estimated harvest occurring during the 2007-08 was an estimated 512,852 deer.

"Although we had a few dry spells during mid-summer, I'm seeing and hearing reports of deer appearing in good body condition," Cain said. "In fact, range conditions look good across most of the state. As my Dad and I recently returned from a mule deer hunt in Wyoming, I had a chance to drive from almost one end of Texas to the other, Texline to Pleasanton, and can say that the landscape was a brilliant green from just east of Amarillo to south of San Antonio."

The abundant forage, critical to help deer meet nutritional demands, will help to bolster fawn production as well as antler quality. Cain is predicting slightly above average antler quality for most regions of the state this season. Late summer rains should help bucks bulk up and insure good fat reserves to make it through the rigors of rut and improve overall survival this winter. The only downside to the late summer rains is deer may not readily come to feeders or food plots early this fall so hunters may have to change up their strategies to bag a deer during the first weekend or two of general season.

Hunters should be seeing fewer bucks in the 1 1/2 year old age class as fawn production was very low across many regions of the state in 2011. However, good fawns should translate into more bucks in the 7 1/2, 5 1/2, and 2 1/2 year old age classes as compared to other age classes. With the exception of the 1 1/2 year old age class there may have been a reasonable carry-over of bucks in all other age classes simply because many hunters passed on bucks with average antler quality last year, just hoping for an extra year of age and more importantly some rainfall to provide the necessary nutrition to help those buck reach their potential.

"Hopefully, hunters will find what they're looking for this fall," Cain said. "I've already seen pictures of an 8-point harvested in Bandera County this year that scored on the 159 Boone & Crockett scoring system, maybe sign of good things to come this season. Keep in mind this is well above the average antler quality for bucks 6 1/2 years of age or older."

In fact, based on 30+ years of TPWD's age and antler data, the average estimated B&C score for 6 1/2 year old or older bucks is 125.34. The



South Texas and Eastern Rolling Plains regions have the highest estimated average B&C scores for bucks 6 1/2 or older at 134.59 and 129.82, respectively. The remaining regions produce great quality mature bucks with estimated average B&C scores in the low to mid 120s.

"As always, we encourage hunters to harvest antlerless deer to help with overall population management, which is an important component to maintain quality native habitats for all wildlife," said Cain. "One thing is for sure, we are blessed with the largest white-tailed deer herd in the nation, approximately 3.3 million deer, and opportunity can be found in nearly every region of the state. So don't sit on the couch this fall watching the hunting shows, get outdoors and be a part of what will hopefully prove to be a great deer season."

Lindsay volleyball falls at Regional

The Lindsay Lady Knight Volleyball season came to an end at the Regional Tournament. The Blum Lady Cats defeated their 3-0 by scores of 15-25, 18-25, 22-25.

Stats were: Nicole Fleitman 23 kills (K), 4 blocks (B), 12 digs (D); Tara Atkins 3 D, 34 assists; Briley Fleitman 2 D; Jalyn Anderle 14 K, 4 D; Kim Page 2 D; Erin Early 2 aces, 2 D; Megan Holt 3 D, Megan Schumacher 2 B.

The Lady Knights ended their season with a District record of 14-0 and an overall record of 31-10.

"It was an incredible season!" stated Coach Bridget Anderle. "I am very proud of the Lady Knights! They played with a lot of heart and truly gave a team effort all year."

Just a thought

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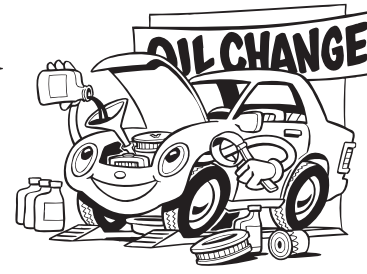
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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF MUENSTER REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

The City of Muenster has recently been awarded a grant under the 2012 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program from the Texas Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Affairs. The grant is to assist the city in a sewer system improvement project. The budget is \$149,576.00 — federal & local funds. The city is seeking to contract with an engineering consultant, registered to practice in the State of Texas, to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. Any registered professional engineer interested in submitting a proposal must contact Stan Endres, City Manager by calling 940.759.2236 to request a copy of the "Request for Engineering Services Proposal". All proposals must be in writing and received at the City Hall at the address below by no later than the deadline imposed below. All sealed proposals must be submitted to:

2012 TxCDBG Engineering Services Proposal
City of Muenster 400 N. Main Muenster, Texas 76252
PO Box 208 Muenster, Texas 76252-0208
Proposals must be received by the city no later than:
Wednesday, November 28, 2012 10:00 a.m.
Due Date Due Time

The City of Muenster reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to negotiate with any and all firms that submit proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards Act of 1981. The City of Muenster is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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CITY OF MUENSTER REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES

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Census of Agriculture hits mailboxes

County Agent's Report

Weather changes, markets lead to uncertainty for grain farmers

Changes in the weather and in the markets may cause grain farmers across the state to make some difficult decisions this winter.

Dr. Mark Waller, a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension economist in grain marketing, says much of the uncertainty in the markets is a result of the drought as most of the wheat across the state was boosted by rains in the late summer and early fall.

Grain prices are high because grain supplies are tight. He says if you look at what happened with the drought in the Midwest, Texans are likely to see more pressure for wheat to go to feeding because there is a shorter corn crop.

The weather is also something grain farmers will need to consider this year. The National Oceanic Atmospheric

Administration predicted a stronger than normal El Niño which would have increased the state's chances for a wetter than normal winter which the crop needs to offset the effects of the 2011 drought.

Waller says by this time of the year, the grain markets are usually on the decline; however, concerns that the state may not receive as much rainfall as expected have sparked uncertainty.

South American rains cause U.S. soybean futures to fall

Improving crop weather in South America and expectations that the U.S. government will raise its estimate of this year's soybean crop caused U.S. soybean futures to drop 1.6% last week.

The expected weakness in the soybean market also caused corn futures to fall.

Wheat ended slightly higher but was below its daily highs.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture report, corn prices have fallen more than 12% since early August as harvest reports topped lower expectations. The report estimates this year's corn crop at 10.7 million bushels, which would be the smallest crop in the last six years.

The most recent USDA estimate of soybean production puts this year's crop at 2.9 billion bushels.

Farmers and ranchers across the nation should soon receive the 2012 Census of Agriculture from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Officials say while this year's Census includes many familiar questions, the form will also be used to gather data on internet use on the farm and at home, agroforestry, equine, and renewable resources.

The information gathered through the form is used to paint a picture of how important agriculture is to the country. Because the data can also be used to determine where federal funding is spent, the USDA encourages all producers to fill out the form and return it as soon as possible.

The 2012 Census of Agriculture can also be filled out online at www.AgCensus.USDA.GOV.

Minimizing lawn area has many benefits

In Texas, lawns are almost always one of the most prominent features in the landscape. I often receive questions about ways to improve the health of lawns and questions about making the lawn thicker and more full. Quite often it may be wiser to plant other landscape features and to minimize the amount of lawn that you have. Turf should be used for play and entertainment areas, and to slow down, absorb, and clean runoff. If you don't require a large lawn area, you may be able to save water, decrease time performing maintenance, or improve plant vigor by choosing other forms of landscape plants.

Large lawns do have their purpose. They are pleasing to look at and they have potential to reduce erosion, control nutrient and chemical run-off, reduce noise and heat, plus many other benefits. Therefore, reducing the lawn area may not be your goal. However, there are many reasons you may want to. In situations where there is a lot of shade, in narrow hard to irrigate areas, or in places where water sprinklers cannot be managed to irrigate only the turf and not the nearby hardscape, there are better plant choices than grass. Earthkind® plant practices and plant selection are very useful in these cases. You can find more information about this at: <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/> or by visiting with us here at the office (940.668.5412).

Matching hay quality with cow needs

Nutritional requirements for lactating cattle are much higher than those of dry cows. According to NRC requirements, dry cows can maintain body condition with a diet as low as 6.5% protein and 47% TDN, while lactating beef cattle require 9-10% protein and 53-57% TDN.

Several strategies could be adapted to make feeding hay fit the nutritional needs of the animal. Ideally, the cattleman should strive to match hay quality to the nutritional needs of the cow while minimizing or eliminating expensive supplemental grain and protein. Planning for a calving season that fits with your forage supply is important for profitable cattle production. Unless there is access to good winter pasture (usually ryegrass or small grains) or ample supplies of quality hay, spring is the logical choice for calving time. Spring calving matches nutrient demand with forage availability and quality.

Adjusting calving dates for your cowherd takes time and planning. Often drought and other conditions beyond our control force us to feed more hay or supplement than we would like.

When you must feed hay, and you have more than one class or quality of hay to choose from, carefully consider when to feed each class of hay. Feeding the lower quality hay at a time when cattle are dry could minimize the need for supplementation. Feeding the higher quality hay when the cow is lactating could help maintain cow body condition, and improve milk production.

Our rained-on bermudagrass hay, or hay that was not cut until it is mature is often able to meet the minimal needs for dry cattle, but often even our good bermudagrass hay will not always meet all the needs of a lactating beef cow. Knowing the quality of your hay is very important. Approximations using book values can provide some help, but the only way to gain more reliable information about the nutrient value of your hay is to do a good job of sampling and analyzing it. Matching forage quality to a cow's nutritional needs will take some planning and management, but the economic benefits could be very substantial.

Dates to remember

Nov. 27 – Cooke County Marketing Club, Cooke County Farm Bureau Building, Gainesville - 7 p.m.

K-2 kids can now explore the Farmer's Market online

The popular agricultural gaming site MyAmericanFarm.org now includes a revised version of the "Farmer's Market Challenge" game, updated to include K-2 learners. The game has been updated to give K-5 grade level students the opportunity to practice essential math skills while learning about food and healthy choices.

The Farmers Market Challenge game, which is aligned to Common Core State Standards for Mathematics, also now includes an "Easy Reader" e-Comic book that takes young readers on a virtual trip to a farmer's market with their friends. Both the game and e-Comic book can be found at: <http://www.myamericanfarm.org/games/>

[farmers_market_challenge/](http://www.farmers_market_challenge/).

The My American Farm educational gaming resource is a special project of the American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture. Its mission is to build awareness, understanding and a positive public perception of agriculture through education. My American Farm currently has educator resources, fun family activities, videos, e-readers, and 16 online games, including its first pre-kindergarten-kindergarten game, "In My Barn."

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Global meat production, consumption slows

A prolonged drought, animal disease outbreaks, and an increased cost in livestock feed may be to blame for a lower rise in meat production across the globe in 2011.

According to a report from the Worldwatch Institute, global meat production rose .08% to 297 million tons in 2011. Comparatively, meat

production rose 2.6% the year before.

Meat consumption was slightly down in 2011; however, experts say that since 1995, per capita meat consumption has risen 15% overall.

Meat production worldwide is projected to rise to 302 million tons in 2012.

The research, which was compiled through the institute's Nourishing the Planet project, can be found online at WorldWatch.org.

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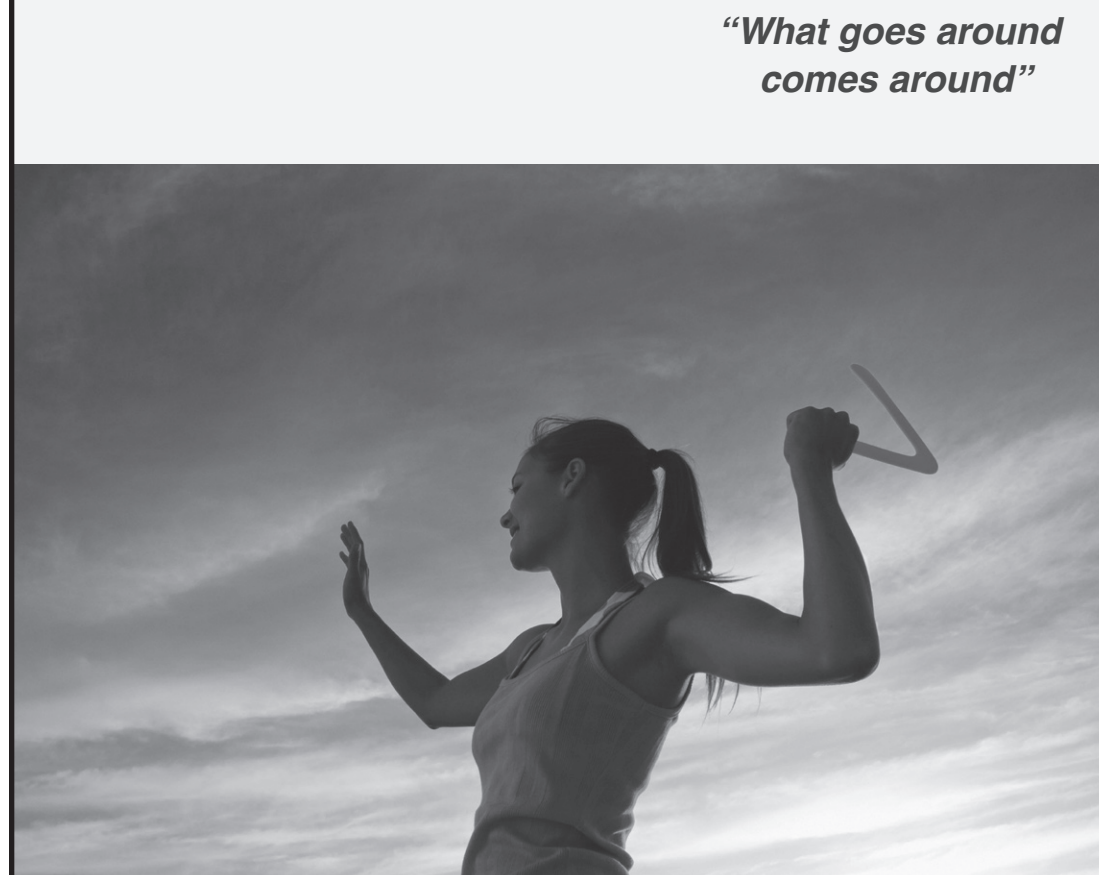
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Weather whys Black ice

Q: You often hear the term "black ice." What is it?
A: It's not really black, but it is ice that is extremely dangerous, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. Black ice is ice that appears to be very dark or even black because it is transparent - it is reflecting the color of the asphalt on the road. "Black ice is a thin layer of ice on the road and it often looks wet, not especially icy. So it can be hard to notice from a distance, and for this reason it is dangerous to drive or walk on," McRoberts explains.

Q: Is it more dangerous than regular ice?
A: It is almost always more dangerous, McRoberts reports. "Black ice often forms at night and early in the morning, when temperatures are low but traffic is high," he adds. "Sunlight can often melt it because it is such a thin layer of ice, but black ice can last longer on roads that are protected by shade. One study in Sweden showed that there are five times more accidents on roads that have black ice than on dry roads and twice as many accidents as on roads that had packed snow."

A service of TAMU



Children and parishioners who dressed up like saints for the All Saints Day Mass on Oct. 31 gathered on the altar for a group photo. Courtesy photo

"Saints" gather for All Saints Day Mass on Oct. 31

Oct. 31 is usually associated with little witches and goblins roaming the streets in search of candy. A very different scene filled Sacred Heart Catholic Church on that day. Wednesday eve-

ning, a multitude of saints streamed into the church as the congregation sang "Oh When the Saints Go Marching In." In celebration of All Saints Day, children, and even a few brave adults,

came to Mass dressed as the heroes of the faith, the saints. Over 120 parishioners came to Mass dressed as saints of the Church. There was a diverse "cloud of witnesses" present, including children

dressed as Sts. Peter, Joseph, Matthew, and Paul from the New Testament, as well as those from later times. St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, martyred for religious freedom in the 1500s were represented, as well as St. Gianna Beretta Molla who gave up her own life to witness to the sanctity of human life in the 20th Century.

Both of the newest saints of the Catholic Church, St. Marianne Cope and St. Kateri Tekawitha, just canonized the 21st of September this year, were represented. Mass was offered by Fr. Ken Robinson. The reading from Revelation described "a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations and tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and in sight of the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands." These are later described as, "the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made

them white in the blood of the Lamb." In the Gospel reading from Matthew, Jesus gave us the blueprint for becoming saints, the Beatitudes.

Fr. Ken talked about the great example of not only the canonized saints, but also the holy men and women in our midst whose lives daily proclaim the Gospel of Jesus. He encouraged the congregation to lead lives of holiness so that we too will be able to join our brothers and sisters in the heavenly celebration.

"The saints are new Christian constellations, in which the richness of God's goodness is reflected. Their light, coming from God, enables us to know better the interior richness of God's great light ... Nothing can bring us into close contact with the beauty of Christ Himself other than the world of beauty created by faith and light that shines out from the faces of the saints, through whom His own light becomes visible." Pope Benedict XVI



Teaching fire safety at MISD

Members of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department visited Muenster Elementary on Friday, Oct. 26. Students in Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades listened to the firefighters' words on fire safety and the importance of each family having a "plan" at their house in case a fire occurs. Each student loved getting to hold the fire hose!! Pictured are Kindergarten students Faith Sicking (top) and Landon Hacker (below) with Volunteer Fireman Smoke Koelzer holding the hose.

MISD photos

When you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart. St. Francis of Assisi



KEEP MUENSTER BEAUTIFUL YARD OF THE MONTH honors for October were awarded to Tina and Ronnie Weinzapfel who reside at 604 North Ash Street. Their lawn is always well-groomed and seasonal flowers add points of interest. An assortment of pumpkins and other fall decor create a welcoming touch to their front entry. Religious statues hold strategic places of honor in the shrub beds. Fall flowers include colorful pansies lining the front sidewalk along with snapdragons and chrysanthemums. Most of the shrubs are Japanese boxwoods. Trees shading the home are red oak, bur oak, and silver leaf maple, while a white bud produces a show of white flowers in the spring. Janie Hartman photo

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