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## Open house planned for the Ben and Aggie Seyler Muenster Museum

by Janet Felderhoff  
Muenster's treasures from the past now have a spacious new home in which to be displayed for the public. On Wednesday, Dec. 8, the anniversary of Muenster's first Mass in 1889, the Ben and Aggie Seyler Muenster Museum will be open to the public. It is located at 420 N. Main Street.

"Through the generosity of the Seyler family for donating their family home and the monetary contributions and work of the citizens of Muenster, we have reached this day to show this beautiful museum," remarked Muenster Historical Commission President Celine Dittfurth. "We are most grateful to everyone for their generosity and work."

Events for the Open House include a performance by the Muenster Hornet Band beginning at 12:45 p.m. Also performing during the celebration will be the Sacred Heart Angelic Acappella Choir.

Muenster Mayor Henry Weinzapfel will be on hand to welcome guests. Reverend Bill Ledbetter of the First Baptist Church in Muenster has agreed to offer the invocation. Father Tom Craig of Sacred Heart Church will officiate for the house blessing. A ribbon cutting ceremony officially opens the former Seyler home as the new museum.

Members of the Muenster Historical Commission plan to lead tours. Light refreshments will be served. A drawing will be held for the winner of the double Irish chain queen size coverlet quilt pieced years ago by Frances Kathman, donated by Dorothy Fisher, and recently completed by quilters from SNAP and the Muenster Historical Commission. A total of 118 1/2 hours went into quilting the piece. Also to be announced are the winners of the Centennial mugs filled with coins.

The idea of a museum to display articles from Muenster's past began during

plans for the community's centennial celebration. During 1989 the Centennial year, residents loaned items which were displayed in the former Ben Hellman home which served as the Muenster Museum. Hellman was a former mayor of Muenster.

A great deal of interest was generated in the Muenster Museum during the Centennial and many tours were given. Eventually interest waned and few tours were requested. Several people interested in preserving Muenster's history formed the Muenster Historical Commission.

This group worked to generate interest in the museum. They are excited to finally be opening the museum in a location that will attract visitors to Muenster. More room will mean that more items will be on display. Anyone wishing to share an item by loaning it to the Muenster Museum for a time, should contact any member of

the Historical Commission.

One room in the new museum has been dedicated to medical care in Muenster. It holds a hospital bed from Dr. Myrick's clinic. Other medical equipment is displayed also. A second room is dedicated to the local schools and church. Items of interest include an organ from Sacred Heart School, old church missals, and the first altar cloth used in 1897.

A few items that might be of interest are the first typewriter from the City of Muenster, Lou Wolf's barber chair, a working phonograph, tools, old irons, sausage grinders, butter churns, books in German, a Thomas Edison Amberola cylinder recorder and many old photographs.

At a later date a regular schedule of museum hours will be announced, said Dittfurth. She also noted that volunteers are being sought to staff the museum. Anyone wishing to volunteer hours at the new museum are asked to contact Celine at 759-4154.



Jewel Otto, member of the Muenster Historical Commission, scrapes paint and cleans windows at the former home of Ben and Aggie Seyler, the new Muenster Museum. The museum will have its grand opening Wednesday, Dec. 8 and members have been working hard in preparation for the event.  
Photo by Janie Hartman

## Firemen prepare as local burn ban expires; ask for common sense usage

by Janet Felderhoff  
Due to extreme dry conditions Cooke County has been under a ban which prohibits outdoor burning in all unincorporated areas since Aug. 23. Although some areas have received moisture in the last few weeks, Cooke County is still listed as 683 on the KBDI (Keetch-Byran Drought Index). According to Cooke County EMS Director Bob Harbin the highest number on the scale is 800 and anything over 600 indicates extreme dry conditions and fire danger. KBDI is used to predict potential of predicted fire behavior, he explained.

Despite conditions, Commissioners Court decided to let the burn ban expire at midnight on Nov. 30. Precinct #2 Commissioner Bill Cox said, "A lot of people need to burn so we're giving them a break. I hope that they will abide by requested guidelines." He added that rain predicted for Thursday might improve conditions.

Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess remarked, "People need to do something (with accumulations of trash) but we hope they use good common

sense. We'll probably have to put the ban back on." Hess said that he had just talked with Cooke County Judge Bill Harris and they were concerned because of the high winds and dry conditions. They were hoping for rain before things get worse. "Tickets have been issued to people in the county for burning on a windy day," Hess said as he worried that some citizens might not wait until the proper conditions to burn.

Cox urged all citizen who plan to burn outdoors to use common sense and the following guidelines:

- 1) Never leave a fire unattended
- 2) Burn only in the early morning hours when the relative humidity is higher
- 3) Burn only when the winds

are calm or light

4) When burning rubbish and trash, burn only in a container and assure that a screen is in place and have an adequate water supply readily available should it spark a grass fire

5) If you plan on burning brush piles, notify the Sheriff's Department (940)665-7748 of exactly where the fire will be, what time it will be ignited. Assure that a water supply is available

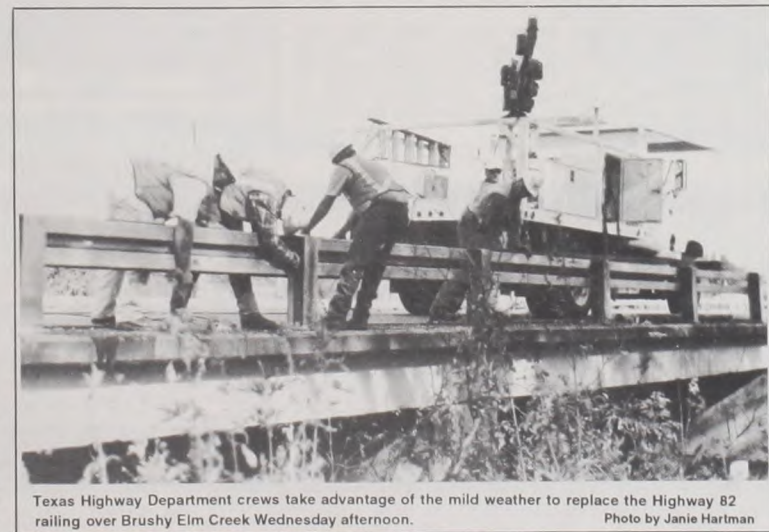
6) If the fire does get away from you call 911 IMMEDIATELY so the appropriate fire departments can be dispatched.

Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Herbie Knabe remarked that the area fire departments are prepared should the lifting of the ban lead to a rash of out

of control fires. When a call goes out two fire departments will automatically be dispatched. Cooke County EMS Director Bob Harbin informed the fire departments that if the wind is high as predicted, three departments will be dispatched.

Harbin noted that they learned in 1996 that dispatching three departments when the humidity is below 40 percent and wind is high it is necessary to keep everything from burning up. He added that the fire departments have improved immensely in the past few years both in experience and equipment.

Commissioner Cox remarked that if a need is seen, the Burn Ban could be reinstated. The primary concern is for the citizens of Cooke County and their property.



Texas Highway Department crews take advantage of the mild weather to replace the Highway 82 railing over Brushy Elm Creek Wednesday afternoon.  
Photo by Janie Hartman

## Boeing gives \$10,000 to NCTC - Corinth

Boeing-Corinth, Co. recently awarded \$10,000 to North Central Texas College in support of the Corinth Campus. Boeing General Manager Jon B. Self, issued the funding on Monday to NCTC President Dr. Ronnie Glasscock and Dean of Institutional Advancement Debbie Pounds during a formal check presentation.

"It is Boeing's pleasure to support new programs that will benefit both the community and Boeing's employees," Self said. "There are a great many costs associated with the start-up of a new campus and we are

pleased to be able to present this funding to NCTC in support of this endeavor."

Connie Pelphrey, director of government affairs and community relations at Boeing said, "We are fully aware that education is important in developing a skilled workforce and community. The Boeing Company places charitable contributions in the area of education as a highest priority. The opportunities offered to both Boeing-Corinth, Co. employees and the rest of the community at the new NCTC Campus will be enormous. Boeing is proud to play a small

part in helping to establish this new facility in Denton County.

Over the years, said Pounds, NCTC has established a strong partnership with Boeing-Corinth, Co. Currently, the college is working in tandem to implement a skills development program for employees.

Corinth, Co., a subsidiary of the Boeing Company, is a center of excellence for electrical work for the Boeing Company. Boeing selected the Corinth site due to its freeway access, close proximity to educational institutions, and potential for a highly skilled workforce.

## NCTC Trustees approve tuition increase for Fall 2000

Cooke County residents attending North Central Texas College (NCTC) will pay a total of \$24 more in tuition and fees per semester for a 12-hour course load beginning in the Fall 2000 semester, as a result of action by the NCTC Board of Trustees meeting in regular session here this week.

Texas residents coming from outside Cooke County will pay a total of \$36 more for the same course load. This will include a one-dollar increase in the "out-of-district" fee which currently accounts for \$11 of the total \$18 per semester hour in "combined" fees paid by students from outside the district, whether they take classes at the main campus or at an extension campus.

It was in 1997 that tuition for "resident" students (in-district and in-state plus contiguous Oklahoma counties) was last increased at NCTC, and it has risen by just \$3 over the past nine years, college officials pointed out. The per-semester-hour tuition rate for Texas (and some Oklahoma) residents will be raised by \$4 to a total of \$22.

For "non-resident" (including out-of-state and foreign) students, tuition will go up from \$42 to \$46 per semester hour.

The total per-semester-hour cost (tuition plus fees) for in-district students, however, actually will net out to just \$2 more than they are currently paying. This is due to the elimination by the trustees of a "technology" fee of that amount per semester hour which has been assessed for the past two years. Thus, total combined fees paid by in-district residents will go from \$7 down to \$5 per semester hour.

Due to the one-dollar increase in fees paid by out-of-district residents, a net decrease of one dollar per semester hour in combined fees - from \$18 down to \$17 - will result from the elimination of the technology fee.

"It just doesn't make sense any longer to consider technology costs as something that can be offset by an arbitrary 'add-on' fee," commented Dr. Ronnie Glasscock, NCTC president. "Whereas we could once talk about it in terms of equipping a student computer lab, it is now such a fundamental element of overall cost, it cannot be separated out from other costs covered by student tuition."

Dr. Eddie Hadlock, dean of

arts & sciences, said the additional revenue from the tuition and fee increases revenue is projected at about \$203,314 per year. He added that the portion of the increase collected from non-residents of Cooke County will better position NCTC to cover expenditures associated with opening two modern new extension campuses.

"If we are to have any realistic chance of following through with our Facilities Master Plan for our main campus here in Gainesville," said Dr. Glasscock, "this is additional revenue we simply must have. This includes such important projects as constructing new dorms, providing additional parking, renovating science labs, beautifying the campus and simply keeping pace with the repairs and renovation made necessary by an aging physical plant."

Dr. Hadlock reported to the trustees that NCTC is currently ranked next to lowest in total tuition and fee costs among a group of 11 comparable two-year colleges in the region - a group including the multi-campus districts of Dallas, Tarrant and Collin counties, as well as Grayson, Hill, Northeast Texas, Kilgore, Weatherford, Navarro, Cisco, and Paris.

"Even with this proposed increase, we will still be ranked third lowest - based on the tuition rates currently being charged by those other schools," he said, "and, of course, there's every possibility that at least some of them also will be raising tuition rates this year."

Comparing costs of tuition and fees for 12 semester credit hours (including one lab course), NCTC currently is considerably below the state average for all public community colleges and will remain so even with the increase.

In summary, beginning with the Fall 2000 semester, residents of Cooke County will pay \$22 per semester hour in tuition, plus \$5 per semester hour in combined fees. Texas residents living outside Cooke County also will pay \$22 per semester hour in tuition, but they will pay \$17 per semester hour in combined fees. Out-of-state and foreign students will pay \$44 per semester hour in tuition plus \$17 per semester hour in combined fees.

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## Muenster announces Red River Arts Roundup

It's time for Muenster's fourth annual Red River Arts Roundup this weekend. Registration is scheduled for Friday (today) from 7 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 8 to 9:30 a.m. in the Sacred Heart Community Center. The event is open to the public, amateur and experienced adults and students pre-school through grade 12.

Media categories include oil, acrylic, watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, pen and ink, tile/decorative painting, quilts, needlework, wearable art, jewelry, sculpture, woodworking, ceramics, photography, mixed media, and miscellaneous.

Awards are Best of Show for adults (\$75) and students (\$35). Ribbons will be awarded for first, second, third place and honorable mention in Judge's Choice and People's Choice.

Judging takes place from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Dec. 4. After that the entries will open to the public for viewing from noon until 3 p.m. and then again Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Well, Thanksgiving '99 is just history now. Thursday, the family hosted some 54 members to a meal of baked turkey and dressing, ham, and all that goes with it. It was a sumptuous meal, put together by members of the family, which has grown by leaps and bounds.

Thanksgiving is a time to be grateful for all of the blessings that have come our way during the past year, and they are many.

Last Friday we welcomed our long-awaited guests, son Gary and his wife, Mary. They had sent word they would spend Friday night and the following week with us and other members of the family.

Well, they arrived about 4 p.m. Friday and before we knew it the week had passed and Saturday morning about 6 a.m. they were on their way back to Seattle. Never-the-less, we enjoyed them immensely, and only wish there weren't so many miles between us.

It was fun seeing, at least, most of the family, and getting acquainted with some of the younger ones.

One thing that really changed from year to year is the size of the younger children. They have a habit of growing and changing over time. Those that live a considerable distance away and we don't see as often as we would like, seem to make the greater changes.

Some are no longer babes in arms, but have grown into very active youngsters. I suppose that is the way it should be, as we find our ways through our lives.

Many of the grandchildren are now young men and women who range in age from very young to 34 years, and we now have 15 great-grandchildren. This is the best way for me to understand why I am getting older.

This past summer, while in re-hab in Sherman, one of the nurses wheeled me into the activity room and introduced me to a group of oldsters, and some youngsters. My first thought was "What am I doing in here with these older people?"

Well, I answered myself, "I'm one of them!"

## Little Women slated for holiday performances

Butterfield Stage will present the classic tale, *Little Women*, beginning Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. Slated for performances through Dec. 18, the time honored literary piece offers families an artistic treat for the holiday season.

*Little Women*, known as one of literature's most enduring classics, follows the story of the March sisters as they journey from childhood to maturity during the American Civil War. Based loosely on the personal life of novelist, Louisa May Alcott, *Little Women* portrays a family as they learn to struggle through and endure both good times and bad, sharing the joys and pains of growing older.

Cast in the local production are Sara Krahl, Chasa Webb, Megan Hennigan, Keisha Dill, Threasa Jones, and Chick Koyal as members of the March Family, Loretta Sills as

Hannah, the March's loyal housekeeper; Debra Orsburn as the irrepresible Aunt March; Lee O'Neal Potts, Nikki Reed, Lauren Hainley, and Melissa Carpenter as the socialites the Gardeners and the Moffetts; and Brent Connert and Scott Stufflebeam as the young suitors, Theodore Lawrence and John Brooke.

The play is being directed by guest director, Craig Hertel.

Production dates for *Little Women* are slated for Dec. 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 12 at 2:30 p.m. For reservations or more information about the production, call the theatre at 940-665-8152 or visit the box office at 201 S. Denton Street, Gainesville, TX. Box office hours are Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m.

## YEARS AGO .....

### 50 YEARS AGO Dec. 2, 1949

Interest in Muenster's proposed new Sacred Heart Church emerges from the dormant stage this week, as announcement is made that construction will get under way in the next few months. The south Muenster farm-to-market road paving project is under way. Muenster Community Council will hear John E. Surratt of the Kessler Plan Association of Dallas as a guest speaker on community development, rural electrification, soil conservation, a sewer system, and building improvements. Parish membership census reveals count of 1778. Richard Wimmer sustains broken neck in oil lease accident. Miss Olive Haverkamp wins title of Thanksgiving Queen. Wedding: Bernice Luttner and Lambert Beyer are married on Nov. 29.

### 30 YEARS AGO NOV. 28, 1969

**BANK ROBBERY!** A shaggy headed teenager, with a wild story robbed the Muenster State Bank of about \$25,000 in a cool stick-up about 2:15 p.m. Nov. 25. Less than 45 minutes later the 18 year old was

identified, captured after a 100 mph chase, and the bag of money recovered. Muenster High Hornets will play for Bi-District against Lake Dallas at Leeper Stadium on Nov. 28. Hornets had won the District 9-B title, playing Windthorst 28-0. Red Cross Blood Drive will accept deposits at KC Hall. Wedding: Janet Klement and William Fisher are married in Sacred Heart Church. New Arrivals: a

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## GMH hospital directors respond

1) Why did you vote for the Memorandum of Understanding to pursue the consolidation of the two hospital districts?

**Khawaja Anwar** - No response.

**David Hutcherson** - The pursuit and consummation will benefit health care seekers and providers in Cooke County. Some duplication of effort will be eliminated and economics of scale will be gained. Service will be strengthened and broadened by combining the two districts.

**Doug Lewis** - I think that merger of the two hospital districts is the best way to assure the best quality of health care for everyone in Cooke County. I think that without merger both hospitals will have difficulty surviving.

**Karla Metzler** - No response.

**Jerry Parr** - A single hospital district in Cooke County will be financially stronger and provide significantly improved health care to all of Cooke County.

**Mike Paulson** - No response.

**Earl Russell** - No response.

**Dave Sanders** - There are many advantages to the people of Cooke County to have one county-wide hospital district.

**Larry Sears** - No response.

## MMH hospital directors respond

2.) How do you personally feel about closing MMH (GMH if you're from that board)?

**Chas Bayer** - Having served as a director for a number of years, I would hope that it would be obvious that I care about what happens to our hospital after all these years. It breaks my heart that we cannot preserve what our parents started, but reality doesn't give many breaks. The hard facts are that it finally becomes very evident that we must face this decision.

**Werner Becker Jr.** - It is a difficult move to change the hospital as we know it today. It has done an excellent job for us over the last 35 years, and deserves much credit for that. However when a change is necessary you have to go forward.

**Phil Endres** - Of course, it's sad that MMH will cease to exist in its current form. However, I feel that the new hospital with local control and local employees will soon have the same emotional attachment.

**Don Flusche** - I do not like the idea of closing the hospital in Muenster. I became interested in the hospital over seven years ago when I ran for a seat on the board with intentions of survivorship of the hospital. It has been a long, hard battle and I do not see how we can continue to tax our hospital district enough to keep our hospital functioning. The tax issue is one of the single most complaints I have received since being on the board.

**Gerald "Jerry" Hess** - At first I had mixed feelings, it pained me greatly to have to make this decision, but in the end reason won out.

**Lora Hennigan** - We are really not closing MMH - We are merging. I think when we can improve health care, especially when statistics are not on our side, it is necessary to do so.

**Duane Knabe** - First of all, I think that the words "closing MMH" are too harsh. The plan is not to close MMH, but rather to open a new facility for in-patient and acute care. The decision as to what to do with the present hospital facilities has not been made as of this time, but the options generally point to a continuing existence for MMH. Although it will not be a hospital, it probably will be involved in some type of health care.

**Jack Murdock** - Deeply regret the necessity to pursue a merger.

**Marge Starke** - I spent several nights with little sleep, wondering, how would the Muenster residents react to a decision that we, as elected board members, were about to make? One night I put myself at being 10 or 15 years older and having to travel to Dallas or Fort Worth to receive health care and it scared me to think of driving in that awful traffic at that age and it will be lots worse by then. During this time I came up against some first hand experience - Mom had taken a bad hit to the head during a fall and was transferred to Parkland Hospital in Dallas because of her need for a CT scan that needed to be read by a radiologist immediately. One could not read it until Monday, and this was Friday. I spent every day during her seven day stay traveling to and from Dallas. During this time my father, who is a patient in the nursing home, becomes crucially ill and is admitted to the Muenster Hospital (would have been a lot easier to have them in the same hospital close to home). By the sixth day of Mom's stay at Parkland, a longtime, best friend is having a cardiac procedure in a Denton hospital - I am being called for, at Parkland and the person answering the phone does not know who I am and does not know where my Mom is, although she is still in the hospital in the Cardiac Lab Procedure Room having a pacemaker placed and I'm in the waiting room, right outside. I was never told that anyone called for me - I guess both of us were lost in the bureaucracy of numbers.

I felt then that almost anyone would feel the same about the drive and being in such a large hospital so far from home where you are just a number and no one really knows you and you don't know them. I feel from this experience that my decision to vote to combine the two hospitals in Cooke County into one has to be a good decision and I really feel good about it.

## Employees needed for 2000 census in county

The United States Department of Commerce is in the process of testing prospective employees for Census 2000 in Cooke County. The jobs will begin in March and last for approximately six weeks. Positions available include enumerators and crew leaders. The salary for enumerators is \$11.25 per hour plus 31 cents a mile if you drive. For Census Crew Leader it is \$12.75 per hour plus 31 cents if you drive. Testing for future employees will be at the Muenster Chamber of Commerce on Dec. 9 and 16 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please bring your driver's license and Social Security card.

## Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

The Cooke County Home Hospice is now conducting its annual Light Up A Life fund drive. The Home Hospice is a non profit organization that serves all of Cooke County. All citizens, regardless of their race, age or financial ability to pay are served by the Cooke County Home Hospice. To make up any shortages, many volunteers work to support Home Hospice and to help raise funds. This is necessary to provide the funds for those who are less fortunate and do not have the means to pay.

Many Cooke County businesses and the United Way are very helpful in supporting Home Hospice, but we also welcome individuals to join in this worthy cause by participating in the Light Up A Life fund drive. We are pleased

to have people from all areas of Cooke County working as volunteers for Home Hospice.

The following Cooke County Home Hospice Advisory Board members will serve for the year 2000: Shirley Newton, secretary, Callisburg; Emogene House, Era; Cindy Storger, Marysville; Beverly Kelly and Jeanne Cullington, Valley View; Dr. Audrey Morrell and Christine Weinzapfel, president, Muenster; Bee Harris and Joyce Cargill, Lake Kiowa; Phil Slater, Barbara Kitterman, Warren Flowers, Rev. Kenneth Cole, Norma Williams, and Jane Dudley, president elect, Gainesville.

We wish everyone healthy and pain free Holidays.

Bob Kalina  
Past President, 1999  
106 Mohawk Cove  
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## Tuition

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In a related item of business, NCTC trustees voted unanimously to discontinue the college's practice, in place since 1995, of waiving tuition for high school students enrolling in "dual credit" courses.

Dual credit allows students to enroll in selected courses which count toward high school graduation and earn them college credit simultaneously. They can graduate high school with up to 24 or more college credit hours already earned. Open to qualified seniors and juniors, some classes are taught on site at the high schools while others are taught on the college campus.

"Most of the circumstances and conditions which led to our enacting this dual credit tuition waiver simply no longer apply," said Dr. Hadlock. "In the beginning, for example, a number of the school districts

were covering the costs of tuition for their students, also paying their fees, even paying for their books in many cases.

"However, most schools in the region no longer find it economically feasible to pay tuition or buy books for their dual credit students, and in almost every case they have also made it a policy that students pay their own college fees."

"Over the past five years, we have waived about \$187,000 in tuition for dual credit students," Dr. Glasscock said, "and because we expect dual credit enrollment to continue to grow, that figure would continue to mount. Regrettably, we just simply can no longer afford it, and I'm sure that's why this tuition waiver has long since been discontinued by a number of other community colleges in the state."

## City Council Agenda

The following is the agenda for the regular meeting of the Muenster City Council to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room on Monday, December 6, 1999.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. Approve minutes of the November 1, 1999 meeting.
3. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
4. Consider any other business to come before the Council.

### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consider and act upon approving placing a timer on the city softball field in Block 36 to charge for non-organized sports use of the lights.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consider and act upon approving Resolution #12-7-99, Annexation Plan.
2. Consider and act upon whether to join the "Cities Served by Lone Star Gas Company" to ensure fair and reasonable gas rates.
3. Consider and act upon approving construction to wingwells on East Ninth Street, south of the new city ball park.
4. Consider and act upon appointing Henry Weinzapfel, John Pagel, and Clinton Endres to the board of directors of Muenster Industrial Development Corporation for the term of January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2001.
5. Consider and act upon appointing Bob Bauer, Pat Stelzer, and Wayne Grewing to the Muenster Water District board of directors for the term February 1, 2000, through January 31, 2001.
6. Consider and act upon appointing a nominee to the Zoning Board of Adjustments to replace J. T. Pagel.
7. Consider and act upon establishing a maximum fiscal approval authority for commissioners and Mayor.
8. Review the monthly budget summary.
9. Review and act upon monthly bills.

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## Lindsay talent show

Lindsay ISD Junior Class Parents are sponsoring a talent show on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. in the Lindsay Centennial Hall. The event features lots of local talent and sponsors promise an entertaining evening.

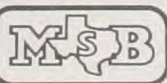
Admission is \$5 for school age and above. For more information contact Jenny Dennis at 665-9357.

## 2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

Sunday, December 5	Monday, December 6	Tuesday, December 7	Wednesday, December 8	Thursday, December 9	Friday, December 10	Saturday, December 11
NCT Chorale Concert, 3 P.M., Muenster / Red River Arts Show, 10 A.M. to 2 P.M., Community Center / St. Anne Society meeting, 3 P.M., SNAP Room / Lindsay Jr. Class Parent sponsored Talent Show, 6 P.M., Centennial Hall	NCTC Student Recital, 4 P.M., Little Theater CDA meeting, 7:30 P.M., KC Hall - Gift Bags for shut-ins City Council meeting, 7:30 P.M.	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Sacred Heart - NO SCHOOL Religious Ed. - NO CLASS Muenster Band Christmas Concert and Bake Sale, 6:30 P.M., Band Hall Open House, 1:00 P.M., Muenster Museum	NCTC Singers Concert, 7:30 P.M., Little Theater Keep Muenster Beautiful meeting, 5:30 P.M., CCEC		
Sunday, December 12	Monday, December 13	Tuesday, December 14	Wednesday, December 15	Thursday, December 16	Friday, December 17	Saturday, December 18
	VFW Auxiliary + VFW meeting, Christmas Party, 8 P.M.	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center NO Religious Ed Class	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Board meeting, 7:30 P.M., Adm. Bldg.		
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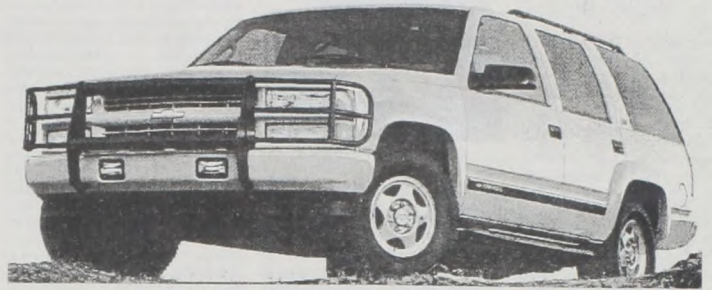
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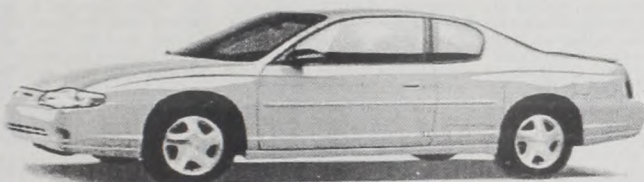


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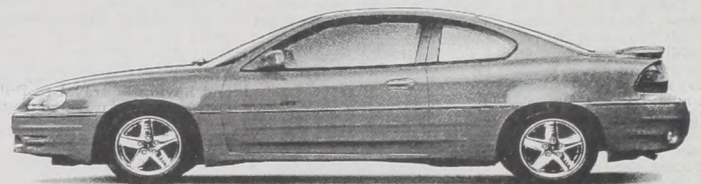
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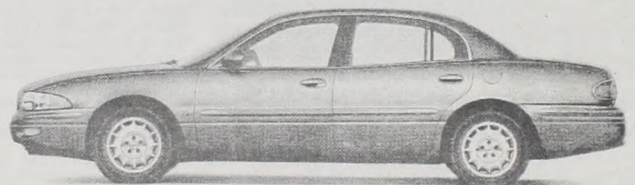
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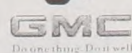
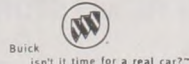
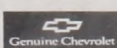
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# Obituaries

## Vincent John Felderhoff 1920 - 1999

by **Elfreda Fette**  
 Mass of Christian Burial was held for Vincent John Felderhoff on Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, officiated by Father Thomas Craig, pastor, and Father Harry Fisher of St. John's Church in Valley View.

Vince Felderhoff died on Nov. 22, 1999 at 4:27 p.m. at age 78 in Zale-Lipsey Hospital in Dallas.

He was born on Dec. 29, 1920 in Muenster to John Henry Felderhoff and Lena (Hesse) Felderhoff. On May 18, 1949 he married Gertrude Emily Rauschuber (Trudy) in St. John's Church of Valley View.

She survives, along with four daughters, Debbie Brittain of Krum, Janie Hennigan and Carol Klement both of Muenster and Brenda Simpson of Aubrey; and one son, Mike Felderhoff of Gainesville. There are 15 grandchildren. Also five sisters, Rita Tucker of Wichita Falls, Emma Elliott of Lincoln, Illinois, Phyllis Ladd of Napa Valley, California, Celine Schrage of Salinas, California, and Anselma Wright of San Antonio. Also three brothers, Al Felderhoff and Henry Felderhoff both of Muenster and Leo Felderhoff of Gainesville. Also a number of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles; and respected by many, many friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents; one sister, Agnes Felderhoff; two brothers Frank Felderhoff and Lawrence Felderhoff.

Vince Felderhoff was a life-long member of Sacred Heart Parish. A Veteran of the U.S. Army during WWII, he served on the front lines in Italy, North Africa and France with the 36th Division in the European Campaign. He was a member of the Muenster VFW Post #6205, the Knights of Columbus Council #1459, and North Texas Oil and Gas Association. He was co-owner of Felderhoff Brothers Drilling and Production Company for 50 years until his health forced his retirement. Active in civic affairs, he served on the Muenster Zoning Board, and was instrumental in starting Muenster Memorial Hospital, contributing generously and helping in collecting funds. He was a great supporter of Sacred Heart Church. Politically minded, he supported the Cooke County and State Republican Party for elections.

His hobbies were gardening, fishing, farming and ranching. He was an avid family man, beloved husband and father, doting grandfather, affectionately called "Popo"; respected and admired neighbor and friend; with a shy sense of humor, who loved to talk to people.



Vincent John Felderhoff

A Rosary Service was held on Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. led by Dolores Miller and Vigil at 7:00 p.m. at McCoy Funeral Chapel, led by Father Tom.

Participating in the special liturgy for the funeral Mass were altar servers Chuck Bartush, Jr., Sylvan Walterscheid, and Alvin Hartman.

Readings from the Old and New Testaments were given by granddaughters, Dyan Gillum and Megan Hennigan, respectively.

Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Vince's three brothers Al, Leo, and Henry Felderhoff.

Also, Kimberly Klement carried a Rosary, representing her grandfather's faith and trust in God; Chris Felderhoff carried his grandfather's medals, he earned while serving his country in WWII; Brandon Klement carried a model of a drilling rig, symbolizing Vince's dedication to the oil business; Shelby Simpson carried a garden tool, representing his love for gardening and tending his home yard and landscaping; Meredith Hennigan carried a model of a tractor representing his love of farming; Vince Felderhoff, a grandson carried a family picture representing his great devotion to his family.

Music Ministers were Ruth Felderhoff organist; Emily Klement, Diane Grewing, and Christy Hesse. Sacred music included "Pilgrim's Song," "Battle Hymn Of The Republic," "Wind Beneath My Wings," "Seek The Lord," "I Am The Bread Of Life," "Softly And Tenderly Jesus Is Calling," "Edelweiss Blessing," and "The Lord Is Kind And Merciful."

Eucharistic Ministers were Peggy Walterscheid, Regina Pels, Leoba Mollenkopf, Antonia Hess, Ramona Felderhoff, Tina and Ronnie Weinzapfel.

The homily was given by Father Tom. Remarks of Remembrance were given by

Vince and Trudy's son, Mike Felderhoff. He recalled in a celebration of his dad's life, "his compassionate heart... his importance attributed to family closeness... passing that virtue down to his children... his story telling ability, from childhood... the War Years... the early years of his marriage to our 'Mamma'..."

"...Wonderful memories for each of us... Mine, that he was an entrepreneur even as a boy, trapping and skinning skunks for a nickel... door to door salve salesman... buying a car with Al, then 'Who got it for a big date?'... my favorite story when he was stationed in North Africa, knowing that Frank was there somewhere, hitchhiking to find him..."

"Brenda remembers his big, soft, strong hands... she remembers having to write lines for a transgression... Janie remembers learning to drive out on the Solomon lease and daddy saying 'goodnight', 'Cheer up, there'll be better days'... Debbie remembers dancing with daddy - she said 'he was so smooth - always kept such good time...' Carol remembers his one and only swimsuit for nearly 40 years, he taught her to swim and dive... Carol remembers his advice on cooking... on laziness... on finance... My (Mike's) memories of going to the leases when I was small... going fishing... and most importantly, coming to see my carrier, home from Viet Nam... later next to him at our office, at our desks... relying on his wisdom..."

Mike concluded with "Thank you for holding us up... for seeing the best in us... we hope we can be half the person you were."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Dyan Gillum, Michelle Hennigan, Jeff Felderhoff, Bradley Fisher, Ryan Klement, and Mindy Hennigan. Honorary Pallbearers were Greg Fisher, Brandon Klement, Vince Felderhoff, Megan Hennigan, Kimberly Klement, Meredith Hennigan, Shelby Simpson, Grant Simpson and Chris Felderhoff.

Military rites were conducted by the VFW Post #6205, with Arthur Bayer, Sgt. At Arms. The Flag which draped the casket, was presented to Vince's widow by Johnny Rohmer, immediate past commander of the Muenster Post. Tina and Ronnie Weinzapfel played TAPS.

Relatives and friends attended from Houston, Austin, Wichita Falls, Fort Worth, Dallas, Denton, Krum, Decatur, Graham, Aubrey, San Antonio, Sherman and all over Cooke County.

Metzler celebrate golden wedding anniversary in Lindsay.

## Arnold Martin Rohmer 1920 - 1999

by **Elfreda Fette**  
 Arnold Martin Rohmer of Muenster died on Saturday, Nov. 27, 1999 in Muenster Memorial Hospital at 8:05 a.m. He was born on Dec. 12, 1920 to Leo Isidor Rohmer and Anna Sophie Koelzer Rohmer, one of 14 children.

His 78 years of life were filled with hard work in his chosen profession reaching that of production foreman for an oil company, the trusted employee whose responsibilities stretched from Texas to Oklahoma and even Kentucky; periods of great joys and high accomplishments; the sweet taste of a successful and wonderful family life with his angel-love and their son and five daughters. His life flourished.

Then with a cruel suddenness a massive stroke struck him down in 1975, with the long years for the rest of his life, of great pain, half his body paralyzed, a long struggle that drew heavily on tremendous faith, but was tormented with self-doubts. His physical condition grew worse, with terrific headaches, deterioration of an ankle and hip, and he was overtaken by nervousness and impatience. But even, in his pain, he would ask forgiveness and say "Dear God, if anyone is to suffer, please let it be me." He devoted much of his time in prayer, especially for the welfare of others.

On April 24, 1946 he was married to Imelda Mary Felderhoff in Sacred Heart Church.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Parish, a Veteran of the U.S. Army during WWII, a member of the Knights of Columbus, he and a brother started a water well drilling business in 1941. He began as a pumper for L.W. Powell Oil Co. in 1950 and continued with them for 26 years, ending his career with them as Production Foreman and taking on much of the operation of the Powell Ranch near Saint Jo. He loved traveling, fishing, barbecuing, and especially spending time with his family.

Survivors are his wife, Imelda Rohmer; son and daughter-in-law, Don and Barbara (Fuhmann) Rohmer of Muenster; daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Robert Sepanski and children Sara, Kathryn, and Lauren of Muenster; Donna and Olon McClendon and children Nicole, Leticia, and Imelda of Dawson, Texas; Mary Margaret and Don Uhlig and daughter Megan of San Antonio; Christi Rohmer of San Antonio; Julie and Martin Collins of San Antonio.

Also surviving are brothers and sisters and their spouses, Gertrude and Ben Voth of Muenster; Eleanor Sicking of Myra; Martha McKinney of Muenster; Bertha Wooten of Wichita Falls; Rita and Werner Becker Sr. of Muenster; Agnes and Patrick McCallion of Tucson, Arizona; Adeline Pettit of Sherman; Alois and Rose Rohmer of Muenster; Norbert and Ella Mae Rohmer of Muenster; and a sister-in-law



Arnold Martin Rohmer

Viola Rohmer of Muenster.

Preceding him in death were his parents; one sister Mary Rohmer; Albert and wife Ursula Rohmer; Ed Rohmer; and Urban Rohmer; and brothers-in-law J.W. Sicking, Mack McKinney, Gerald Wooten, and Raymond Pettit.

Officiating for the Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, Nov. 29, 1999 in Sacred Heart Church were Father Thomas Craig, pastor, and Father Harry Fisher of St. John's Church in Valley View.

Altar servers were Micah Flusche, Thomas Whitecotton, and Sylvan Walterscheid.

Participating in the special liturgy for the funeral Mass were four of the seven grandchildren. The First Reading, Wisdom 3:1-9 was given by Nicole McClendon. The Second Reading, 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 was given by Kathryn Sepanski. Father Thomas Craig read the Gospel of Saint John 4:5-15, 196-26, 39a, 40-42.

Prayers of the Faithful at Offertory were read by Sara Sepanski. The Offertory Procession was narrated by Leticia McClendon. She said "With remembrances of Grandpa, Lauren Sepanski carries up a silhouette of a pump jack, representing his expertise in the oil industry. Imelda McClendon presents a coffee cup - oh, how he enjoyed the company of friends at the coffee shop. Kate Sepanski carries up a Rosary, his daily companion, consolation and mainstay. Sara Sepanski presents a music tape, one of his favorite pastimes. Nicole McClendon brings photos indicative of some of his special qualities."

Finally, his brothers Norbert Rohmer and Ollie Rohmer present the Offertory gifts of bread and wine to the altar.

Music Ministers were Ruth Felderhoff, organist, and Emily Klement, Christy Hesse, Jack White, Pam and Dave Fette, who presented "On Eagles Wings," "I Lift Up My Soul," "Only This I Want," "Oh Lord I Am Not Worthy," "Precious Lord, Take My Hand," "Song Of The Angels," and "How Great Thou Art."

At Communion, the Barbershop Chords, Donald Rohmer, a son, Jack White, Stephen Bonin, Bob Bauer, and Dave Fette sang "I'll Fly Away."

Eucharistic Ministers were

Alvin and Joanie Hartman, Viola Rohmer, Sandra Reeves, Sara Sepanski, Jerry and Evelyn Sicking.

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Donna McClendon, a daughter. She recalled that "my Dad, one of 14 children, attended Sacred Heart School as much as work on the family farm would allow, completing the seventh grade. Returning home in 1944 after service in the Armed Forces during WWII, while attending a Thanksgiving Parish dance, he met the girl of his dreams, whom he married... In 1950 he began working for L.W. Powell Oil Co., beginning as a pumper... Hard work, natural ability, and a sense of responsibility helped him advance... Dad's life flourished and over the first 20 years of marriage, he saw the births of six children..."

"He was a fun-loving teaser... a joker who always had pet names for his family: 'Hey moonbeam,' 'jellybean' or 'There's beautiful!'... When Dor wanted to take the boat across the lake, Dad said 'No, you'll throttle and cut rusties.' Dor asked 'Why?' Dad said 'Because that's what I would have done when I was your age.'"

"We remember our Dad's tremendous but gentle strength... he could open any pickle jar, toss a bag of feed like it was cotton candy, or wrestle two kids at a time... plan a trip to the moon with his youngest... we remember his scratchy whiskers..."

"We remember when he was struck down by the stroke... when Mom kept saying 'W must pray, pray' and together they turned to God for strength... Dad's prayers were indeed powerful... the supported us through our personal tough problems... his pain ridden hands always clutched the Rosary."

On Sunday, preceding the day of the funeral, a Rosar service was held at McCoy Chapel at 4:00 p.m., led by Sister Georgia Felderhoff OSE. Vigil at 7:00 p.m. was led by Father Tom Craig. The closing song at the Vigil was "I'll Fly Away," sung by the Barbershop Chords, of which Donald Rohmer is a member.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Ronnie Felderhoff, Ne Rohmer, Kenneth Sicking, Gene Rohmer, Tom Knabe, and Gary Rohmer.

For those who have asked the family has suggested memorials sent to Sacred Heart School.

Among the hundreds who attended the funeral, many came from a distance. Some of them included Loyd W. Powell Jr. of Dallas, Sister Mar Helen Swirczynski OSB of Jonesboro, Arkansas an relatives or friends from Tucson, Arizona, Wes Memphis, Arkansas, and San Antonio, Irving, Richardson, Dawson, Denton, Dallas, Wichita Falls, Sherman, Coppell, South Lake, Denison, Ben Wheeler, Garland, Plan-Montague, Saint Jo and a around Cooke County.

## YEARS AGO

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## Liu Knabe 1966 - 1999

Liu Knabe of Flower Mound, wife of Chris Knabe, daughter-in-law of Fred and Della Knabe of Argyle, Texas and daughter of Joseph and Elsie Ferreirinha of Newark, New Jersey, died at age 33 in an automobile accident on Thursday, Nov. 25, 1999. She died in a Fort Worth hospital. She was an administrative assistant with Nokia Mobile Phones.

Active in the Suburban Golf Club in New Jersey, and in Denton Country Club in Texas, she was the Ladies Golf Club Champion in both clubs, and qualified for three U.S. Women's Mid Amateur with the USA.

Survivors are her husband, her parents, her husband's parents and numerous friends worldwide.

A Memorial service was held on Monday, Nov. 29 at Argyle United Methodist Church. Memorials may be sent to the American Cancer Society or the U.S. Special Olympics.

Interment was directed by DeBerry Funeral Directors.

Among Muenster relatives attending were Harold and Bertha Knabe, Greg Knabe, Duane and MaryLin Knabe, Linda Knabe, Gloria Becker. Also Lorene Schmitz of Saint Jo, Bill and Alvina Crow of Archer City, Richard and Deloris Zimmerman, Cathy Hess, Deke and Shirley Derichsweiler, Deanna Hess and Lisa Zimmerman of the Dallas area.

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## Pamela Denise (Covington) McAlister 1957 - 1999

Pamela Denise Covington McAlister of Forestburg died; age 42 on Friday, Nov. 26, 1999 at 8:30 p.m. at her residence.

Graveside service was held on Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1999 at the Perryman Cemetery near Forestburg, officiated by C.J. Cole. The service was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo.

Pamela McAlister was born on May 21, 1957 in Bowie, Harold Keith Covington and Patsy Lou Walker Covington.

Survivors are two daughter Brandy Croxton of Forestburg and Stephanie Croxton of Forestburg and one son Kel McAlister of Rapid City, South Dakota. Also two brother David Covington and Rick Covington, both of Forestburg. Preceding her in death were her parents.

Pamela Denise (Covington) McAlister lived most of her life in the Forestburg area. She was a homemaker, and was mostly involved in caring for her young daughters. She loved animals, especially horses. Her hobbies included making a sorts of Indian crafts.

# Lifestyle

## NCT Chorale Concert features Haydn music

The music of Franz Joseph Haydn, "Te Deum" (written for the Empress Marie Theresa) and "Third Mass In D" (also called the "Lord Nelson Mass") will be performed by North Central Texas Chorale on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 3:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church in Muenster. Members under the direction of Dr. Michael Linder, professor of choral music at North Central Texas College (NCTC) featured soloists, and an orchestra will fill the church with sounds of spiritual joy.

Soloists are Regina Walter, soprano; Jenny Rose, alto; Bryce Gage, tenor; and Blake Davidson, bass. John Dill is accompanist/organist for the Chorale.

Members have been rehearsing since September for this musical masterpiece and want to share their endeavor with the community. Faithful

listeners have remarked on the strength and sounds of the Chorale, ever improving as challenges increase.

Austrian composer Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) is one of the great figures in the history of classical music.

The Chorale has performed some significant concert masterpieces in the past, among which are Beethoven's "Mass In C", Mozart's "Coronation Mass" and "Requiem", Handel's "Messiah", Brahms' "Requiem" and Rutter's "Magnificat" and "Requiem".

Admission is available at the doors of the church or from any Chorale member. The fee of \$7 per adult, \$3 per student 12 years and over is used to pay for the orchestra. Children under 12 are admitted free.

The Chorale is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of classical music.

## Public Invitation issued for Christmas program at First Baptist Church

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Scott Michael Hudspeth and Carrie Lynn Gandy have chosen Dec. 17, 1999 for their wedding day. The bride-elect is the daughter of Danny and Melonee Gandy of Greenville. The future-groom is the son of Dink and Rose Hudspeth of Myra. The wedding will be held in Mineral Heights Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. A graduate of Greenville High School, the bride-elect is employed by North Texas Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery. Hudspeth is a graduate of Muenster High School and the University of North Texas. He is employed as a teacher/coach by the Mesquite Independent School District.

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Dr. Mantsch approaches his profession's lack of public relations appeal with good humor, noting that in medical circles, anesthesiology is looked upon as an ideal specialty for those with less than outgoing personalities. "Anesthesiology, for the most part, has the reputation that the physicians are pretty much clods," laughs Mantsch. "They don't have to have a personality. You just have to have good manual dexterity, know your pharmacology, physiology and anatomy and you'll make a great anesthesiologist."

Dr. Mantsch has all the requirements for a good anesthesiologist, but, unlike some of his colleagues, he also possesses the gift of wonderful people skills. Dr. Mantsch wants to be a physician that his patients will remember.

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, David Mantsch

comes from a family of nine. His family moved to North Texas when he was a young child, and he grew up in Garland. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biochemistry from the University of North Texas in 1990. In 1995, he completed his medical degree at the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth, College of Osteopathic Medicine.

His internship was performed at Columbia Medical Center, Dallas Southwest, and his residency requirements in anesthesiology and pain management were fulfilled at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.

Anesthesiologists are experts in acute pain management. "It is the job of the anesthesiologist to see that the patient is fit and healthy for surgery, to manage the patient during surgery and immediately following surgery, returning the patient to normal function following his/her

procedure," Mantsch explains. The anesthesiologist is the patient's true advocate in the surgery suite, monitoring vital life function, managing the airway and eliminating pain.

Dr. Mantsch is married to Tanya, a stay-at-home mom to three children, Rebecca, 9, a fourth-grade student at St. Mary's School in Gainesville; Elizabeth, a kindergarten student, also at St. Mary's; and Christopher, 1.

Tanya is a licensed court reporter and worked full time until the birth of the couple's third child. Currently she is investigating a career in the medical field and has been taking some courses in nursing.

The family enjoys outdoor activities, including swimming and biking. Dr. Mantsch has also taken up golf, although he admits it is more for meeting people and exercise than love of the sport. The Mantschs attend St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville.

His family was the key to Dr. Mantsch's decision to bring his skills to Cooke County. He

wanted to practice his profession in a location close to he and his wife's core families in the Dallas area, yet he sought a more secluded, smaller community - away from traffic, safe from crime. A community where he could practice his profession, but still have plenty of time to spend with his wife and young children.

Dr. Mantsch speaks with enthusiasm about his profession, his family and his choices. He is excited about providing top-notch anesthesia and pain management services to Cooke County and he is very proactive when it comes to keeping in step with the latest techniques.

He cites his osteopathic training as a valuable resource in treating the "whole patient" and he adopts a multidisciplinary approach in his treatment of pain. He believes in tailoring the anesthesia plan to the patient and the type of procedure being performed, keeping the patient comfortable with the least amount of intervention.

Dr. Mantsch is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists and the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists. He is a board-eligible physician, licensed in the State of Texas. He heads the Anesthesia Department at Gainesville Memorial Hospital and directs the hospital's newly created Pain Management Clinic.



David C. Mantsch, DO with family, from left, son Christopher, daughter Rebecca, wife Tanya, and daughter Elizabeth. Courtesy photo

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"The World's Largest Book Drive," a national literacy campaign designed to collect 2.5 million books to support literacy programs across America, will visit Gainesville as part of a cross-country tour slated to visit 50 cities through the new year.

Driven by an effort to combat illiteracy nationwide, the van will arrive at Prime Outlets at Gainesville on Saturday, Dec. 4, to collect books for donation to be given to local and other regional and national literacy organizations focused on helping children and adults learn to read.

Activities for the Gainesville event day include:

- Metroplex Famous Story Teller, Finley Stewart, 11:00

a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- Scholastic Book Fair.
- KLUV 98.7 FM Radio Remote & Cowboys Tailgate Party 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Texas Lottery Prize Wagon.
- Gainesville Pet Ponder.
- Holiday Choirs.
- Santa Pictures, Noon to 6:00 p.m.

Consumers are invited to drop off their new and gently used books to support "The World's Largest Book Drive" by visiting Prime Outlets between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The Center is located on I-35, Exit 501. In exchange for donations, all participating patrons will receive a gift bag from Prime Outlets and Coca-Cola,

including a coupon book filled with hundreds of dollars in additional discounts to the merchants at Prime Outlets.

"Being one of the area's leading employers, we recognize the importance of being able to read and write as thousands of job applicants come to our center each year," stated Jeff Kellogg, general manager. "By aligning ourselves with literacy we are contributing to enhancing the future of our workforce both locally and nationwide."

The World's Largest Book Drive will be hosted by Prime Outlets across the country and is sponsored in part by Coca-Cola, Berry & Homer, Baltimore Reads, and Music For A Song.

## Kyle Grewing turns 2

Kyle Grewing celebrated his second birthday with two parties. On his actual birthday Nov. 24 Kyle celebrated with his parents, Billie and Tony Grewing and a friend who shares the same birthday, Dalton Hess, and Dalton's mother and brother Tina and Trevor Hess. They enjoyed eating and playing at Burger King.

On Saturday, Nov. 27 Kyle celebrated with family and friends with a party hosted by his parents. A lasagna dinner was served followed by cake and ice cream. A sports theme was used for party decorations. Kyle enjoyed several hours of playing, opening gifts, and

being the center of attention. Guests included grandparents Billy Joe and

Marilyn James, Anthony Grewing, Linda and Bob Luttmir, aunts, uncles and cousins Jon Grewing, Ken Grewing, Matt Grewing, Katie Luttmir, Doris Grewing, Greg, Julie, Eric, Alex, and Hillary Walterscheid, Shawna, Darrell, Mackenzie, Morgan, and Max Herr, Paige Herr, Tammy Brown, Tammy and Dylan Hess, and Cindy Rhodes; friends Tina Hess and Trevor and Dalton, Tim, Cissy, Shelby and Adam Hoffman, John, Melissa, and Chandler Blatnik.



Kyle Grewing

## Announcements

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary #6205 will meet on Monday, Dec. 13 at 8:00 p.m. A Christmas special with VFW members will follow. Ladies will bring a covered dish.

Catholic Daughters meeting is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 6 at the KC Hall at 7:30 p.m. Christmas bags for shut-ins will be made.

Santa's Annual Visit to the VFW Post Home will be on Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999 at 9:30 a.m. All VFW and Auxiliary members' children and grandchildren are invited. The event is sponsored by the Auxiliary to VFW #6205.

## Green Tips

**Fact:** Refrigerators and freezers account for 12% of our residential energy use. **Tip:** Don't explore the contents of your refrigerator, allowing warm air in. Know what you want and open and shut the door quickly.

## Abby Luttmir is two

Abby Rose Luttmir celebrated her second birthday on Nov. 25 with a party at the home of her maternal grandparents, Alfons and

Mary Ann Koesler. Her actual birthday is Nov. 26. After a meal of turkey, dressing, and all the trimmings, a Barney cake was served. Gifts were opened and displayed.

Guests included her parents, Gene and Carol Luttmir; her sister Amy; maternal grandparents Alfons and Mary Ann Koesler; great-grandparents Ben and Gertie Voth; aunts, uncles, and cousins Joe and Kristy Koesler, James, Susan, Nicholas, Jonathan, Kristen, and Debra Yosten, Barbara Koesler, Duane, Mary Lin, Diana, and Amanda Knabe, Max, Cindy, and Samantha Koesler; and Nicholas' fiancée Telisha Reid.



Abby Luttmir



Muenster Historical Commission member Jeanette Meurer arranges a military display in preparation for the grand opening of the new Muenster Museum. The donation of the home of Ben and Aggie Seyler for museum will enable the Commission to properly display items that previously hung in a closet and to accept new donations and loaned historical memorabilia to share. Photo by Janis Hartman

## VFW Auxiliary plans for Santa visit and meeting change

Auxiliary #6205 made plans at their November meeting for Santa's visit to be on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the VFW Post Home. Members, children, and grandchildren are all invited to the party which will take place at 9:30 a.m. Committee members for the Santa visit are: tree decorations, Linda Knabe and Sandra Hennigan; refreshments, Ethel Hesse, Hilda Sicking, Bonnie Hess, and Armella Cler; Santa and gifts, Frances Bayer.

The Auxiliary also decided to change their meeting night for December to Monday, Dec. 13 in order to join the VFW members after their meeting for a Christmas Social. The

men will provide the fried chicken and the ladies will bring a covered dish.

Members also decided to again sponsor the "In Lieu of Christmas Cards" program. For a donation of \$10.00 or more, the members of the community who wish to participate will have their name placed on an ad "Holiday Greeting" card in the *Muenster Enterprise*. The funds raised are used for the Auxiliary's local project participation to help others in need. The chairmen are Frances Bayer, Rt. 1 Box 1, Muenster, Texas 76252 and Juanita Knabe, P.O. Box 474, Muenster. The deadline for participating is Dec. 17.

## Baptism

### Hutson

Katie Ann Hutson, daughter of Brad and Betty Hudson was baptized during the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Nov. 1 by Father Thomas Craig. Katie's godparents were a aunt Mary Kay Trubenbach and a family friend Ricke Brawner.

Katie wore a gown that was a gift from her parents and was wrapped in a blanket that was made by her great-aunt Bernice Beyer. The blanket was also used by Katie's brother, David, when he was baptized.

After Mass they met at the Center for breakfast. Those attending were Katie's brother, David; Frank and Rhonda Fangman and family Ricke, Terry, and Angel Brawner; great-aunt Dott Swirczynski, and Wayne and Mary Kay Trubenbach.

## Saint Jo Tour of Homes December 12

The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce will present its 13th Annual Tour of Homes on Sunday, Dec. 12, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Four historic homes and one church will be featured.

Tickets will go on sale at 2:00 p.m. on December 12 at the Presbyterian Church located at 209 S. Main Street.

Refreshments will be served and door prize drawings will take place at the end of the tour. The cost is \$5.00 per person.



Troop 45 Girl Scouts enjoying a weekend camp out were from left, front - Jessica Walterscheid, Renee Dittfurth, Becky Brundage; Back - Kalyn Rohmer, Dainah Hartman, Charlotte Bartush, Jayna Rohmer, Anne Walterscheid. Courtesy photo

## Junior Girl Scout Troop 45 participates in outdoor events

Junior Girl Scout Troop 45 of Muenster participated in a council-wide campout at the Lake Murray State Park Nov. 5-7. The purpose of this event was to work on the "Outdoor Surroundings Badge". They went horseback riding, rock climbing, and hiking. They also worked on their outdoor cooking skills. The girls participated in making a craft, singing songs, and an evening of skits and companionship around a campfire.

Girls attending included Dainah Hertman, Becky

Brundage, Jayna Rohmer, Renee Dittfurth, Jessica Walterscheid, Kalyn Rohmer, Charlotte Bartush, and Anne Walterscheid. Their leader is Pamela Dittfurth. Co-leaders are Dana Walterscheid and Colleen Brundage.

Preceding this campout, Troop 45 spent an afternoon at the Bowles' residence in Era. They learned about the care of horses. Mounting, dismounting, turning, backing, and other riding tactics to watch out for were practiced.

## Katie Bell celebrates first birthday on November 23

Katie Michele Bell, daughter of Kevin and Tara Bell turned one on Nov. 23. The party was held at Kevin and Tara's house on Sunday, Nov. 21 at 2:00

p.m. The theme was teddy bears, decorated with the saying, "It's The Big 1!"

Attending Katie's party were her grandparents Geri and Cody Williams, Jeanne Bell; great-grandmother Shirley Williams; uncle Toby Chapman; godmother Holly Mullins; Marcy Mullins, Brandy and Trace Klement, Alethea and Colton Morris, Tonya and Madison Dugger, Emily, Lauren and Weldon Bayer; Rylee and Christin Cain, Kim and Zina Kaemerer. All enjoyed watching Katie open her presents and play with all of her friends as she celebrated her birthday.



Katie Michele Bell

## Just A Thought

*We do what we should, we won't have time to do what we shouldn't.*



Macie Pagel

## Macie Pagel marks one November 7

Macie Raye Pagel, daughter of Troy and Lisa Page celebrated her first birthday at her home on Sunday, Nov. 7. teddy bear theme was used for the party. Macie's mother baked and decorated a teddy bear cake and cupcakes for guests to enjoy.

Those attending were Macie's parents; grandparents Phil and Marlene Endres and Larry and Sheri Tisdal; great-grandparents Clar Endres and Mildred Pitman; Ricky, Kelly, and Sand Endres; Judy Milligan, Renat, Kelsey, Derek, Miranda and Collin Pagel; Denise and Nicole Pagel; Shari, Shannon and Daina Hartman; Kristen LeBrasse; Lisa, Kailob, Taylor, an Garrett Miller; Judy Brown; Kim and Taylor Brown; Dan and Payton Wimmer; Mist and Zach Briggs; Dyan Campbell; and Tiffany an Amanda Perry.

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# School News

## Muenster High School Band presents winter concerts

On Wednesday, Dec. 8, the award winning Muenster High School Big Red Band will be performing twice for the listening and viewing pleasure of Muenster area residents. The first performance will be at the Grand Opening of the Muenster Museum located on Main Street at 12:15 p.m. That evening the band will again be performing their winter concert in conjunction with a bake sale sponsored by the Band Boosters Club. The evening concert will be presented in the Muenster High School Band Hall at 5:30 p.m.

These are two wonderful opportunities to witness the musical talent of the 92 member Big Red Band under the direction of Mr. Pat Dietz. The 41 member sixth grade band will precede the Big Red Band with their first concert performance of the year. The

bake sale, which will begin before the concert and continue throughout the evening, is an excellent way for family, friends, and the community to support the band and help raise money to purchase additional band instruments. Cash donations will also be accepted in lieu of purchasing baked goods.

In addition to receiving a First Division at the UIL Regional Marching Competition held in Wichita Falls on Oct. 16 and qualifying for the UIL Area Marching Competition, many members of the band have earned individual awards in the past month.

On Nov. 6, the band traveled to Pilot Point to audition for positions in the North Texas Honors Band. Those individuals making the prestigious 1999 North Texas

Honors Band were Diane Britain, Mitch Endres, Amanda Felderhoff, Derek Felderhoff, Megan Grewing, Shannon Grewing, Layla Khalil, Kami Klement, Mary Skinner, and Tyler Walterscheid. First alternates selected were Amy Graham and Terry Hess. Third alternates selected were Casey Garcia, Dustin Hiser, Daniel Rohmer, and Chris York. These student musicians will be performing in concert at Boswell High School in Fort Worth on Jan. 29, 2000 with other selected honor band members from 1-A and 2-A Texas high schools. They will also receive instruction from a prestigious conductor (to be announced). Please congratulate and support these musicians as they go to represent Muenster High School.

Additionally, Mary Skinner auditioned Nov. 6 in Wichita Falls and made the TMEA (Texas Music Educator's Association) High School All-District Band on the flute. Miss Skinner also auditioned Nov. 13 in Abilene for the ATSSB (Association of Texas Small Schools Bands) and made the All-Region Band on the flute. In both competitions, Miss Skinner was competing against musicians from 1-A, 2-A, and 3-A schools, thus adding to the status of her designations. She will be performing Jan. 15, 2000 in Abilene and Jan. 22, 2000 in Wichita Falls with these two honor band organizations.

Please come out and support these fine young musicians with your presence and by purchasing a baked good! Both concerts are free to the public.

*submitted by Deborah Vinson*



Muenster FHA members, Bryan Miller, Craig Hartman and Casey Bell prepare 'goody bags' that were given to students' friends and family to help them stop smoking during the Great American Smoke-Out. Photo by Janie Hartman

## Smokeout observed by Muenster FHA members

Muenster High School's FHA Chapter took part in the Great American Smokeout Nov. 18. This is a nationwide event that is sponsored by the American Cancer Society. It is a positive and good natured event to encourage smokers to kick the habit for 24 hours.

Members of FHA were given the opportunity to sponsor friend or family member for the day. The sponsored tobacco users were given goody bags

filled with candy and gum given to them as an incentive towards refraining from tobacco for the entire day.

FHA also distributed pamphlets and hung posters in the halls to discourage students from becoming tobacco users. Muenster FHA hopes their efforts made tobacco users realize that if they can quit for one day, they can quit for a lifetime.

## NCTC Singers perform annual Christmas concert

The North Central Texas College singers will present their annual Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 7 in St. Mary's Church of Gainesville. Directed by Dr. Michael Linder and accompanied by John Dill, the 25-member group will perform a program of traditional and contemporary Christmas selections.

According to Dr. Linder, the program will be highlighted by the performance of the three-movement Daniel Pinkham Christmas Cantata with accompaniment by a brass ensemble. Soprano Regina Walter, an adjunct NCTC faculty member, will also perform a special solo during the concert.

Representing the NCTC Singers are Mahala Bastian, Michael Childress, Chris Cooper, Jeffrey Creech, Candace Evans, Misty Farquhar, Scott Gates, Anna Glenn, Goin, Maria Haarajoki, Gene Hobbs, Lakeshia Johnson, Ryan Knudson, Shannon Lortz, David McKenzie, Nicki Negus, Alicia Proffer, Laura Pruitt, Dennis Sasser, Alex Slayton, Teresa Smith, Jason Sutton, and Dusty Windom.

There is no admission charge for the event.

### JUST A THOUGHT

*The only reason people get lost in thought is because they think so seldom.*

## School Lunch Menus

### WEEK OF DEC. 6-10 MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Hot dogs, chili and cheese, French fries, ranch style beans, fruit, sunshine square.

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

Wed. - Chicken and rice soup, ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit, cornbread and crackers.

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

Fri. - Barbecue sandwiches, French fries, baked beans, pickles and onions, carrot sticks, fruit, ice cream.

### SACRED HEART S.N.A.P. MENUS

Mon. - Cook's choice, salad, dessert.

Tues. - Spaghetti and meat, corn, salad, fruit, hot rolls.

Wed. - No school! Church Holy day.

Thurs. - Fiesta salad, ranch style beans, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, corn chips, fruit.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, curly Qs, fruit.

### LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Beef stew, blueberry muffins, pears, bread.

Tues. - Lasagna, mixed veggies, cole slaw, fruit mix, bread.

Wed. - Deli Sandwiches, green beans, lettuce salad, pineapple.

Thurs. - Hamburger w/trimming, French fries, ice cream.

Fri. - Pizza, corn, lettuce salad, peaches, bread.

### ERA ISD

Mon. - Chicken nuggets or barbecue wieners, green beans, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, rice krispy treat.

Tues. - Ham, dressing, gravy, sweet potatoes, strawberry delight, hot roll.

Wed. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed salad, peaches, corn bread.

Thurs. - Corn dog, French fries, tossed salad, fresh apple, sugar cookie.

Fri. - Sub sandwiches, potato chips, trimmings, pickle spears, ice cream.

## Vinson tests high

Adam Vinson, now a seventh grade student at Muenster Junior High, has been selected to be a Duke Talent Search Scholar. Adam has tested in or above the 95th percentile in

national testing, thus including him in a very special group of young people who are considered academically talented.

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With the help of several volunteers we photographed and fingerprinted over 70 children. We also informed the children and their parents of several safety tips that will help to keep them safe in our community.

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# Sports

## Sacred Heart stampedes Longhorns

Tuesday night, Sacred Heart's basketball teams traveled to Forestburg to tangle with the Longhorns. Both teams were victorious, the Tigers winning 49-20 and the Tigerettes 55-37.

The Tigers' win was attributed to the 16 points scored by John Yosten and 8 from Marty Farrell. Farrell and Yosten also led the team in rebounds and steals.

"I'm proud of the Tigers," said Coach Kelly Bayer, noting that Sacred Heart won over this team earlier this season when Forestburg was one starter short. "This time we were without a starter." Bayer credits his team for playing good defense all four quarters, adding that every player contributed to the victory.

## Lady Hornets in turkey week games

Last week Tuesday, Muenster hosted the Aubrey Lady Chaps, falling 65-38 to a hot shooting team.

Heather Hess led the game's point makers by scoring 14 points. Allison Endres dropped in 7, with Jessica Anderson and Kelly Felderhoff each getting 4. Ashley Hess and Diane Britain added 3 points apiece, Lucy Endres scored 2, and Kristi Lutkenhaus 1.

Saturday afternoon, Muenster hosted Nocona. After a low scoring first half, the Lady Hornets came back and almost took a victory, but came up short 45-41.

"In the second half we finally played like we are capable. I just hope we can continue to do it consistently," noted Coach Jeff Peague. Muenster scored 30 points the last two quarters while holding Nocona to 14.

Kelly Felderhoff was high scorer in the game with 11 points. Lutkenhaus and A. Endres each added 8. A. Hess and H. Hess scored 6 apiece, and Ashley Klement put in 2.

M 4 7 17 13 41  
N 12 19 7 7 45

Other Tigers dropping in points were Luke Endres with 7, Mikey Bayer and Stephen Hofbauer 3 each and a free throw point from Chris Smith, Clint Fuhrmann and Kenny Grewing.

SH 12 9 12 40  
F 4 6 8 11 29

The Tigerettes jumped into a 22-9 first quarter lead and never looked back. Playing a strong third quarter, they buried the Lady Horns.

## Hornets win seasoner opener

A week after completing their football season, the Muenster High School boys competed in their varsity basketball game. The Hornets defeated the Nocona Indians in a game that had to be determined after the final buzzer.

Muenster fell behind in the first two quarters to retire at half-time 30-22.

However, the Hornets turned up the heat in the third quarter, scoring 19 points, while holding Nocona to 7. This provided the Hornets with a 41-37 lead. The fourth quarter ended with the Hornets ahead 50-49. However, a foul at the

Kayla Felderhoff dropped in 29 points, 15 being from the 3 point range. Sarah Hess added 9. Jennifer Hess 8 and Joanna Gehrig 6 points, along with 10 rebounds and 10 assists. Anne Flusche scored a 3, with Jana Truebenbach and Andrea Bauer each getting 2.

SH 22 9 20 7 58  
F 9 10 3 15 37

Sacred Heart will host Nocona this Friday for four games, beginning at 4 pm with the junior varsity girls.

## Tigers challenged in two weekend matches

Sacred Heart hosted two holiday basketball rounds last weekend.

On Friday, the Tigers battled the Eagles of Valley View to a 49-57 defeat. "I'm extremely pleased with the boys' effort," said Coach Kelly Bayer. Defensively the Tigers had 11 steals and 14 turnovers.

Marty Farrell led all scorers with 21 points. Farrell also pulled down 7 rebounds. John Yosten dropped in 13 points, with Josh Walterscheid adding 6, Luke Endres 5, and 2 apiece from Stephen Hofbauer and Kenny Grewing.

SH 15 16 8 10 49  
VV 17 11 17 12 57

Saturday afternoon, the 'Cats from Tom Bean clawed Sacred Heart 72-51.

Again Farrell was the game's high point maker with 29. He was 13 of 17 shooting, pulled down 9 rebounds, got 4 steals and 2 blocks.

"Not having two starting guards and with a tough game the night before, really took its toll on us," noted Coach Bayer.

Also scoring for the Tigers were Endres with 7 points, and Yosten with 6 points, 10 rebounds, 3 steals and 2 block shots. Hofbauer put in 5 and Walterscheid 4 points and 6 steals.

As a team, the Tigers defensively caused 27 turnovers, had 15 steals, and 5 blocked shots.

SH 17 8 10 16 51  
TB 20 12 13 27 72

## Texas Game Warden Field Notes

Those Antlers May Look Good to You, But...

The Llano County Sheriff's Office contacted the county game warden about a deer problem at a residence. A 10-point buck had his antlers caught in a rope swing and was unable to get loose. Every time the buck lunged, the rope swing would lift the buck off his feet, swinging him back and forth until he was able to get his feet back on the ground. The warden waited until the buck stopped swinging to cut the rope, allowing the deer to escape. The officer said it was the craziest thing he has encountered as a game warden.

## Tigerettes roll Lady Cats

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes outclawed the Lady Cats of Tom Bean by a score of 68-36 last Saturday. "The girls put on an outstanding performance the first 16 minutes," said Tigerette Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "I was very impressed with our first half of play!"

The Tigerettes jumped to a 23-8 first period lead, then led 55-23 entering the final frame, rolling to the easy 68-36 win. "We were hitting on all cylinders tonight," said Coach LeBrasseur. "This squad has a

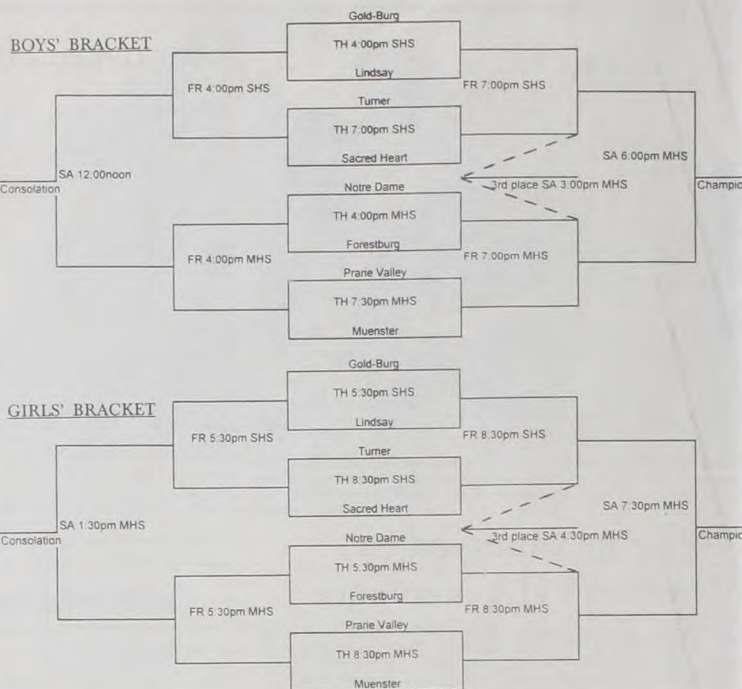
lot of potential as we can score from all positions." The Tigerettes connected on 13 of 15 charity attempts and dominated the boards.

Felderhoff led the Tigerettes with 20, Sarah Hess hit for 18, and Andrea Bauer scored 11. Audrey Barnhill, Joanna Gehrig and Jennifer Hess each hit four. Jana Truebenbach scored 3, and Anne Flusche and Raney Bauer each hit a pair. Sarah Hess led the rebounders with 9, and Joanna Gehrig had four steals.

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## New requirements for deer corn labeling targets aflatoxin

The new regulations state that all corn sold as wildlife feed must include package labeling indicating the amounts of aflatoxin, a biological toxin which can kill wildlife. The maximum allowable aflatoxin for wildlife feed is 50 parts per billion (ppb).

Almost half the deer corn randomly purchased across the state during a Texas A&M University study last fall had excessive levels of aflatoxin. One sample measured almost 33 times the maximum level allowed for consumption by dairy cattle.

The study reinforces concerns by Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW) biologists, who fear the shelled corn containing high levels of aflatoxin will end up in the field as deer corn during the months ahead. Aflatoxin is produced by fungi of the genus Aspergillus and can be found on any high-starch food item, like corn or other grains grown under drought conditions or stored in hot and humid environments. Animals ingesting corn containing aflatoxins are susceptible to liver damage and other diseases as the toxins suppress their immune response.

While there is no mandatory testing for aflatoxin, U.S. Food

and Drug Administration rules prohibit corn tested at more than 20 ppb of aflatoxin from being fed to dairy cattle, and Texas law requires corn to be labeled with the concentrations found in testing. Corn exceeding the allowable levels of aflatoxin for livestock is often sold as "deer corn" in untagged sacks to unsuspecting hunters.

"You've got to remember that just because you intend to feed it to deer, doesn't mean that only deer will be eating it," said Dr. Jerry Cooke, TPW big game and upland ecology program director. "There are many other species that will have access to that feed, and few of the other species are as hardy as deer."

Cooke cited several situations where aflatoxins can flourish, as in deer feeders, corn packed in plastic bags, or sacked corn stacked in the open, as it often is for deer corn at many stores. "These situations can result in significantly high concentrations of the toxin in relatively short period of time. If I were using deer corn, I would take precautions to limit the potential for aflatoxin. I don't buy unlabeled corn unless I see the test results, I don't use poorly-constructed feeders which can allow corn to become wet, I don't pour large piles of corn onto the ground, and I store it like I intended to eat myself," says Cooke.

## Sacred Heart Exes to due on the basketball court

Mark Thursday, Dec. 23 on your calendars! That is the evening on which Sacred Heart Exes plan to challenge each other on the basketball court. It's a Ladies Grudge Match for the first game as the Ladies from 1984 play the Ladies of 1988. For more information on this match contact Susan Flusche at 759-4747.

Following the Ladies' game a game is scheduled for the male graduates. How the teams will be divided has not yet been decided. Those interested should contact Job Bartush at 759-4215.

More information will be available at a future date.

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# 1999 District 17-A All-District Football Team announced

Key to teams: M - Muenster; - Era; VV - Valley View; SJ - Saint Jo; C - Collinsville; S - Savoy.  
 (Unanimous Selection)  
**FIRST TEAM**  
**DISTRICT MVP** - Darren Hennigan, M; Darrel Twiner, VV.  
**OFFENSIVE MVP** - Cody Martindale, VV.  
**DEFENSIVE MVP** - Robert Hill, VV.  
**NEWCOMER** - Donny Patton, SJ.  
**DEFENSE**  
**ENDS**: Craig Hartman, M; Jeremy Aljoe, E; Tobe McCann, VV.

**TACKLES**: Justin Walterscheid, M; Dustin Bryant, VV.  
**GUARDS**: Philip Fortenberry, E; Robert Dillin, VV.  
**CENTER**: Chris Grewing, M.  
**RECEIVERS**: Chris Ford, C; Jeremy Reynolds, S.  
**QUARTERBACK**: Roger Barthold, VV.  
**RUNNING BACKS**: Justin Almand, C; Jeffrey Stephens, E.  
**FULLBACK**: Alex Sessums, VV; Justin Fitzgerald, C.  
**HONORABLE MENTION**: Justin Walterscheid, DT; Casey Walterscheid, Safety; Justin Fleitman, Safety; Nick Silmon, Guard; Jeff Klement, Receiver; Mitch Endres, QB; Craig Hartman, TE.



Members of the 1999 District 17-A All-District Football Team receiving a place on the all-district team are, from left, front - Randy Grewing, Craig Hartman, Casey Walterscheid, Jeff Klement, Angel Hernandez, Mitch Endres; Middle - Nick Silmon, Jim Stoffels, John Flusche, Darren Hennigan, Bryan Miller, Josh Luke, Grant Hartman; Back - Justin Fleitman, Justin Walterscheid, Danny Felderhoff, Blake Garrison. Photo by Janie Hartman

**LINEMEN**: Philip Fortenberry, E; Justin Lewter, Blake Garrison, M.  
**LINEBACKERS**: Adamavenport, C; \*John Ricker, S; \*John Flusche, M; Dusty Ash, VV.  
**SECONDARY**: Josh Luke, \*Cody Martindale, VV; Jeffrey Stephens, E; Chris Ford, C.  
**PUNTER**: Nick Silmon, M; Roger Barthold, VV, Jeremy Reynolds, S.  
**KICKER**: \*Nick Silmon, M.  
**DEFENSE**  
**TIGHT END**: Justin Patton, SJ.  
**TACKLES**: Tobe McCann, \*Jim Stoffels, M.  
**GUARDS**: Jeremy Aljoe, E; Danny Felderhoff, M.  
**CENTER**: David Eller, VV.  
**RECEIVERS**: Jacob Lambert, VV; \*Don Ferguson, VV.



Sacred Heart Tigers earning all-district honors are, from left, Josh Walterscheid, Jeff Hartman, Matthew Nasche, Stephen Hofbauer, Adam Klement, Luke Endres, and Jon Yosten. Photo by Janie Hartman

**QUARTERBACK**: Dusty Ashalter, S.  
**RUNNING BACKS**: \*Bryan Miller, M; \*Scott Harris, SJ.  
**FULLBACK**: Josh Luke, M.  
**SECOND TEAM**  
**DEFENSE**  
**ENDS**: Seth Mitchell, C; Danny Felderhoff, M.  
**LINE**: Dustin Bryant, VV; Chris Graves, C; Shane Gray, SJ; Angel Hernandez, M; Jim Stoffels, VV.  
**LINEBACKERS**: Justin Land, C; Grant Hartman, Alex Sessums, VV.  
**SECONDARY**: Scott Harris, Jeff Klement, M; Roger Barthold, VV; Don Ferguson, S.  
**KICKER**: Chip Trueblood, E.  
**DEFENSE**  
**TIGHT END**: H.T. Anshaw, E.

## Sting wins 14-A Fastpitch Tournament

The Texoma Sting girls' softball team won the Toys for Tots Fastpitch tournament Nov. 21 in Burleson, Texas. The "A" tourney, composed of several top 14 and under aged girls teams from the region, was a 2-day, single elimination format held at Barlett Park. Sting defeated a strong Texas Elite team for the championship as Mary Jane Callahan tossed a 3-hitter and posted an 8-1 triumph. Susan Ogden and Afton Robinson had two RBI each and Jana Truhenbach, Heather Gibson, and Rachael Cook added one each. "The girls are really starting to hit the ball," said Head Coach Perry Turnbow. "Every girl in the lineup had at least one hit in the championship game."

The first game saw Callahan pick up a shut out win against Azle Attitude 7-0. Game two saw Robinson defeat the highly ranked Austin Storm (8th in Texas 14U) by a score of 5-3, scattering seven hits. Callahan topped the Texas Elite team the first time in

game three by a score of 7-1, in a strong pitching performance. The Sting defeated host Nuff Said team in the final game Saturday by a score of 3-2. Callahan had a big hit in the contest and drove in a run. The semi-final game saw Robinson toss a perfect game at the Arlington Blue Diamonds, 10-0. Turnbow said that the key to winning the tournament was "teamwork, great pitching, and solid defense... Like every other

## TAPPS District 2-A All District announced

Key to teams: R - Rockwall Christian; L - Lakehill Christian; A - American Heritage; B - Balch Springs; SH - Sacred Heart.  
**DEFENSE**  
**MVP** - Ben Griffin, A.  
**LINEBACKERS**: First Team - Jeff Brantley, R; Mark Rummel, L; Jim Evans, A; Josue Martinez, B; Caleb Ivey, R. Second Team - Matthew Nasche, SH. Honorable Mention - Josh Walterscheid, SH.  
**LINEMEN**: Herb Evans, A; John Kliegen, L; Joey Hines, R; Jeff Hartman, SH. Honorable Mention - Adam Klement and Stephen Hofbauer, SH.  
**BACKS**: Geoff Whitmore, R; Wes Brown, L; Aaron Fredrickson, A; Kevin Pirthus, B. Honorable Mention - John Yosten, SH.  
**PUNTER**: Jeremy Knuckles, B. Second Team - Luke

Endres, SH.  
**OFFENSE**  
**MVP**: Bob Giesey, A.  
**QUARTERBACK**: First Team - Caleb Palmer, R. Honorable Mention - Matthew Nasche, SH.  
**RUNNING BACK**: Jim Evans, A; Ken Scruggs, L; Jeff Brantley, R; Brad Robinson, A. Honorable Mention - Josh Walterscheid, SH.  
**OFFENSIVE LINE**: John Kliegen, L; Joey Hines, R; Mark Rummel, L; Wayne Hargraves, B; Andy Duncan, R; Honorable Mention - Jeff Hartman and Stephen Hofbauer, SH.  
**TIGHT END**: Herb Evans, A.  
**WIDE RECEIVER**: Geoff Whitmore, R; Ben Griffin, A.  
**KICKER**: Jeremy Knuckles, B.  
**NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR**: Jim Evans, A.  
**FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR**: Zach Scruggs, L.

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## Junior Varsity

**Muenster 22 Aubrey 27**  
 The junior varsity Lady Hornets fell to the Lady Chaps last week, Tuesday. Brittany Haverkamp was the game's leading scorer with 11 points. Kami Klement and Lisa Felderhoff each added 4, with Pamela Lutkenhaus getting 2, and Crystal Lutkenhaus a free throw.  

M	5	4	7	6	22
A	4	8	8	7	27

**SH 38 VV 68**  
 The Tigerettes hosted the Lady Eagles last Friday. "We gave a very poor effort against a good basketball team," noted Coach Jon LeBrasseur. Sara Sepanski and Mary Jane Callahan led Sacred Heart with 11 points each. Kristen Zimmerer added

8, while Katherine Bartush, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Charlie Sue Switzer, and Crystal Hess each scored two.  

SH	8	8	11	11	38
VV	21	19	11	17	68

**SH 34 Tom Bean 37**  
 The Tigerettes lost a close contest Saturday. "We finally broke out of watch and see mode," said Coach Jon. "We were the type of team that we need to be in the second half."  
 Jennifer Hoedebeck was the team's high scorer with 12 points. Kristen Zimmerer added 6, Sara Sepanski and Mary Jane Callahan 5 apiece, Alicia Cochran 4, and Katherine Bartush 2 points.  

SH	4	6	10	14	34
TB	14	8	10	5	37

## Junior High Action

**Muenster 7th 43 Alvord 18**  
 The young Lady Stingers dominated the Alvord gym Monday evening. Joanna Felderhoff led all scorers with 20 points. Tara Swirczynski added 9, Shelbi Jolliff 6, and 2 apiece from Kristen Hess, Whitney Watson, Shannon Grewing, and Candice McCivary.  

M	18	9	6	10	43
A	6	0	10	2	18

**Muenster 7th 37 Alvord 7**  
 The young Stingers buried the Bulldogs preventing Alvord from scoring into the double digits. Nine Muenster players put points on the board. Sean Fuhrmann led with 8 points. Chase Cain and Russell Endres each scored 5, while Dustin Felderhoff, John Fredrick, Clint Miller, and Craig Hopper all added 4 apiece. A.J. Fleitman dropped in 2, and Justin Wolf 1.  

M	10	11	10	6	37
A	2	0	1	4	7

**Muenster 8th 32 Alvord 9**  
 Seven Lady Stingers scored points in a big win over the Lady Pups. Melinda Walterscheid dished in 10 points to lead all scorers in the game. Deann Dangelmayr dropped in 6, Robyn Hermes 5, Diana Felderhoff, Kristi McAden, and Alisha Walterscheid each scored 3, and Chelsea Felderhoff 2.  

M	9	5	10	8	32
A	2	2	4	1	9

**Muenster 8th 22 Alvord 29**  
 Daniel Russell had a good game Monday night at Alvord, hitting two 3s and a free throw for Muenster's first 6 points. Russell went on to lead the Stingers with 12 points. Jared Ledbetter and Kyle Endres each added 4, and Kirk Hartman 2.  

M	8	0	4	10	22
A	6	4	12	7	29

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I cannot begin to thank each one who helped me but I would like to mention a few.  
My appreciation to Mark and Linda Fuhrmann, Clint and Chris, Don and Kathy Hartman, Cindy and Jeff, Bob Sepanski, Mike and Beverly and Marcus and Kathy Fuhrmann, Mr & Mrs Joe Pagel, Linus, Glenn, Kevin, Aloys and Maggie Fuhrmann, Teresa and Rose, Mickey and Benny, Shirley, Jennifer, Jill and Gilbert Hess, Glenn Trachta, Mary Lynn Knabe, Kim Walterscheid, Harold and Jeannine Flusche, the Sacred Heart Swim Team, Teresa Mae and Sylvan Walterscheid, Sally Switzer and girls, Danny and Jan Endres, Lenny and Joan Haverkamp, Bobby Hess, Coach Jon, Jo Bedowitz, Linda Ellender and Joe Reynolds.  
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Thank you Mary Callahan for everything. And Kathy and Bob Bauer, Andrea Raney, and Jacqueline, thank you for being there when I needed you the most.  
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# County Agent's Report

## Farm Bureau President addresses convention delegates

Texas Farm Bureau President Bob Stallman addresses delegates to the TFB convention Monday, urging them to "make the 21st century agriculture's century." Stallman compared TFB's role in agriculture to that of firefighters extinguishing one blaze after another. "We dare not stop for fear that the fire will consume all that we have worked a lifetime for," Stallman said. Stallman focused much of his discussion on America's need for a national farm policy. A successful agricultural policy could have equal footing with reign and trade relations as well as environmental regulations, he said. Unilateral embargoes against countries like Cuba kick the U.S. out of foreign trade and leave fertile international markets open to competitors. The Farm Bureau cannot and will not accept that, Stallman said. Trade regulations constitute one of many factors contributing to what Stallman called a "flight out of agriculture" that is taking place in America. From 1992 to

1997, more than 40,000 full-time farmers have cut back to part time work or left the farm altogether. Stallman implored the nation not to ignore this flight from farming. "These are the young men and women who would be our next generation of family farmers. What will be the price if they continue to leave the farm?" he said. Another potential risk factor that could force farmers off of the farm lies in limiting the use of technology in farming. Agricultural technology allows farmers to produce safe, healthy food and fiber in greater quantities than ever before, and legislators should recognize that fact, Stallman said. Activists question the safety of food produced through technologically advanced methods. Stallman, however, noted that their objections lack foundation in scientific fact and therefore should carry little weight in the argument against utilizing technology in agricultural production. The bottom line in successful national farm policy lies in farmers' opportunity to earn a

profit from their land. Failing to recognize this fact will push food production into the hands of corporate managers or foreign growers, Stallman said. Stallman encouraged convention attendees to work as a team in order to win agricultural battles in the new millennium. "We will combine our voices and our resources through the strength and power of this organization we've built together," Stallman said.

## TDA secures specific exemption for use of Zorial Rapid 80 herbicide

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- Application should not be made in any area where the soil depth to the water table is 30 feet or less.
- Avoid use of norflurazon when runoff or drift may occur. Applicators should be careful to avoid making applications near nesting areas of endangered avian species.

For more information, contact your county Texas agricultural Extension Office or TDA at 512-463-7407. A copy of the EPA Approval Notice is available on TDA's web page, [www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/zorial199.htm](http://www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/zorial199.htm).

## LIVESTOCK ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Tim Gilbert, CED at the Cooke County Farm Service Agency office, reminds us that due to the drought conditions in 1999, this program is being implemented once again. To help expedite the program this year, please call and make an appointment to sign-up for this program. The amount of money that is allocated for this program is limited. There is no way we can tell you how much money you will receive until after sign-up. Basically the more people that sign-up, the less money there will be if this limit is reached. We do expect a reduction in payments to be made because of the amount of states involved and the large number of producers with losses. Payments will not be made until the end of the program sign-up. Sign-up starts immediately. The deadline for sign-up has not been announced. This is a short period of time. Please act quickly.

- Eligibility requirements: 1) This program is for foundation herds only; livestock on the gain are ineligible. (No Exceptions). 2) Livestock must be owned for three months (90 days). 3) Eligible livestock are those used commercially for human food or kept for the production of fiber and use permanent pasture to sustain them. In our area we are talking about beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, and goats. 4) Payments will be made on the lesser of eligible livestock or the carrying capacity of your permanent pastures. Small grain pastures are not included. Our period of loss is July 15, 1999 through November 15, 1999. Our permanent pastures are classified as improved, native, and wooded native. If you have more livestock than your acres will carry, your livestock numbers will be adjusted. 5) Producers with gross annual revenue (receipts) from all agriculture and nonagriculture sources that exceed 2.5 million are ineligible.

## Cooke County Farm Bureau presented awards at State Convention

Awards for Cooke County Farm Bureau public relations and membership were presented Monday during Texas Farm Bureau's 66th annual convention in Corpus Christi. Judged to have done an outstanding job during 1999 in public relations activities, including media coverage, included Cooke County Farm Bureau.

Recognition was also given to counties showing the largest gain in membership, the highest renewal percentage, the largest number of new members and the longest continuous gain. Cooke County was recognized for a continuous gain for 18 years. Texas Farm Bureau finished fiscal year 1999 with 313,498 members.

## FREQUENCY OF SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING

Steve Hammaack, Extension beef cattle specialist, brings the following information on beef cattle to our attention: Texas A&M researchers recently reported results of winter feeding on four native range locations of the same weekly total of protein supplement either daily (7X), three times a week (3X), or once a week (1X), compared to unsupplemented controls (C). Cows in the 7X group received 2 lb./day of cottonseed meal (not cubes) in troughs, so 3X cows got approximately 4.7 lb/feeding and 1X got 14 lb/feeding. Cows in the C group lost more weight and body condition than supplemented cows. Differences between treatments varied slightly depending on the location. Overall, feeding frequency had little effect, except there was considerable more turbulence in feeding behavior and more variation in individual consumption in the 7X group. So, feeding such supplements three times or once a week saves labor and improves feed distribution.

## YOU CAN'T CONTROL PRICE, BUT YOU CAN AFFECT IT

"You can't control the price." Cow-calf producers often hear that. It is true that the average of all calf prices at any point can not be controlled, or even affected, by any producer. However, relative price is affected by genetics, management, and marketing. Recent Texas SPA summaries compare high profit and low profit producers. Calves sold by high profit producers averaged 50 lb heavier, \$8.16/cwt higher, and \$75.93 more gross calf value per cow bred. (Also, breakeven calf price was about \$56/cwt for high profit and \$122 for low.) High profit producers had slightly higher weaned calf crop percent, accounting for only about \$6 of the gross difference. Of the remaining \$70, about half was due to weight and half to price. You can affect relative price.

## TEXAS NATIVE TREES WEB SITE

A new Texas native trees web site preserves Benny Simpson's nationally-recognized collection of native plant research that would not have been usable as it was. Benny Simpson, often called a "plant hunter", roamed his native Texas searching out wild trees and shrubs. When he died suddenly in 1996, he left more than 30 years of work and 8,000 slides in his collection. They weren't cataloged or identified and might have gathered dust in a storage closet. This cooperative effort took more than a year just to identify and

digitize the slides to create the web site of 780 photos representing 227 species of trees.

Simpson was the author of *A Field Guide to Texas Trees*, one of the Texas Monthly Field Guide series. His book is now out of print, but the web site is organized to be an electronic version of his original work. Texas has 33 to 45 percent of the native tree species of the United States, with approximately 30 species that have become naturalized.

Benny Simpson was a true pioneer in recognizing early on the value of native plants in urban landscapes and visionary in knowing how much we would come to need plants that tolerate drought and resist insects and disease. Simpson devoted the major portion of his 42-year career, all at the Dallas location, to the study and propagation of native plants, developing numerous varieties for the nursery trade. The *Cloud* series of cenzos and the *Storm* series of desert willows are sold all over the Southwest.

Visit the Texas Native Trees web site at <http://dallas.tamu.edu/native/>.

## MULCHING FALL LEAVES

An excellent way of utilizing fall leaves, in addition to composting them, is to use them as a mulch in the vegetable garden or around ornamental plantings. Mother Nature has been mulching with leaves for millions of years, and it's time we followed her example. Mulches help hold moisture in our soils and prevent wet/dry fluctuations in soil moisture. They also help insulate the soil and protect the roots of plants from severe winter cold and intense summer heat. Mulches also help prevent certain soil-borne diseases and some weeds.

Shredded leaves stay seated better on the soil surface than whole leaves that tend to blow around. If you don't have a shredder, an easy way to shred leaves is to place them in small windrows, approximately three feet wide and one foot high. Then, with the lawnmower set in the highest wheel setting, run over the row. A bagger attached to the mower, or a tarp laid along side the windrow, will help collect the leaves efficiently.

Place leaves three inches deep under trees and shrubs, and extend the mulch two to three times the canopy spread if possible. A thick layer of mulch (more than 3 inches) is not recommended because it will encourage roots to grow out of the native soil into the mulch layer where they will become more susceptible to damage from winter freezes and intense summer heat.

Shredding will also accelerate the decomposition of leaves added to the compost pile.

## Combs reminds pesticide applicators to obtain continuing education credits before deadline

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs reminds pesticide applicators to check to see if they have the necessary continuing education units (CEUs) to renew their license. Many private applicators, as well as all commercial and noncommercial applicators, face a Feb. 28, 2000, renewal date. "Applicators still have plenty of time to get their CEUs," Combs said. These classes help applicators stay informed of changing regulations as well as new products and new application methods. Education is vital for proper and safe pesticide use. Applicators should provide TDA with any change of address. Many rural addresses have changed with the implementation of the 911 emergency response system. Providing updates or addresses allows applicators to receive their renewal on time and keep their license current. Private applicators must renew their license every five years and obtain 15 CEUs during that period. Two credits must be in integrated pest management and two in laws of regulations. Applicators must self-certify their credits listing them on the renewal

form that they should receive by early December.

Private applicators also may earn the required credits by passing a comprehensive recertification exam. This test costs \$50 for each attempt. After passing, an applicator will receive a certificate of completion for 15 CEUs.

Private applicators cannot simply retake to renew their license. A license must have been expired for a year before an applicator can take the private applicator training course and test. Commercial and noncommercial applicators renew each year and must earn five CEUs annually, including one CEU in each of two of the following categories: laws and regulations, integrated pest management and drift minimization.

Combs advises pesticide applicators to check with their county Texas Agricultural Extension Service office for courses offered or call the Texas Department of Agriculture at 1-800-TELL-TDA or 512-463-7548 for a list of approved courses. A list of CEU courses is available on TDA's web site ([www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/ceuhome.htm](http://www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/ceuhome.htm)).

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<b>100-175 lbs., \$30-\$40; 25-90 lbs., \$10-\$30</b>	<b>Ewes:</b> Stocker, 45-50; Thin, 28-30; Fat, 35-40	<b>Nannies (per head):</b> Stocker, \$45-\$50; Milk Type, \$50-\$60; Slaughter, Thin \$25-\$30; Fat, \$35-\$50
<b>Boars:</b> Feeder, 400 or less, 18-20; Light wt., 400-500, 20-22; Med. wt., 500-600, 22-25; Heavy wt., 600-up, 25-28	<b>Bucks:</b> Thin, 28-32; Fat, 33-35	<b>Billets (per head):</b> 120 lbs-up
<b>Boys:</b> 300 lb. -up, 04-07; 200-300 lbs., 10-18; Light wt., 18-22	<b>Barbados (per head):</b> Lambs: \$20-\$30; Ewes: \$30-\$40; Bucks: \$40-\$80	<b>Breeders:</b> \$75-\$100; Slaughter, \$50-\$75
	<b>Goats (per head):</b> Kids: 20-35 lbs., \$25-\$35; 35-55 lbs., \$35-\$50; 55-75 lbs. \$50-\$60; Yearlings: 75-	<b>Boer Goats (per head):</b> 1/2 Nanny, \$40-\$50; 3/4 Nanny, \$50-\$65; Full Nanny, \$140
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