

Council to delve into feasibility of City recycling bin

By Janet Felderhoff

Once again, recycling popped up as a controversial topic at the Muenster City Council meeting. Muenster has provided a bin for recycling for more than a year now. Residents were sent surveys to see if they were interested in recycling, and if so, which option they preferred - a bin parked at a particular site or curb side collection. The majority preferred the bin, since curb side collection involved an additional \$6 fee to their trash pick up bill.

Information from IESI included that with recycling, the decrease in the amount of trash being picked up should allow for once a week trash pick up as opposed to twice weekly. With curb side recycling, one pick up a week would be trash and the other products for recycling. This has not been done, but recycling seems to be popular. The recycling bin is emptied every two weeks at a cost of about \$425 per time.

City Administrator Stan Endres reported that they should be getting about \$50 per load rebate since the value of the cardboard and paper products has increased recently.

"I'm getting more and more convinced that what we're getting down there isn't all coming from the City of Muenster," Endres said. "I really don't know if we're getting our money's worth out of this thing."

Mayor John Pagel wondered if the items were really recycled.

The bin was full by this past Saturday and was causing items brought there to be left outside the bin. This was of concern to the City and the Council. All such items must be picked up and placed in the recycle bin by City employees, causing more expense to the City.

Mayor Pagel commented, "We need to determine what was the purpose of doing this. If it was to break even, that will never work. Is it to help go green, to try and preserve and do that. If that's the purpose of doing it, is that worth \$10,000 a year?"

It was decided to conduct another survey to see what the public's feelings were on the recycling project. A sur-

vey is being published in this week's Muenster Enterprise and will be again next week. A decision will be made after the results of the survey are considered, either at the January or February meeting.

Property owners Henry Weinzapfel, Neal Bowie, and Muenster Hospital District represented by Administrator Lynn Heller requested that the City consider abandoning and selling portions of Willow and Fourth streets. These are designated streets that adjoin their property, but are currently mostly underwater in Weinzapfel Lake or the spillway area.

"I never thought that the part of the Lake that the Hospital recently acquired (land east of Willow Street down to Fourth Street), I never thought that would change hands in my lifetime, but it did, so you never know," explained Weinzapfel. "You never know what's going to happen down the road, what the next City Council may decide to do with that property or whatever. I felt like if the City is agreeable and there is no other use for that land, that the City would go ahead and convey it to us and then I'd never have a question about what's going to happen to this property down the road."

Mayor Pagel said his concern is that once something is gone, it is gone. Discussion followed about public access to the Lake and liability concerns. It was noted that Fourth Street between the Clinic and Dr. Graham's office is not part of the street being considered for the proposed abandonment. This would allow public access to the Lake.

Endres consulted with the City attorney and was told that they would have to go through a process of appraising the property. Then the adjoining property owners would have the option of purchasing the property if there is a value on it. If they opted not to purchase it, then the public could have an option to purchase it. If the property is not appraised, he said it would be open for anyone who wanted to bid on the property to do so.

It was the Council's con-

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Local fire departments stage blaze



The Muenster and Myra Volunteer Fire Departments set fire to an abandoned house northwest of Muenster last Thursday evening, allowing the volunteers to practice their firefighting skills in true blazing conditions. This experience can prove very valuable when the firefighters respond to actual structure fire situations. Janie Hartman photo

All in the family



Among those named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association 2009-10 Cross Country All-State Teams included three local runners, Lindsay's Kelsey Hermes, Lady Hornet Emily Hellman, and Taylor Felderhoff of Valley View. The three girls have more in common than running. They are cousins through Deanna Hellman photo

MISD bus damaged in highway accident

By Janet Felderhoff

Muenster ISD varsity and junior varsity boys basketball players escaped injury on Tuesday when the bus they were riding in was involved in a traffic accident. The teams were on their way to a basketball tournament in Sadler.

According to Muenster ISD Interim Superintendent Steve Cooper, the bus was eastbound on Hwy. 82 and entering the exit to Sadler when it was clipped from behind by a semi. There were no injuries. The bus received damage to the bumper and body damage, but was still drivable. The semi had no

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MARTIN'S HAY PRESS ACHIEVES 20 YEARS AT SIX FLAGS

By Janet Felderhoff

Doug Martin and a hay press machine powered by his mule Tom have received encore invitations to be part of the Texas Heritage Festival, now the Best of Texas, at Six Flags Over Texas every year since 1989. For two or three weekends each September, the theme park brings in special exhibits that demonstrate how things were once done.

"We're out in front before you even get to get in," Martin explained. "We're there to talk to the people as they come and explain to them what the event is and get them in the right mode for what's going on in the park because they have all kinds of old things in there."

The hay press that Martin demonstrates is a 1905 Eagle. "The old-timers tell me that in a good day they could get 150 bales baled up through this thing," Martin said. "You either took the wheels off of the baler or you dug four holes and rolled each wheel of the baler off in a hole to get it low enough so that a mule or a horse could step over it. It has to step over it every time it goes around."

Martin noted that back then, a sulky rake would be used to rake the hay together. A buck rake was then used to carry the hay to the hay press. Next they pitched hay into the press with pitchforks. "With the mule going around, it works the plunger that packs the hay," Martin explained. "You put a wood block in there to separate your bales. The wood blocks have slots in that you have a place to slip the wire through. You have to slip the wire through by hand and tie it by hand. The wire pieces were eight feet six inches long with an eye loop in one end. That's how you bought the wire. It came in bundles of 150 strands per bundle."

According to Martin, one man stood on one side to feed the wire through and another stood on the opposite side of the bale to feed it back through that end of the bale

and tie it. This made a regular "square" bale. It wasn't unusual to have a boy either riding or following the mule or horse to keep the animal moving.

For the first 14 years, Martin was assisted by his friend Buddy May. Now he's assisted by Jack Leverette. Martin remarked, "Jack and I met for the very first time in Viet Nam. Now we work together at Peterbilt. He likes old time stuff, and so he said he'd help me with the hay baling." Robert Powell of Myra had never been to Six Flags.

Six years ago, Martin took him along and he's gone back to help every year since. The mule Tom is about 30 years old. Martin purchased him after Tom's partner Jerry died. The pair were trained to pull a wagon, so Tom's owner decided to sell him since he didn't have a matched pair.

Martin recalled, "I bought him hoping that he would work. He works beautifully. It didn't take me 45 minutes to get him working on that hay baler. He picked it up like he'd been doing it all his life."



Doug Martin and Tom, a feature attraction at Six Flags.

Martin said he feels a mule is much easier to train than a horse, works smoother, and is more sure-footed than a horse. "They have to step over that plunger. A lot of times a horse will want to jump over it. That mule knows exactly where it is and he jumps over," said Martin.

Asked about his experience at Six Flags, Martin responded, "It's very enjoyable. We don't bale much hay. We do more visiting than anything. Six Flags are real good people to work for and they always treat you real good and accommodate you in anything you need to do your job with."

There are some people who return to the exhibit year after year, said Martin.

Remarks from some of the visitors can be entertaining. Martin said he had one guy who asked him if his mule was a quarter horse. "I started once to tell him, 'No, it's not a quarter horse, it's half horse,' but I didn't think he'd understand, so I didn't even go into it," he chuckled.

In the early years at Six Flags, the press team was sometimes pestered by SPCA advocates. Soon after they started, Martin told his friend, "Buddy, we won't last five years. Them animal rights people will have us out of here because they don't like to see an animal harnessed or working or anything like that."

Buddy knew how to handle people like that and Martin learned from him. Martin recalled, "Buddy would explain to people whenever they would start crying about the mule, he would explain about the mule and how you get a mule, and the mule being sterile, it can't reproduce. He would more or less baffle them with information and they would turn around and walk off because they knew right then that this man knew more about that mule than they did."

Martin added that by listening to Buddy, he learned that it was better to outsmart

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor,

Living on S. FM 373, I have the opportunity to stop at the red light many times during each week. For the last few weeks, I have had great pleasure in reading the sign, "Two great teams and two great schools." What an impressive message for all who pass through our great town to read on their way to destinations everywhere! How many towns can proudly display a message like this? Few can, I am sure.

This sign speaks volumes, not only for the young men on both teams, the cheerleaders, dance team, all of the students, the teachers, the principals, the schools' auxiliary personnel, the school boards, the parents, the families of both schools, the community, in addition to our two wonderful churches and religious leaders. What a tremendously fantastic job you all do in raising our young people; our Most Prized Possession and Our Most Important Job! All of you have a part in providing them not only an excellent education that leads to further successes in life, but strong character, values, spiritual growth, a strong work ethic, and the motivation to succeed.

I had the opportunity to teach some of these fine students and, now, with pride, I watch as some of them, whom I taught in the first and second grades, prepare to graduate in May of 2010. Following these students and others by reading the MUENSTER ENTERPRISE and the other news sources, I am constantly amazed at their accomplishments. What a great journey this part of their lives has been, and, now, totally prepared, they embark for the next part of the journey. I wish them God's speed.

I am so proud to live in Muenster, Texas and to know all of you. If I could pick anywhere in the world to live, I would pick Muenster. There is nothing like small town life for raising children and enjoying life as far as I am concerned.

I can not close this letter without mentioning our neighbor just down the road, Lindsay, Texas, and their students, who deserve to be commended also. Few towns can have the pride that Muenster and Lindsay have rightfully earned, not just in one sport or activity, but all, and not just this year, but every year. I know that each of you will continue to play a big part in raising our children, but I will say it anyway, "Keep Up The Good Work!" Go Hornets! Go Tigers! Go Knights!

Carol Ann Hess
Muenster

To the Editor,

The little-publicized Manhattan Declaration, released on Nov. 20 by a coalition of Orthodox, Catholic, and Evangelical leadership, will prove to be more significant than its lack of media attention would suggest. For the first time since the civil rights movement, Christian leaders have spoken with one voice, stating that "no power on earth, be it cultural or political, will intimidate us into silence or acquiescence." They have effectively drawn a line in the sand against the anti-life, anti-marriage agenda being pushed through our culture.

What the leaders have reiterated is not that Christian morality—although it is the basis of our legal system and the foundation of our moral fiber—should be forced upon anyone, but that the opposite should also not be true. In keeping with the First Amendment, that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech...," public policy cannot compel any free people or the religious institutions to which they give their membership to speak, act, or live contrary to their faith. Where it does, we are obligated to resist.

Jaris C. McClain
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Obituaries

Sylvia Streng Wood 1929 - 2009

Funeral services for former Muenster resident Sylvia Streng Wood were held Dec. 5 in Merchantville, New Jersey at St. Peter's Church. She died at the age of 80 on Dec. 1, 2009.

Born Jan. 28, 1929, she was the daughter of John and Mary Wimmer Streng and spent her young life in the Cooke County area. She attended Sacred Heart School and Church. Sylvia married Samuel Wood and

they made their home in Pennsauken, New Jersey.

She is survived by sons Samuel, Gary, and David; daughter Lisa; three grandchildren; sisters Stella Philip of Gainesville, Clara Brown of Fort Worth, and Frances Chantree of Burlington.

Preceding her in death were her husband in October 2001; her parents; sister Laura Whitt; brother Virgil Streng; and infant sister Helen Streng.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO Dec. 8, 1944

Boom activity is anticipated in oil drilling here. Ration board is told truck tire situation is bad. In the want ads: bracelet lost - \$1 reward. Texas Theatre in Saint Jo advertises Double Indemnity starring Fred MacMurray and Barbara Stanwyck.

50 YEARS AGO Dec. 11, 1959

Interest is shown in forming a community civic group. Obituary: Crescentia (Mrs. Joseph) Flusche, 78. New Arrivals: Kathy to A.J. and Mary Felderhoff; Chris to Herman and Alma Stof-

fels; Annette to Wilbert and Anna Mae Block. Hennigan Bar, owned and operated by Fred Hennigan and his son Arthur, is due to open this week. Mrs. Fred Knabe is new president of St. Anne's Society.

25 YEARS AGO Dec. 7, 1984

Muenster City Council scraps tax plan, as retail merchants oppose sales tax hike. Chili supper to benefit Cindy Tempel, infant daughter of Jeff and Sandy Tempel, who was born prematurely and spent several weeks in intensive care. New Arrival: Benjamin to Richard and Debbie Hundt.

CITY

sensus to have the property appraised, then have their request considered at the next meeting.

Muenster resident Roger Taylor addressed the Council to publicly thank the new police officers for enforcing the traffic laws and especially Officer Gary Ambern who was leaving notes on the front porch of his business noting the time he was there and that the business was safe and secure.

"I would like to admit that I, like many others, have become very lax in obeying the traffic laws, mainly because they have not been enforced in years," Taylor remarked. "The driving habits of the typical Muenster resident are atrocious. I would also like to ask the Council to consider accepting or seeking out the resignation or retirement of Officer Stovall. I feel he has failed to enforce the laws as he should, and I feel he actually interferes with the law in his failure to complete reports and investigations and to enforce the traffic laws."

Mayor Pagel agreed that the new officers are doing a good job. "Chief Stovall is a topic that's been much like recycling, brought up a number of times and been the subject of a lot of discussion," Pagel said. He added that there was an executive

session scheduled for the evening and personnel was on the agenda for it.

Pagel then asked Taylor if there were any specifics that he could point out to show that the law was not being enforced or that reports were not being completed.

Taylor said the record on traffic citations stands for itself. He added that the complaints received on people driving too fast were indicative of the violations that were continuing to occur. "There is no such thing as a right of way, yielding to the person on the right in the City of Muenster," noted Taylor. "The streets that go north and south have the right of way. That's not the law, that's just how the people in Muenster do it. Turns are legal anywhere in Muenster."

Another incident Taylor pointed to was that his employee had his pickup stolen and reported it to 9-1-1. He was told by the County that the Muenster Police Chief could not be located, so they sent out a Sheriff's deputy to handle the case. This was a Friday morning and according to Taylor, Chief Stovall did not talk to the victim until that Monday. There were also problems with getting the report filled out.

Taylor said he's reported five or six thefts and has

never seen a single report, solution, or summation of any report he's ever made.

Endres responded, "At the end of the last fiscal year that ended Oct. 1, the City collected \$38,000 in traffic fines."

Mayor Pagel added, "This has been a particularly bad year with the loss of two deputies. We remedied that situation of a shortage of staff, and hope that we get back to normal." He noted that Taylor's concerns would be addressed.

With the Council's approval, City Hall will be closed all day on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day. Most years, they are open until noon on Christmas Eve.

Following an executive session, the Council voted to go forward with negotiations to purchase land west of the City Park for the purpose of future expansion.

In other business, the City Council:

- Heard report on local sales tax rebates. See chart below.

- Scouts C.T. Beecham and Clayton Rohmer were welcomed. They are working on their citizenship badges.

- Approved the Mayor making application for an Energy Efficiency Grant. It is from an Obama stimulus package promoting energy efficiency. Up to \$20,000 is

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available. If received, the money will be used to update the City Hall's heat and air conditioning. Any remaining money would be used to put in more efficient lights or to seal the doors in the fire department area.

- Cast its vote for Paul Kirley to serve on the Greater Texoma Utility Board.

- Approved purchasing Muenster Marks for employee Christmas bonuses at \$50 per employee.

- Approved ratifying the Mayor's signature on City of Muenster Master Park Plan to be used on application for grant money to make improvements to the City swimming pool. It was due in November. Results of the 50/50 match grant application will not be known until August.

- Approved payment of bills totaling \$98,547.46.

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major damage.

Cooper said that another bus was sent to bring the players back home after the game and the damaged bus was driven home.

The teams were delayed getting to the games, but did get to play, said Superintendent Cooper.

| County | City | Current Rate | Net Payment This Period | Comparable Prior Year Pyt | % Change | 2009 Payments To Date | 2008 Payments To Date | % Change |
|---------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Cooke | Gainesville | 1.5% | \$ 417,978.35 | \$ 671,806.52 | -37.78% | \$ 4,917,612.66 | \$ 6,868,975.71 | -28.40% |
| | Lindsay | 1.5% | \$ 10,094.85 | \$ 10,594.57 | -4.71% | \$ 92,873.96 | \$ 96,622.34 | -3.87% |
| | Muenster | 1.5% | \$ 30,666.85 | \$ 40,685.69 | -24.62% | \$ 312,820.93 | \$ 359,449.63 | -12.97% |
| | Oak Ridge | 1.5% | \$ 6,137.60 | \$ 7,296.53 | -15.88% | \$ 70,018.64 | \$ 74,093.37 | -5.49% |
| | Valley View | 1.5% | \$ 9,702.41 | \$ 9,399.68 | 3.22% | \$ 88,752.82 | \$ 87,241.52 | 1.73% |
| County Total | | | \$ 474,580.06 | \$ 739,782.99 | -35.84% | \$ 5,482,079.01 | \$ 7,486,382.57 | -26.77% |

Bennie Haverkamp dies

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Bernard "Bennie" Haverkamp of Muenster on Thursday, Dec. 10 in

Sacred Heart Church. Bennie died at the age of 71 on Monday, Dec. 7, 2009. Complete obituary will be in next week's Enterprise.



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City of Muenster RECYCLING PUBLIC SURVEY

Survey Purpose: The City of Muenster is seeking public input concerning the City's recycling program. The current program is costing the City approximately \$12,000.00 a year. The current market does not pay the City anything for the recycled items. Please complete the survey and return to City Hall with your water bill.

Continue recycling program in current manner _____

Suspend recycling until market improves _____

Increase garbage rates to cover recycling cost _____

Please make comments or suggestions _____

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

| Sunday, December 13, 2009 | Monday, December 14, 2009 | Tuesday, December 15, 2009 | Wednesday, December 16, 2009 | Thursday, December 17, 2009 | Friday, December 18, 2009 | Saturday, December 19, 2009 |
|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m. | Muenster 4-H mtg. 5pm SHS VFW & Aux mtg. 7:30 pm Keep Muenster Beautiful mtg. 6pm, Rohmer's Deadline In Lieu of Christmas cards for VFW Aux. | Muenster Public Library open 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. MMH Board mtg 7pm SH Jr. Hi Choir Program 7 pm Community Center | Muenster Public Library open 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Religious Ed class 7 p.m. MIDS Board Mtg. 7:30 pm MISD early release 1pm MISD parent/teacher conferences | Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m. Library open 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. MISD early release 1pm SH PS & Elem. Christmas Music 7pm Comm. Cneter | Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m. MISD early release 1pm | Muenster Public Library open 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. |
| Sunday, December 29, 2009 | Monday, December 21, 2009 | Tuesday, December 22, 2009 | Wednesday, December 23, 2009 | Thursday, December 24, 2009 | Friday, December 25, 2009 | Saturday, December 26, 2009 |
| Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m. | Muenster Public Library open 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Muenster Public Library open 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Library open 1:30 - 5:30 p.m. | Muenster Museum closed. Library closed | Muenster Museum closed Merry Christmas | Library closed |
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LIFESTYLE

Children receive 1st Reconciliation

Children from Sacred Heart Parish received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time at three separate services on Thursday, Nov. 5, Saturday, Nov. 7, and Monday, Nov. 9. Father Ken Robinson presided at each.

The theme of each service was based on the gospel story of the Good Shepherd who goes out looking for the lost sheep. The service began with the song "God Is Rich in Mercy," led by various singers and accompanied by Isaac Davis on the piano. Then Father Ken read the

gospel story and did an examination of conscience and talked to the children. After praying the Act of Contrition expressing sorrow for sin, the children went to confession individually. After each child received the sacrament, he or she and the child's parents pinned a felt lamb on a banner of the Good Shepherd.

Those receiving the sacrament for the first time were Erik Bayer, Isaiah Bayer, Katie Batha, Keith Bezner, Eve Brogdon, Stephen Dangelmayr, Ashleigh Deweber, Colby Endres,

Nathan Flusche, Brittany Green, Gavin Grewing, Kacie Grewing, Brett Hammer, Brooke Hammer, Hunter Haverkamp, Hunter Hennigan, Aaron Hess, Kenadie Hess, Meredith Knabe, Benjamin Koesler, Denver Lutkenhaus, Daniel Luttmer, Anna Moritz, Logan Muller, Riley Stewart, Lane Trubebach, Abby Walterscheid, Jacob Walterscheid, Jared Walterscheid, Kyle Wolf, and Victoria Zimmerer. Major Eldridge, Koby Hogan, Zachary Sanders, and Riley Walterscheid will receive the sacrament at a later date.



The Muenster Kiwanis Club raised approximately \$1,000 from their annual pancake supper. Dan Hamric, secretary, and Butch Fisher, Club president, are shown presenting two \$500 checks to Jewel Otto. Otto accepted the checks as treasurer for both the Muenster Historical Commission, and the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary. The Kiwanis Club points out that their success was due to all who supported the event by volunteering or buying tickets to the meal. Courtesy photo

Held in the Heartland comes to Cooke County

Traces, a WWII Museum dealing with German POWs held in the midwestern United States during 1943-46, will be at the North Central Texas College parking lot from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15. The educational collection is housed in a bus made into a mobile museum with a 21-seat theater.

During World War II, the Midwest was home to ap-

proximately 250 prisoner of war camps, including Camp Howze located northeast of Muenster. Tens of thousands of the 380,000 Germans imprisoned across the U.S. were held in the Midwest. This mobile museum attempts to tell their story.

The event is co-sponsored by the Cooke County Library and Humanities Texas. For more information, call 668-5530.

Opry Christmas Show slated for Dec. 12

The Saint Jo Opry Christmas Show will be held Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Saint Jo School Auditorium. It will showcase some Christmas songs, country classics, and a little bit of rock and roll. Door prizes will be given during the show.

Special guests will include Carol Mansel of Nocona, J.C. Maughan of Forestburg, Rodney Garrison of Bowie, and C.L. Griffith of Forestburg.

Admission is \$2 for adults, with children 12 and under free. This will be the last show for the Saint Jo Opry until further notice. For more information, call David or Brenda at 940-995-2178.

Forty year class celebration



A reunion of the Sacred Heart and Muenster Classes of 1969 was held Nov. 21 at Doc's Bar & Grill. In attendance were, from left, front - Beverly Koelzer Wilson, Tim Endres, Sam Sparkman, Robin Wimmer, Gary Fisher, Cynthia Bindel Tousek; middle - Doris "Tudor" Trubebach Klement, Margaret Kralicke Lea, Doris "Toot" Schilling Sandmann, Kathy Miller Berres, Kaye Klement Wimmer, Virginia Fleitman, Janet Klement Fisher; back - J.D. Luttmer, Alcuin Schilling, Robert Knauf, Clifford Sicking, and Don Schneider. Courtesy photo

New Arrivals



Zac Grewing

Grewing

Chris and Pamela Grewing of Lindsay joyfully announce the birth of their first child, son Zac Glenn Grewing on Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2009. Zac was born at 10:52 p.m. in North Texas Medical Center of Gainesville weighing 8 lb. 6 oz. and measuring 20 inches in length. Grandpar-

ents are Glenn and Connie Grewing and Leo and Peggy Lutkenhaus, all of Muenster. Great-grandparents are Judy Grewing of Muenster and the late Steve Grewing, Armella Lutkenhaus of Muenster and the late Gus Lutkenhaus, Damond and Evelyn Fuhrmann of Lindsay, and the late Earl and Flo Walterscheid.

Fuhrmann

Ashley and Cheryl Fuhrmann of Lindsay are happy to announce the birth of their son Brian Anthony Fuhrmann. He was born at North Texas Medical Center on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009 at 1:07 a.m. weighing 9 lb. 6 oz. and measuring 22 inches in length. Welcoming him to the family are siblings John

Michael, age 11, Justin, age 8 1/2, Stephen, age 5 1/2, and Katelyn, age 3 1/2. Grandparents are Michael and Carol Fuhrmann of Lindsay and Bonnie Baranski of Beasley and the late John Paul Baranski.



Brian Fuhrmann

Santa Claus visits at the Muenster VFW Club

Saturday, Dec. 5 at 9:45 a.m., Santa Claus arrived at the door of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Home #6205. He was greeted with a joyous, loud rendition of "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town." About 18 excited chil-

dren and 15 happy, smiling adults stood to welcome the jolly, red-suited visitor. A few other songs such as "Up On The Housetop," "Jingle Bells," "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer," and "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" followed.

Santa then decided to sit by the decorated, red, white, and blue tree in order to visit with each child, giving each a gift and having their picture made. Auxiliary members Linda Knabe and Sandra Hennigan were the tree decorators and also were in charge of the toy shopping.

Santa then asked the children to sing a special song for him. The children and adults sang "Silent Night" in a very reverent, prayerful manner. Santa then received a thank you gift from the Ladies Auxiliary #6205. It was presented by Frances Bayer, Santa's helper and the coordinator and publicity chairman of his scheduled visit. Everyone joined in singing "We Wish You A Merry Christmas" as Santa left on his merry way.

The children and adults present were then served juice, coffee, and decorated Christmas cookies by the refreshment committee of Agnes Hesse, Sandy Hennigan, Lucille Hesse, and Mary Lee Hennigan.

The VFW #6205 supplied the monies for the toys and also for the refreshments. The special guest for the visit was John Becker.



Children and grandchildren of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members pose for a photo with Santa during his visit at Post #6205 last Saturday. Courtesy photo

MHMRST in need of Christmas donations

Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma is seeking Christmas donations for clients including: shampoo, bath soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, body lotion, toilet tissue, hair spray, shaving cream, cotton swabs, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, laundry detergent, facial tissues, paper towels, dish washing liquid, canned goods, and staple foods. Cash donations are accepted

to purchase these items or other needed items for children in MHMRST programs. Anyone wishing to make a donation may call 903-957-4865 for more information.

MHMRST's mission is to provide services that improve quality of life and support self-determination for persons with mental, intellectual, and developmental disabilities. MHMRST began providing services in 1974 and now serves Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson counties.

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Centennial
publicity chairman**

The founding principles of the Knights of Columbus over 127 years ago are Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. The local KC Council, which will be 100 years old Jan. 16, has maintained these principles since its inception. Today, I am asking you to show your loyalty by supporting your council in its centennial celebration. The members, young and old, are once again very active and have sponsored activities for the church and community for the benefit of a greater life for the citizens of the area. The council members have logged countless hours in these endeavors.

So now it's your turn to reciprocate! Ticket sales for the centennial celebration are brisk, but are far from the goal of 1000 that the members are hoping to attain. The deadline for buying tickets at the reduced price of \$45 per person is Dec. 20. After that date, the price is \$55.

You may be wondering why so early?.. The committee needs to have an idea of how many to expect in order to avoid some last minute problems that are sure to arise. Some being how many complimentary buses to book, how many tables to set, how many waiters, how much food... you can see what I mean.

I want to emphasize that this huge project is not a fund raiser. Several projects have been used to underwrite the dollars that must be paid before the event can occur. If a profit should be attained, all that money will go directly back to the church and community projects.

Last week, I mentioned I would explain the "bang for your buck." As I've touched on before, I've heard several people say that having the banquet at a "casino" just doesn't seem right. The people at Winstar World Casino have spent the past three years trying to change the image of a smoke filled, dimly lit, gambling joint. They have succeeded! Boasting themselves as the fifth largest casino in the world, Winstar is now a truly entertainment center that attracts all walks of life to be entertained in countless ways.

Enough about the venue, now let's talk about your hard earned dollars. Your \$45 ticket will get you a free ride to and from the casino if you choose. To answer the question, "Will I be stuck over there until midnight?" - buses will return to the Community Center in Muenster every 30 to 45 minutes beginning at 10 p.m. The program will be short and to the point. A delegation from Marshall will be recognized as our chartering "Big Brother" exactly 100 years

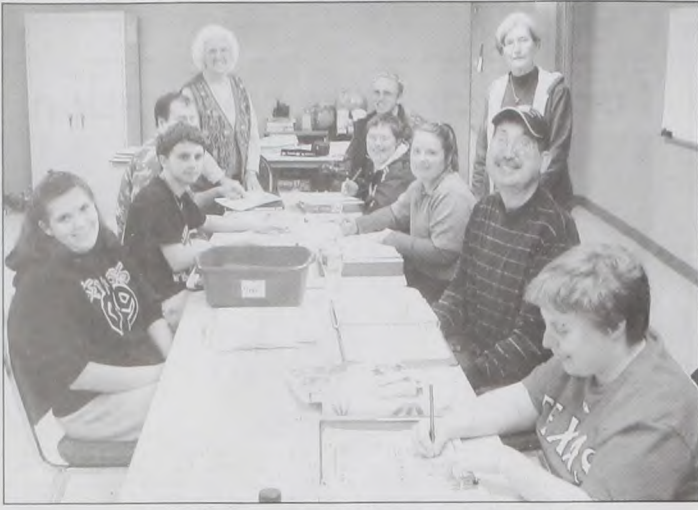
ago, along with other dignitaries from all over. Live big band entertainment will begin around 7 p.m. and will continue through the formal dinner.

The banquet meal will be most impressive, featuring everything you could imagine between prime rib to tacos and desserts from all over the world. You may choose to visit any or all of the three food stations and two dessert stations. After the program and dinner, you will be treated to great sounds for listening or dancing until midnight. Your ticket will automatically enter you into an evening raffle featuring great prizes. The top prize will be a large screen plasma TV, but other prizes include spa visits, overnight stays at the Casino Hotel, rounds of golf, and more. The Bishop and Father Ken will preside over the drawings.

For those of you who don't ride the complimentary buses, you will park on the far east side of the casino. The banquet will take place in the Global Event Center which is adjacent to the hotel on the east side of the complex.

I've only touched on the highlights you can expect, so put on your best clothes and come enjoy an evening with us that took a hundred years to produce!

"Till next time, May God Bless. Hope you will consider our invitation!"



TRANSITIONAL SKILLS CLASS—The first class for the NCTC Transitional Skills Program in Gainesville is completing its first semester with great success, reports the College's Lifelong Learning Division. A new class will begin soon, providing specially designed educational opportunities for mentally challenged adults, and enrollment is now open. Nine students participated in this semester's program that met twice weekly at the First Christian Church. Instructor Nona Stanley and assistant Vt Dumas are shown with students (left to right) Pepper Reed, Jeremy Milan, Jay Green, Chad Kilcrease, Keisha Davis, Ruthie Muller, Bret Dumas, and Crystal Knabe. For more information, contact Barbara Gibson, Community Ed coordinator at 940-668-3327 or bgibson@nctc.edu.

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Anyone can become a victim of a fraud scheme. Frauds are not only committed through the mail, you may be approached by e-mail or phone.

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Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of North Texas recently completed a fall training academy required for new CASA volunteer advocates. District Judge Janelle Haverkamp administered their oaths, officially "swearing in" newly trained volunteers Annie Brown and Jennifer Martz. Each took an oath to objectively represent the best interests of the children they are assigned and to maintain confidentiality. Both are now qualified to work on behalf of Cooke County's abused and neglected children who have been taken, for their protection, into foster care. Courtesy photo

KC raffle winner



Muenster Knights of Columbus member John Walterscheid (right) turns over the keys of the Polaris Sportsman 4-wheeler to Jim Gehrig, grand prize winner of the KC's annual fundraiser. Janie Hartman photo

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SCHOOL

Voice of Democracy winners announced by VFW #6205

Muenster VFW Post #6205 and the Ladies Auxiliary have announced the local winners of the audio-essay contest of the Voice of Democracy. Winning 1st place at Muenster ISD was senior Chris Valliere, son of Tom and Laurie Valliere of Muenster. The 1st place winner at Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS) was senior Ian Barnhill, son of Monte and Janet Barnhill of Muenster. Both essays advanced to compete on a District I level.

The 2nd place winners were MISD senior Amanda Dangelmayr, daughter of Ron and Karen Dangelmayr of Muenster, and SHCS freshman Isaac Barnhill, son of Monte and Janet Barnhill of Muenster. Third place went to MISD junior Briana Bindel, daughter of Ben and Tina Bindel of Muenster.

The audio-essay theme for 2009 was "Does America Still Have Heroes?" The contest is sponsored by the National Organization of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. It is open to all students in grades 9 through 12. The essay is to be neatly typed and is judged by listening to the recorded student's voice presentation of his own essay. No identification of the contestant is allowed on the essay itself or on the recorded tape being judged. The set due deadline must all be met in order to qualify on a local, District, and State level.

All contestants' essay entries begin at a local post level. They are then judged by the essay and the tape. Those not qualifying according to the rules of length of time and tape presentation are eliminated from competition.

The top Post #6205 qualifying essays were then judged by District-appointed judges as to their placement on a local level and all post 1st places competed on a District level for 1st place and a

chance at State competition. The District judges were a teacher and students from Sherman's Austin College.

All State 1st places advance to National competition where they compete against all the other 1st place winners for the National places and scholarships to the college of their choice. There is a total of \$149,000 in National awards, with a \$30,000 scholarship for 1st place and a trip to Washington, D.C.

The judging criteria is: originality, 30 points; content, 35 points; and delivery on tape, 35 points. Many are eliminated because of the

voice presentation. The local Veterans of Foreign Wars #6205 supply the local monetary awards. A total of \$900 was presented to the winners.

Word was received by #6205 Auxiliary President Frances Bayer, Voice of Democracy chairperson, that District I, 1st place was an entry from Honey Grove Post #7875, 2nd place was from Gainesville Post #1922, and 3rd place was from Sherman Post #2772.

The MISD teacher assistant was Martha Koesler. The SHCS assistant was Principal Dr. Rafael Rondon.



Volunteers planting flowers on the Sacred Heart Catholic School campus included, from left, Ginger Bartush, Taylor Reiter, Eryn Moody, Janet Strother, Sarah Nasr, and Kendall Reiter, as well as other volunteers from the school and parish. SHCS photo

Students work to beautify campus at Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Catholic School, in association with Keep Muenster Beautiful, completed an improvement project at the school. Keep Muenster Beautiful is dedicated to the cleanup and beautification of Muenster and its surrounding areas. None of this would be possible without the fantastic efforts of the volunteers in the community, which includes the students of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

et included the preparation of the grounds and the planting of flowers around the Sacred Heart campus. Those involved started by pulling the weeds, tearing out the monkey grass, and tilling the flower beds. After preparing the soil, the Sacred Heart students began planting flowers, which added an array of colors to the landscape. The flowers were donated by Whitecotton's Greenhouse, a parish and Keep Muenster Beautiful supporter.

The beautification project

Lunch Menus

WEEK OF DEC. 14-18 MUESTER ISD

Mon. - Corn dogs, oven baked French fries, ranch style beans, pears, granola bars.

Tues. - Baked chicken, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Wed. - Pork rib patty sandwich w/barbecue sauce, chips, cheese sticks, carrots, apples, cookies.

Thurs. - Chicken fried steak w/gravy, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, strawberry cups, hot rolls.

Fri. - Pizza pockets, lettuce salad w/dressing, pork and beans, carrots, applesauce, ice cream.

SACRED HEART

Mon. - Cook's choice.

Tues. - Ham, black-eyed peas, cornbread, tomato wedges, applesauce.

Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, green beans, green salad, bananas/strawberries, garlic toast.

Thurs. - Taco soup, baby carrots, cheese sticks, mixed fruit, wheat crackers.

Fri. - No lunch served.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Pepperoni pizza, corn, lettuce salad, pears.

Tues. - Cheese enchiladas w/chili, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce.

Wed. - Turkey and cheese sandwich w/trimmings, potato chips, fresh fruit, rice krispie treat.

Thurs. - Beef stew, lettuce salad, peaches, cornbread.

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

ERA ISD

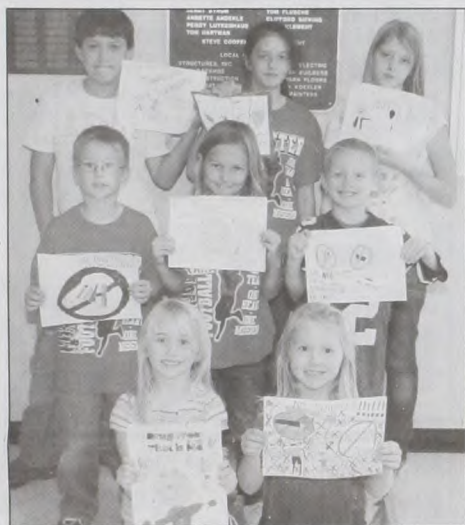
Mon. - Sloppy joes, potatoes wedges, pickle spears, fruit mix.

Tues. - Chicken nuggets, macaroni and cheese, broccoli, roll, applesauce.

Wed. - Pizza sticks, marinara sauce, corn, tossed salad, pears.

Thurs. - Thanksgiving meal.

Fri. - Chicken spaghetti or fish sticks, green beans, breadstick, pears, ice cream.



In honor of Red Ribbon Week, the Muenster High School Student Council sponsored a Drug-Free poster contest for students in grades K-6. A winner from each class was chosen on creativity, originality, neatness, and message. Winners are, top to bottom, from left - 6th grader Justen Ashley, grand runner-up, Reagan Weger - 6th grade; 2nd grader McKenna Proffer - Grand prize winner; Colby Endres, 6th grade; Paige Saucer, 4th grade; Rudy Saucer, 3rd grade; Jenna Dangelmayr, Kindergarten; Bailey Otto, 1st grade. Not pictured Emily Bayer, 5th grade winner. MISD photo

Students work for no tobacco world

The Great American Smokeout is a nationwide event that is observed by the Muenster FCCLA chapter. Announcements were made to all students about the health problems associated with tobacco use. Locker decorations depicted their chosen 2009 theme, "Addicted to Oxygen for a Smoke Free World." Goody bags were made for those wanting

to encourage a family member to go tobacco free for a 24 hour period. All members wore green wristbands with the theme logo.

The Muenster FCCLA chapter has been observing this event for 15 years. They know of several adult community members who were sponsored by a Muenster FCCLA member and quit smoking "for good."

FCCLA promotes mingling

Mix It Up At Lunch is a project that was an attempt to bring down barriers between students in the High School and Junior High. To improve intergroup relations that can lead to conflicts, bullying, and harassment, students were asked to write one type of conflict they felt the student body was experiencing.

A "wall" was created with the neon colored index cards in the foyer of the cafeteria for student viewing. The

theme for this activity was, "The Dividing Wall." As each student entered for lunch, they received different colored star stickers and were encouraged to "mix it up" at lunch by sitting with a different group of students who matched their star.

FCCLA officers passed out free cookies and hot chocolate passes to students participating. These students were invited to the Family and Consumer Sciences Department for their treat.

Decorating lockers at Muenster ISD for the Great American Smokeout included, from left, below - Seniors Leah Smith and Aaron Bayer; Juniors Hannah Weger and Cathy Aston. MISD photo



SHCS students, from left, Mikenzie Fleitman, Bailey Walterscheid, Peyton Reiter, Kylie Hess, Morgan Hesse, Karleigh Reeves collect items for ABBA with help from teacher Mrs. Annette Bayer. Zoe Klement, far right, is shown giving her donation. SHCS photo

Students donate to ABBA

The students at Sacred Heart Catholic School made a significant donation of baby items to the ABBA (All Babies Born Alive) Women's Center in Gainesville. About 12 boxes of goods were delivered to ABBA on Wednesday, Nov. 25.

Also, students painted several dozen clear, glass ornaments that had been

donated to the Sacred Heart High School art classes. The students decorated these ornaments in a variety of ways with paint, glitter, and sequins.

Many of these ornaments were donated to ABBA. They can be seen on the Christmas tree in the entrance at the ABBA Women's Center.



Pictured at Mix It Up are, from left, Brianna Klement, Hannah Weger, Cathy Aston, Alley Trubench, and Sara Wheeler. MISD photo



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SPORTS

All-District 13A football teams

The All-District football team picks for District 13A have been released. Honors went to:

- District MVP**
Ryan Haverkamp, Sr., L
- Defensive MVP**
Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Sr., M
- Offensive MVP**
Levi Trubenbach, Sr., M
- Special Teams MVP**
Ross Jones, Sr., L
- Defensive Newcomer**
Dalton Williams, So., C
- Offensive Newcomer**
Cory Ragsdale, So., C
- Coaching Staff Of The Year**
Lindsay
- DEFENSE FIRST TEAM**
Defensive Ends
Frank Cornett, Sr., L
Corey Sicking, Sr., M

- FIRST TEAM**
Wide Receiver
Jason Luke, Jr., M
Ross Jones, Sr., L
Nathan Metzler, Sr., E
David Byrom, Jr., C
- Tight End**
Madison Parkhill, Jr., L
- Offensive Linemen**
Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Sr., M
Dillon Bayer, Jr., M
Turner Coulson, So., C
Austin Reiter, Sr., L
Armando Vasquez, Jr., BR
Colt Henderson, Jr., E
Tyler Hundt, Jr., L
Anthony Pellon, Jr., E
- Fullback**
Frank Cornett, Sr., L
- Running Backs**
Robert Arend, Jr., L
Jace Sutton, Jr., E
- Quarterback**
Trey Dunn, Sr., E
- Kicker**

- Jake Price, Sr., BR
Punter
Gates Anderson, Jr., E
- OFFENSE SECOND TEAM**
Wide Receivers
Eric Hellman, Sr., M
John Block, Sr., L
Garrett Walterscheid, Sr., M
Tyler Ford, Sr., C
- Tight End**
Tyler King, Sr., BR
- Offensive Linemen**
Josh Kittrell, Jr., C
Aubrey Fortenberry, Jr., E
Patrick Drake, Jr., E
Colton Hermes, Sr., L
Sean Willard, Jr., L
- Aaron Flusche, Sr., M**
Bradley White, Jr., BR
Cameron White, Sr., BR
- Fullback**
Jeff Polley, Sr., C
- Running Backs**



Sacred Heart Tigers named to the All-District Football Team were, from left - Clay Hogan, Mark Bartush, Greyson Evans, Matt Hesse, Kyle Knabe, Garrett Berend, John Krawietz, Chad Henscheid, JaeKook Im, Michael Davis, Gene Yosten, and Josiah Yosten. Janie Hartman photo

Tigers earn All-District honors

With the conclusion of the 2009 TAPPS football season, the All-District football teams were released for Division IV District I. Honors went to:

- Co-MVP**
Tyler Puschman, A
Matt Hesse, SH
Co-Defensive MVP
Ben Sultemier, LC
Josh Thomson, A
Offensive MVP
Cody Huett, H
Newcomer

- Nathan Purvis, LC
Freshman
Clay Hogan, SH
Coaching Staff
Sacred Heart
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Camron Betzen, Jr., A
Garrett Berend, Sr., SH
Ben Sultemier, Sr., LC
- Quarterback**
Matt Hesse, Jr., SH
- Backs**
Tyler Puschman, Sr., A
Cody Huett, Sr., H
Josh Lewthe, Sr., LC
Clay Hogan, Fr., SH
- Receivers**
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Sheldon Wilson, Sr., A
Greyson Evans, Jr., SH
- Tight End/Athlete**
Nick Whitaker, Jr., A
- Kicker**
Kevin Gonzalez, Jr., LC

- Theron Thurston, Sr., LC
Linebackers
Ben Sultemier, Sr., LC
Tyler Puschman, Sr., A
Matt Hesse, Jr., SH
Nathan Groover, Jr., H
Josh Thomson, Sr., A
- Secondary**
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John Krawietz, Sr., SH
Cody Huett, Sr., H
Seth Sparks, Sr., A
Kyle Knabe, Sr., SH
- Punter**
Kevin Gonzalez, Jr., LC

- OFFENSE SECOND TEAM**
Linemen
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Chris Raulston, Jr., A
Theron Thurston, Sr., LC
Jacob Bonola, Jr., H
Josiah Yosten, Sr., SH
- Quarterback**
Nathan Melugin, So., A
- Backs**
Nathan Groover, Jr., H
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- Kicker**
Jae Im, Sr., SH

- DEFENSE FIRST TEAM**
Linemen
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Garrett Berend, Sr., SH
Nick Whitaker, Jr., A
Gene Yosten, Sr., SH



Muenster Hornets earning a place on the All-District Teams were, from left, front - Levi Trubenbach, Dillon Bayer, Garrett Walterscheid, Jason Luke, Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Corey Sicking, Aaron Flusche, Andy Flusche; back - Scott Porter, Eric Hellman, Dalton Koelzer, Chris Valliere, Jacob Klement, Andrew Koelzer, Tyler Anderle, and Chase Hammer. Janie Hartman photo

- Aaron Flusche, Sr., M
Defensive Line
Greg Luttmer, Sr., L
Daniel Grubbs, So., C
Bradley White, Jr., BR
Will Taylor, Jr., L
- Inside Linebackers**
Jason Evans, Sr., C
Robert Arend, Jr., L
Dillon Bayer, Jr., M
Codie Hope, Sr., E
- Outside Linebackers**
John Block, Sr., L
Garrett Walterscheid, Jr., M
Andy Flusche, Fr., M
- Defensive Backs**
Trey Dunn, Sr., E
Nathan Metzler, Sr., E
Ross Jones, Sr., L
Levi Trubenbach, Sr., M
Cody Mills, Jr., BR
Austin Reed, Sr., C
- Punter**
Levi Trubenbach, Sr., M
- OFFENSE**

- Travis Skinner, Jr., L
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- Defensive Line**
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Offensive Linemen
Corey Sicking, Sr.
Andrew Koelzer, Sr.

KEY: M - Muenster; L - Lindsay; E - Era; C - Collinsville; BR - Blue Ridge.

Sacred Heart and Era split court wins

On Tuesday, the Sacred Heart varsity teams traveled to Era, taking a loss and a win.

The Tigerettes came up short against the Lady Hornets 63-52. "I did not have my team ready to play," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Hats off to Era, as they were well prepared and killed us on the boards."

Kristin LeBrasseur and Karli Anderle were high scorers for Sacred Heart with 18 and 14 points. Raynee Hogan added 9. Taylor Reiter and Rebekah Hesse 4 each, Mikaela Bartush 2, and Syd-

ney Hoedebeck 1.

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| SH | 13 | 16 | 7 | 16 | 52 |
| E | 18 | 18 | 16 | 11 | 63 |

The Tigers improved their record to 4-0 with a big 66-43 win over the Hornets. "I was very pleased with our movement and our coming off of solid screens," said Coach Jon.

Kevin Kulle scored 19 for Sacred Heart, with John Krawietz hitting 13 and Jaekook Im 10. Patrick Mojica added 6, Kyle Knabe 5, and 2 each from Greyson Evans and Garrett Berend.

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|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| SH | 20 | 16 | 24 | 6 | 66 |
| E | 11 | 7 | 15 | 10 | 43 |

- DEFENSE SECOND TEAM**
Linemen
Mo Price, Jr., A
Chad Henscheid, Sr., SH
Tyler Dang, Jr., A
Chase Boenker, So., LC
Josiah Yosten, Sr., SH
- Linebackers**
Michael Davis, So., SH
Brody Hollis, Sr., A
Sayer Carney, So., LC
Corban Brown, Sr., LC
Andrew Hulse, Sr., LC
- Secondary**
Kevin Gonzalez, Jr., LC
Josh Lewthe, Sr., LC
Austin Germillion, Fr., A
Mark Bartush, So., SH
Haydan Haward, Sr., H
- Punter**
Matt Hesse, Jr., SH

KEY: SH - Muenster Sacred Heart; LC - Fort Worth Lake Country; A - Amarillo Arbor; H - Watauga Harvest.

Lady Hornets win two, lose three

The Muenster Lady Hornets traveled to Grandview last week to compete in a tournament. They lost one in overtime and won two, advancing them to the championship game, where they fell a second time to the same team.

To start things off, Thursday the Lady Hornets stripped the Grandview Lady Zebras of their stripes with a 50-37 Muenster victory.

Lia Heers led Muenster on the scoreboard with 14 points. Shaina Felderhoff added 8, Taylor Klement 7, Lana Heers and Demi Koelzer 6 each, Allison Pangel 4, Jackie Klement 3, and Leah Smith 2.

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|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| M | 7 | 18 | 7 | 18 | 50 |
| G | 7 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 37 |

In round two, the Lady Hornets faced Waco LaVega. A buzzer shot in overtime gave the 3A Lady Pirates a 48-46 win over Muenster.

T. Klement and Koelzer were high scorers with 15 points each. Felderhoff added 10, Lana Heers 4, and Smith 2.

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| M | 5 | 6 | 9 | 17 | 9 | 46 |
| LV | 4 | 7 | 14 | 12 | 11 | 48 |

Saturday action began with a 52-46 Muenster win over 3A Fairfield. Felderhoff was high scorer for the Lady Hornets with 19 points. Lana Heers and Koelzer each added 9, with T. Klement scoring 6, Lia Heers 5, and J. Klement 4.

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|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| M | 12 | 9 | 13 | 18 | 52 |
| F | 15 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 46 |

The win over Fairfield advanced the Lady Hornets into the championship round in a rematch with LaVega. The Lady Pirates took a slim early lead, building on it each quarter to a 57-42 win over Muenster.

T. Klement put 12 points on the board for the Lady Hornets. Lana Heers added 8, Koelzer 7, Felderhoff 6, Pangel 5, and Lia Heers 4.

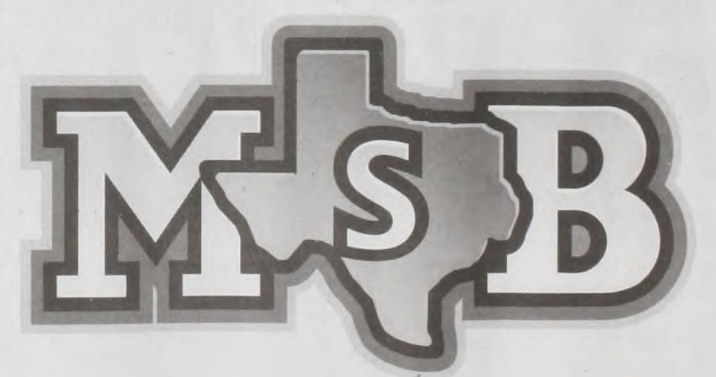
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| M | 15 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 42 |
| LV | 17 | 13 | 17 | 10 | 57 |

On Tuesday, the Lady Hornets had trouble with the Lady Lions of Ponder who handed Muenster a 52-20 loss.

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Tigers Champs of Lindsay tournament

The Sacred Heart Tigers opened their basketball season with a victory over Blue Ridge in the Lindsay tournament last week. The Tigers filled a place on the bracket left open by the Knights who were still in football.

"For the first game, we did some positive things," noted Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "We are very green in some areas and I am sure that in time we will become very solid in those areas."

In the opening game, Sacred Heart took a 62-43 win away from the Blue Ridge Tigers. Kevin Kulle led Sacred Heart with 28 points and 10 rebounds. John Krawietz added 11, Kyle Knabe 8, Patrick Mojica 5, Ryan Felderhoff 4, and 2 apiece by Jaekook Im, Greyson Evans, and Garrett Berend. Mojica also had 10 assists and 7 steals.

SH 19 16 14 13 62
BR 12 11 16 4 43

Game two Friday night put the Tigers up against the Bowie Jackrabbits. "It was a very physical game and we held our own," said Coach Jon. "Patrick did a great job controlling the tempo and Ian was big on the defensive end. Offensively, Kyle and Kevin dominated the boards."

Kulle led the Tigers with 17 points and 15 rebounds. Knabe and Mojica each added 12, Krawietz 11, and Evans 5.

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36 loss. Scoring for the Lady Hornets were T. Klement 11 points, Felderhoff 9, Koelzer and Lana Heers 6 points apiece, Lia Heers 3, and Pangel 2.

M 9 6 11 10 36
P 13 16 10 13 52

ans 5. Krawietz had 5 steals and Mojica 9 assists.

SH 16 8 14 19 57
B 9 16 8 14 47

In the championship game, the Tigers rallied for a comeback win after falling behind by 13 early in the 4th. The Tigers closed the game with a 12-0 run. Im hit a 3-pointer with 4.7 seconds remaining for the winning 58-57 Sacred Heart victory over Class 3A Decatur.

"We were beat more than once in this game, but just did not die," noted Coach LeBrasseur. "This had to be a complete team effort to pull out the win."

Kulle scored 29 points, pulled down 10 rebounds, and had 4 steals and 4 blocks. Knabe added 12, Krawietz 10, Im 3, Berend 2, and 1 point each by Barnhill and Mojica. Mojica also had 11 assists and 4 steals.

SH 13 13 10 22 58
D 18 17 12 10 57

Game Warden Report

Record-speed law enforcement

A Coke County game warden received a call about a deer that had possibly been shot on the Coke/Runnels county line inside a high fence. The deer was found on top of a tank dam and had been moved and drug up against the fence. Four hours later, a suspect arrived at the scene, threw over an unidentified object, and went to work on the 8-point buck head. The warden was there in record time and the landowner signed affidavit class B criminal trespass, possession of illegally killed deer during closed season. One poacher went to jail.



PLAYERS IN PROGRESS



Muenster Hornets in weekend tournament

The Muenster Hornets competed in the Kopperl basketball tournament this past weekend, bringing home the Championship trophy, defeating the host team in the final game.

Jason Luke was awarded the Tournament MVP, with Shane Presnall named to the All Tournament Team.

In game one, the Hornets took a 56-45 win over Bosqueville. After a tight-scoring game the 1st half, Muenster out-scored their opponents by 12 points in the 3rd to take and keep the lead.

Eric Hellman and Josiah Flaming were Hornet high-scoring with 13 and 11 points. Garrett Walterscheid and Jason Luke each added 8. Scott Porter put in 7, Shane Presnall 6, Andy Flusche 2, and Tyler Anderle 1.

M 11 9 21 15 56
B 8 13 9 15 45

Friday evening, Muenster was matched up against Huckabay, getting a 48-33 win. Porter, Luke, and Walterscheid were leading scorers with 14, 11, and 10 points. Hellman and Presnall each added 4, Flaming 3, and Aaron Flusche 2.

M 16 19 8 5 48
H 13 7 4 9 33

The Hornets (4-0) put on another solid defensive performance Saturday to take a 41-35 championship victory from Kopperl.

"Despite giving up an early lead, the boys relied on defense and the ability to handle late pressure," noted Coach Courtney Christenson.

Luke scored 10 points for the Hornets. Porter added 9, Presnall 8, Hellman and Flaming 5 apiece, and 2 each from Flusche and Flusche.

M 6 10 15 10 41
K 8 5 11 11 35

On Tuesday, the Hornet varsity improved to 5-0 after a 39-28 win over the Celina Bobcats. Despite being 4 of 16 from the free throw line in the first three quarters, Muenster increased their lead in the 4th, hitting 11 of 14 from the charity stripe.

Eric Hellman was high scorer with 10. Shane Presnall, Scott Porter, and Garrett Walterscheid all scored 7, with Jason Luke and Josiah Flaming adding 4 apiece. Presnall was 7 of 8 from the line in the 4th.

M 14 3 7 15 39
C 7 7 4 10 28

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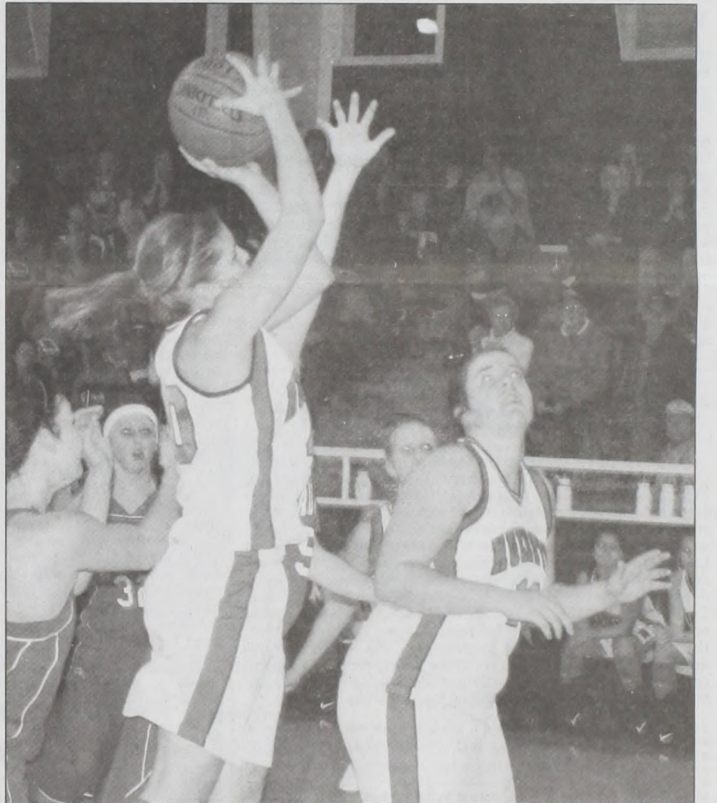
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Knights fall to #1 Lions 52-13

"We played a good team and came up short," commented Lindsay Coach Cody Bounds on the Knights' 52-13 Quarter-Final loss to the #1 ranked Albany Lions. "The boys played hard and never gave up," the Coach added. The Lions had a total of 462 yards compared to the Knights' 218. Side-lined seniors didn't help the Knights' game plan, as younger team members stepped in and attempted to fill some big shoes.

The Lions moved the opening drive to midfield, then lost the ball when Greg Luttmer covered a fumble. A Dax Fleitman to Robert Arend pass gained 13 yards, followed by a run by Josh Mueller for 6, and two by Arend for 10 to the 18 yard line. Fleitman connected with Ross Jones twice to get to the 3. With 6:29 on the clock, Arend crossed the goal line to put Lindsay on the scoreboard. The PAT failed for a 6-0 score.

Albany came back the next drive, taking six plays to drive 80 yards. The PAT gave the Lions a 7-6 lead with 4:47 on the clock.

After exchanging a few punts, the Lions scored again at 9:56 in the 2nd period to take a 14-6 lead. Lindsay gained 3 yards, punted, and Albany scored on a 60 yard pass play for a 21-6 score.

The Knights again failed to get a 1st, punting. A few plays later, 28-6.

Lindsay got in two runs,

then threw an interception that was returned 25 yards for another Albany touchdown, 35-6.

The Knights got in six plays and were forced to punt again. The next play, with 33 seconds on the clock, the Lions scored again, 42-6.

Lindsay took the 3rd quarter kick on their 20 yard line. A Fleitman to Jordan Lane pass play turned into an 80 yard Lindsay touchdown. Travis Skinner added the extra point for a 42-13 score just 52 seconds into the 2nd half.

The Lions again fought back, taking one play to gain 51 yards, then clawing out seven plays to get to the 8 yard line as the Knight defense, led by Greg Knauf, Connor Fuhrmann, Tyler Hundt, Austin Reiter, and Sean Willard, forced a field goal. With 7:24 on the clock, Albany stretched their lead to 45-13.

The Knights lost 7 and punted from their end zone, giving Albany the ball 15 yards from paydirt. Tackles by Skinner, Willard, and Reiter, and a flag held the Lions on the 27 yard line.

Two Fleitman passes to Lane gained 20 yards before Lindsay ran out of downs. The Lions carried the ball into the final quarter, scoring one last time with 8:10 on the clock to take the 52-13 victory.

The Knights got in a dozen plays and the Lions four before the game ended.

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| L | 6 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 13 |
| A | 7 | 35 | 3 | 7 | 52 |

| Team Stats | | A | |
|------------|---------------|-----------|----|
| L | 7 | 1st downs | 10 |
| 26/64 | Rushes/yds | 40/259 | |
| 9/23/1 | Comp/att/int | 6/10/0 | |
| 154 | Passing yds | 203 | |
| 8/33 | Punts/avg | 2/37 | |
| 0/0 | Fumbles/lost | 1/1 | |
| 4/30 | Penalties/yds | 3/20 | |

Individual Stats

RUSHERS: Josh Mueller, 11/51; Robert Arend, 10/22. **RECEIVERS:** Jordan Lane, 5/115; Robert Arend, 2/25; Ross Jones, 2/15. **TACKLES:** Robert Arend 8, Austin Reiter 7, Madison Parkhill 6, Greg Knauf 5, Josh Mueller, Greg Luttmer, Sean Willard. **TURNOVERS:** Fumble Recovery - Greg Luttmer.

"A good year," said Coach Bounds, as the 2009 Knights set a new school record with the most wins in a season - 12. The 12-2 Knights outscored their opponents 468 - 196. Their two losses were to Windthorst and Albany.

Senior members of the team are Frankie Cornett, Ryan Haverkamp, Dax Fleitman, Ross Jones, John Block, Josh Mueller, Austin Reiter, Blake Hunter, Matt Dieter, Colton Hermes, Mitch Dieter, Clay Mueller, and Greg Luttmer.

The Final Four teams advancing to the Semi-Final round in IA Texas High School Football are Albany, Cayuga, Ganado, and Stratford.



Knights on the run - Lindsay's rushing game produced only 64 yards in the playoff game against Albany. Above - Josh Mueller (33) finds some running room. Below - Robert Arend (8) attempts to escape the claws of a Lion defender.



Lady Knights win three of four

The Lindsay Lady Knights won two of their three games last weekend in the Lindsay sponsored tournament.

In game one, Lindsay opened with a 58-41 victory over Van Alstyne. Jessica Block, Megan Caillier, and Cammi Neu all scored double digit points, 15, 13, and 13. Katie Dieter added 7, Katie Nortman 6, and 2 apiece by Kristin Martin and Allison Metzler.

The second round ended with a disappointing 52-33 loss to Gunter. Neu led with 11 points. Caillier added 9, Dieter 6, Block 3, and 2 each by Martin and Nortman.

The Lady Knights pulled out a thrilling 39-35 win over Howe in game three, battling back from an early 10 point deficit. Caillier and Neu were high point makers with 13 and 11 points. Metzler added 6, Block 4, Dieter 3, and Martin 2.

On Tuesday, the Lady Knights brought home a 38-33 win over the Pottsboro Lady Cardinals. "Offensively, it was not our best night, but we were able to hold on for the win," noted Coach Don Neu. "Defensively, we played OK, but we can, without a doubt, make improvements."

Seven Lady Knights tacked points on the board, led by Neu with 12. Dieter added 7, Caillier 6, Block 4, and 3 apiece by Martin, Metzler, and Nortman.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL ACTION

Lindsay at Forestburg Tournament

The Lindsay JV Lady Knights participated in the Forestburg Tournament last week and suffered two losses.

In the first game, Lindsay fell to Prairie Valley in overtime, 37-33. Jordan Fleitman scored 10 points for the Lady Knights. Mandy Hess added 6, Taylor Atkins 5, Katie Arend and Shannah Daymude 4 each, and 2 apiece by Lucinda Krahl and Brienne Sandmann.

In game two, Lindsay's cold shooting gave them a 44-20 loss to Nocona. Krahl and Fleitman each scored 8,

with Atkins getting 4 points

Muenster vs Celina

The Hornet JV Red team lost to Celina Tuesday night by a score of 52-25. Scoring for Muenster were Trevor Hess 9, Colton Lang 7, Blayne Styles 5, and Allen Fette and Corey Richey 2 each.

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| M | 4 | 5 | 8 | 8 | 25 |
| C | 4 | 15 | 17 | 16 | 52 |

The JV White Hornets brought home a 35-27 win over the Cats. Blake Grewing led the scoring with 10 points. Landon Presnall and Hunter Klement each added 7, Andy Flusche 5, Austin

Hennigan 4, and Luke Kaufman 2.

Sacred Heart vs Era

The JV Tigers brought home a 49-38 victory over Era. Ryan Felderhoff, Matt Hesse, and John Paul Hesse were high scorers with 16, 12, and 10 points. Austin Springer added 6, with Omar Colmenero and Austin Aldriedge each scoring 2, and A.J. Miller 1.

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| SH | 11 | 15 | 13 | 10 | 49 |
| E | 1 | 8 | 13 | 16 | 38 |

Muenster vs Ponder

The Lady Hornets pulled out a 28-22 win over Ponder Tuesday. Six Muenster players contributed points toward the win. Scoring were Paige Hennigan 10, Lauren Rohmer 6, Emily Hellman, Shelby Dangelmayr, and Andi Felderhoff 4 each, and Paige Herr 2.

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| P | 2 | 1 | 7 | 12 | 22 |

Lindsay vs Pottsboro

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Hennigan 4, and Luke Kaufman 2.

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JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL ACTION

Sacred Heart vs Walnut Bend

On Dec. 3, the "B" Lady Cubs traveled to Walnut Bend and came home with a 32-16 victory. Kinzie Hess scored 16 points. Katie Davidson and Maddie Green each added 6, and Maddie Hesse 4.

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| SH | 19 | 10 | 10 | 6 | 45 |
| C | 2 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 12 |

Lindsay vs Era

The Lindsay "B" team defeated Era by a score of 24-9 Monday. Scoring for Lindsay were Shea Garner 10, Sarah DeBorde and Philicia Vogel 4 each, and 2 apiece from Mackenzie Myrick, Nicole Popp, and Sara Clark.

Sacred Heart vs Calvary

The "B" girls played Denton Calvary Monday night, handing their visitors a 27-17 loss. Green led the scoring with 8 points. K. Hess added 7, Davidson and Hannah Hess each scored 4, with Alana Endres and Catherine Fleitman getting 2 apiece.

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and Karleigh Reeves each scoring 6. Mikayla Fleitman put up 4 points, with Mikenzie Fleitman, Morgan Hesse, and Kinzie Hess all adding 2.

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Jalyn Anderle and Briley Fleitman led the scoring with 16 and 12 points. Elizabeth Wallace and Madison Green each added a free throw.

In boys action, the Lindsay Gray team took a 20-6 win. Five young Knights put points on the board, led by Jacob Kittrell with 5 points. Brennan Fortune, Matt Redder, and Jeff Hellman each added 4, with Camdon Maydew scoring 3.

The white team lost to the young Bees 37-9. Ryan Hoepfner scored 8 and Justin Ott 1 for Lindsay.

The Black Lindsay team defeated Era 41-4 Monday night. John Haverkamp and Travis Krahl were leading scorers with 11 and 10 points. Garrett Cooper added 8, with Max Beebe, Elijah Walker, and Dalton Metzler each scoring 4.

Game Warden Report

Massive deer caught in fence: On Oct. 20, a Camp County game warden received a call from a landowner in Franklin County about two bucks that he found on his property that had gotten their antlers locked together and were stuck together, each on opposite sides of a fence. One buck was a 9-point that had already died, but the other was a huge 14-point that was still alive, but exhausted. The warden notified a Franklin County game warden and both wardens met with the landowner. When they arrived, Warden Taylor and the landowner were able to pry the bucks apart and untangle the huge buck from the fence. After laying on the ground for a couple of minutes, the big buck stood up and walked into the brush, escaping what would have been certain death. Both the wardens and the landowner said it was one of the biggest bucks they had seen in this area.

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 Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Anna Coker Davis were issued on December 4, 2009, in Cause no. PR 16579, pending in the County Court of Cooke County, Texas, to James M. Davis and Melissa Macy Davis as Co-Independent Executors. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows: Estate of Anna Coker Davis, 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. December 4, 2009
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 Attorney for Plaintiff 12.11-1L

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FARM & RANCH

TSCRA opposes government house bill to extend estate tax

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) expressed strong disappointment after the U.S. House of Representatives failed to truly reform the estate tax, also known as the death tax. The House passed H.R. 4154, a bill that if signed into law, will permanently extend the estate tax at the 2009 levels, without provisions to adjust it for inflation.

The House bill will freeze the estate tax rate at its current level of 45%, a level that will hurt Texas ranchers who wish to pass their cattle operations on to their children and grandchildren.

"The estate tax is an unfair, and in many cases detrimental, burden on family ranches," said TSCRA

President and rancher Dave Scott. "Ranching is not just the way we make our living and support our family. It's a way of life that involves caring for the land, livestock, and resources that have been passed down over multiple generations. Today's rancher wants to continue that heritage of hard work and conservation by passing their family operations on to the next generation without being penalized."

Virtually all ranchers are affected by the estate tax, as over 97% have been ranching for more than one generation and nearly 15% ranch on land that has been in their family for more than 100 years. The estate tax is considered one of the leading causes of the breakup of

multi-generation family operations, as these estates are five to 20 times more likely to incur estate taxes, according to the USDA Economic Research Service.

TSCRA strongly supports a full repeal of the estate tax; however, until this is a possibility, TSCRA supports lower tax rates, higher estate exemptions, and agricultural and wildlife production exemptions.

"Texas farmers and ranchers are the producers of the world's most abundant, safe, healthy, and affordable food supply. They have consistently worked hard to support not only their families, but every American citizen. They deserve better than this," Scott said.

EPA greenhouse gas ruling could be devastating to agriculture

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) is extremely concerned about the potential impacts that the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recent greenhouse gas (GHG) ruling could have on agriculture operations. EPA claims that GHG emissions are an endangerment to public health and the environment.

This sets the stage for greenhouse regulation under the Clean Air Act (CAA) and would give the EPA unprecedented control over every sector of the U.S. economy.

"It's premature to issue this kind of finding, especially given the recent controversy surrounding the scientific validity of alleged human contributions to climate change," said Tamara

Thies, NCBA chief environmental counsel. "Regulation of greenhouse gases should be based on science, and it should be thoughtfully considered and voted on by Congress through a democratic process, not dictated by the EPA."

The endangerment finding does not itself regulate GHGs; but unless Congress acts, it sets in motion EPA regulation of GHGs from stationary sources and the setting of new source performance standards for GHGs. On Oct. 27, EPA proposed a rule designed to regulate GHG emissions from sources that emit 25,000 tons per year or more, instead of the statutory 250 tons per year threshold for pollutants which is included in the Clean Air Act.

The extent to which EPA can change statutory permitting requirements, however, is unclear. Only time will tell how our federal courts will address citizen suits to force regulation of all sources that emit GHGs in excess of the statutory thresholds. EPA indicated that it also would be developing an approach to regulate GHGs from hundreds of thousands of small operations, including farms and buildings.

While agricultural sources are currently generally not required to obtain permits for greenhouse gas emissions, regulation of GHGs under the CAA may for the first time trigger such regulation. Given the fact that America currently has over

2,000,000 farms, it would be virtually impossible to permit a majority of them. It would also impose massive regulatory compliance costs on producers, which could force many operations out of business.

"Congress never intended for the Clean Air Act to be used for greenhouse gas regulation," said Thies. "While the Act has done a good job of cleaning up pollutants, it is not adequately equipped to address global climate change. Any attempts to use it for this purpose would be devastating to U.S. agriculture."

According to the EPA, in 2007, GHG emissions from the entire agriculture sector represented less than 6% of total U.S. GHG emissions in Tg CO₂ Eq. At the same time, land use, land use change, and forestry activities resulted in a net carbon sequestration of approximately 17.4% of total U.S. CO₂ emissions, or 14.9% of total U.S. greenhouse gas emissions.

"Agriculture actually provides a significant net benefit to the climate change equation," said Thies. "Rather than being subject to overly-burdensome regulations, agriculture should be rewarded for the carbon reductions we provide."

NCBA submitted comments in opposition to EPA's proposal in April.

TSCRA continues to oppose any type of government regulation that drives up operating costs for ranchers.

TDA market recap

For the week ending Dec. 5, feeder cattle prices at Texas auctions were \$1 to \$5 higher per hundredweight as buyers caught up with post-holiday orders. Fed cattle prices were lower as light demand and ample supplies of beef and other meats pressured the market.

Grain prices were higher than pre-holiday levels, but fell at week's end on a stronger dollar and weak export demand.

As for futures markets, feeder cattle and cotton were higher while finished cattle, corn, wheat, and lumber were lower.

Topsoil moisture remains in mostly adequate to short supply statewide. Winter wheat seedings were 97% complete with 90% of the acreage emerged and in good to fair condition. Grain sorghum is 98% harvested. Pasture conditions have declined with the cooler temperatures and shorter days.

It's true: the best things in life are free, but isn't it sad the next best things are so expensive.

Don't let down your guard - online security still important

According to TSCRA Director Bennie Bock of New Braunfels, online security issues are an ongoing problem for the banking industry. Internet scam artists are becoming harder to detect and more resourceful in their plans to defraud people of their hard-earned money.

Members are warned to use caution in opening any online accounts that require a social security number, or giving out any personal information or passwords for online banking," Bock says. "A bank or credit card company will never ask for your personal information in an e-mail. When in doubt, call your bank or credit card company to check on the validity of any requests for information."

Myspace, Facebook, and other social networking sites are especially vulnerable to suspicious activity, including Trojan hijackers and account hackers. Make sure you are visiting the real

URL address of any site that requests passwords or other information, especially if you are following a link provided in an e-mail.

A new tactic for scammers involves an e-mail sent to the account holder requesting money be wired to a foreign account where a supposed friend or relative claims to have lost a wallet or purse. Always be sure of the validity of the sender of any e-mail. This is also true for lottery winnings notifications and offers of business opportunities. As the general public becomes more knowledgeable of Internet scams, thieves have become more inventive.

Following a few simple steps may prevent falling victim to online thieves:

Never give out personal information - including passwords, account numbers, and addresses - to anyone in an e-mail or instant message.

If an e-mail claims that

your bank or credit card company is making changes to your account and requires you to log on, check with the company via phone before you do so.

Changing your individual passwords frequently - every six to 12 months - is a good practice.

Be sure to log off of all online accounts when you're finished with your transactions.

Keep your virus protection and Internet security programs up-to-date.

Don't download e-mail attachments or follow links provided in an e-mail unless you are sure of the identity of the sender.

"A big key to online security is using common sense," Bock says. "Just like you wouldn't trust a stranger on the street with your personal information, you shouldn't trust an unsolicited e-mail on the Internet. It's your money - don't let them catch you with your guard down."

Reduce, reuse, recycle...regift



In honor of holiday office parties and the "unique" gifts exchanged at them, the creators of Regiftable.com have declared the Thursday before Christmas (Dec. 17) - National Regifting Day.

According to a recent survey, by Money Management International (MMI), a majority (60%) of people thinks that regifting is becoming more accepted; the top two reasons are to save some green. Twenty-five percent believe that regifting is becoming more accepted because it is a way to save on holiday expenses, and 14% believe that regifting is becoming more accepted because it is a method of recycling.

If you are thinking about regifting this holiday season, ask yourself the following questions:

Is the gift regiffable? Un-opened items gifts are good candidates for regifting.

How is the condition? New, unopened gifts in good condition should be considered for regifting. Never give partially used gift cards.

Is this going to work? Successful regifters use common sense. If you are going to regift, be sure you know who gave you the item, so you don't return something to the original giver. Only regift items to people who are not likely to know the original giver.

Don't forget the antique malls. If you know the individual well enough, you'll know they will enjoy a nice antique, collectible, or rare book even though the item is used.

Do you have good intentions? Don't just carelessly give a gift. Be sure that the recipient will appreciate the item. Remember, if you feel that an item is undesirable, the recipient probably will too. If you are regifting simply because you ran out of time, gift cards are simple to obtain and always well received.

How does it look? When it comes to gift-giving, go for show! While gift bags in good condition can be reused, wrapping paper is a one-time thing. Always spring for a new card or gift tag.

Can you handle it? If you don't plan to announce the gift as a regift, ask yourself if you can keep the secret. Never feel guilty about regifting once you've done it.

Have you considered your options? An unwanted gift could be a welcome donation to a charitable organization. It is also an option to suck it up and keep an unwanted gift - after all, it was a gift.

If you suspect a gift you've received has been recycled, take comfort in the fact that most regifters regift because they know the gift is something the recipient would really like.

All signs point toward reduced beef supplies

Declining dairy cow inventories, no growth in dairy replacement heifer inventories, and beef heifer inventories that are declining more rapidly than beef cow inventories imply continuing liquidation of the national cow herd. The other-heifer category contributes to short-term beef supplies, but the combination of reduced replacement heifer inventories, increased short-term heifer beef, and declining placements of cattle in feedlots will likely result in reduced beef supplies beyond 2009.

Beef exports declined slightly in the second quarter as demand from Canada, Mexico, and South Korea remains weaker than last year. The United States imported 14% more beef in the second quarter compared with 2008, mainly due to increased exports from Australia and New Zealand. Source: USDA

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Feeder Steers (per lb.)
200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.10-1.35; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.10;
300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.10-1.32; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.10;
400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 1.07-1.17; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-1.07;
500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 96-1.09; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-96; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 92-1.00; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-92; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 84-93; Nos. 2 & 3, 60-84.

Feeder Heifers (per lb.)
200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 95-1.15; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-95; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 90-1.15; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-90; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 86-1.00; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-86; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 85-89; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-83; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 76-85; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-76; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 74-83; Nos. 2 & 3, 60-74.

Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.200-2.050 lbs.; 45-59; Slaughter Cows: #1&3, 40-48; Cuts: #1-39.

Stockers (per head)
Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: \$750-\$910; Medium Frame: \$450-\$750

Cow-Calf Pairs (wealves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$800-\$1050; Medium Frame: \$600-\$800)
Baby Calves: Holstein, \$35-\$60 Cross Breeds: \$50-\$240

Barrows & Gilts (per lb.)
US #1, 230-270: 52-58; US #2, 220-250: 48-52

Feeds (per head):
100-175 lbs.: 45-95; 25-90 lbs.: 15-45

Sows (per lb.)
Feeder, 400 or less: 30-40; Light wt., 400-500: 30-37; Med. wt., 500-600: 32-37; Heavy wt., 600+: 32-37

Boars (per lb.)
300 lb. up: 04-0750; 200-300 lbs.: 15-19; Light wt.: 25-38

Sheep (per lb.)
Feeder lambs: 40-50 lbs.; 90-120; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs.; 90-110; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs.; 90-110

Ewes (per lb.)
Stocker: 50-65; Thin: 20-30; Fat: 35-45

Bucks (per lb.)
Thin: NT; Fat: NT

Barbards (per head)
Lambs: \$25-\$45; Ewes: \$25-\$50; Bucks: \$65-\$120

Goats (per head)
Kids: 20-35 lbs.: \$20-\$40; 35-55 lbs.: \$40-\$65; 55-75 lbs.: \$55-\$85

Yearlings (per head)
75-120 lbs.: \$80-\$140

Nannies (per head)
Stocker: \$40-\$65; Milk Type: \$30-\$50; Slaughter: \$50-\$100; Thin: \$20-\$40

Bred (per head)
120 lbs up
Breeder: \$110-\$140; Slaughter: \$100-\$120

Boer Goats (per head)
1/2 Nanny: NT; 3/4 Nanny: NT; Full Nanny: \$115-\$145; 1/2 Billy: NT; 3/4 Billy: NT; Full Billy: \$150-\$190

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