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Vote runoffs Tuesday

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

Those who wish to cast their vote in the Primary Runoff Election may do so on Tuesday, May 27. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. Some are confused as to who can vote in primary runoff elections. You did not have to vote in the March 4 Primary in order to vote in the Primary Runoff on May 27. Those who did not vote in March can vote in the runoff elections for the Party of their choice. If you did vote in the March Primary Election, the only requirement to participate is to vote for the same party in the Primary Runoff as you did in the March 4 Primary Election.

Voting precincts and their designated voting place on May 27 are: 1, 3, 5, 31 NCTC, 1525 W. California St., Gainesville; 2, 30, 34, 35 - First Christian Church, 401 N. Dixon, Gainesville; 4, 26, 37 - Hillcrest Church of Christ, 1712 E. O'Neal, Gainesville; 6, 9 - Callisburg Community Center, 92 McDaniel St.; 7, 28 - Tabernacle Baptist Church, 305 CR 194, Gainesville; 8 - Callisburg Elementary - 648 FM 3164, Woodbine; 10 - Mt. Springs Community Center, 173 Mt. Springs Lane, Mountain Springs; 11 - Valley View Baptist Church, 504 North Lee, Valley View; 12, 14 - Era Community Center, 102 Malone St., Era; 15, 17 - Muenster VFW, 136 Ash Street, Muenster; 18 - First Baptist Church, 121 N. Pecan Street, Muenster; 19, 21 - Conrad Hall, 431 Ash St., Lindsay; 20, 24, 25, 27 - East Side Church of Nazarene, 1415 S. Radio Hill Road, Gainesville; 22 - Lake Kiowa Lodge, 905 W. Kiowa Dr., Lake Kiowa; 33 - Moss Lake Fire Station, 160 Spur 1201, Gainesville.



Janet Felderhoff photo

Muenster's newest police officer - Madaline Chance.

Chance joins local Police Department

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News Editor

Madaline Chance began her duties with the Muenster Police Department in April. She is a seasoned officer who retired from the Lamar County Sheriff's Office.

Chance grew up in Nacogdoches. She has a daughter who serves in the military police. Her step-son is in the Army stationed at Fort Hood.

Chance had a Godfather who was a highway patrolman. When she was in sixth grade, he inspired her to become a police officer just like him.

Houston PD was Chance's first place of employment as a law officer. She eventually got out of law enforcement only to return to go

through the police academy again in 1993. After graduating from the academy, she went to work for the Sulphur Springs PD.

When a new sheriff was elected, he asked Chance to come to work for his office. There, she worked as a DARE officer. Her next position was with Lamar County because they needed a female officer. Chance served as an officer

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On the corner of Mill and Church streets stands what is likely the oldest building in Saint Jo. It was built in 1866 near the Head of Elm during the Civil War. It served as a place of protection for those living in or passing through Montague County from dangers such as Indian raids.

Fascinated by what he's learned so far, the building's current owner, Michael Cannon, searches for as much information as he can find on the history of the old fort. He feels it should be recognized for its part in the area's history. Cannon said, "I would like to get recognition by the State so that people know that it is there. There were so many historical things. I wish I knew all the things that went on there."

Cannon purchased the property with the old fort from Bill Reynolds in 2010. It was also owned by W.E. Scott. He used it for things such as casket storage for the Scott Funeral Home.

Other purposes for the building include a stage relay station in the early 1890s, a blacksmith shop, hay barn, and storage. Cannon said

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Marcy Mullins recognized as NTMC Employee of the Year

Members of the Board of Directors, Administration, and staff of North Texas Medical Center gathered at the First State Bank Conference Center Wednesday, May 14 to honor employees for their service and to name the Employee and Director of the Year.

Randy Bacus, FACHE, chief executive officer at NTMC, provided opening remarks, with Rashonda Hayes, hospital chaplain, giving the invocation.

Recognized during the event was Estelle Smith, who retired from the Food Services department with 50 years of service and stands as the longest tenured employee of the Hospital District. She was presented a bouquet of flowers by CEO Bacus. It was also announced that the Employee of the Year Award will now carry her name, from this point on being known as the Estelle Smith Employee of the Year Award.

Following the presentation of service pins, Chief Nursing Officer for NTMC Audi Hayes, BSN, RN, announced the winner of the newly announced Estelle Smith Employee of the Year Award. Hayes explained that the recipient of Employee of the Year is chosen from among the quarterly CARE award winners from the previous year. Candidates included Susan McKenzie, Bobby Tarrant, Joy Jenkins, and Marcy Mullins.

Hayes noted that all the candidates exemplified the qualities expected of a CARE award recipient - commitment to do and be their best

every day, a positive and uplifting attitude shared with co-workers, patients, and visitors; respect for those they serve and excellence in the performance of duties. "However, there is one that stands above the rest," Hayes noted. "And that person is Marcy Mullins."

Marcy, a member of the Medical Imaging staff, has been with NTMC since September 2000. She serves as the director's "right hand" in the department and hers is often the first face you see upon entering Medical Imaging. She is active in hospital activities and committees, including the NTMC Activities Committee. Last year, Marcy was a walking

testament to courage as she maintained her happy demeanor and work schedule while battling ovarian cancer. Marcy is a resident of Muenster.

NTMC Chief Financial Officer Melissa Walker, MHA, CPA, announced the winner of the Director of the Year Award - Eddie Sinclair, director of Information Technology.

Walker explained that NTMC has many fine directors who all work hard to keep their departments running smoothly. This year, it is without argument that the Hospital's biggest challenge has been accomplishing a computer software

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NTMC photo

Marcy Mullins of Medical Imaging, at right, chosen as the Employee of the Year Award recipient for North Texas Medical Center with NTMC Chief Executive Officer Randy Bacus.

SHCS honorees



SHCS photo

Recipients of two coveted awards were announced at the Sacred Heart High School All Awards Banquet Tuesday evening. They are Chris Bartush as Mr. Sacred Heart and Bailey Walterscheid as Miss Sacred Heart.



Janie Hartman photo

This old building in Saint Jo has weathered many decades and served many purposes since the Civil War.

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that the records documenting the existence of the fort were destroyed in a fire at the Montague County Courthouse.

Cannon has been able to uncover several articles about the fort. It is mentioned in the *History of Montague County* on page 20. The story is about a band of Indians passing through Montague and Cooke counties. It reads, "On a certain morning in September, 1866, another band of Indians came into Montague County. They passed the fort at the Head of Elm and exchanged shots with the men stationed there."

Another passage in *Fort Tours/Raid Through Montague, Cooke and Denton Counties During September of 1866* states, "About two days later a band of savages stormed the citizens' fort near the Head of Elm, in the eastern part of Montague. Three strangers had stopped at the fort, and others were near home for the savages were expected. A few shots were exchanged, and the Indians went about four miles east of the present town of Saint Jo, where they came upon and killed James Harris, who was alone, and hunting horses about two miles south of his home."

There were soldiers stationed at the fort, but attempts to obtain their names and records have been unsuccessful. Cannon said he was told that the Texas government does not have access to the records, but that they might be able to obtain them from the federal government since it was federal, not state troops stationed there.

One reason that the fort may have been built where it was is the Devil's Backbone. A passage in *The Handbook Of Texas Online* notes, "The Devil's Backbone is a narrow ridge five miles northwest of Saint Jo in east central Montague County (at 33°44' N, 97°30' W). The ridge, with an elevation of 1,225 feet, was used between the 1850s and the mid-1870s by Comanches and Kiowas as a military lookout to monitor the movements of the Anglo-Americans who moved into the county and established the nearby settlements of Saint Jo, Bonita, and Capps Corner."

According to Cannon, the fort needs to have a roof that was added taken off, as it is now damaging the structure. If walls could talk, what stories would we learn?

When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.
- Viktor Frankl

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for Lamar County for 16 years until her retirement.

Officer Chance remarked, "I got my letter last year saying that I could retire since I was a constable. I said, 'I'm done. I want to go do stuff.'"

"I love it (Muenster). It's different! It is different than being a constable because we dealt with all the civil stuff - the evictions, the bad parts of life. As a street officer, you get to see the good parts of people."

Chance noted that it has been her philosophy that if she could just touch one person's life, she will have done her job for her entire career. That happened with a senior at the high school where she tutored students in math and English after school. He told her that if it had not been for her, he would not be graduating.

Officer Chance worked with Sgt. Tom Barr in Lamar County. When she told him about retiring and her desire to find something to do that would allow her to spend time with people, Barr said there was an opening in the Muenster Police Department if she was interested. She was interested, applied, and was hired.

Speaking of law enforcement, Chance said, "There are two separate things. You have the proactive side and then you have the reactive side. Proactive, that's where we get to go around and meet people and watch and see if there is anything strange going on. The reactive is when we have to come over to your house and do reports."

"I like teaching women stuff. In Paris, I had a women's self defense class every year. I was secret Santa over there for 16 years. I would find the kids in my school district that needed help for Christmas. I got a group of friends together the last couple of years and we bought presents and stuff and brought them to them without them knowing it was us. We never tell who we help. It is one of our sworn secrets."

When she is not on duty some of the things that Chance enjoys doing is re-finishing furniture and reading. She admits that when she starts a book, she doesn't want to put it down until she is finished reading it.

Officer Chance commented, "I've never worked somewhere that everybody looks after everybody, and this community, even with me being new, they treat people like they've been here all their life. I have met some of the nicest people here. I love it." She added that she can't get over how people wave and are friendly to the police officers. In most communities people do not want to talk to the police, she said.

Having heard the story from Sgt. Barr on Muenster's storm damage from the June storm a few years ago, Officer Chance was impressed. The whole town working together and getting all of the debris cleaned up in a day's time was impressive to her. "That to me says something good," she remarked.

There must be a reason why some people can afford to live well. They must have worked for it. I only feel angry when I see waste. When I see people throwing away things that we could use.
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Letter to the Editor

To the editor,

On May 27th we will pick a County Judge to replace John Roane next year. Actually, the office of county judge has been a misnomer for 12 years since the county court at law position currently held by John Morris was created back in 2002 to relieve the county judge of judicial duties. At that time, the position name really should have been changed to county chief executive officer to better reflect the position.

I have personally met both Byron Berry and Jason Brinkley to discuss their candidacy and, after doing so, I believe Byron Berry is clearly the most qualified candidate to be the CEO of Cooke County. I make that decision based on their background and what their main focus seemed to be should they be elected as county judge.

I came away from my meeting with Jason Brinkley with several thoughts in mind. He is a nice young man that has served as Justice of the Peace for a few years since graduation. He has been active in charitable endeavors but, in my opinion, is too young and inexperienced to be the CEO of our county at this time. I also noticed his campaign focus seemed to be mainly keeping county taxes low by making sure there was no fat in the budget. Again, Jason Brinkley seems like a nice young man but isn't that the standard campaign line for everyone in politics?

I was hoping for much more because the job should be much bigger than that. We need a pro-active county CEO with real business experience and leadership qualities. Seriously, would you hire someone to be the CEO of a multi-million dollar organization with no business experience?

I see at least three issues that are important to Cooke County.

1. Diversified economic development to add more good paying jobs to Cooke County. Right now, Cooke County would be in dire straits if and when the oil industry goes through a tough time again as it has many times in the past. We need to get serious about growing and diversifying our economy to increase our tax base and to insure more and higher paying jobs. Jobs that will allow our children and grandchildren to work and live here in Cooke County.

2. Roads/Transportation. Cooke County has not kept up with Grayson and Wise counties with improving county roads. Many of our county roads are the same as they were 50 years ago, but we actually used better gravel back then. I discussed this with present County Judge John Roane several years ago and his answer was simply "We don't have sufficient tax base so there is nothing we can do." End of discussion. Diversified economic development should be a step in the right direction to help to keep county taxes in line while making increased revenue available to improve roads.

3. Future water availability. There is nothing more important than water and it is only a matter of time before the availability of water in our Trinity water sand becomes a serious issue.

After meeting Byron Berry, I was glad to hear that he shares the same above concerns, and does in fact, have plans to address them. Berry has the business experience necessary to be CEO of Cooke County and to meet with top business and corporate leaders who may consider moving to Cooke County. And I think it is very important that Berry does have the contacts and experience to represent our county at the political level in Austin. I also noticed that he is very active in civic and charitable endeavors. There is good reason that a very long list of Cooke County business and civic leaders have endorsed Byron Berry.

Thanks, and have a good day.

Dennis Hess
Muenster, TX

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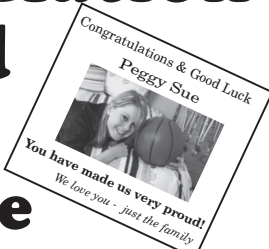
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Sunday, May 25, 2014	Monday, May 26, 2014	Tuesday, May 27, 2014	Wednesday, May 28, 2014	Thursday, May 29, 2014	Friday, May 30, 2014	Saturday, May 31, 2014
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm VFW Memorial Day Service Mass 8 am - Buddy Poppies - Cemetery 9 am	MISD NO SCHOOL 	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm Primary run-off election 	Library open 10 am - 5:30 pm Religious Ed MISD Kindergarten Graduation 7 pm Hornet Softball Camp	Museum open 1-4 Library open 10-6:30 Hornet Softball Camp	Museum open 1-4 pm SHCS Noon dismissal SH 8th grade promotion Muenster HS graduation	Library open 10 - 2:30 
Sunday, June 1, 2014	Monday, June 2, 2014	Tuesday, June 3, 2014	Wednesday, June 4, 2014	Thursday, June 5, 2014	Friday, June 6, 2014	Saturday, June 7, 2014
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	MISD Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m. City Council Meeting 6:30	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm MISD Last Day of School 12:30 dismissal Hornet & Lady Heart Basketball Camp	Library open 10 am - 5:30 pm Religious Ed Hornet & Lady Heart Basketball Camp	Museum open 1-4 Library open 10-6:30 Hornet & Lady Heart Basketball Camp	Museum open 1-4 pm AARP Board Meeting at Stanford House 10 a.m.	Library open 10 - 2:30

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Obituaries

Billy Hooker 1951 - 2014

Funeral for Billy Wayne Hooker of Muenster, and former resident of Leon, OK, was held Saturday, May 10 at Alexander Funeral Home with Rev. Ryan Eakins officiating. Interment followed in the Leon Cemetery. A visitation was held Friday evening, May 9, at the funeral home.

Billy Wayne Hooker was born March 19, 1951 to Clyde and Aline (Tom) Hooker at Leon. He died Wednesday, May 7, 2014 in Muenster.

Billy was raised at Leon, attending school there and graduating from Turner High School in 1970. Billy attended welding school at Oklahoma City and began working at Falconhead. He worked at Uniroyal Tire Plant after leaving Falconhead and retired from Michelin just last year after 41 years of employment. Billy

and the former Rita Blakely had been dating since 1995 and were united in marriage on March 11, 2014 at Muenster. He enjoyed trail riding, going to Dairy Queen, rodeos, sports (especially baseball), and loved his dog "Buddy" and spending time with his family and friends. Billy also enjoyed farming and ranching and attending the Rubottom Baptist Church.

Preceding him in death were his parents and his brother Albert Lee Hooker.

Survivors are his wife Rita Hurvick of the home; siblings Shirley Ann Vickery and husband Arlen of Hobart, OK, David Hooker and wife Linda of Oklahoma City, OK, Linda Mitchell and husband Ron of Mustang, OK, and Jaque Terrill and husband Tim of Scottsdale, AZ; eight nieces and nephews; and numerous other family and



Billy Hooker

friends.

Pallbearers were Don Musser, Jesus Luna, Michael White, Mike Parker, Sonny Hartman, and Don Reed.

Honorary bearers were Gates Billette, Alex Moreno, Jack Coker, Johnny Hartman, Larry Hartman, Chuck Hartman, and Jackie Dale Miller.

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change that usually takes 18 months in seven. Walker noted that Eddie has been the driving force in the massive project, working long hours to meet and maintain a very demanding conversion schedule. His leadership and familiar catch phrases such as "no worries," "I got this," and "we'll make it happen" have set a tone of confidence and success. Eddie has been part of the NTMC team since May 2014. He resides in Collinsville.

Both honorees received carved crystal awards, as well as a cash prize.

Following a delicious meal catered by Donna Hertel, awards for service were presented by Derrell Comer, president, NTMC Board of Directors; Bacus; and Teresa Westover, director of Human Resources.

Honored for three years of service were Jan Brearley, Greg Dulock, Grant Melhorn, Sandra Richardson, Kristen Russell, and Jackie Wood.

Five-year pin recipients were Amanda Bonner, Christy Carlock, Patrick Cook, Joyce Dawson, Amor Digal, Diana Dulock, Genie Garcia, Melizza Gogo, Kasi Kelly, Debra King, Laura Roberts, Josie Robledo, Kim Strakos, Vunita Waldrum, and Deadre Wolzen.

Four employees recognized for 10 years of service were Felicia Foster, Jennifer Hesse, Lee Ann Stewart, and Linda Vogel.

Fifteen-year honorees included Jo Ann Hudson, Shirley Knabe, and Doris "Toot" Sandmann.

Receiving 20-year service pins were Loretta Guiling

and Lisa Turner.

Honored for 25 years of service were Kathlene Foster and Kathy Mitchell.

Thirty-year honorees were Barbie Felderhoff and Rita Motsenbocker.

Recognized for 35 years of service were Audi Hayes, Donna Otts, and Carla Wolf.

Closing remarks were given by Teresa Westover. Westover thanked everyone for attending, congratulated award recipients, and noted that recognition like this is important. "We recognize and appreciate that our employees are our Number One Asset."

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Tom Stark 1955 - 2014

Tom Stark, born Thomas McCrary Stark, died May 20, 2014. He was born Jan. 16, 1955 to Dick and Jane McCrary Stark at the Gainesville Sanitarium. He was the first grandchild to Tom and Dorothy McCrary of Waverly, TN, and held his position as angel until their death. He was also adored by his Grandmother Lucy Stark with whom he often fished and hunted.

Tom gave with a golden heart, seeing to it that those he loved and even stumbled upon were taken care of. He understood and always had compassion for those less fortunate.

Known for his love of the outdoors, Tom was an avid hunter and fisherman. He graduated Gainesville High School in 1974, and completed the Farm and Ranch Management Program at TCU. Tom was co-owner and operator of Miller's Cleaners for almost 20 years.

Tom was father to daughters Carly Kaye and husband Kyle McKamie, and

Hayley Jill and husband Sean Loftice produced from a loving marriage to Tracy Ann Sluder Stark. Richard and Margaret Jo Stark, Dave and Leslie Ann Stark, Holly Stark, Lucy and Steven Sutton, several nieces and a nephew also survive him as do dear friends Shirley Paclik, Rudy Paclik, Roger Martin and Wally Cox.

Preceding him in death are Jane Stark, Tom and Dorothy McCrary, Lucy Stark, Michael David Stark, and Randy Scott Sluder.

Services are set for Friday, May 23 at 10 a.m. at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home with interment following at Fairview Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Wally Cox, Rudy Paclik, Ryan Cox, Steve Moore, Ken Fisher, and Derrick King. Honorary pallbearers are Shirley Paclik, Roger Martin, and Bill King.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Home Hospice of Cooke County or Noah's Ark.

Deborah Vega 1953 - 2014

A memorial service for Deborah Baugh Vega of Lindsay was held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20 at Bear Head Baptist Church in Sivealls Bend officiated by Andy Anderson.

Debbie died in her home on May 17, 2014. She was born Sept. 30, 1953 in Jacksboro to Edward and Lanell Dennington.

She is survived by her husband Alfredo Vega of Lindsay; daughter and

son-in-law Gina and Seth Harrison of Lindsay; stepson Raul Vega of Gainesville; sister Vicki Mikkelsen of Gainesville; and granddaughters Abbey and Emma Harrison of Lindsay.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother-in-law Bruce Mikkelsen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Noah's Ark Animal Shelter.

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We especially want to thank those who sent flowers, donations in memory of Paula, food, and Mass offerings in our bereavement. We also want to thank Father Ken for the beautiful celebration at Mass and the Catholic Daughters for preparing the food.

Your thoughts, prayers and words of sympathy will always be remembered.

*The Paula Fleitman Family
Gus, Randy, Jan, Melinda, Kerry and Kristen*

The family of Walter B. Acker would like to express a heartfelt thank you to the generous and hospitable community of Muenster. A special thank you to Ginny Schneider and her daughter Sandi Harding for their loving support and dedication to the many details of the funeral service for Walter Acker. Also a big thank you to the Catholic Daughters and the Knights of Columbus, VFW 6205, Fischer's Meat Market, as well as to the thoughtful families who provided brisket, desserts, casseroles, beer, paper goods, and their home for some of our family members. We would also like to thank Scott Funeral Home and Father Ken Robinson of Sacred Heart Church. Appreciation for the citizens of Muenster will forever be in our hearts.

Walter Acker Family

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Pictured with a check for the Hope for HH Foundation are, from left, standing - Wendi Tipps, Kim Wiese, C.J. Soeby, Kathi Kirby, Lisa Soeby, co-founder of Hope for HH, Cheryl Davis, Michelle Neu, Joe Conner, Ben Duncan; seated David Tipps, Landon Tipps, Ezriel Duncan, Katherine Duncan, and Owen Duncan.

\$25,000 donated to Hope for HH

Last Saturday, the M-o-o-v-ing Thru' the Mud With Landon committee members signed a check in the amount of \$25,000 for the Hope for HH Foundation.

This year more than 600 children, some from as far away as Arizona and North Carolina, came to enjoy a day filled with hayrides, face painting, hair coloring, calf petting, train rides, and of course, squishy, slippery mud!! Although the day was filled with mud, joy, and laughter, its main purpose was to raise funds for medical treatment, education, and research that will help families coping with the challenges of Hypothalamic Hamartomas.

Special this year was the attendance of Lisa Soeby, co-founder of the international non-profit organization

Hope for HH. Her son C.J. who was diagnosed with HH at three months of age, accompanied his mom to the event. Another family with a child coping with HH drove from North Carolina to enjoy the muddy day at Circle N Dairy.

"We could not have raised this amount of funds if it were not for the generous

support of our financial and in-kind sponsors, volunteers, and everyone who supported us by coming out to get muddy," said Michelle Neu.

Go to the event's website at www.mudwithlandon.com or their facebook page at moovingthruthemudwithlandon to view fun and crazy photos from this year's mud run.

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VFW Ladies Auxiliary installs officers

Installation of officers was the main business of the May 19 meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post #6205. Janet Barnhill, past president, installed her mother Frances Bayer as president. All officers kept their same positions. They are: Lucille Hesse, treasurer; Ida Mae Bindel, secretary.

The opening ritual was given by Chaplain Mary Lee Hennigan, Conductress Linda Knabe, and Patriotic Instructor Hilda Sicking. Lucille Hesse gave the treasurer's report.

Members made plans for Memorial Day services at the cemetery which will take place at 9 a.m. after the 8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Buddy poppies will be available after all Masses.

President Frances Bayer, Post Commander David Fisher, Quartermaster Melvin Luke presented American flags at Muenster Elementary School and explained all about what the flag represents.

Members signed four get well cards. Those in attendance enjoyed a fried chicken meal before the meeting. Frances Bayer was hostess.

The next meeting is set for June 16, beginning at 7 p.m. with meal followed by the meeting.

New Arrival



William Cooper

Cooper

Mary and Kyle Cooper of Heartland, TX proudly announce the birth of their first child, son William Cole Cooper. William was born Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at St. Paul's Hospital of UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. He was born at 2:25 p.m. and weighed 5 lb. 13 oz. and was 19 inches in length. Welcoming their newest grandchild are Janice Cooper of Mesquite, Jerry Cooper of Sanger, and Linda Knabe of Muenster and the late Gilbert Knabe. Grandparents are Daphne McDonald of Mesquite and the late Audrey McDonald, the late Charles and Jane Cooper, the late Eugene and Elsie Hoedebeck, and the late Joseph and Mary Knabe.

Trubebach graduates Texas A & M University

Commencement ceremonies for graduates of Texas A & M took place on May 10. Lacey Ann Trubebach graduated, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health with a concentration in Community Health. Commencement ceremonies were held in Reed Arena at College Station. Lacey is a 2011 graduate of Muenster High School. She will attend Texas Tech Nursing School in Abilene in the Fall.

Attending Lacey's graduation ceremony were her parents Karl and Beth Trubebach; brother Levi Trubebach; grandmothers Janie Thurman and Betty "Cookie" Flusche; aunts, uncles, and cousins Shelly, Lane, and Ty Trubebach, Donna Endres and Chad Walterscheid, Steve, Melissa, and Lauren Trubebach, Vicki, Henry, and Simon Thurman; and friends Bucky

Nail, Hayley and Kylie Hess, Caitlin Nichols, Haley Medcalf, and Kelsey Points.



Lacey Trubebach

Remember Memorial Day services at Sacred Heart Cemetery following the 8 a.m. Mass

There is a Clear Choice for Cooke County Judge

<h2 style="text-align: center; margin-top: 0;">BYRON BERRY</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✔ Byron Berry is a 59 year old successful attorney and partner in a law firm with offices in Denton and Gainesville. ✔ Byron Berry has run a campaign on the issues and offered the voters a detailed vision for Cooke County. ✔ Byron Berry is an advocate for term limits and has pledged to serve only two terms in office. ✔ Byron Berry has pledged to not retain any compensation for his service as County Judge. ✔ Byron Berry is a successful businessman whose number one focus as the leader of the Commissioners Court will be to focus on economic development and job growth. ✔ Byron Berry is a Certified Public Accountant who is equipped with the knowledge to oversee Cooke County's 20 million dollar budget. 	<h2 style="text-align: center; margin-top: 0;">JASON BRINKLEY</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Jason is a 29 year old lawyer just a few years out of law school with very little experience practicing law. ✘ Jason has said little to nothing of substance about the issues facing Cooke County during the entire campaign. ✘ Jason has not taken a term limit pledge. ✘ Jason is finishing a term as a local Justice of Peace and is looking for a pay raise. ✘ Jason has no real world business experience to speak of and has never met a payroll. ✘ Jason has no financial or private sector experience to speak of and is simply not qualified to head the Cooke County Commissioners Court.
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ON MAY 27TH VOTE BYRON BERRY FOR COOKE COUNTY JUDGE
★ Early Voting: May 19th thru May 23rd ★

VFW and Auxiliary present flags to Muenster Elementary



Courtesy photo

Muenster VFW Post 6205 and Auxiliary presented American flags to Muenster Elementary School for display in the classrooms of the new building.

Twenty-eight American flags were presented by the Veterans of Foreign Wars #6205 and the VFW Ladies Auxiliary to the students and teachers of Muenster Elementary School for display in each of the classrooms for grades Kindergarten through 6th. Elementary Principal Lou Heers introduced the representatives of the VFW and Auxiliary. They were Muenster VFW Commander, David Fisher and VFW Quartermaster Melvin Luke, and Ladies Auxiliary President Frances Bayer. Bayer is also the VFW District I Auxiliary conductress and Americanism chairman as well as the local Americanism chairman.

The program of questions and answers given by Bayer began with all the children giving the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America in the proper fashion which is standing erect, facing the flag, and giving the hand over heart salute.

Questions were then asked of the children such as: Why do we respect the flag of our country? and Who does the flag represent? The answer explained that it represents each and every one of the American citizens and especially those who are patriotic and believe in our country and its freedoms.

The children were given a question time to address to the three representatives. Among the many questions asked were: What do the stars and stripes represent? What do the choice of the colors signify? What is the proper hanging of the flag on the wall?

After the question and answer session, the classroom American flags were handed out by the VFW representatives to the children representing the students and teachers of each classroom. There were also handouts of American flag etiquette booklets, questions and answers on the U.S. flag leaflets, and cards printed with the Pledge of Allegiance and American Creed on them.

This program for May 2014 was one of many required Americanism programs provided by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Ladies Auxiliaries throughout the year.

Mariah Rocha receives two FCCLA scholarships

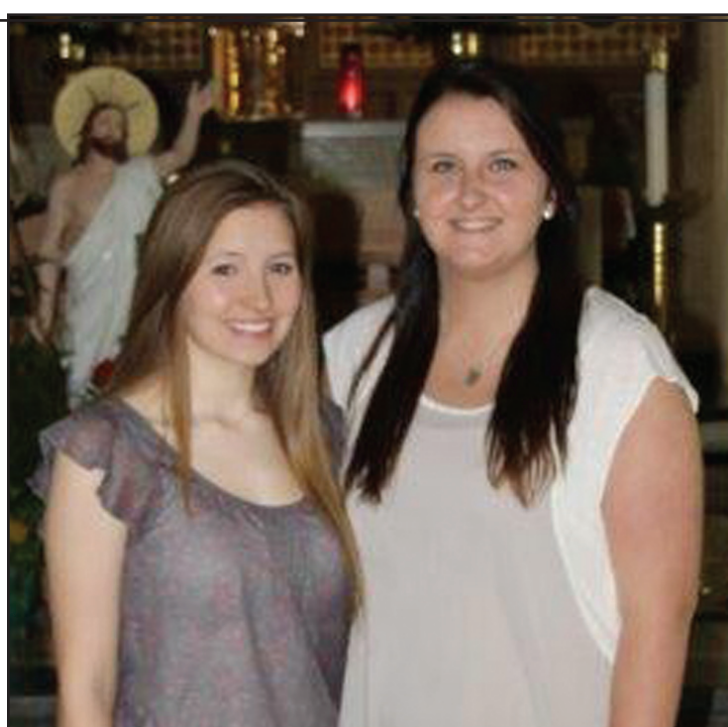
Muenster FCCLA member Mariah Rocha has recently received two FCCLA scholarships. She was awarded the C.J. Davidson Scholarship for Family and Consumer Sciences majors for \$18,000 and another \$1,000 for the Region II Scholarship award. There were a total of five regional awards for each Region and eight C.J. Davidson scholarship awards.

Texas FCCLA members received over \$300,000 in scholarships this year. Muenster FCCLA members have received a total of \$168,000 in scholarship awards since 2001. Mariah received her awards at the State Conference in April in the second general session.

Mariah will major in Family and Consumer Sciences at University of North Texas and plans to teach.



Mariah Rocha



Courtesy photo

Sydney Huchton, right, and Rebecca Metzler were awarded CDA Scholarships.

CDA awards scholarships

Court St. Mary's #249 of Muenster announced scholarship recipients for the 2014 academic year. Sydney Huchton, daughter of Neil and Peachie Huchton, received a \$1,000 scholarship. Sydney is graduating from Muenster ISD, has been accepted to Texas A&M University, and is planning to major in Allied Health.

Rebecca Metzler, daughter of Brad and Ronda Metzler, received a \$500 scholarship. Rebecca, a graduate of Lindsay ISD, has been accepted at Texas Tech University and will study Nursing.

The Catholic Daughters Memorial Scholarship Fund of the Texas State Court was established in June 1980 as a memorial to the living and deceased Past State Regents. The scholarship is funded from local contributions made by local courts, individual members, or other individuals. The scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors who are Junior CDA members and/or relatives of CDA members. The scholarships are given on a state-wide basis.

Officers installed for Century Club

Century Club wound up a remarkably busy 2013-14 Club Year in high style at their May Installation Banquet dining at the Lazy Heart, enjoying good friends, celebrating accomplishments, and outlining plans for the year to come.

Marge Pullen was selected by the 26 ladies present to be honored as "Club Woman of the Year." Jenny Shiffer, outgoing president, presented the charm to Marge, expressing appreciation for all the countless hours of effort she has devoted to the organization as its treasurer.

Scholarship recipients were selected to receive the two scholarships managed by the Club - the Century Club Scholarship and the Beverly Harris Scholarship. Winners will not be announced until they are presented at Saint Jo High School graduation exercises.

Other available funds were distributed at the April business meeting to the AR Program, Saint Jo Public Library, Montague Child Welfare, SJ Volunteer Fire Department, Santa on the Square Bags, Chamber, Toast to Teachers, Civic Center, and the Stonewall Saloon Museum.

Other projects were finalized as, "The one who knows the garden," otherwise known as Janis, began preparing to install officers for 2014-15 "down in the garden." Officers for the year to come are: President Virginia Gafkin; Vice President Virginia Gafkin; Secretary Shannon Gillette; Treasurer Marge Pullen; Historian Susan Causey; Parliamentarian Janis Sneed; and Reporter Johnell Thompson.

The Club year is over, but the Club continues in action.

Continued at right

Fun is good. All were delighted to herald Billie Grigsby, one of their honorary members, as she represented the Century Club in the May 10 Rodeo Parade, riding in that gleaming yellow Corvette convertible. Denise Chamberlain was also there riding for the cure with her crew mounted on horseback and sporting stethoscopes!



I believe that you can look at the way a candidate conducts himself in a campaign as an indication of the kind of person they will be in office.

During this campaign, I have refrained from negative attacks on my opponent. I have refrained from putting out intentionally misleading or false information. I have tried to run a positive campaign that is deserving of the voters of Cooke County.

I ask that you remember this during early voting this week and on May 27th.

J. Brinkley
Jason Brinkley

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 Wed. - Chicken quesadilla, Mexicali corn, refried beans, sour green apple sauce. AM - Ham and cheese sandwich, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.
 Thurs. - Steak fingers, peppered gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, fresh cantaloupe. AM - Tuna salad, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.
 Fri. - Tony's pepperoni pizza, tator tots, baked beans, pineapple tidbits. AM - Po-boy combo, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.
LINDSAY ISD
 Mon. - No School.
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 Wed. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, cooked carrots, gravy, bread, fruit.
 Thurs. - Turkey sandwich w/trimmings, lettuce salad, chips, fruit.
 Fri. - Corny dog, oven fries, veggie tray, fruit.

Muenster Swim Program

Week 1: July 7 - 11
 Levels 1 - 5
 9, 10, & 11 a.m.

Week 2: July 14 - 18
 Level 7
 7 - 8:30 a.m.
 Level 6
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 Levels 1 - 5
 10 & 11 a.m.

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Moster graduates in North Carolina

Baylee Ashton Moster, daughter of Kim Moster and Jamie Moster, graduated with her Western North Carolina Homeschool Education high school degree. The graduation ceremony took place Friday, May 16 at 7 p.m. at Biltmore Baptist Church in Arden, NC.



Baylee Moster

Baylee was born in Plano and grew up mostly around Edmond, OK. She moved to North Carolina and began homeschooling in the 10th grade. For two years, Baylee has been dual-enrolled at A-B Tech, working on a degree in Science.

This summer, she plans to move back to Oklahoma and transfer to Oklahoma State University, pursuing an education in Radiology. She has three half-sisters, two older, one younger.

Baylee enjoys playing sports. Her favorite subject has always been art. She

also loves to travel to new places. She has been to the countries of Brazil, Italy, and Canada, and plans to visit many more.

Attending the graduation from this area were Jamie Moster and Teresa "Terri" Hess, grandparents Emma and Gene Pelzel, aunt Dr. Sue Moster, and friends Julie Johnson and her sons Nicholas and Benjamin.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO
May 20, 1949

Leonard Endres is named assistant manager of the Armour Company plant in Huron, SD. Alois Trubebach suffers two badly cut fingers after catching his left hand in a lawn mower. New Arrival: Donald to the Meinrad Stoffels. Ben Seyler Motor Co. advertises complete summerize job for your vehicle including oil change, wash motor, adjust lights, etc., all for \$14.75 (a total value of \$19.75). Classified by Claude Smith advertises that he will sell 54 acres of the Linn Estate at a sacrifice of \$25 per acre.

50 YEARS AGO
May 22, 1964

There will be 41 total graduates in Muenster this year: 23 from Sacred Heart and 18 from Muenster Public School. Lindsay will have 13 graduates. Norma Lutkenhaus wins 3rd place in Feature Writing at Interscholas-

tic League State competition. Wedding: Jane Henscheid and Anthony Grewing. Jerry and Betty Rose Walterscheid host new home blessing and warming. New Arrivals: Lisa to Johnnie and Sally Arendt; a girl to Willard and Carolyn Hartman. Fisher's advertises 5 lb. flour for 49¢ and 2 lb. rice for 37¢; Pagel's advertises fresh country eggs 29¢ a dozen and 1/2 gallon of mellorine 39¢; Hofbauer's advertises pie shells 2 for 25¢ and 8 oz. cans of tomato sauce 12 for \$1.

25 YEARS AGO
May 19, 1989

Lightning strike causes flames which engulf the unoccupied house south of Muenster owned by the Herman Hartman family. Golden Wedding: R.P. and Ruth Cain. College Graduates: Kimberly Eldred, TWU; Dana Walterscheid, CCC; Doug Edwards, UNT. Hor-net golfers wrap up season with 3rd at State.

Families celebrate First Communions

On Saturday, May 10, 31 children of Sacred Heart Parish made their First Holy Communions in Sacred Heart Church. Many families held celebrations to mark the occasion. Their stories follow.

Lexie Walter

Lexie Walter, daughter of Mike and Melissa Walter, enjoyed a special meal celebrating her First Com-

munion with her parents, grandparents, great-aunts and uncles, many cousins, and friends. She chose a special cake with a dove reflecting the Holy Spirit. She received many special gifts to help remember her special day for years to come.

Andrew Bayer

Andrew Charles Bayer, son of Craig and Rita Bayer, celebrated at his home with a special lunch of Andrew's

choice following First Communion Mass. A decorated cake made by his mother was displayed along with pictures from each of his parent's First Communion day.

Andy prepared for his First Holy Communion with his teachers Annette Bayer and Rhonda Walterscheid, and prayed a Novena at home to prepare his heart. Those attending the party included his parents; sister Emma; grandmothers Regina Pels and Carolyn Bayer; Godfather Nicholas Taylor and Jaime Carey; aunts and uncles Doreen and Steve Taylor, Janet and Danny Voth, Curt and Prudy Bayer; and cousins Adam Taylor, Laura Taylor and Geoff Scheid, and Maddie Bayer.

Clint Bezner

The family of Clint Bezner gathered for lunch at the Weldon Bezner home to celebrate Clint's First Communion. He is the son of Dan and Christy Bezner. A special cross cake was made by Sandra Walterscheid. Guests enjoyed visiting and watching Clint open his gifts. In attendance were Clint's parents Dan and Christy Bezner; siblings Katy, Keith, and Clayton; grandparents Weldon Bezner and John and Pat

Yosten; Mike and Kathleen Caponi, Sr. Ramona Bezner, Sandra Walterscheid, Paula Yosten, and Brenda Burges.

Gabriella Fleitman

On Saturday, May 10 at the 10 a.m. Mass, Gabriella Madison-Rei Fleitman, daughter of Paul J. Fleitman, Jr. and Natasha Davis, received her First Communion. Then she attended a graduation celebration for Dr. Cheryl Knabe, DVM. A party to celebrate her First Communion was held on Sunday, May 11. It was a hamburger and hot dog lunch at her home. Gabriella opened gifts and visited and played with family and friends. A special white cake with pink ribbon and scrolls was topped with a girl Communicant figurine. The veil Gabriella wore was also worn by her Grandma Susie and Aunt Bri on their First Communion day. Those attending were her dad; her grandparents Paul and Susie Fleitman; aunts, uncles, and cousins Brianna Fleitman, Duane Haverkamp, and Colt Haverkamp; and August, LaDonna, and Tristan Fleitman; great-aunt and uncle Linda and Gene Yosten; cousins Gene and Josiah Yosten; and family friend Gerri Eckart. Unable to at-

tend but sending greetings were Benjamin Yosten and Joshua Yosten.

Joseph Gehrig

Joseph Gehrig, son of Mike and Kelly Gehrig, was the center of attention at his First Communion lunch celebration at his home. Guests were served ribs, potatoes, beans, and salad, and cake and ice cream for dessert. Attending were grandparents Jim and Cindy Gehrig and Peggy McNairy; uncle Ryan Gehrig and aunt Kristen with cousins Alyssa, Drew, and Anna; uncle Jason Gehrig and aunt Felicia with cousins Jessica, Nicholas, and Anthony; uncles Lucien Gehrig and Mark Gehrig; great-aunt Sally Bologna with Sophia, Stella, Olivia, and Dominio; and great-aunt June Bartush.

Editor's note:
 More stories to follow next week.

Muenster Enterprise office closed Memorial Day



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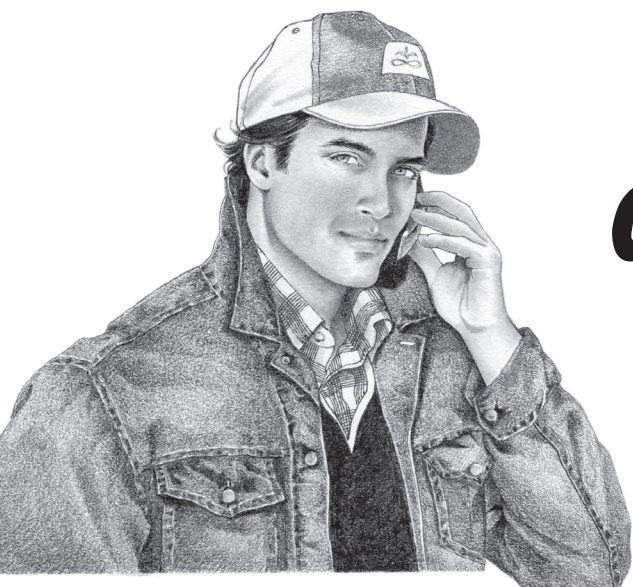
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Weather Whys - Sun

Q: Florida calls itself "the Sunshine State." Does it really get more sunshine than any other state?

A: To reply in a very diplomatic way, the answer is not really, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "It's true Florida does get a lot of sunshine, but the fact is that other states actually have more sunny days each year than Florida does," he explains. "According to the National Weather Service, five other states - Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, and Texas - have more sunny days than Florida."



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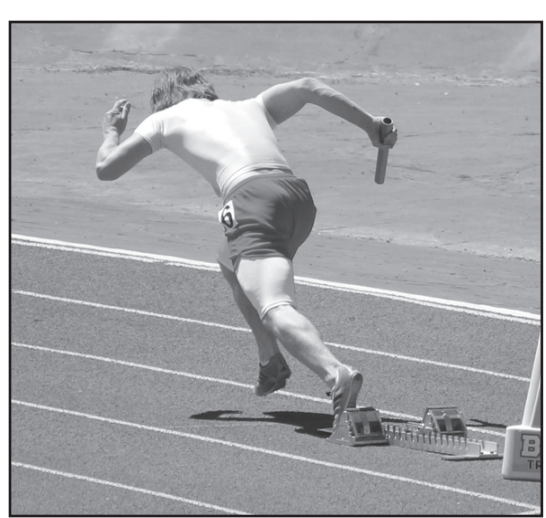
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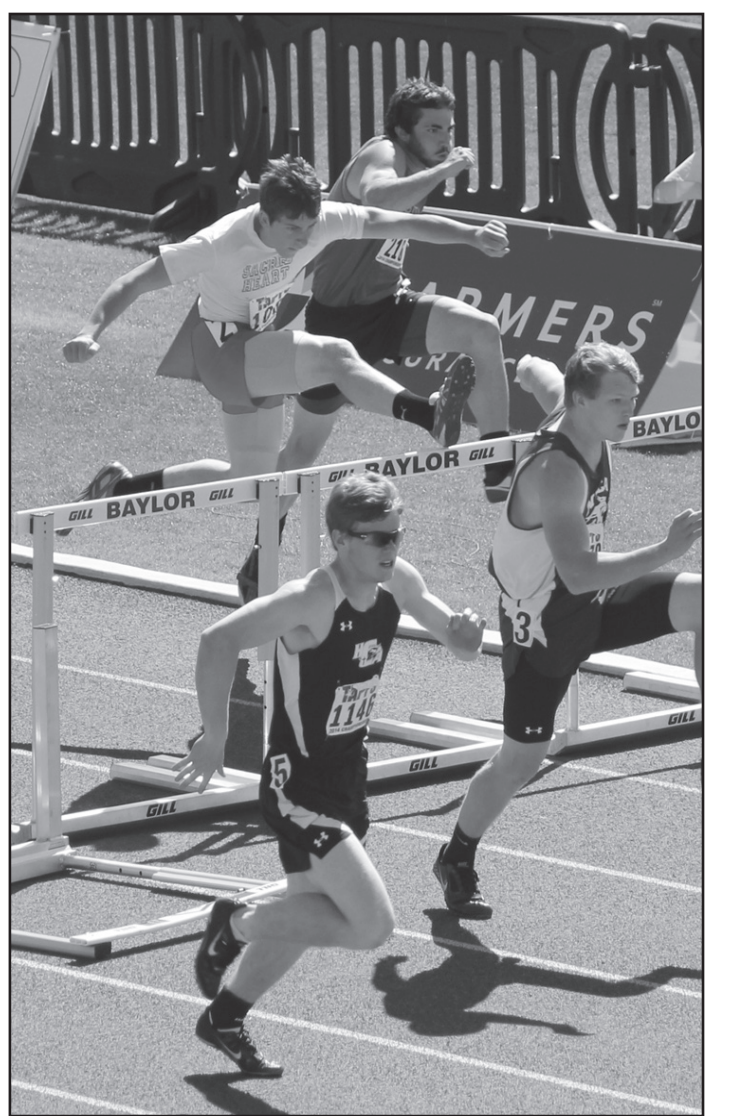
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SPORTS

TGCA makes All-State selections

The Texas Girls Coaches Association (TGCA) has announced their 2013-14 Track and Field Academic All-State Teams. Chosen from Conference 1A-D1 are Muenster Lady Hornets Hannah Bayer and Shelbi Sicking, and Lindsay Lady Knights Shea

Garner and Elizabeth Wallace. In order to be chosen for this honor, the athletes must be seniors, must have a GPA of 94 or above, and must be a team member in good standing. The student athletes are nominated by member coaches.

Senior Lady Knight Lauren Gibbs has been selected to the Conference

1A-D1 All-State Team. Each team is composed of 15 athletes selected by the TGCA Track All-State Committee at their annual meeting. The All-State Committee is comprised of member coaches of TGCA. Athletes are selected from nominations submitted by member coaches. Athletes are not required to be seniors to be selected for this honor.



Hornet Sawyer Sanders (12) attempts to tag a 'Dog at first base.

Clay Corbett photo

Lindsay takes led in All-District honors

Texas Game Warden Reports

Willie the decoy

Two Henderson County game wardens and two Cherokee County game wardens were patrolling for night hunters because calls were received from landowners about road and night hunting on a farm-to-market road in their area. Willie, the decoy deer, was put into action and the wardens barely had time to set up the decoy before the first shots rang out. One of the subjects said he was just shooting to get the deer to run back into the woods.

Just 'looking at animals'

A Leon County game warden received a call from the Limestone County Sheriff's Office about a driver of a green vehicle who shot a deer from the road. The warden met with the person who called the sheriff, who said he was sitting in his deer stand when someone drove by, stopped, shot, drove down the road, turned around, and shot again. Then, the suspects got out and drug the deer from the property, loaded it up, and drove off. Although the man was unable to get a license plate number, the warden contacted the local police department thinking that the truck would be heading in their direction.

The Mart Police Department found the truck with fresh blood in the bed and two loaded shotguns in the cab. The warden arrived at the suspect's residence in Mart, where evidence was collected and the shotguns and deer were seized. The man, his two sons, and his young daughter were on a Sunday drive "looking at animals" when the violations occurred, the father said.

Getting schooled

A McLennan County game warden received a call from a hunter to help locate a deer he shot while bowhunting. After further investigation, the warden found that the deer was shot on China Spring Independent School District property and the hunter had been hunting on this property for some time without permission from the ISD. The large white-tailed buck had been seen on a few trail cams in the area and was being hunted by many in the area. The deer was found on an adjoining landowner's property a week later. Citation issued.

A white-tailed lie

An Austin County game warden responded to a call at a local residence where a shot was heard. As he approached the house, he saw three men standing outside the garage looking at him. Two other men soon came out of the garage and shut the door. The men claimed they did not shoot anything and that they were not hunting. After talking with the men and hearing conflicting stories, the shooter was identified and the warden found a white-tailed doe hidden in the garage. Citations were issued, and the deer was seized.

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Dawson puts up a six run sixth to end Muenster's run Late rally buries Hornets season

By Clay Corbett

For a brief moment Saturday, the Muenster Hornets had all the momentum on their side. They had just rallied from a three run deficit to tie the game 3-3 heading to the sixth inning. Dawson quickly ended any thought of the Hornets completing their comeback.

The Bulldogs sent 11 men to the plate in the top of the sixth and scored six of them on their way to an 11-4 win in the Class A Regional Quarterfinal in Kennedale.

The first seven batters in the sixth reached base for Dawson, and no hit was more than a single. A hit and an error and a walk started the inning for the Bulldogs, followed by three straight singles.

With three runs already in, a bases loaded single by Trent Underwood and then Mason Burleson topped off the huge inning.

Muenster gave up one run in the third and two more in the fifth, but got all of it back in the bottom of the fifth.

Sammy Saucer started the inning with a walk followed by a Mason Binder single. A wild pitch moved both runners up. With one out, Blaine Jones reached on an error al-

lowing Saucer and Binder to score.

Trevor Cheaney then singled up the middle to score Jones and tie the score 3-3.

Clint Sidwell kept things going with another single, but Chase Deeken hit into a double play to end the inning.

Binder would add another RBI single in the sixth to end the scoring for the Hornets. Cheaney took the loss go-

ing all seven innings, giving up 10 hits and striking out eight.

Binder ended the night with two singles and an RBI to lead the offense. Cheaney had one single and an RBI.

Underwood earned the win for the Bulldogs going five innings, giving up six hits, and striking out seven.

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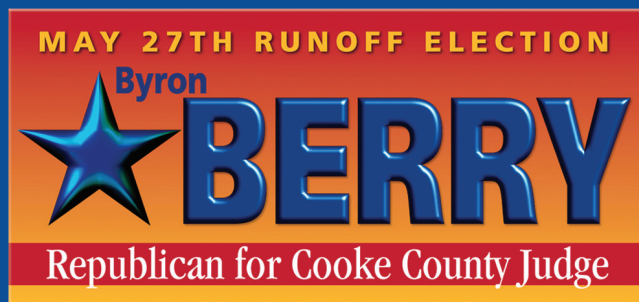


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Community support was abundant for cancer patient Claude Klement on Saturday, May 17 at the Fish Fry served by Herky Biffle's crew and the Muenster JCI Senators. A silent and live auction helped raise funds to ease the financial burden of Klement's medical expenses. It offered a great many items. The event was organized by the Klement and Schneider families. A special treat for the evening was the band Hard Times reuniting to play. Their songs from years ago brought back memories for many. Also playing earlier in the evening was Bois D'Arcs. During his years as a Jaycee and then a JCI senator, Claude helped many people and causes. Only a few Jaycees who have worked hard for the organization are selected by their fellow Jaycees for the honor of becoming a JCI senator which deems them a Jaycee for life.



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Estate of David Stormer
 c/o: THOMAS L. CLAXTON, Attorney at Law
 P.O. Box 329, Gainesville, Texas 76241

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.
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Zachary Stormer, Executor
 BY /s/ Thomas L. Claxton
 THOMAS L. CLAXTON
 Attorney for Applicant

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c/o: **Chuck Bartush Jr., Attorney at Law**
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DATED the 19th day of May, 2014.

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Texas Beef Checkoff Referendum

Local cattle producers will have the opportunity to vote on a new \$1 per head Texas Beef Checkoff in early June, according to Robert Klement.

"The Texas Beef Checkoff is the cattleman's investment," Klement said. "Texas cattlemen will decide how these additional Texas funds will be spent. No business thrives without investment, research, and promotion."

He said 27 years of inflation and many challenges including an increasingly aggressive animal rights movement, hundreds of misleading claims about beef, and a declining number of cattle have eroded the capabilities of the original \$1 per



head investment.

Klement said, "I'm voting yes for an additional dollar per head to strengthen Texas beef in the marketplace for my future and future generations."

The Texas Beef Checkoff Referendum will be held June 2 - 6 at all county AgriLife Extension offices across Texas during normal business hours. Eligible voters must have owned cattle between June 6, 2013 and

June 6, 2014. Owners less than 16 years of age must have their ballot co-signed by a parent or legal guardian.

"Farm Bureau policy strongly supports self-help programs for farmers and ranchers," Klement said. "A 'yes' vote on this Texas Beef Checkoff will extend and enhance programs the Texas Beef Council has developed and implemented over the last 27 years, as well as fund beef demand-building programs for the future."

For more information, contact your Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office or the Texas Department of Agriculture.



AGRICULTURE MARKET SUMMARY

For the week ending May 17, feeder cattle prices reported by Texas auctions were mostly steady to \$6 higher per hundredweight (cwt), with a few locations as much as \$8 higher on a portion of their offerings. Texas direct feeder cattle prices were steady to \$3 higher. Lower supplies and strong demand continue to support the feeder cattle market. Fed cattle cash prices were \$1.35 lower.

Wholesale beef values were higher. Weekly beef export sales totaling 12,700 metric tons (MT) were up 2% from the previous week, but down 20% from the prior four-week average. Japan,

Canada and Mexico were the top buyers. Export shipments of 13,900 MT were up three percent from the previous week and 11% above the average.

Cotton prices were lower due to weak export sales and higher projected U.S. and world carryover supplies at the end of the marketing year. Lower stock markets also were a factor. There are ongoing concerns about the very dry conditions on the Texas Plains, but that impact may be mostly priced into the market, at least for now. Cotton export sales totaled 34,000 for the current marketing year, down 47% from the previous week and down 55% from the prior four-week average. Turkey, China and Mexico were the primary buyers. Another 12,100 bales of new-crop cotton also were sold. Shipments of 210,900 bales were up 1% from the previous week, but down 9% from the average.

Wheat prices were lower as large world supplies and weak U.S. exports continue to burden the market. U.S. exports have not increased substantially because of the turmoil in Ukraine, and there were reports that Chinese wheat production might increase by one percent this year. Wheat export sales to-

taling 54,900 MT for the current marketing year were down 83% from both a week earlier and the average. Brazil, Iraq and the Philippines were the top buyers. An additional 197,100 MT of new-crop wheat was sold. Export shipments of 635,300 MT were up 21% from the previous week and 12% above the average.

Corn and grain sorghum prices also were lower due to mostly-weak export data, ample current supplies and reports of good planting progress in much of the Corn Belt. Corn old-crop export sales for the week totaled 343,000 MT, more than two times higher than the previous week, but down 30% from the prior four-week average. Egypt, Japan and Portugal were the primary buyers. New-crop sales totaled 47,300 MT. Export shipments of 1,023,300 MT were down 28% from the previous week and 23% lower than the average.

Most of the state south and east of a line from Del Rio to Wichita Falls recorded rainfall last week. Totals of two or more inches were common, with scattered locations receiving six or more inches. However, very little rain fell in the driest areas on the Texas High Plains. Last week's U.S. Drought Monitor, issued before the rain, showed a very modest improvement in conditions in Texas, with 91% of the state now rated as abnormally dry or in some degree of drought, down from 95% a week ago. The area in the worst category, exceptional drought, declined by about a half a percentage point, and the area in extreme drought fell by nearly six points. Areas west of I-35 remain in the worst shape. Nationally, conditions also improved somewhat with 49% the contiguous states reported in some degree of abnormal dryness or drought, down two percentage points from a week ago.

Farmland: posted in meet a farmer

By Jessica Domel
Texas Farm Bureau

As the movie ended and the lights came up, the people in our Houston movie theater began to clap. They left the theater smiling saying, "What a great film!" and "When will this be available on DVD?" One gentleman even stopped to ask me if he could show the film to high school groups in his area.

What a terrific thought—a movie that makes people want to share it with their friends and loved ones. To me, that's part of what the 90-minute documentary *Farmland* does. It makes us think of our friends, family, and neighbors who have dedicated their lives to growing and raising the foods we eat. It introduces us, through director James Moll's lens, to six American farmers and ranchers in their 20s who are just like us.

There's sixth generation cattle rancher Brad Bellah of Throckmorton, Texas. He and his wife have twins. She loves

to shop at stores like the Gap and he likes to drink American beer. Bellah, who has a diverse beef cattle operation, discusses food labels and how they can often confuse consumers.

There's also Leighton Cooley of Georgia who is a poultry farmer. He explains, in perhaps one of the best ways I've ever heard, antibiotics in livestock. He's open and honest, and Moll conveys that well.

The film also features other great farmers and ranchers from across our nation, including David Loberg of Nebraska, Sutton Morgan of California, Margaret Schloss of Pennsylvania, and Ryan Veldhuizen of Minnesota. They each bring something to the table, and they each have valuable and fascinating stories to tell.

I found myself feeling like I knew each and every one of them well, although I've never actually met any of them in person. I think by the time you leave the theater,

you'll be cheering on each and every one of them just as I was.

If you're hoping *Farmland* will paint a hard line in the pavement and tell you organic is good and conventional farming is bad or vice versa, you'll be disappointed. Moll's vision was to tell the stories of these farmers and ranchers, and he does so very well. They each explain their reasons for farming the way they do. They tell their stories, and they don't bash other farmers and ranchers. They're respectful and honest because they want to allow the American consumers to make the decision they feel is best for their family.

In addition to talking about organics and genetically modified organisms (GMOs), these young men and women also share their points of view on animal welfare, antibiotic use in livestock, and how they cope with Mother Nature.

I've read a lot of movie reviews that hit *Farmland* pretty hard because it doesn't

draw a firm conclusion on all of the hot button issues, but I'd respect the movie a lot less if it was one-sided. I like to hear both sides of an issue and draw my own conclusions.

I've seen *Farmland* once, and I cannot wait to see it again. The film subjects are open. They're honest. And the best part is, they're real.



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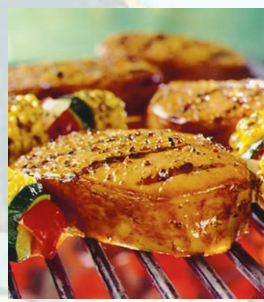


20-PACK CANS ASSTD. FLAVORS
Coca-Cola
\$5.99



18-PACK CANS ASSTD. FLAVORS
Dr. Pepper
2 for \$10

Fischer's Quality Meats



FAMILY PACK
BONELESS CENTER CUT
**Pork
Chops**
\$2.99



MARKET SLICED
RED RIND
**Cheddar
Cheese**
\$4.29 LB.



MARKET SLICED
**Oven
Roasted
Turkey**
\$4.29 LB.



FISCHER'S BONE-IN
**New York
Strip Steak**
\$6.49 LB.

- FAMILY PACK PREVIOUSLY FROZEN BNLS **Chicken Breast** LB. **\$1.88**
- OSCAR MAYER SELECT VARIETIES **Fun Pack Lunchables** 8-11.7 OZ. **\$2.29**
- OSCAR MAYER ASSTD. **Beef Franks** 14-16 OZ. **\$3.79**
- EL MONTEREY CHICKEN OR SHREDDED STEAK **Taquitos** 28 OZ. **\$6.99**
- 5 VARIETIES SANDWICHES **Fast Bites** 4.2-5.5 OZ. **99¢**
- EL MONTEREY CHIMICHANGAS OR ASSTD **Burritos** 32 OZ. **\$3.99**
- SANTA FE YELLOW CORN **Tortillas** **\$1.19**
- SHURFINE **Thin Sliced Meats** 2 OZ. **59¢**
- SHURFINE **Beef Bologna** 12 OZ. **\$1.99**

- JENNIE O **Turkey Ham** LB. **\$2.49**
- OSCAR MAYER THICK CUT **Bologna** LB. **\$1.99**
- CLAUSSEN **Pickles & Sauerkraut** **\$2.79**
- BALL PARK **Franks** **\$2.29**
- SHURFINE **Jumbo Franks** 3 FOR **\$4**
- BLUE RIBBON REG. STACK PACK **Bacon** LB. **\$6.99**
- EDDY'S **Chicken Fajita Meat** LB. **\$4.69**
- EDDY'S **Beef Fajita Meat** LB. **\$8.59**
- COUNTRY CREEK HOT OR REG. **Pork Cracklins** 2 FOR **\$5**

Fresh Produce



RED OR GREEN
**Seedless
Grapes**
2 lbs. \$3

CALIFORNIA
**Peaches or
Nectarines**
2 lbs. \$4

- RED RIPE **Tomatoes** LB. **99¢**
- CALIFORNIA **Apricots** LB. **\$2.99**
- FRESH **Honeydew Melons** LB. **79¢**
- SEEDLESS WHOLE **Watermelons** EACH **\$4.99**
- GOLDEN **Pineapples** 2 FOR **\$5**

- FRESH **Broccoli** 2 LBS. **\$3**
- FRESH **Green Beans** 2 LBS. **\$3**
- FRESH **Green Onions** 2 FOR **\$1**
- CELLO PACK SLICED **Mushrooms** 8 OZ. **\$1.99**
- JUMBO YELLOW **Vidalia Onions** LB. **79¢**

Dairy & Frozen Foods



BLUE BUNNY SELECT VARIETIES
**Ice Cream
Sandwiches**
8 CT. PKG.
\$3.98

- ASSORTED VARIETIES ENTREES **Lean Cuisine** 7.5-12 OZ. 2 FOR **\$5**
- ASSORTED VARIETIES ENTREES **InnovAsian** 16-18 OZ. **\$4.98**
- VEGETABLE SPRING ROLLS OR ASSORTED **Chung's Egg Rolls** 10-12 OZ. **\$1.98**
- SELECT VAR. FRENCH FRIES OR HASH BROWNS **Shurfine Potatoes** 30-32 OZ. **\$1.77**

- FISHER BOY **Fish Sticks** 18-24 OZ. **\$3.48**
- DAISY ORIGINAL OR LIGHT **Sour Cream** 24 OZ. **\$2.98**
- ASSORTED FLAVORS ORIG. OR LOW FAT **Shurfine Yogurt** 6 OZ. 2 FOR **78¢**
- ORIGINAL **Blue Bonnet Spread** 45 OZ. **\$2.98**

Health & Beauty Care

- WESTERN FAMILY COATED **Aspirin** 100 CT. **\$1.49**
- PAIN RELIEVING CREAM **Aspercreme** 3 OZ. **\$4.99**
- WESTERN FAMILY DYE FREE DROPS **Infants' Anti-Gas** 1 OZ. **\$3.49**

- WESTERN FAMILY ASSORTED **Baby Care Products** 5-15 OZ. **\$1.99**
- WESTERN FAMILY PERFORMED **Baby Bottle Liner** 50 CT. **\$1.99**