



## Court contemplates tax abatement agreement

by Janet Felderhoff

Greg Solomon, executive director for Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, persevered for his organization and the city of Gainesville on two items coming before Cooke County Commissioners Court at their Jan. 13 regular meeting. Of special concern to county residents is a request from CRS Poly Pipe for consideration of a tax abatement agreement between taxing entities in the county.

Poly Pipe has asked the city of Gainesville for a tax abatement agreement which the city approved on Jan. 7, 1997. Currently CRS Poly Pipe has two plants in Cooke County and employs 55 people. The company has four plants in other cities, but plans to close two of them immediately and consolidate to one facility. Gainesville is being considered as the site for the new facility, but the decision depends on financial feasibility.

"They would employ an additional 81 people after the consolidation," Solomon reported. "We are looking at an additional \$10,200,000 worth of new taxable or capital type equipment on the tax roll that they are requesting abatement on. Four million of which will be new construction. They have already been granted land in Corporate Square." The Corporate Square land is not

on the tax roll since it is owned by the North Texas Economic Division Foundation and is tax exempt. Once Poly Pipe takes possession of it, \$400,000 of it will go immediately on the tax roll and is not eligible for tax abatement, said Solomon. Another 6.2 million dollars is machinery and equipment. There is also 4.2 million dollars worth of equipment that is on the tax rolls. It would remain on the tax rolls not being eligible for abatement.

Precinct #2 Commissioner Richard Brown said, "There are several things about this proposal that I personally do not like. I'm not real strong on the idea of tax abatements. It puts us in the position where we have to play Santa Claus with the tax payers money. When you give an abatement to one entity that means that somebody else has to pick up the slack."

"When I came on the Board I think we had previously granted some abatements and I think that we may have had one or two since I've been on the Board, but they were 90 percent abatements for six years." He added that 90 percent and six years were on the outer limits of what he felt was reasonable and that granting a ten year abatement presented several problems. One problem he saw was that those who had been granted six year abatements would be

asking for another four years and that there wouldn't be much argument against it.

Brown also pointed out that Commissioners Court passed a resolution on June 29, 1995 that states that for a two year period, unless amended, the maximum time of any abatement would be six years. That had not been amended and at the present time they could not grant a 10 year abatement without first amending that resolution.

Solomon remarked that abatements were not something that most people necessarily agreed with, but were something that states such as Texas and Oklahoma who wanted to improve their industrial base were doing. "As far as the different percentages, that's really up to the different taxing entities," noted Solomon. "The way state law reads is that all of the taxing entities, with the exception of school districts, have to follow the lead of the municipalities. According to the municipal ordinance there are three categories of abatement for new industry and existing industry, 60, 75 and 90 percent, of which Poly Pipe is eligible for 90 percent."

If any taxing entity turns down an abatement, the abatement is null and void for all entities. Solomon pointed out that Poly Pipe had

indicated that they had to have the abatement to stay in this area. They are also considering other locations for consolidation.

Commissioners Court tabled the item until it could be studied further. A special meeting was called for Thursday, Jan. 16 at 3:00 p.m. to consider the situation.

Greg Solomon also explained to Commissioners Court that the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce is seeking Foreign Trade Zone #168 to retain or recruit businesses for Gainesville and Cooke County. "We have been pursuing the foreign trade zone for about a year," noted Solomon. "It is a requirement that we have a foreign trade zone (if we are) to attract those kinds of companies that import products from other countries or that export products to other countries."

Solomon asked that Commissioners Court send a letter of support for the foreign trade zone. He added that there would be no financial liabilities to the county or to any business that participates in the zone. The Court voted 5-0 to send a letter of support.

Nine names were drawn from the pool of names of people who served on the 1996 Cooke County Grand Jury. These people will be asked to serve as the 1997 Salary Grievance Committee. They

are Glen Hellman, Kim Sewell, Jane Alexander, Charles Brown, Leon Klement, Danny Martindale, Shirley Riley, Jim Goldsworthy, and Walt Behrens. Alternates drawn were Velma L. Lorne, Betty Henscheid, Lynda Langston, Hazel Parson, Ty Lawson, and Leslie Cheaney.

District Attorney Janelle Haverkamp voiced concern over lack of fire proof filing space in the DA's office. All evidence in pending cases needs to be kept in fire proof cabinets and at this time there is such a volume of pending cases that there isn't enough space in the present cabinets.

A new cabinet was priced at \$1197. Ron's Lock Service contacted the DA's office offering a cabinet for \$795. The great difference in price was because of scratches on the outside.

Commissioner Virgil Hess asked Ms. Haverkamp if she could use two additional cabinets. She said they could fill them. Commissioners agreed to the DA's office purchasing the cabinet for \$795 and agreed to the purchase of another cabinet if it could be obtained for the same price.

A recent book sale sponsored by Friends of the Cooke County Library at the library was so successful that they made a request to the county to install shelving. The shelving would

be placed in the library meeting room and used to store donated books. Commissioners unanimously agreed to the request.

In other business Commissioners Court:

• Public official bonds for a number of Sheriff's Department employees.

• Awarded bid for diesel fuel and gasoline for 1997 to Douglass Distributing Company of Sherman.

• Took no action on matters discussed in executive session.

• Accepted agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to repair Priority 1 and/or Priority 2 bridge structures in Precincts 1, 2, and 3.

• Agreed to designate Wednesday, Dec. 24 as a 1997 holiday for county employees instead of the previously approved Dec. 26.

• Agreed to continue Cooke county's membership and participation in the North Texas Regional Drug Enforcement Task Force. Maximum amount that the county could be liable for is \$7,074.00. In years past the county has not had to pay anything and that is possible again this year.

• Approved monthly reports that were turned in by meeting time.

• Approved monthly bills and minutes of last meeting.

## Library receives match from Luke Foundation

by Daryl Ferber

Temperatures may be going down but the library building fund is rising. A second matching fund check, from the Norman J. Luke and Evelyn Luke Foundation was received this past week, in the amount of \$35,000.

Norman J. Luke of Houston, a Muenster native, whose mother was involved in the beginning of the library, made the commitment to match Muenster funds up to \$100,000, in honor of his parents, Joe and Bette Luke. The first match of \$25,000 was made in May 1996, so now the foundation has matched \$60,000.

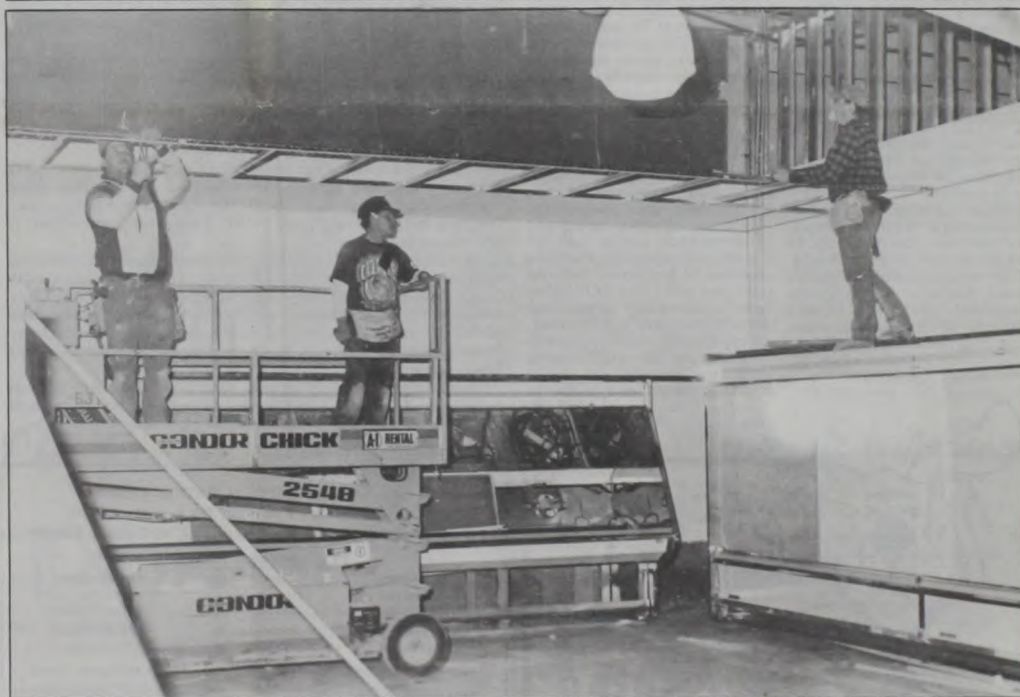
Muenster organizations, businesses and private donors have been very generous, helping to make the present amount of \$100,314.00 possible. The Library Board, Staff and Friends worked hard on the November fund-raisers including \$3,271.50 of the total.

With the goal of \$300,000, this is still a ways to go.

The building site was paid for in spring of 1996, so what has been raised since goes completely into the building fund.

A source of possible grants is being searched with the help of Pat Stelzer, but donations are still needed and welcome. Checks may be sent to the library or directly to Muenster State Bank to the savings account - Friends of the Library Building Fund. If all goes well, 1997 is targeted for the start of construction.

The 1997 new board members are Janie Hartman, Ramona Felderhoff and Bert Hesse, replacing retiring Missy Dangelmayr, Mary Moster, and Bob Hess who have served their 3 year terms. A special thanks to Missy who served as secretary-treasurer. Remaining board members are Lou Heers, Tom Valliere, Lorna Dempster, and Daryl Ferber.



Installing the lowered ceiling of the future produce area in the new addition to Fischer's Meat Market are (l-r) Bert Walterscheid, Dave Bayer and Scott Frost. Progress continues as the expansion draws

nearer to completion. Plans began in earnest in August 1994 with the purchase of "The Ranch" building. Photograph by Janie Hartman

### Don't Forget!

ABBA Abortion Education Program at the KC Hall on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Jan. 19 at 9 a.m.

Lindsay ISD will have Open House Monday, Jan. 20 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the new high school building.

## CCAD Board clashes over several issues

by Janet Felderhoff

First order of business in a meeting that was to have several points of contention, the five member Cooke County Appraisal District Board (CCAD) elected officers for 1997. Succeeding Betty Buttolph as chairman is Stephen Cole. Arthur Felderhoff is vice-chair and Robert Eggleston, secretary. Ken Kaiser is the fifth member of the board.

Angelo Nasche and Ken Tackett were unanimously re-appointed to serve as Appraisal Review Board (ARB) members for two more years. The five member ARB has the task of reviewing complaints from tax payers on their appraised property values. ARB members are paid \$100 per day when hearing complaints. They worked six days last year.

Will Presson, CCAD Chief Appraiser, requested that the CCAD consider adopting a resolution to change the number of ARB members from five to seven. His reason was that with two more members

there would be two three-member panels to hear complaints. He anticipates more complaints this year because of property reappraisals now being conducted and wants to certify the next tax roll in a timely manner as was done last year.

A seven-member ARB would allow one person to have a day off during the review period, Presson said. He also claimed that it would save money by cutting costs if more complaints could be heard per day. Betty Buttolph countered that last year the ARB only worked six days.

"I think there should only be five members on the ARB," she said. "I think the public would be more comfortable with five. I would be more comfortable with five. Only three are needed for a quorum."

Robert Eggleston suggested that the members study the situation to be sure that there wouldn't be any legal complications by changing the number of members. All agreed to table the matter.

As a formality, the company leasing a 1997 Ford Explorer to the CCAD for Will Presson's business and personal use asked that the CCAD approve a resolution authorizing Presson and the chairman of the board to sign for the lease vehicle agreement.

Part of Presson's contract was that he be supplied with a vehicle allowance. The vehicle is being leased at \$375 a month for 36 months - \$13,500.

The vote was 4-1 in favor of the resolution. Mrs. Buttolph protested saying that two payments had already been made and that this should have already been done.

Bids were opened for the CCAD's 1981 Ford van with 90,000 miles. Low bid was \$430 and the high bid was \$1500. Presson said that he had driven the van recently. It is in need of new tires, a new seat, and that the back door seal leaks and allows dust and dirt to blow in.

The van also has a three speed transmission with the gear shift on the column and

most of the employees can't or don't want to drive the vehicle. Presson noted that it is important to have employees out in the field making appraisals.

Bids were rejected in a 3-2 vote. Kaiser and Cole wanted to sell the van. Other members favored seeing what it would cost to repair the van.

Kaiser said that government agencies such as the CCAD are expected to keep their equipment in shape and up to date. In his opinion it would be a mistake to keep the 16 year old van or to ask employees to drive it.

As the result of an executive session held during the Dec. 12, 1996 meeting, Arthur Felderhoff and Ken Kaiser were asked to do a committee report on policy rule for salary draws. "I don't think that the report really addresses what the minutes call for," remarked Buttolph after reading the report. In a telephone interview later she explained that the report was simply a ruling on pay days when it

should have set a policy on salary draws.

"According to the minutes from that meeting they were to investigate and make a decision on salary draws," she explained. "They skirted around it in my opinion." Her definition of salary draw was when an employee draws advances in their salary. When questioned as to whether the matter involved a particular employee, Buttolph would make no further comment saying the matter had been discussed in executive session.

The committee report stated that presently paydays are scheduled for the 15th and 31st days of the month. There was no policy for exceptions such as when one of the designated days falls on a holiday or a weekend or if there were fewer than 31 days in a month. Since nothing was written "They just kind of winged it," said Kaiser. He noted that any time in the past that a check was written on the 30th, it was in violation of the policy.

Policy that was

recommended by the committee was adopted by a 4-1 vote with Buttolph vote against. It includes allowing paychecks to be written on the work day prior to a holiday or weekend when paydays fall on such days. It allows terminated employees to be paid within 24 hours of termination. The recommendation that only the clerk assigned to write payroll do so, requires two signatures and requires that exception not addressed in the policy be brought to the board for a decision.

In his report Presson told the board that the reappraisal of Gainesville ISD is currently 70 percent complete. Collections of taxes through Jan. 6 totaled over 8.5 million dollars. "This represents 42.5 percent of the total amount to be collected," he said. "The percent collected at the same time last year was 23 percent or 4.5 million. I feel this can be attributed to the fact that tax statements were mailed in a timely manner this

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# Muenster Chamber chooses Biscuits O'Bryan as speaker

by Janet Felderhoff  
Muenster's Chamber of Commerce will host its annual installation banquet on Saturday, Jan. 25 in the Sacred Heart Community Center. Storyteller, cowboy poet and humorist, Biscuits O'Bryan, will entertain banquet guests.

A member of the Association of Performing Arts Presenters, The International Platform Association, and the Texas Cowboy Poets Association, Biscuits has performed for schools, universities, conventions, banquets, and

poetry gatherings. He also conducts master classes in storytelling, cowboy poetry, and chuckwagon and Dutch oven cooking.

Biscuits O'Bryan is actually the creation of Monte Jones. He holds a BA and MA in drama from Sul Ross State University in Alpine, Texas and a Master of Divinity from the School of Theology University of the South in Seawane, Tennessee. Jones served in the US Army Special Forces, Airborne (Green Berets). He has taught high school and college drama and

currently serves as the rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora and as vicar of St. James' Episcopal Church in Ft. McKavett.

Tom Carson of KGAF Radio will emcee the banquet. The social hour is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. followed by the banquet at 7:30 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce officers for 1997 are John Pollard, president; Milton Knauf, vice-president; Christi Klement, secretary; and Jewel Otto, treasurer. Assuming the three year positions on the

Chamber Board of Directors are Brian Herr, Jewel Otto, and Milton Knauf. Kim Felderhoff will serve a one year term. Completing their terms on the board are Don Hess, Lorna Dempster, and John Pagel.

Each business paying dues for 1997 will receive two tickets to the banquet and each paid individual membership receives one ticket. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$10 each. For tickets or to make reservations, call the Chamber office, 759-2227.

## Childhood programs offered by MHMRST

The first three years of a child's life are critical for his/her future. Learning begins at birth and involves a constant interaction between the child and the environment. At this young age, all developmental domains are interrelated. Infants' and toddlers' needs should be addressed comprehensively and immediately. A delay in searching for help may significantly and adversely affect their future developmental outcome. Who can help if a child is developmentally delayed at birth or in the first few months of life?

The Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) program is available to families with children who are developmentally delayed in Grayson, Cooke, and Fannin counties. The ECI program is operated by Mental Health Retardation Services of Texoma (MHMRST) and the Early Childhood Intervention Council. The ECI Council has estimated that, annually, approximately 3% or 29,052 Texas children from birth to three years of age will need ECI services.

A developmental delay can be defined as a significant variation in normal child development in one or more of the following areas: cognitive and/or communication development (vision, hearing, gross and fine motor skills and nutritional status), social and emotional development, and adaptive development and self-help skills.

With proper support, instruction and training, parents can be their child's most effective interventionist. They are typically the child's most frequent, on-going and constant caregiver. ECI invests in family education, training, counseling, and home visits. As a result of parent training, parents can

implement treatment strategies and techniques consistent with therapeutic goals and recommendations. This is a cost effective approach in that parents provide and reinforce intervention on an ongoing basis at no cost. Therapy and other intervention can be more effective when provided in a natural environment. The child is assisted in acquiring the skill in the contact in which the skill is needed. Families have the opportunity to see how they can incorporate recommendations and home program activities into their daily routines and are more likely to follow-through. The presence of typically developing peers can provide role models and greater motivation for children to learn, move, play and interact. In order for ECI services to have the maximum impact on a child, the family must be able to address their child's needs. The child's needs are addressed by a team of professionals. The composition of the team changes according to the needs of each individual child and family.

Each family is assigned a case manager. Case management (service coordination) is an integral part of ECI services. This coordination meets the child's and family's needs. If the family is in crisis, the case manager seeks resources to help stabilize the environment of these families by attending to their basic needs by connecting the family with available resources in the community. Once this is done, parents can begin to accept and understand their child's condition and needs. Families receive ECI services without charge to the family. Other professionals providing services are physical, occupational, and/or speech therapists, the staff nurse, social workers, etc.

ECI services are available in Cooke County at 1207 E. Broadway, Gainesville, (817) 665-1464.



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### Small Business Has More Reasons to Smile

Small business is the workhorse and job creator of the Texas economy. More than 97 percent of the 400,000 businesses in Texas employ fewer than 100 people.

Anything Congress can do to get out of the way of small businesses and let them get on with their jobs is a plus for our entire country.

The 104th was described recently as "one of the most productive Congresses for small business" by Jack Faris, president of the National Federal of Independent Business.

Among the major changes the 104th Congress made in laws affecting small business are:

- \* A provision raising the amount small business owners may deduct immediately for the cost of items such as computers and equipment from \$17,500 to \$25,000.

- \* A provision allowing small business owners to set up pension plans for themselves and their employees that is simpler, less costly and free of burdensome regulations.

- \* A provision allowing businesses with 50 or fewer employees to set up interest-free medical savings accounts for health care expenses. This provision also increases, incrementally, the amount of health insurance costs that self-employed individuals may deduct from 40 percent in 1997 to 80 percent in 2006.

- \* The Paperwork Reduction Act, which set a government-wide paperwork reduction goal of 10 percent per year through the year 2001. This will make a tremendous difference in the way the government approaches business. In March, 1995, the Office of Management and Budget estimated that Americans spend more than 6.4 billion hours a year filling out forms and compiling records to accommodate the federal government.

- \* The Taxpayers Bill of Rights has been enacted into law. If a business owner becomes involved in a dispute with the IRS, this law shifts the burden of proof from the taxpayer (who groans under this burden now) to the IRS. It also allows the IRS to remove a lien or levy in some situations other than when the taxpayer has made full payment, and makes it easier for those who win their cases to collect attorney's fees from the IRS.

- \* Some 1.2 billion small businesses have been given a six-month reprieve on electronic filing of their federal tax deposits. This affects businesses that deposited more than \$50,000 in employment taxes in 1995. The previous deadline was January 1, 1997. Owners now have until July 1, 1997 to comply.

But much remains to be done before all bureaucratic stumbling blocks to small business are removed. Among the areas I would like to see the 105th Congress address come January include a broadening of the home office deduction, enactment of legislation to make government regulation more flexible, 100 percent deductibility of health-care coverage costs, regulatory reform — and (the biggest of all) reform of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

It should be made easier — not more difficult — to do business in Texas and in America. Come the 105th Congress, I intend to see that reform efforts continue to focus on reducing the burdens we place on small businesses.

## From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

It has always been my belief that one attended school to enhance one's knowledge, to learn more and better ways to do the things that, over a period of time, become necessary as we strive to attain our goals in life.

We study English to be better able to communicate with our fellowmen.

In the last several weeks there has been considerable flap in the news about a California School Board deciding to teach "Ebonics," or, as I understand it, the dialect common among more or less uneducated Blacks.

If a person thinks about it, that is likely the easiest way to move the kids on through, from one grade to another, but it does nothing to improve their use of our language or to enhance their ability to communicate. In latter years it has become almost impossible to detect the color of a man's

skin by the make-up of his speech. It would be a grave disservice to students to take away anything that would add to their abilities as they grow into adulthood.

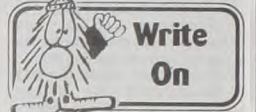
Many years ago, when Al Smith was a candidate for the U.S. Presidency, in '28, my Dad and a friend drove to Oklahoma City to hear him speak.

I well remember Dad telling how Mr. Smith, while taking a certain special interest group to task, was exhorted to "pour it on them" by quite a number of his listeners.

Mr. Smith immediately ceased speaking and conferred with his advisors as to the meaning of "pour it on them." Being unfamiliar with the term, he did not wish to antagonize his listeners, but was then happy to learn they approved of his words.

One never outgrows the need to better communicate with others.

## Letter to the editor



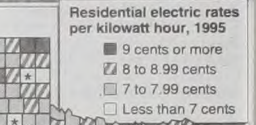
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## Keeping an eye on Texas

### Households see variety of electric rates

Electric rates varied for residential customers across the state in 1995. South Texas consumers, who weathered the hottest summer temperatures, paid some of the highest retail rates.



### Legislative update

The Texas Legislature, which convened January 14, will consider deregulating wholesale and retail sale of electricity to Texas households and businesses.

\* Electric rates not available in some areas.  
SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Texas Public Utility Commission.

## Police Log

- November/December 1996
- 14 - Assistance to motorists.
  - 1 - Report of stolen Christmas lights.
  - 7 - Report of criminal mischief.
  - 1 - Report of suspicious person.
  - 1 - Report of suspicious vehicles.
  - 1 - Report of theft of gasoline.
  - 2 - Report of assault.
  - 1 - Report of reckless damage.
  - 2 - Assistance to ambulance.
  - 7 - Report of accident.
  - 1 - Report of drunk driver.
  - 7 - Check business alarm.
  - 2 - Secure unlocked business.
  - 1 - Report of fraud.
  - 1 - Report of illegal solicitors.
  - 1 - Assistance to Cooke County Sheriff's Dept. - burglary of residence.
  - 2 - Funeral assistance.
  - 1 - Report of theft of service.
  - 1 - Report of stolen bicycles.
  - 1 - Report of passing forged instrument.
  - 1 - Report of overdose.
  - 1 - Assistance to Careflight.
  - 1 - Report of harassment.
  - 2 - Report of disturbance.
  - 1 - Respond to 911 call and assistance.
  - 2 - Parking in school crosswalk.
  - 1 - Parking in school fire lane.
  - 3 - Exhibition of acceleration.
  - 1 - Disorderly conduct.
  - 1 - Failure to yield right-of-way.
  - 1 - Ran stop sign.
  - 1 - Speeding.

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

Sunday, January 19	Monday, January 20	Tuesday, January 21	Wednesday, January 22	Thursday, January 23	Friday, January 24	Saturday, January 25
Muenster KC Free Throw, 1 p.m., SH Gym ABBA Abortion Ed. Program, 9 a.m., KC Hall Life Teen 2-4:30 p.m. Lights & T-Shirts	Muenster VFW Meeting, 8 p.m. Sacred Heart - No School Teacher Inservice Lindsay Open House 7:30-8:30 SH-JH G/B at Gold-Burg, 6 p.m.	MISD 100 Day Celebration Muenster Library Board Meeting, 7 p.m. SH-JVB, VGB vs. Covenant Cr., there, 4:30 Muenster JV/B/G, VGB vs. Saint Jo, here, 4:30 p.m. Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	MMH Auxiliary Meeting, 7 p.m., Adm. Office MISD old gym open for volleyball - all welcome Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	2nd & 3rd Grade Brownies Meeting, 3:45-4:45 Muenster 7-8 G/B vs. Collinsville, here, 4:30 p.m. Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Muenster JV/B, VGB vs. Collinsville, here, 4:30 p.m.	Muenster Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Social Hour 6:30 p.m. Banquet 7:30 p.m. SH VGB vs. Abilene Christian, there, 1 p.m.
Sunday, January 26	Monday, January 27	Tuesday, January 28	Wednesday, January 29	Thursday, January 30	Friday, January 31	Saturday, February 1
JELLY - Rugby 2-4 p.m. Life Teen Super Bowl Bash	SH Preschool Parents Meeting, 7 p.m. SH Home School Meeting 8 p.m. SH-JH G/B vs. Terral, here, 6 p.m. Muenster 7/8 G/B vs. Ponder, here, 4:30 p.m. SH JVB vs. Nocona, here, 4:30 p.m.	Muenster VB vs. Tams, here, 6 p.m. Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	MISD old gym open for volleyball Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	SH Student Council Swell Day Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	MISD classes dismiss 12:30 p.m. Teacher Staff Development Workshop begins 12:45 p.m. Muenster JV G/B, VGB vs. Ponier, there, 4:30 p.m. SH VGB vs. Alamo Catholic, here, 6 p.m.	SH VGB vs. Alamo Catholic, here, noon Muenster Tournament JV G/B, TBA

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## Services held for Caroline Hennigan



Caroline Hennigan

East, PA; and two brothers Richard J. Wimmer and Arnold H. Wimmer, both of Münster.

There are 32 grandchildren and 47 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; by her husband who died on March 6, 1978; by one grandson Bobby Hennigan, one infant brother Edmund Wimmer, one infant sister Esther Wimmer.

Mass of Christian Burial was held in Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1997 at 10 a.m. officiated by Father David Bellinghausen OSB. A Rosary service was held on the preceding day in McCoy Funeral Chapel at 4 p.m. and Vigil at 7 p.m.

Participating in the special

liturgy for the Mass of Christian Burial were grandchildren. The First Reading from the Old Testament was given by Kelly Waters; the Responsorial Psalm by LaNell Noggler; the Second Reading from the New Testament by Donna Hennigan.

Prayers of the Faithful were offered by Lisa Hess. Offertory gifts were presented at the altar by Sharon Roberts, Dianne Ellis, and Carmen Davis.

Eucharistic Ministers were Marilyn Pelzel, Miriam Caplinger, Lucille Hesse, and Regina Pels.

Altar servers were Sylvan Walterscheid, Butch Fisher, and Chuck Bartush, Jr.

Music Ministers were Ruth Felderhoff and Christy Hesse. Sacred songs included "Amazing Grace," "How Great Thou Art," "On Eagles Wings," and "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name." All of these were Mrs. Hennigan's favorites. At the incensing and farewell, they sang "Song of the Angels - May the Angels Lead You Into Paradise."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Münster. Pallbearers were Alfred Hennigan, Wayne Pelzel, Carl Sicking, James Hennigan, Ricky Hennigan and Billy Hennigan.

## Red River Farm Co-op grows and shares profits

by Dave Fette

The fiscal year ending November 30, 1996 closed showing record sales of \$6,186,000.00 and a profit of \$456,641.00 for Red River Farm Co-op of Gainesville. "This was made possible by the patronage of its loyal members who will share in the profits," said general manager Lloyd Lee.

The Co-op was organized by farmers and ranchers in 1964 to pool their purchasing power and provide goods and services at competitive prices. Loyal

members are the backbone of the Co-op, but anyone can purchase. You do not have to be a member.

Profits generated each year are paid back to the membership in relationship to the amount of business done with the cooperative. This is known as a patronage refund. The refund is paid back one-half in cash and one-half in equity credits. The equity credits are held and used as operating capital. In 1989 a program was implemented that pays full equity to members at age 65. They receive a lump payment except for one share of stock. Any refunds in subsequent years are paid one hundred percent cash.

Red River Farm Co-op will have paid in cash during the 1996 fiscal year a total of \$456,641.00 in patronage and equities. This makes a total of \$2,831,991.00 paid back to members over the last seven years.

Governed by a true democratic process, the Co-op is owned by its members who, in turn, elect a nine member board of directors with representatives in Cooke,

Grayson and Montague counties in Texas, and Love County in Oklahoma. The members hold an annual meeting each March. There the business audit is reviewed and directors are elected. They meet on a monthly basis.

Primarily a propane distributor when first organized, the Co-op has grown and become more diversified. Fertilizers including liquids and dry bulk blends are now available including custom application of both. Application of agricultural chemicals is also available.

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Other goods available include feed, steel posts, wire, bulk oils and greases, baler wire, baler twine, baler wrap, batteries and other supplies needed by farmers and ranchers. For more information call (817)665-4338.

## Brother of Eva Jo Otto dies at 71

Elton McEntire of Oklahoma City passed away on Jan. 2, 1997. His funeral was held Jan. 6 at 1 p.m. in Bill Eisenhour Funeral Chapel in Oklahoma City.

He was born on Feb. 5, 1926 in Münster to Oscar and Mary L. McEntire. He left Münster in 1946. On Oct. 23, 1947 he married Lou Fite.

Survivors include his wife, Lou McEntire and two daughters Elta Lou Brown and Joyce Andrew; and four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also one brother Oscar McEntire of Wichita Falls and two sisters, Eva Jo Otto of Münster and Ola Lee Marrs of Dallas.

Preceding him in death were his parents, two brothers Orville and Archie McEntire and a sister, Faye.

Pallbearers were Lana Metee, David Gazaway, Christine Gazaway, John Hogan, Dustin Lancaster and Roy Giles.

Interment was in Sunny Lane Cemetery in Oklahoma City.

## John T. Willis dies at 77 on Jan. 8

by Elfreda Fette

John T. Willis of Forestburg died at age 77 in Nocona on Jan. 8, 1997 at 4:35 a.m., following a long illness.

He was born on Feb. 2, 1920 in Cooke County to Claude A. Willis and Elizabeth (Barker) Willis. On Sept. 25, 1946 he married Alice Catherine Wilson in Weatherford. She died on April 10, 1985.

On Nov. 17, 1986 he married Wanda Perryman in Nocona. Survivors include his wife Wanda Willis of Forestburg;

one daughter Peggy Cain of Forestburg; one sister Charlene Woods of Forestburg; and two grandchildren.

John Willis attended Forestburg High School and Cooke County College. He served in the Sixth Ranger Division in Japan in World War II, and was a lifetime member of Münster VFW Post #6205. He was a member of Forestburg Methodist Church and was a rancher all his life.

The funeral service for John T. Willis was held on Jan. 9,

1997 in Forestburg Methodist Church, officiated by Rev. Mike Miller at 11:00 a.m. The Münster VFW Post #6205 provided the honor guard.

Members Don Hess, Willie Fisher, James Hess, and Arthur Bayer participated. Interment was in Perryman Cemetery, directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo. Pallbearers were Charles Cook, Dick Eisey, Kenne Woods, John Woods, Olin Marrett, and Johnny Traylor. Honorary pallbearers were members of Münster VFW Post #6205.



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## MMH considers purchase of St. Richard's Villa

by Janet Felderhoff

Münster Memorial Hospital Administrator Jack Endres reported Tuesday that the hospital will consider signing a letter of intent to purchase the local rest home, St. Richard's Villa. The decision will probably be made at their regular board meeting Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Due to unusual circumstances the Münster Enterprise was printed on

Wednesday afternoon and we are unable to report on that decision this week. Watch next week for more details.

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### CCAD

year." In other business coming before the board:

- Voted 5-0 to approve a credit card with a \$2,000 limit for the CCAD. Presson and Business Manager Rosaleigh Woods were authorized to sign it. The card will be used to reserve hotel or motels rooms for conferences or travel. All bills must be approved by the board before they are paid.
- Listened to report by Ken Kaiser on possibly using a local bookkeeping firm to assist CCAD staff. He feels it would save money.
- Approved 8 members attending the Texas Association of Appraisal District's 16th annual conference. Will pay fee and two nights stay.
- Minutes of Dec. 12, 1996 meeting were approved.
- Approved payment of bills and reviewed financial statement.

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# Lifestyle



## Family gathering honors Voths' 60th

John and Christine Voth of Lindsay celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary with a family gathering on Dec. 29, 1996. Father Eugene Luke celebrated Mass at their home, with their children and spouses, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending. The noon meal was served and family pictures were taken. John and Christine were married in St. Peter's Church in Lindsay on Dec. 29, 1936. Their daughters and sons-in-law are Alice and Robert David of Pilot Point, Lorine and Frank Sandmann of Lindsay, and Dolores and Jimmy

Zimmerer of Fort Worth. Their grandchildren are Pam Schmitz of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Tammy Howard, Russell David, Donna Akins and Sandra David of Pilot Point; Jeff Zimmerer and Rob Sandmann of Bedford; Jennifer Zimmerer of Arlington; and Amy Sandmann of Lindsay. They have five great-grandchildren, Chase David, Riley and Shelbi Howard, Dalton Akins and Zachary Schmitz. John enjoyed farming and Christine has been a devoted housewife. Both are members of St. Peter's Catholic Church.



JOHN and CHRISTINE VOTH ... on their 60th anniversary ...

## Weighing the pros and cons: Muenster vs. the Metroplex

by Nicole Endres  
Sirens with blasting horns fill the air in the streets of Dallas. People rushing, traffic honking, lights and sounds are everywhere. It is Dallas, the Metroplex.

City life can be an adventure. Shopping malls and theaters, dance clubs, and sights to see cover the streets. There is always something for entertainment. Beautiful structures and lights cover the skyline.

When it comes down to it though, Muenster does not seem all that bad. The sky gets dark in Muenster and one can actually see the stars. Everyone knows the people walking by. People look out for each other. Worries about where to park for work, school, or church do not exist. There are no costs for parking.

In the city, concrete replaces grass. It is possible to leave the beauty of nature unnoticed. Some people have never been near a cow and literally do not even know where beef comes from. Everything has to be locked up. Nothing can be trusted as safe. Number one on the list of rules in the city is "Walk with a friend at all times if possible, and NEVER walk alone at night."

It is never quiet. There is always light and sound bursting into every corner. There is no privacy, except for the little bit achieved when the door is locked. Even then there is sound and light storming through every window or crack.

Muenster is a softer atmosphere. The environment is friendly. It is no big deal to go for a walk at night or anytime. The kids can play in the backyard with no worries for the parents. There is country. Nothing can top open land. A sense of freedom blows through the fields surrounding Muenster. People can walk, run, or drive through the country roads and have a chance to get away from it all and think things through. People in Muenster think rather than act so hastily. Things are not so fast-paced. Everyone gets a chance to breathe. Places are not so dirty. Friendly faces work behind the counters. Schools are safe. Teachers are great. No one would dream of bringing a gun to class. At times, it may seem dull, but when the noise and hassle of the Metroplex is compared, nothing beats the natural peace of Muenster.

## Allison Klement is Texas Tech graduate

Allison Claire Klement graduated from Texas Tech University in December commencing exercises. She graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Communications. While in college Allison was a member of Mortar Board, Gamma Sigma Delta and Alpha Zeta. She served the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources as Ag Council treasurer, Agri-Techsan and vice-president of Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow. She was also named Who's Who Among Students in

American Colleges and Universities.

Attending the ceremony were her parents Andrew and Emily Klement, grandparents Eugene and Claire Klement, sisters Kristen Ware and Laura Klement, her brother Adam Klement, and college friends Melanie Hilburn, Jennifer Bickel and Tug Rix. Allison has accepted a graduate assistantship at Texas A & M University where she will begin Master's work in Agricultural Education. She is a 1993 graduate of Muenster High School.

## NCTC spring registration

This week's icy weather has caused North Central Texas College officials to extend this Spring's late registration through Wednesday, January 22 for Gainesville, Denton and Lewisville campuses.

While there is no registration on Monday due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, extended late registration will continue from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for all three

NCTC campuses. Both credit and non-credit courses are available at 1525 W. California St. in Gainesville, 601 E. Hickory St. in Denton or 109 W. Main St. in Lewisville.

For more information about the extended NCTC registration, call the Gainesville registrar at (817)668-4222, or call NCTC in Denton at (817)381-1142 or Lewisville at (972)420-0089.

## Baptisms

### Block

On Sunday Jan. 12, 1997 Matthew Christopher Block received the Sacrament of Baptism, officiated by Father Eugene Luke at St. Peter's Church in Lindsay. Matthew is the son of Glenn and Sonya Block. For his Baptism, Matthew wore a white satin gown with white embroidered flowers, a gift from his grandmother Diane Eberhart. An angel pin made of rhinestones with December birthstone wings was attached to his collar, a gift from his Godparents Bill and Annette Bayer.

Following the ceremony, lunch was held at the Wooden Spoon. The table centerpiece was a white cake with "Matthew: Our New Little Angel" in baby blue frosting.

Gifts were opened and pictures were taken.

Attending were Matthew's parents, his brothers Joey, John, and Travis; his grandmother Diane Eberhart; Selina Brak and Alexandra; Katie Eberhart and Bethany; Dale Ray, Natalie, Melissa, and Kristen Alexander; Bill, Annette, Michelle, Nicole, and Neil Bayer; Kevin, Brenda, Mallory, Garrett, Jessica and Darryl Block; and Pat, Tammy, Sabrina and Kyle Bezer. Unable to attend were grandparents Wilbert and Anna Mae Block and uncle Tim Block.

### Meeting!

Friends of the Jones Farm. Saturday, January 25, 10 a.m. at Mountain Springs Community Center. FM 372, near FM922.

## Joe Hoenig honored Dec. 29 at Christmas meal and gathering


Joe Hoenig's family gathered for Christmas on December 29, at noon for a turkey and dressing feast, in the home of a daughter and son-in-law Edna and Richard Hermes in Lindsay.

Together for the celebration were Eleanore and Carl Pelzer of Ennis; Rupert and Jeannie Hoenig of Lake Kiowa; Rita Cottle of Carrollton; Ray and Celie Hoenig of Lindsay; Edna and Richard Hermes of Lindsay.

Also attending were grandchildren and great grandchildren from Lake Jackson, Lindsay, Gainesville, Wichita Falls, Carrollton, Palmer, Ennis and Era for a total of 46. Visiting and game were enjoyed during the afternoon.

## Oops!

Muenster Pharmacy gave a Thermo-Scan Thermometer for the New Year's baby. They were omitted from last week's story. We regret the omission.




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Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hess of Muenster announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Anne Carrollton, to Lance Kendrick of Carrollton, son of Judi Worthington of Ingram, Texas and Sanford and Jayne Kendrick of Odessa, Texas. The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Muenster High School and 1995 graduate of North Central Texas College. She is currently a Registered Nurse working for Pediatric Pulmonary Specialists in Dallas. Lance is a 1986 graduate of Permian High School in Odessa. He graduated from Odessa College in 1992. He is a Registered Respiratory Therapist working in the special care nursery at Methodist Medical Center in Dallas. The couple plans to wed at 5 p.m. March 1, 1997, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster.

## Lindsay Lay Franciscans gather for crib service

On December 29, the Sunday after Christmas, members of the Lindsay Lay Franciscans gathered at St. Peter's Church after the 10:00 Mass for the annual crib service. Therese Hermes led the crib devotion prayers. The members prayed all the prayers which were used at the first crib which was erected by St. Francis of Assisi. The crib devotion is based on the Antiphons, the Paters, Aves, and the Glories.

After the prayers, several petitions were prayed for; and the devotion ended with the prayer to the Infant Jesus.

Later in the afternoon, after a prayer group meeting, everyone went to the crib and sang in German and English the Christmas song to the Child Jesus, "Oh come Little Children." Everyone wished each other a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



This year's winners of the annual Cub Scout Pack 664 Turkey competitions were (l-r) Michael Valliere, Kirk Hartman, Evan Koester, and Chad Endres. Other scouts participating included Michael Abney, Joseph Dangelmayr and Brad Endres. Courtesy Photo

## Local marine supports Operation Pacific Haven

Captain James M. Bright, of Muenster, spent his holiday season deployed in support of Operation Pacific Haven in Guam.

Joint Task Force Pacific Haven, established in Guam, September 17, provides a safe haven for more than 4,300 Kurdish men, women and children seeking political asylum to the United States. Providing humanitarian aid within the Pacific region is part of the U. S. Pacific Command's mission, and U. S. forces there are well-equipped and very capable of providing assistance.

Bright, 32, is the commander of the Marine ground combat element, which is providing security for the evacuees.

Bright, a Virginia Military Institute graduate, said, "It is great to be a part of this operation. It is rewarding to me to see these evacuees get a chance at a better life."

Bright is the son of David and Juanita Bright of Muenster.



CAPT. JAMES M. BRIGHT

## Susan Arendt graduates TWU

Susan Ann Arendt, daughter of David and Sharon Arendt of Lindsay is a Magna cum laude graduate of Texas Woman's University. She received a Bachelor of Science degree, with a major in Human Biology and a minor in Psychology. Degrees were conferred during winter commencement exercises in December.

Susan is currently enrolled in Texas Woman's University's Graduate School in Dallas. She is pursuing her Master's degree in Physical Therapy. She is a 1992 honor graduate of Lindsay High School where she

participated in many UIL activities and competitions.

### Meetings Notice

The Cooke County Diabetic Support Group will meet Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gainesville Memorial Hospital Conference Room. Dr. Douglas Drescher DPM of Gainesville Podiatry will present a program on Do's and Don'ts of Diabetic Foot Care. For more information or to request a ride call Joan Walterscheid at 759-2271.

## Years Ago ...

10 YEARS AGO  
October 24, 1986

Local interest in November 4 election is focused on Precinct 4 Commissioners Court race. Muenster Enterprise plans special edition in observance of 50th anniversary. City Council files application with Texas Dept. of Health for permit to operate a proposed Type III municipal solid waste site. Anthony Luke honored by Sacred Heart Men's Choir members and the pastors of Sacred Heart Church, upon completion of 50 years as church organist. Landscaping at Muenster Memorial Hospital is awarded Yard of the Month honors for November by the Muenster Garden Club. New Arrival: Kelli Lynn Felderhoff to Steve and Donna Felderhoff.

30 YEARS AGO  
October 28, 1966


Elaborate preparations are underway for Western Week in Muenster, during National Cutting Horse Finals in show barn at Colonial Acres. Homecoming 1966 at Sacred Heart High names Gloria Gieb as Tiger Football Queen. Football: Tigers 30, Bishop Lynch High 0; Muenster High 8, Valley View 18; Lindsay Knights tie Westminster 24-24. Wayne Klement, 17, is named Optimist Boy of the month for October and Winner of Zone A competition. New Arrivals: a son for Mr. and Mrs. Harold Neu; a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wolf; a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Myrick; a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Fuhrmann. Joe Fisher, Sr. is honored on 89th birthday.

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# School News



## Gov. Bush proclaims January as School Board Recognition Month

Governor George W. Bush has proclaimed January as School Board Recognition Month to build awareness and understanding of the vital function an elected board of education plays in our communities.

Muenster Independent School District is joining with other districts throughout the state to recognize the important contributions trustees make to their communities.

Even though a special effort is made this month to recognize and show appreciation to MISD's school board members, we understand that their contribution to education, in Muenster, is a year around commitment. They dedicate their energies and many hours of devoted service to the betterment of education and of course they do this above and beyond the call of regular jobs and they do it for no compensation.

School board members exemplify local control of the decision making process that impacts each school district in the state. They are responsible for decisions that impact the education that each youngster in this district receives. Many times they receive criticism for the tough decisions that have to be made. This in itself speaks volumes to the quality of leaders MISD has on its board. All leadership positions

require men and women who are willing to do the right thing regardless of criticism.

They are elected to establish the policies that provide the framework for our public schools. They represent you, and they take this responsibility seriously by attending lengthy, and sometimes turbulent, meetings, conferences, and workshops where they broaden their knowledge about education.

MISD's board is one of more than 1,000 across the state. These boards enable us to have local control of the public schools, meaning that decisions on school programs are made by local, elected representatives who understand the community's unique problems, values, culture, and circumstances.

Too often we neglect to recognize the dedication and hard work of the women and men who represent us. The staff and students of our school district are asking all local citizens to take a moment to tell a school board member "thanks for caring about our children's education."

The men and women serving Muenster ISD are: Leon Klement, President; Clifford Sicking, Vice-President; Annette Anderle, Secretary; Tom Hartman, Member; Tom Flusche, Member; Peggy Lutkenhaus, Member.



MISD Geography Bee winners (l-r): Pamela Lutkenhaus, Justin Thweatt and Grant Hartman. Photograph by Janie Hartman

## Grant Hartman wins Geography Bee

Thirty-four MISD students participated in the school level competition of the National Geography Bee last week. Seventh grader Grant Hartman, son of Roy and Irene Hartman, took top honors answering nineteen questions correctly. Seventh grader Pamela Lutkenhaus, daughter of Leo and Peggy Lutkenhaus received second place answering fifteen correctly. Winning third place was fifth grader Justin Thweatt, son of Jerry and Wynema Thweatt. Competition was fierce as each student competed to win top honors answering twenty-five questions. Three rather difficult tie breaker questions were used to determine the winner, if necessary. Muenster High School's National Honor Society has furnished prizes for the top three contestants each

year since the geography competition began seven years ago.

Grant has also taken a written qualifying exam which may allow him to participate in the state bee. The next level is the national contest to be held in Washington, D.C. The National Geographic Society offers a Grand Prize which is a \$25,000 college scholarship.

Other top class scorers include sixth graders Megan Lippe, Karl Fisher, Jonathan Sicking, Justin Hess, and Dustin Walterscheid. Fourth grader Clint Miller tied for sixth place, which is good considering he was competing against seventh and eighth graders. The NHS wants to thank all who participated and made this year's competition especially rewarding for both contestants and sponsors.

## College students cautioned about "free money" offers

Every year, as students pursue their dreams by applying to colleges, universities and graduate schools, their attention soon shifts to the reality and concern of how to pay for their education. College costs have tripled over the past 15 years making it difficult for many families to keep up with the increasing dollars they are asked to contribute each year. As a result many students desperately seek out any help they can get for financial aid.

All too often students hear of offers for "free money" or scholarships that are too good to be true, usually promoted through organizations who promise results that they can't deliver. Recently the Federal Trade Commission closed down 5 operations who promised scholarship money to all students who sent them an exorbitant fee. If the promise is to receive money with no effort on the student's part, the offer is probably not valid, say top financial aid experts.

Fortunately there is legitimate scholarship and

grant money available, including nearly 400,000 non-government sources, but students need to be willing to do the work to identify and apply for these funds. Those who learn about the financial aid process and their available options are more likely to be successful in receiving the scholarship and grant money that is available to them.

Now, through the resources of the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA), an updated publication for 1997 is available which spells out academic funding guidelines, steps students through the maze of the financial aid process, gives tips on setting up a successful financial aid search and shows what is needed to secure scholarship assistance.

For information on how to receive academic funding aid, scholarships send a No. 10 self-addressed, double stamped business envelope plus \$2.00 cover handling to NAFA, 85 Middle Street, Dept. D, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

## SHYM events planned

by Eric Gray

### LIFE TEEN LIGHTS & T-SHIRTS TO GO!

Hey high schoolers! This Sunday, January 19 is a "DO-ing" event in a big way! Meet at the C.C. parking lot at 2 p.m. (yes we are afternoon bound this time). We'll begin by taking down the Christmas decorations downtown for the Chamber of Commerce. If you've got a stepladder, bring it along and the wreaths and lights will be a bit easier to take down!

After the decor is taken down and put in storage, we'll head to St. Richard's Villa to present the residents their T-shirts which were made a couple of weeks back. Come help spread some joy to 'em.

After that it's back to the C.C. Main Hall, where we'll make T-shirts for ourselves! You bring the T-shirt or sweatshirt to paint up, and we'll supply the refreshments, fabric paint and atmosphere. We'll wrap it up by 4:30 p.m., so come on down and take in a triple event afternoon of fun, food service and gift giving.

### J.E.L.L.Y RUGBY ON LINE

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## Super Bowl Bash Jan. 26

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Thur. - Hoagies w/ham and cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pork and beans, pineapple, milk.

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Mon. - Crispito, Mexican rice, cole slaw, fruit, bread, milk.

Tues. - Lasagna, fried okra, lettuce salad, fruit, bread, milk.

Wed. - Deli sandwiches, potato salad, green beans, fruit cobbler, milk.

Thur. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, tator tots, ice cream, milk.

Fri. - Stew w/veggies, blueberry muffins, fruit, milk.

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Mon. - Corny dogs, French fries, beans, fruit cobbler, milk.

Tues. - Chicken pot pie, lettuce salad, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

Wed. - Lasagna, green beans, lettuce salad, fruit, bread, milk.

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**4th Grade** (Mrs. Schneider) Chase Cain, Derek Felderhoff, Gage Gilliland, Laura Hellman, Clint Miller, Tara Swirczynski. (Mrs. Walterscheid) Eric Endres, James Fanning, Joanna Felderhoff, Lana Fisher, John Fredrick, Sean Fuhrmann, Shelbi Jolliff, Whitney Watson.  
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State Representative Ron Clark issued a reminder that February 18 is the last day in 1997 to enroll in the *Texas Tomorrow Fund*, a program to help Texas families pay for their children's college education. The *Fund* had a very successful first enrollment period in 1996, with more than 40,000 Texans taking advantage of the *Fund*. However, many Texans are not aware of the *Fund* or how the program works.  
 Recognizing that college costs go up every year, the *Texas Tomorrow Fund* allows families to lock in future tuition costs and fees at Texas colleges at today's prices. Congress enacted legislation this summer clarifying the tax treatment of state sponsored prepaid tuition plans, which will make the *Fund* even more popular.  
 The current enrollment period ends February 18, 1997. There is a limited enrollment period each year, during which individuals may purchase prepaid tuition under a lump sum or a monthly installment option. The first payment for a contract purchased during this period will be due May 17, 1997.

For further information concerning the *Fund*, contact Representative Ron Clark's office at 817-665-8932, or call the toll free number for the Comptroller of Public Accounts, 1-800-445-4723. To obtain brochures and applications, write to the *Texas Tomorrow Fund* at Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board, Comptroller of Public Accounts, P.O. Box 13407, Austin, TX 78711-3407.

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## Health Notes

### Options for baby boomers' changing vision

As baby boomers reach middle age, vision changes are requiring them to rethink their vision correction options according to the Contact Lens Council (CLC). For those with presbyopia, or aging eye, current technological advances as well as those on the horizon offer more contact lens options for vision correction.

Presbyopia usually begins to affect the vision of people in their forties. It's a natural condition that occurs as the eye's lens grows older and loses some of the elasticity needed to switch focus between near and far objects.

In 1996, a number of new contact lenses that correct presbyopia were introduced and other products now being tested are likely to become available in the coming year. For example, new types of oxygen permeable and frequent replacement soft bifocal lenses were introduced for presbyopia correction. Bifocal lenses are designed with two distinct zones: one contains a prescription for distance correction, and the other provides near correction. Also, the monovision technique corrects presbyopia by using a contact lens for near correction on one eye and, if needed, a lens for distance correction on the other eye. The brain adjusts for the two prescriptions enabling the wearer to see near and distant objects clearly.

Some baby boomers may be unaware that contact lenses are an excellent option for correcting presbyopia. Presbyopia moves the range of vision farther from the eye. Also, the retina becomes less sensitive, making it more difficult to see in dim light. Some of the symptoms of presbyopia are:

- Need to hold reading materials further away before being able to focus
- Tendency to rub eyes often while reading, especially late in the day
- Eyes that sting, tear, or feel gritty
- Headaches
- Blurred close vision

## Exchange organization seeks local volunteers

Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange announces a nationwide effort to introduce YFU volunteer opportunities to individuals in the local community. YFU offers a variety of volunteer opportunities to individuals and/or families who may be interested in participating in the YFU exchange program.

After being founded in 1951, YFU has offered cross-cultural learning and travel opportunities to thousands of American teens and families who have participated in the program. YFU is a private, non-profit, educational organization dedicated to international understanding and world peace. Being one of the World's oldest and most respected exchange programs, YFU has had about 175,000 high school students participate in the program over the past 44 years.

Each year, about 3,500 families are chosen as volunteer host families for international YFU students. YFU host families open their hearts and their homes to the students while they attend a local high school and learn about life in the United States.

Assisting and supporting YFU host families, as well as spreading the word about the program, are a few of the varied responsibilities of YFU volunteers. The volunteers work on the local level and receive training and direction from one of the ten regional YFU offices in the U.S. YFU is presently seeking individuals to fill various volunteer positions in the community, ranging from promoting exchange in schools and communities, to identifying qualified host families, and interacting with international students throughout their stay.

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# Sports

## District basketball action is in full swing

**Lady Knights 56**  
**Callisburg 46**

After a close first quarter last Friday night, the Lindsay Lady Knights out-scored the Lady Cats 32-23 in the second and third quarters. The victory is Lindsay's second district win. Donna Lester and Molly Trammell led their team with 14 points each. Amanda Hellinger and Amber Gray each scored 8, while Erica Fuhrmann and Megan Sandman had 4 apiece. Stacy Hogan and Carrie Hundt each added two.

**L** 9 18 14 15 56  
**C** 8 12 11 15 46

**Tigerettes 86**  
**Harvest Christian 12**

Every Sacred Heart Tigerette saw action and scored in a lop-sided match against a first season team. "It's nice to get that first district win," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Everyone got plenty of playing time."

Three Tigerettes hit double digit scores led by Joanna Gehrig and Kayla Felderhoff with 14 each and Leah Rigler with 12. Adding 8 points were Leslie Grewing, Melinda Vickers and Dobe Fleitman. Jenny Hess put in 7. Crystal Klement 6, Kelly Rigler 4, Brandy Gilpin 3 and Jill Hess 2.

**SH** 36 19 13 18 86  
**HC** 3 3 5 1 12

**Tigerettes 55** **Covenant 28**

The Tigerettes got their second district win Saturday. "This was a big upset for us. The girls were ready to play," said Coach Jon. "Covenant came in 14-2 and the Tigerettes are on their way back."

Dobe Fleitman led all scorers with 20 points. Kayla Felderhoff added 16 and Kelly Rigler 11. Also scoring were Crystal Klement with 5, Melinda Vickers 2 and a free throw by Leslie Grewing. "We won the boards and anytime you can control the glass, you give yourself an opportunity to win," the Tigerette coach added.

**SH** 19 18 9 9 55  
**C** 9 5 8 6 28

**Tigerettes 65**  
**Masonic Home 21**

The Sacred Heart girls got their 4th win in a row Tuesday night to keep on top of the district at 3-0.

"The starting five really got after it tonight. They were impressive, both defensively and offensively," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Our bench showed great promise in the second

half with their aggressiveness." Nine Tigerettes scored in this win, with Leslie Grewing and Kayla Felderhoff leading with 10 points apiece. Crystal Klement and Kelly Rigler each scored 9, with Dobe Fleitman and Leah Rigler each putting in 8. Melinda Vickers added 6, Jennifer Hess 4, and Joanna Gehrig one.

**SH** 27 14 14 10 65  
**MH** 3 2 3 13 21

**Lady Hornets 33**  
**Ponder 51**

District favorites, the Ponder Lady Lions, outplayed Muenster Tuesday night. "We played with them for 3 quarters" Coach Donny Vernon commented about the game. "We just had too many turnovers for us to win the game. Overall we played a good game, but just shot ourselves in the foot!"

Brandi Lutkenhaus and Keisha Dill were Muenster's high scorers with 12 and 10 points. Emily Felderhoff added 3, with 2 apiece from Mindy Endres, Allison Endres, Heather Hess and Kristin Grewing.

**M** 8 7 9 9 33  
**P** 14 6 13 18 51

**Tigers 30**  
**Masonic Home 44**

The loss Tuesday night put the Tigers in the hole, 0-3 in district play. "We can still turn the corner. Our last 2 losses were a combined score of 21 points" noted Coach John Nasche. "I know if we can become a little more consistent, we can turn these games around."

Paul Swirczynski and Jonathan Grewing led Sacred heart with 12 and 11 points respectively. Jeff Yosten added 4, Waylon Hess 2, and Jon Knabe one.

**SH** 9 3 8 10 30  
**MH** 10 7 10 17 44

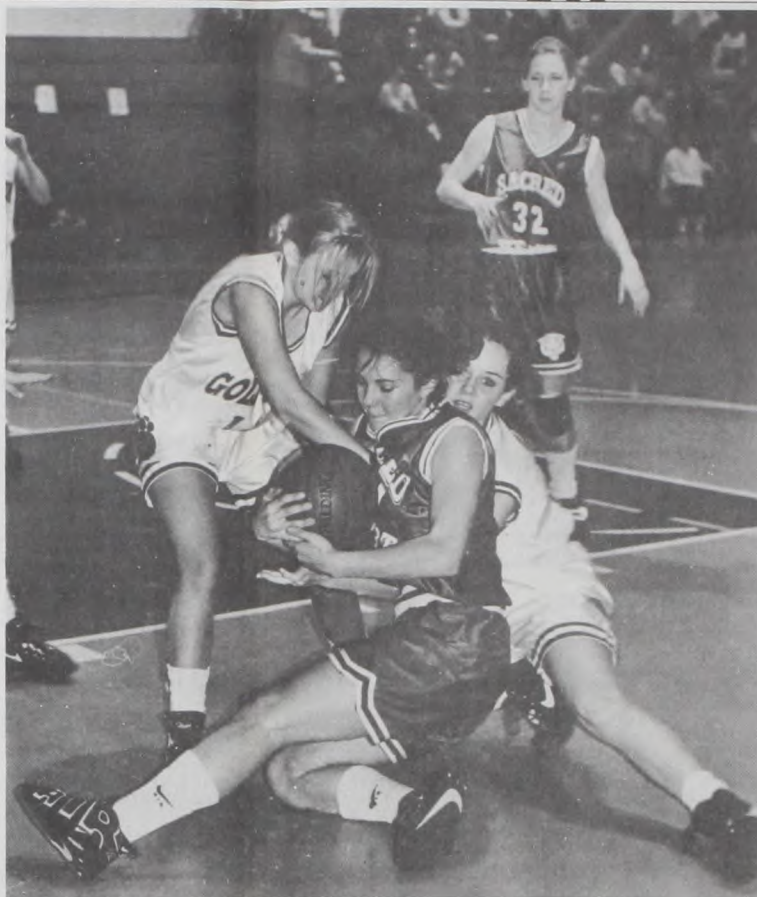
**Sacred Heart 18**  
**Masonic Home 56**

Masonic Home's speed and pressure allowed a lot of easy baskets Tuesday night in junior varsity action.

"We need to work on our ball handling," commented Coach John Nasche. "Our turnovers almost always led to easy baskets for the Masons."

Josh Walterscheid put 6 points in for the Tigers. Stephen Hofbauer added 4, with Matt Bayer and Adam Klement each hitting a 3 pointer. Matthew Nasche contributed two.

**SH** 6 4 3 5 18  
**MH** 14 18 11 13 56



Tigerette Kayla Felderhoff steals the ball from an opponent in a recent pre-district game warm up match against Gold-Burg. Sacred Heart will host Abilene Christian this Saturday, as district competition continues. Action begins at 1:00 p.m. Photograph by Dave Fette

## Free Throwing Contest set for Jan. 19

The Muenster Knights Columbus will be sponsoring their annual basketball free throw contest, Sunday, January 19 in the Sacred Heart gym. Pre-registration forms are available at both local schools from the coaches and at Tops N Teams. You may enter Sunday at the gym, but no entries will be accepted after the 1 p.m. starting time. A parent/guardian signature is required. Age groups available to participate are 10-14, both girls and boys. For more information contact Bob Hermes at Tops N Teams, 759-2540.

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# Junior High/JV Basketball

**Lindsay 7th 26 Paradise 24**  
The young Lady Squires squeezed by their opponents last Thursday. Stacie Sandmann led the scoring with 11 points, with Anna Beth Calhoun, Hannah Trammell, and Christina Otto each getting 4. Jacque Bezner added 2 and Angela Jackson one.

L	8	2	8	8	26
P	4	2	11	7	24

**Lindsay 8th 29 Paradise 25**  
The Lady Squires got a victory over Paradise, holding on to their lead as the visitors fought back the second half. Deanna Meurer led the team with 11 points. Melissa Carpenter and Karah O'Dell each added 6, with Maggie Luttmeyer, Melanie Brown, and Ellen Bezner adding 2 apiece.

L	5	14	6	4	29
P	3	4	10	8	25

**Lindsay 7th 16 Paradise 4**  
A low-scoring game last Thursday saw the "B" team Lady Squires out-shoot Paradise. Megan Taylor put in 6 points and Rachel Jively 5 to lead Lindsay in scoring. Taren Hall added 3 and Megan Ward 2.

L	3	8	1	4	16
P	2	0	0	2	4

**SAINT MARY'S TOURNAMENT**  
**Lindsay 7th 14 St. Mary's 28**  
The Lady Squires lost to their host, unable to hit the basket. Jacque Bezner scored 6 points, with Robin Neu, Alex Haayen, Megan Ward and Taren Hall each getting 2.

L	2	2	8	14	
SM	12	2	11	3	28

**Lindsay 7th 40 Callisburg 27**  
It was a different game for Lindsay's young ladies against Callisburg, with two players getting double digit scores. Jacque Bezner was high scorer with 16 points, with Hannah Trammell adding 10. Anna Beth Calhoun put in 6 with Alex Haayen and Megan Taylor each getting 4.

L	12	8	8	12	40
C	4	7	7	9	27

**Lindsay 31 Nocona 39**  
The junior varsity Lady Knights lost a close contest last week Tuesday at Nocona. Jo Sparkman was Lindsay's leading scorer with 11 points. Amanda Tamplin added 9, Courtney Hoelker 5, Dalana Cunningham 4 and Amy Arendt 2.

L	4	11	8	8	31
N	12	16	10	1	39

**MUENSTER TOURNAMENT**  
**Muenster 8th 64 Saint Jo 44**

The 8th grade Stingers defeated Saint Jo in their opening tournament game Saturday. This is the fourth time Muenster stung the Panther Cubs this season. Brad Minnix was the game's leading scorer with 24 points. Eliot Klement added 14 and Chris Grewing 9. Mitch Endres put in 8, Chism Cain 6, Dillon Sicking 2 and Jon Reed 1.

M	14	26	14	10	64
SJ	4	11	15	14	44

**Muenster 8th 24 Callisburg 43**  
The Stingers played in the championship game, but were defeated by the visiting Wildcats. Only four Muenster boys scored, led by Minnix with 16. Endres added 4 with Chris Grewing and Chism Cain putting in 2 points each. Thanks to Bob Hermes and Eddie Green for helping officiate the tournament," said Coach Ted Heers. "It was fun and our boys did a good job."

M	5	8	4	7	24
C	10	10	12	11	43

**Muenster 8th 11 Saint Jo 17**  
A low-scoring opening game Saturday morning saw the Muenster Lady Stingers fall in the final quarter to free throws. Diane Brittain and Terri Wimmer each scored 4 points. Kristie Lutkenhaus added 2 and Megan Hennigan one.

M	0	5	4	2	11
SJ	0	4	6	7	17

**Muenster 8th 19 Lindsay 12**  
Muenster finished in 3rd place over the Lindsay girls Saturday afternoon. Only three Lady Stingers scored, with Megan Hennigan leading with 9 followed by Kristie Lutkenhaus with 8 and 2 points by Diane Brittain.

Lindsay scores were unavailable.					
M	10	3	0	6	19
L	0	2	7	3	12

**Muenster 7th 19 Saint Jo 11**  
Muenster's young Lady Stingers took a win from Saint Jo last Thursday. Crystal Lutkenhaus was high scorer with 7 points. Lacy Endres and Ashley Klement each added 4, with Jennifer Reid and Pam Lutkenhaus scoring 2 apiece. After a 12-7 first half lead, Muenster out-scored their guest 7-4 the next 2 periods for the win.

**Muenster 8th 19 Saint Jo 9**  
Megan Hennigan put in 10 points, 8 the first quarter, to lead the Lady Stingers to a victory last Thursday. Terri Wimmer added 4, Casey Bell and Malony Gieb 2

while Dana Miller and Lisa Rohmer both got a free throw.

SH	12	13	6	4	35
N	0	2	1	4	7

**Sacred Heart 51 Montague 31**  
Mattie Sicking was "dynamite on the boards" with 20 points to lead the Lady Cubs in their second tournament win.

"This was our highest offense out put for the season," bragged Coach Jon, "All of the girls played great."

Hartman added 9 points and Bauer 8 for Sacred Heart. Koessler put in 6, Barnhill 5, Jackie Bartush 2 and Melanie Bartush 1.

SH	14	13	15	9	51
M	6	6	8	11	31

**Sacred Heart 33 Goldberg 32**  
In the championship match in the round robin tournament, both teams started the game undefeated. In an even 4 quarter game, the Lady Cubs held their opponents to two free throws the final quarter for the win.

"Great effort by the Lady Cubs," said Coach Jon, noting several key players: Hartman's free throw shooting, Bauer's offensive punch, Sicking's and Koessler's control of the boards and good defense by Barnhill and M. Bartush. Bauer was the game's high scorer with 14 points. Sicking added 9, with 4 points each from Hartman and Barnhill. Bartush and Sepanski each got one.

**Lindsay 36 Muenster 26**  
Jo Sparkman put in 12 points to lead Lindsay in a junior varsity victory over Muenster. Amy Arendt scored 8, with 5 apiece from Sarah Eberhart and Amanda Tamplin. Sarah Trammell and Dalana Cunningham each scored 2 with Courtney Hoelker getting one.

Scoring for Muenster were Maggie Fisher with 10 and Polly Fette 9. Jackie Henscheid 3 and 2 apiece from Jonna Schneider and Reagan Koessler. "The girls played one of their best games of the year," Coach Randy Tankersley said. "I was proud of the girls' execution and their effort."

Tankersley named Courtney Haverkamp and Jonna Schneider as defensive standouts, and Maggie Fisher and Polly Fette on offense.

L	9	4	11	12	36
M	0	7	14	5	26

**Muenster 21 Slidell 66**  
In game two, the Lady Hornets were challenged by the Lady Hounds, who brought only their 5 main players and had no one to substitute as the scoring got one sided. "The girls played a lot better than the score indicates and I was very proud of their effort," said Coach Tank. "Each player has improved and I am very proud of their team work."

Jackie Henscheid scored 6 points, Maggie Fisher 5, Jo Sparkman 4 and 2 apiece from



Elliott Klement (25) and Chism Cain (33) defend the basket against Saint Jo. The Stingers won the first round of the tournament, but settled for third place. Photograph by Janie Hartman

Courtney Haverkamp, Stephanie Bierschen, and Jonna Schneider.

M	8	3	10	10	31
L	7	8	15	15	45

**Muenster 56 Slidell 53**  
The young Hornets took 3rd place away from the Greyhounds in a scoring contest that remained even. Bryan Miller led Muenster with 22 points with Justin Fleitman and Kevin Johnson each scoring 13. Others adding to the win were Justin Klement with 4 points and two apiece from Jeff Klement and Danny Felderhoff.

"This was a huge victory for the guys," stated Coach Blair Kellner. "I was extremely proud of them."

M	13	14	14	15	56
S	17	10	13	13	53

## Julie Felderhoff is co-captain on University of Dallas team

Julie Felderhoff, a graduate of Sacred Heart High School, is a co-captain of the University of Dallas women's basketball team. Felderhoff, in her fourth season with the Lady

Crusaders, plays point guard and is within three games of setting the school record for games played in a career. She is also fourth in career assists at the school.



Kristie Lutkenhaus (20) and Terri Wimmer fight for the ball in tournament action against Saint Jo Saturday morning. Also pictured is Diane Brittain (32), Ami Graham (23) and Meagan Hennigan (33). Photograph by Janie Hartman

each and Kristie Lutkenhaus one.

M	13	4	0	2	19
SJ	2	2	0	5	9

**MONTAGUE TOURNAMENT**  
**Sacred Heart 35 Nocona 7**

In the opening game, the Lady Cubs easily handled the young Indians. "Defense was outstanding," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur, as all players saw action. "The girls have been working hard and now they are beginning to reap the benefits."

Mattie Sicking led with 8 points. Andrea Bauer added 6 and Holly Hartman 4. Scoring 3 points apiece were Audrey Barnhill, Elizabeth Fette, and Ashley Hess. Jessica Koessler, Sara Sepanski, and Melanie Bartush each got two,

SH 12 8 6 7 33  
G 10 10 10 2 32

The Lady Cubs next game will be a rematch at Goldberg, January 20.

**CALLISBURG TOURNAMENT**  
**Lindsay 31 Callisburg 36**

After taking a 19-13 half-time lead, Lindsay junior varsity Lady Knights allowed the Lady Cats to out-score them in the third quarter 7-17 to take a 4 point lead going into the final period. Sarah Eberhart put in 10 points for Lindsay, followed by 9 from Jo Sparkman. Amanda Tamplin added 6, Courtney Hoelker 3, Amy Arendt 2 and Sarah Trammell one.

L	6	13	7	5	31
C	2	11	17	6	36

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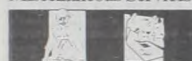
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According to the 1997 Standard Federal Tax Report: A cash-basis farmer who is forced to sell livestock due to drought conditions in an area designated as eligible for assistance by the federal government may elect to be taxed on the forced sale income (gain that normally would not have been realized in the year of the forced sale) in the following year if the farmer can show that the income from the sale of livestock would normally have been reported in such following year.

## Drought-stressed forage can cause nitrate toxicity

Various types of sorghum hay that were baled during last summer's dry period may contain nitrate levels high enough to be toxic to cattle being fed this winter. Hay that was grown during the dry period should be tested for nitrate levels before feeding. Forage crops most susceptible to high nitrate are the sorghum, sorghum-sudan hybrids, sudan grass, johnsongrass and the millets.

## Nutrition is important for cow and calf

Even if you're a long way from calving, now is the time to think about retained placenta and ways to prevent it. The most common cause of retained placenta is lack of vitamin A during pregnancy. One can wait until calving and spend a lot on medical bills, or spend a few dollars now on nutrition. Cows provided with inadequate protein during pregnancy produce smaller, weaker calves at birth. Weaker calves get sick and have a much higher death rate than calves from well-fed cows. Scours is the leading killer of young calves. Scours is not just one disease. It is caused by many different organisms. Overeating can cause scours, as when a calf doesn't nurse for a while, then suddenly loads up on milk. Fact is, a calf has to consume colostrum, the quicker the better. Antibodies cannot cross the bovine placenta and a calf is born with no immunity whatsoever. A one hour delay in nursing will allow bacteria to grow in the calf's stomach. Milk from a well-nutritioned cow gives a calf its second burst of life.

The replacement livestock purchased within the two-year period must be used for the same purpose as the animals that were sold. In addition, a producer must show that drought caused the sale of more livestock than otherwise would have been sold. Only the sales in excess of normal yearly sales will qualify for the deferment provisions. Cooke County was declared a disaster due to the drought condition in 1996.

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Get involved for safety's sake - "You can be a teacher, too!" For a safety information kit that includes many ideas that you can use to teach about farm safety and health call 1-800-621-7619. Get your copy today.



Travis Reiter is shown with his winning entry for AgDay Television Calendar Contest. Courtesy Photo

## Travis Reiter wins in national art contest

Travis Reiter, nine year old son of Lloyd and Mary Reiter was recently a winner of a national art contest sponsored by AG Day Television based in Lafayette, Indiana.

Travis is the grandson of Wilfred and Polly Reiter and Julius and Marcella Metzler. Ag Day Television is a daily syndicated agribusiness program broadcast by over 160 TV stations across the United States six days a week. Children ages 5 to 15 were posed the question "What does farm life mean to you?" and asked to send in their artwork. Winners would have their artwork shown on national television. At the request of Granddaddy Reiter, Travis entered the contest and his artwork was chosen to be broadcast on TV during the fall. From the winners that were shown on TV, thirteen were chosen to be published in Ag Days farm art calendar. Prizes awarded to the winners ranged from calendars and T-shirts to a grand prize of \$500.00.

## Problems pulling a calf

You've pulled a newborn calf, but it doesn't have any life. What do you do?

First, once the calf's on the ground, clear the mucus from its mouth and throat. Then get it to breathe. One way is to tickle its nose with hay or a blade of grass. If there's any life in him, he'll start shaking his head. One can also rub the calf briskly or slap it to encourage breathing.

Also don't lay the calf on just one side. Turning the calf from side to side will help inflate both lungs.

If there still is no response, try artificial respiration. Place a short piece of 3/4 inch garden hose in one nostril. Hold the mouth and nostrils shut so air enters and leaves only through the hose, then, alternately blow into the hose and allow expiration of air. Repeat at 5 to 7 second intervals until the calf begins to breathe.

Once the calf is breathing, get it warm. Put it in the warm pickup or shop. The warmth will stimulate the calf.

A cup of strong coffee can also help stimulate and warm them. Don't use alcohol. Alcohol is a depressant. It will make them sleepy or drowsy.

**Sodbuster's Sentiment**  
One reason for doing the right thing today is tomorrow.

Nothing hurts more than having to pay income tax, unless its not having an income to pay taxes on.

**Write On**  
by Janic Hartman

**TEXAS!!!**  
Samuel Maverick was a lawyer and in real estate in Texas. In 1845, to pay off a debt, he took 400 cattle. Having no interest in ranching, he turned his herd over to an employee. Instead of watching the cattle, the employee let them graze, gain weight and wander freely. Neighbors who kept their own cattle branded recognized the unbranded livestock as belonging to Maverick. Soon all unbranded calves were called "Mavericks."

From 1871 to 1912, Texas could hire cheap labor by renting a convict from the state prisons. Prison work camps were established around the state. Inspectors were hired to make sure convicts were treated properly, but that didn't work. Prisoners were underfed, poorly housed and over worked. Despite objection from voters, the system continued. More than 1,080 convicts were hired in 1882 to assist in building the new state capital. Hundreds more were assigned to lumber, road, and farm camps. The labor saved taxpayers thousands of dollars. Politicians liked the idea of renting convicts, but the people of Texas finally closed the practice in 1912.

Thirteen counties in Texas have located dinosaur tracks. It is better to teach your children the roots of labor than to hand them the fruits of yours.

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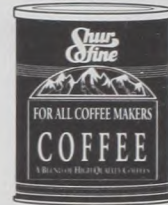
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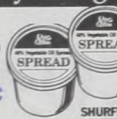
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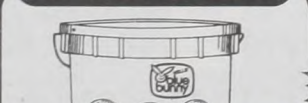
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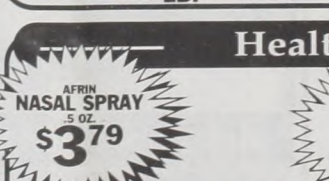
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