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# Relay For Life thunders past goal

by Janet Felderhoff
With distant thunder echoing in the background, Cooke County 2000 Relay For Life kicked off at 6 p.m. June 2 at Muenster Hornet Stadium. Chuck Skinner offered the invocation. As the Boy Scouts from Troop 664 raised the American flag, Mikki Jones ang a stirring rendition of the National Anthem.

This year's goal was to raise \$105,000. By the closing of the Relay Saturday, that goal was surpassed; a total of \$124,655 was raised and the goal was expected to exceed \$126,000. Wednesday morning co-chairman Christine Weinzapfel was elated to announce that in excess of \$128,000 has been raised by the event.

"To wipe out cancer from the earth and honor those fighting the battle and remember those who lost the fight..."

Rita Bayer

Co-chairmen for the fifth annual Relay For Life were Rita Bayer and Weinzapfel. "We will be having lots of fun and making new friends in the next 20 hours, but it is important that we don't lose sight of our mission here," remarked Bayer. "That is to wipe out cancer from the earth and honor those fighting the battle and remember those who lost the fight." She then read the Mission Statement of the American Cancer Society.

Applause, encouragement, and words of cheer were sounded for the 85 cancer survivors who walked the opening lap of the Relay. Each of their names was announced during the lap. On some the only outward sign of their battle with cancer was the teal survivor Relay shirt. Some of these are survivors of many years. Some are still battling the disease.

Following the first lap, survivors attended a reception in their honor. Each was pinned with a paper chain with links representing the number of years they had survived

MCLeroy & Lewis Medical Clinic, Muenster State Bank, and David and Lou Ann Spaeth in honor of Henry Spaeth.

Certificates were also presented to underwriters, rommittee members, teams, and team captains who have participated in the Relay since this inception five years ago. Houseter Menorial Hospital, J.H. Bayer Sons, Inc., Muenster State Bank, and team captains who have participated in the Relay since this inception five years ago. Houseter Menorial Hospital, J.H. Bayer Sons, Inc., Muenster Knights of Columbus Council #1459, Bill Black Electric, Catholic Life Insurance, Muenster Kiwanis Club, Alan Ritchey, Inc., Bayer's Kolonialwaren, and Muenster Enterprise.

Teams recognized for five year participation included Alan Ritchey, Inc., Bill Black Electric, Footprint Friends, Martindale Feed Mill, Inc., Muenster State Bank, Tender Glower Feed Feed Mill, Inc., Muenster State Bank, Tender Glower Feed Feed Mill, Inc., Muenster State Bank, Tender Glower Feed Feed Mill, Inc., Menster State Bank, Tender Glower Feed Feed Mill, Inc., Menster Menorial Hospital, Five year team council #1459, Bil



# MEDG offers economic development help to city



Jason Lutkenhaus of the Muenster Jaycee's Coach Pitch Green Team was the first batter in the first game played at the new Muenster baseball complex Monday evening. He also got the first hit. Hind-catching for the Red Team is Dakota Newton. The Reds beat the Green Team in the season opener.

# Kevin Sebade joins staff of MSB as VP



# NCTC regents okay dorms for fall

Deluxe accommodations will be available to 32 students living on campus at North Central Texas College this coming fall, with construction of a new dormitory unit getting the go-ahead from members of the NCTC Board of Regents at their regular May meeting Monday, May 22.

The new 5,250-square-foot dorm will be a two-story structure with eight two-bedroom suites, each bedroom accommodating two students. All of the four-student suites will feature a shared "common" area and bathroom and will have their own exterior entrances. One of the first-floor suites will be specially outfitted to accommodate the needs of students with disabilities.

Akins Construction Co., of Gainesville will be the builder.

The firm was chosen by the



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### 13th Annual Ruth Hess Golf Tourney July 9

The Thirteenth Annual Ruth Hess Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, July 9 at the Indian Oaks Golf Course in Nocona. Tee time is 8 a.m. for the 4 Person Scramble. The fee is \$220 per team (includes green fee, cart, and t-shirt). Proceeds will benefit City of Muenster Baseball Complex.

All participants will be put in one group and prizes will be awarded in four different flights. There will be prizes for closest to the pin on all par 3s.

For more information contact Brian Herr at 940-759-4512 or 940-759-2376.

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way for us to give more power to our customers - the power to make their lives a little bit easier," said TXU Electric Manager Terry Tombaugh.

### New EPA report shows progress for Texas air quality

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team. Will Taylor was recognized as the child team member under 12 who raised the most money. Brandon Kiesel was the teen who raised the most money.

Best Campsite decorations award went to Guaranty National Bank. The team earning the most spirit points was Nortex Love of Life.

Besides the two co-chairmen, the 2000 Cooke County Relay For Life Planning Committee was composed of Carolyn Bayer, Luminaries; Kim Gerstberger, Information; Gayla Blanton and Susan Metzler, Team Recruitment; Melissa Trubenbach, Vanese Alguire, Beth Trubenbach, and Donna Walterscheid, Team Captain Coordinators; Sharon Ivins, Registration and Accounting; Cindy Jankiewicz



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# **OBITUARIES**

### Fr. Bonaventure Koelzer 1912 - 2000

a native of Muenster, long-time resident of Hereford and member of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, with Abbey in Graymoor, New York, died on June 2, 2000 in the Resurrection Nursing Home near Albany, New York at age 88.

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He was buried on Monday, June 5 at Graymoor Abbey.

Born in Muenster on March 18, 1912 to John and Mary (Huls) Koelzer, he was named Louis. He\* entered the Franciscan order at Graymoor in September 1926; was ordained on Feb. 13, 1938 and read his First Mass in Hereford on Feb. 15, 1938. He served the order well, and was sent to Rome to be Graymoor's Superior during W.W.II. Later

he served in France, then in Japan. His last mission was in Jatai, Brazil where he spent almost 14 years. He was privileged to visit family members frequently. After returning to Graymoor, he lived in Resurrection Nursing Home near Albany, New York for three years. He was privileged to celebrate his 25th and 50th jubilees in Hereford. It was his pleasure to relate that he met and served under four Popes. He was elected Father General at Graymoor in 1960 and served for seven years.

Survivors are his sisters, Mary Noggler and Theresa Koelzer, both of Hereford, and has a large number of nieces and nephews.

### NCTC REGENTS .... continued from pg. 1

regents rejected a proposalalso submitted by Akins
Construction for construction
of a restroom-concession stand
facility for the baseball-softball
fields complex. They were
unanimous in their agreement
with Dr. Glasscock that the bid
of \$99,000 was too high.

The board authorized Dr.
Glasscock and the
administration to pursue other
options in regard to
constructing the facility. Also
rejected by the NCTC board as
too high was a change order bid
from Hisaw & Associates,
contractors for the recently
completed Corinth Campus, to
construct additional paved
parking at that facility.

"Here too, we will have to
pursue some other options,
including sending out a new
request for proposals," said Dr.
Glasscock "We quickly
discovered, once the current
semester got underway, that
the existing 406 parking spaces
at Corinth were insufficient to
accommodate students, faculty
and staff. We are expecting
substantial enrollment growth
this fall, so we must find a way
to provide additional spaces."

The subject of parking also
found its way into the board's
consideration of the new 20002001 college catalog, routinely
submitted each year by the
administration for their
approval prior to publication.
New Regent Russell Duncan,
citing spiraling costs of
building and maintaining
parking lots, moved that the
catalog's currently listed
parking fee of \$5.00 per

semester be doubled to \$10, pro-rated for summer terms, to bring it more into line with what other colleges and universities are charging.

The motion passed unanimously, with indications that this may be the first of additional incremental increases in parking fees over the next few years.

Board members also voted unanimously to approve a budget amendment from the Cooke County Tax Appraisal District. Requested from all county taxing entities to help offset costs of financing a new CCAD computer, the adjustment for NCTC will mean a \$500 reduction in the amount scheduled for refund to the college due to a projected CCAD surplus.

Also approved and accepted by the regents was a Distance Learning Plan outlining the college's policies and practices for delivering instruction via the Internet, by interactive video, by instructional television and other means. They also approved and accepted a detailed Developmental Education Plan covering all aspects of the Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP) test and related remediation programs. In other business, the NCTC regents approved the employment of Dr. Kevin Eubanks, full-time English instructor; Molly Showalter, full-time vocational nursing instructor; and Janet Dragoo, financial aid director.

# Gainesville Memorial Hospital has new ER physician group

Gainesville Memorial Hospital announces that Team Health addition should enhance our emergency room genergency room physician services as of June 1.

"In a continued effort to provide our patients with the best services possible, I am excited to announce Team Health as our provider of emergency physician services," said GMH administrator Andrew E. Anderson, Jr. "Our commitment to providing quality, accessible and affordable healthcare to Gainesville and Cooke County

in Gainesville Thursday as Team Health took over operations of the GMH emergency room.

Team Health's mission is to deliver superior and cost-effective care through a physician-led clinical enterprise, connecting all partners and patients.

"We are committed to maintaining our reputation for being a physician-led, patient-focused organization, Jergens said. "Our success stems from our unwavering dedication to innovation, teamwork, and integrity.

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"First and foremost, we want to offer high-quality, compassionate, and clinically competent physicians to Gainesville. We believe that people rate you on how they feel." He added that patients trust the institution for clinical care, but will judge the treatment they are receiving on the feeling they have as to attitude of the caregiver, time management and treatment.

Sherri-Lynne Almeida, RN, MSN, is vice president of client services and will serve as the clinical and administrative liaison between GMH and Team Health Southwest.

Part of Almeida's role will be to conduct regular, on-site visitations with the Team Health Medical Director and the nursing director of the emergency department, as well as GMH administration.

Team Health manages more than 350 hospital-based contracts in 27 states, but realizes that healthcare is best delivered on a local level.

Because of this, Team Health has structured its organization to service clients from 14 different regional offices across the United States.

Jergens points out the Team Health billing service will be somewhat different from what has been used. Team Health will be, billing from four regional centers, but Jergens notes that the company has a special customer service line that only handles patients and their concerns.

Patients will be able to access customer service through a toll-free number, or through the internet. Jergens points out that patients will even be able to access or pay their bill through the internet.

Jergens said that Team Health realizes the public relations impact of billing, both for GMH and the physicians, so his company has an operating philosophy that is both patient-sensitive and cost-efficient.

by Keith C. King. CMH Marketing

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HOUSE DISTRICT 62

AUSTIN UPDATE

#### Changes in the Air to Reduce Pollution

Clean air is a major issue confronting Texas. The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is developing a program to address the problem of air pollution. This program is necessary because certain areas of Texas have exceeded the maximum air pollution standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). These four areas are Dallas/Fort Worth,

El Paso, Houston/Galveston, and Beaumont/Port Arthur.
Failure to implement a state program to meet federal air quality standards can result in (1) a more difficult licensing process for factories and other sources of pollution and (2) cutoff of federal highway funds. Continued failure to implement a plan would result in the federal EPA taking over enforcement of the Clean Air Act in

Air pollution is the contamination of air by the discharge of harmful substances. The sources of air pollution are either stationary (such as factories or refineries) or mobile (such as cars, trucks, lawn mowers). Cars and trucks cause the two worst kinds of air pollution: ozone (or smog) and carbon monoxide. Smog can lead to permanent lung damage, while carbon monoxide can impair the function of the eyes and brain, and is fatal in very high

concentrations.

Texas is considering stricter emissions standards for all new cars sold in Texas, limits on the time of day that certain types of heavy machinery can be operated, and requirements that reformulated gasoline be sold in certain regions.

Each of these proposed regulations will cost consumers and taxpayers. However, the Federal government will cut off some types of funding if improvements are not made. The challenge we face is balancing the desire for cleaner air with the cost of achieving each incremental improvement.

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If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact my Capitol office at P.O. Box 2910, Austin, Texas, 78768-2910, or Email me at ron.clark@house.state.tx.us.

I'd like to remind everyone that June 14th is Flag Day. In 1777, the Continental Congress chose the "Stars and Bars" pattern that remains our flag today. The first Flag Day was celebrated in 1877, on the flag's 100th birthday, and President Truman made Flag Day a national holiday in 1949.

You had excellent coverage on the MMH Board meeting of May 23, especially the mention of "A draft of the proposed interlocal agreement between MMH and GMH was received. Some changes were proposed and MMH is awaiting word from GMH. Also received was a draft for the enabling legislation for the proposed new district."

Mr. Editor, please print in their entirety the two documents mentioned above, immediately they are available, preferably before the interlocal agreement becomes effective. I am confident the Board does not wish to keep this community uninformed. The people of this Hospital District are most interested in being kept informed on all issues involved here. Secretiveness is everyone's enemy. It is to the Board's interest to operate in a manner that shows full faith in the ability of the community to decide what is right for the community, especially on a matter as important as our future regarding health care and laxes.

Carol Grewing, in the article, made a point that she was hearing "very negative stuff... They don't wan't to combine (MERGE) the districts" ... This was the start of a most interesting number of statements from both Hospital Administrator Endres and Board President Flusche, according your article. Some were not statements, but rather questions, and your readers would be well served by seeing some answers to those questio and perhaps a different view regarding the statements:

Back on the subject of the Board presenting a good case. It certainly is not the presentation that is flawed, it is the case that is flawed. MERGER, that is the real flaw. Muenster gives up its hospital, then gives Gainesville a signed check to build themselves a new hospital ?? In essence we would be giving the 85 percent of the Cooke County voters outside Muenster Hospital District the privileged of deciding how much we will be taxed to build and support their hospital. (There is not a great deal of comfort in the realization that we could use it if we choose

why I am very adamant that we must not close the hospital and MERGE?

President Don Flusche says Gainesville Board Members have stated that
".......if Muenster District decides not to close (dissolve) and combine
(MERGE) with Gainesville, they're not willing to work with Muenster at all
because Muenster will close anyway." Well, in reply, we are obviously
talking to different Gainesville people, since that is in direct conflict
with what I have been told.... and what has been printed in the
Gainesville paper and. Muenster Enterprise, issue dated Feb. 25, 2000.
And on the subject of closing MM Hospital. It seems I am much more
optimistic on this subject than the Board Members. I definitely feel
that we can maintain our hospital, but it will take a much greater effort
than currently being expended, by the entire community, and it will take
a joint effort with another medical facility, or facilities. (We have
been promised any type help we may need to maintain our hospital, if we
are all in agreement within our community that we really want to save it.
Without mentioning names — they prefer not being dragged into the
middle of a community fracas — be content with the fact there is
alternative help should Gainesville actually issue an ultimatum of "
MERGER, or else !')

Now briefly touching on other statements: Yes, I agree that some of the Gainesville Board members advocate a much larger role for a Muenster Clinic than do our own representatives. I gleaned this from attending many more Town Hall Meetings than was enjoyable, and from delving into pest issues of our two county papers.... Makes one wonder why our Board is so intent upon shaping our hospital into such a limited facility. There as yet has been no explanation to this odd question.....?

Board President Flusche states." People don't understand the program... once they understand they are satisfied ...... if anyone doesn't understand things they should come to the board meetings so that the directors could answer their questions." Well, I agree with Pres. Flusche, more citizens should be going to these board meetings! It would certainly prevent the chasm currently created between the majority of the community and the elected board members. I have gone, and asked questions, and I feel that I definitely do understand... The more I learned the more I became convinced that the MERGER plan was not in the best interest of our community... and we now also know that two thirds of the District voters feel negatively about the proposed MERGER III So Isn't It time to start something positive. The voters of your community have pointed the way. It is now up to you elected Board Members, who took the oath of office to serve your community. I think that meant even if you did not fully agree with the majority all of the time.

John Aytes, PO Box 209 Muenster Contact via E-mail or via phone 208-478-9652

Dear Editor,

I recently had the pleasure of experiencing not one, but two good Samaritans' while visiting your fair city and would like to publicly express my thanks to them, take this opportunity to convey to your readers that good people still do exist in today's society, and to let the citizens of Muenster know they can be proud because I think that even though I was assisted by these two people in particular, I think just about anyone in Muenster would have lent a helping hand given the circumstances.

While attending the annual Victor and Margaret Hartman family Campout, the water pump on my vehicle sprung a leak. Being a Sunday afternoon I thought my only option would be to stay over an extra night, miss a day's work, and have the pump fixed the next day. My cousin Kenny Hartman suggested he call a few friends and see if he could find someone to help me out so I could make it home that evening. Well, in a matter of minutes we found a mechanic and an auto parts store owner, who by the way was helping a neighbor build a fence, and drove him to his shop. He located the part we needed and then we headed out to the mechanic's shop. We found that we were given the incorrect part and returned to where the auto parts store owner was working and he again took the time to go with us to his shop and get the correct part. The mechanic waited the whole time we were locating the part and once we made it back to his shop he had it on in a matter of minutes and I was on my way home.

I am embarrassed to say I can not remember their names, but I know they didn't help me out for any public recognition. They did it because they are good people. They can take heart in knowing that God recognizes their kindness. Thanks again!

Dear Editor,
In light of recent requests, organized protests, and the extreme conditions under which our state's prison guards must work, I would like to take the opportunity to commend Gov. George W. Bush in his decision to grant a \$35 million raise to some 20,000 correctional officers.

After talk of a costly special session to propose an increase in pay for TDCJ officers, I am pleased that Gov. Bush, along with Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, and House Speaker Pete Laney were able to provide this funding. The executive order will relieve a financial burden placed on many of our brave officers, for a job well-done.

I had stated previously that the 77th Legislature would look into such issues with great thoughtfulness and concern next year during the session. I am glad that we didn't have to wait that long. Hopefully, such recognition and reward will help our justice system attract and retain qualified, valuable officers, and provide incentives for them to continue the good work they do to keep Texas safe.

Sincerely, Tom Haywood

Sincerely, Tom Haywood Texas State Senator District 30 2525 Kell Blvd., Swite 305 Wichita Falls, TX 76308

# Letters to the Editor June 14 is Flag Day

June 14 is Flag Day, A day set aside to honor our flag, the emblem of our country, which represents the people of the United States for whom this country and its freedoms was established.

It is a celebration of our Flag and a recognition of everything we the people of these United States believe in as a country. As a VFW Auxiliary member and a patriotic citizen, I feel it is a proper time to remind people of some of the rules of etiquette of the U.S. Flag:

1. Everyone should salute the flag in the proper fashion when it is hoisted or lowered and when passing in parade. One should face the Flag, standing at attention, (men) remove hat or cap and salute

with hand over heart. Those in military render military salute.

2. The Flag is also saluted during the rendition of the National Anthem and during the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Always face flag, at attention with heart salute.

3. When flying the U.S. Flag, no other flag or pennant should fly above it.

4. When raising or lowering the flag, DO NOT let Flag of U.S touch any thing beneath it such as the ground, floor, water, or merchandise.

5. The U.S. Flag should NEVER be used as drapery, never festooned, drawn back, nor up in folds. It should always be allowed to fall free. Bunting should be used for decoration. NOT the FLAG!

6. NEVER hang or drape a Flag in any position below the seats on a platform. The U.S. Flag should be displayed above the speaker's head.

7. The U.S. Flag should NEVER be used as a table cover or receptacle for receiving, holding, or carrying or delivering anything. The Flag should NEVER be placed over windows as covering or beneath them as display or decoration.

8. The U.S. Flag should NEVER have placed upon it, nor attached to it, a mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.

9. The Flag should not be used for advertising purposes.

10. Discontinue using of the U.S. Flag that is badly torn, soiled, or faded.

11. Dispose of U.S. Flag in proper manner. Flag should be destroyed in private, preferably by burning and without ceremony.

12. To determine the proper size flag for a flag pole, figure 25 percent of the height of the flag pole from the ground as the correct length for the flag.

13. When erecting a flag pole, one should consider the overall picture, the height of the tallest object, building, and/or monument in the area, making the flag pole an appropriate measure to that object or building etc. The Flag should be in an honorable position and pleasing to the eye.

There are many more rules of etiquette for the U.S. Flag. I

position and preasing eye.

There are many more rules of etiquette for the U.S. Flag. I hope the ones I have chosen to mention will help some of the readers to give the honor and respect to the United States Flag, that it justly deserves.

Thank you and please fly your flag on June 14.

Submitted by Frances Bayer President Auxiliary #6205





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FROM MY SIDE OF THE FENCE

by Ed Cler



A new set of service flags was donated to St. Peter's in Lindsay by the Gainesville VFW, Hughes—Tune Post 1972. The flags fly around the veteran's marker on special occasions held in the cemetery. The five flags represent the Air Force, Army, Marine Corp, Navy, and Coast Guard.

### Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

Monday night the Muenster
City Council voted to allow a
sand and gravel yard to be
installed at Hwy, 82 and Ash
Street. This is the western
entrance to our beautiful town,
'inside the city limits

on the highway

and bordering on existing
residential property.

I know beauty is in the eye of
the beholder, BUT HAVE YOU
EVER SEEN A BEAUTIFUL
GRAVEL YARD?

The vote went Jewel Otto,
for; John Pagel, for; Troy
Sicking, abstained; Stan
Endres, for; Dennis Hess,
abstained.

I just thought I'd let you know,

abstained. I just thought I'd let you know, Bob Bauer 128 N. Ash Muenster, Texas

Two bills intended to limit law suits are headed for the Senate floor, soon, to be voted on, for or against.

An article in the Gainesville Daily Register states that the trial lawyers are digging into their pockets, to the tune of well over \$500,000.00 to try to persuade the Senators to kill the bills.

They claim this money is donated to the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

Well, no one will argue about where the money is going, but we all know what their intentions are - to defeat the bills.

Last month the railroad

bills.
Last month the railroad industry donated \$185,000.00 to the National Republican Senatorial Committee just

before the Senate's renewing the Surface Transportation Board which regulates railroads.

We all know it takes a lot of money to run an election campaign, but this sure smells of bribery. That's a nasty word, but if we run our politics in this manner, then why are we snickering at our neighbors south of the Rio Grande?

It would be a wonderful thing to be blessed with legislators that would vote for things that would benefit our country, without having to remember who donated how much for one cause or another.

Many of our representatives must have their fingers crossed when they take the Oath of Office.

# 2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 14, 2000
Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30,
S.N.A.P. Center
Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7 pm
Chamber of Commerce
Breakfast, 7:30 am, The
Center / Flag Day / Sacred
Heart Alumin Supporters
meeting, 7:30 pm, Community
Center Friday, June 16, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm Kiwanis Family Swim Night, 7-9 pm, Muenster Pool Thursday, June 15, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Blood Drive, 12-8pm, KC Hall MISD Board meeting Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center cred Heart School students at the hours of 9 am and 3 pm. Friday, June 23, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 pm Wednesday, June 21, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7 pm Steer Validation for 4-H & FFA major shows, Call extension office for into Saturday, June 24, 2000 Monday, June 19, 2000 VFW Auxiliary meeting, 8 pm Thursday, June 22, 2000
Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center
BPW meeting, The Center fuesday, June 20, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Sunday, June 18, 2000 Swim Lesson registration, 9-11 am, Muenster Pool

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# Lifestyle

# Endres, Bindel exchange vows

by Elfreda Fette
Mr. and Mrs. Darren Bindel
are on a wedding trip to San
Antonio and when they return
will reside in Winston-Salem,
North Carolina. They were
married on Sunday, May 21,
2000 at 6:30 p.m. in double
ring rites in a garden wedding
in the home of the bride's
parents. The ceremony and
vows were composed by the
couple. Blessing of their vows
will take place in Sacred Heart
Church of Muenster in the
spring of 2001.
The bride is the former Karri
JO Endres of Denton, daughter
of Clinton and Debbie Endres.
She attended Southwest Texas
State University and
graduated from the University
of North Texas with a degree in
Speech Pathology. She is the
granddaughter of Mrs. Clara
Endres.

The groom of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, is the son of Harold and Betty Jean Bindel of Muenster, and the grandson of Mrs. Ollie Klement. He received his undergraduate degree from Tarleton State University and his master's degree from Kansas State University. He is an animal nutritionist employed by Furst-McNess Company.

The marriage ceremony officiated by Rev. Elwood Poore, took place beneath a double arch covered with fern, nandina, and white baby's breath. Ferns and flowers encircled the base of the arch. Wedding music included "How Beautiful," Pachelbel's Canon in D, "Mauret: Rondeau," and Handel's "Water Music." During the lighting of the

Unity Candle "Faithful Family" was sung.
Presented by her father, Clinton Endres, the bride was wearing an informal white satin trainless gown designed with double spaghetti straps and banded sheer netting at the shoulders and back. The waistline was accented with lace, pearls, and sequins. Her brief illusion veil was held by a narrow white coronet band.
She carried a bridal bouquet of lilies, snapdragons, and roses in white and shades of light pink.

ATTENDANTS
Trisha Endres of Muenster, sister of bride was maid of honor. She wore a pale yellow taffeta dress, with an overlay of sheer organza. Tiny yellow flowers adorned the straps at shoulders and back. Her

bouquet was identical to the bridal flowers. Mike Hacker, friend of the couple, stood with the groom as

Mike Hacker, friend of the couple, stood with the groom as best man.
Included in the wedding liturgy was a reading from First Corinthians, given by Krystal Hale, niece of the groom.

RECEPTION

Attending an outdoor poolside reception at Picket Fences Bed and Breakfast were parents, grandmothers, brothers, sisters, nieces, and nephews of the bride and groom.

Table centerpieces at the reception included fresh pastel-colored flower arrangements that rested atop wrought iron candle holders. These flowers were removed, and candles were lit at sunset.



# Bring Germany to Muenster

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Mrs. Darren Bindel ... 'nee Karri Jo Endres ...

The Cooke County chapter of the Texas Tech Ex-Students and such a the Texas Tech Ex-Students and such a the contact Charles Draper for more information on hosting a German exchange student, call Danielle Carpino at 800-322-4678, ext.5164 or on-line at the located at 100 E. California Street in downtown payable at the golf course.



Kaylynn Patterson of Plano and Gene Fuhrman of Denton have chosen June 24, 2000 for their wedding day. Their engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by her parents, Ken and Elyn Patterson of Lubbock. Parents of the future—groom are Alvin and Gracie Fuhrman of Muenster. Father Mel Bessellieu will officiate at 2:00 p.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Denton. Attendants will be Kendra Patterson, Julie Washburn, Mark Johnson, and Brian Bearden. The bride—elect is a graduate of Texas Tech University. She is employed by the Container Store Distribution Center in Dallas. Fuhrmann is a graduate of the University of North Texas. He is employed by Nortex Communications of Muenster.

# Cooke County Youth Concert and Rally

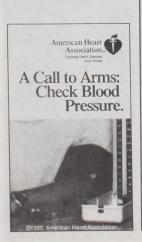
Six hours of fun for five bucks! Call it the bargain of the month. It is the Cooke County Youth Concert and Rally. Three bands will be performing. Shepherd Hall from Little Rock, Salvador from Austin, and moderndayjohn from Houston,

Saint Jo Opry set for June 10

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A \$2.00 admission is charged, with children 12 and under admitted free.



# visits Endres

Ernst Steinruck of Creussen, Germany is a guest this week of Urban and Jane Endres. He is returning their visit of three years ago to him and his wife in Germany. Steinruck is a teacher of French and English in Grammar School.

He enjoyed walking about town Tuesday morning, at his leisure, just "looking the place over." Tuesday afternoon, accompanied by Urban Endres, they visited at the Muenster Enterprise, the Muenster Enterprise, the Muenster Enterprise, they attended a Texas Rangers Baseball game.

He will leave next week to visit his relatives whose home is on an island in the Caribbean.

### Schedule of Meetings

Sacred Heart Alumni and Supporters will meet on Wednesday, June 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center Cafeteria. Items of discussion include approval of the budget and election.

Cooke County Business and Professional Women will meet Thursday, June 8 at The Wooden Spoon, in Lindsay at noon, and again on Thursday, June 22 at the Center Restaurant in Muenster at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be in the upstairs dining room.

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# Fuhrmann, Buster marry in Gainesville

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Andrea Leigh Fuhrmann of
Lindsay, daughter of Steve and
Brenda Fuhrmann of Lindsay,
and Justin Alton Luster of
Gainesville, son of Jim and
Judy Luster, were married on
June 3, 2000 in Whaley United
Methodist Church. Brent
Banks of Lewisville officiated
at 5:00 p.m.

The bride is a 1998 graduate
of Lindsay High School and a
graduate of North Central
Texas College in May 2000.
She is employed by Felderhoff
Bros. Drilling Company of
Gainesville.

The groom is a 1997
graduate of Callisburg High
School, and attended North
Texas Central College. He is
employed by Andrew
Corporation of Denton.

Presented at the altar by her
father, Steve Fuhrmann, the
bride was wearing a formal
white wedding gown designed
by Michaelangelo with
sleeveless bodice appliquéed
and beaded, and appliquéed
tulle skirt with traditional
length train. A criss-cross tie in
back was a special accent. She
carried a cluster-mixed bridal
bouquet of muted shades. Her
double illusion veil was held by
a tiny coronet.

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Dee Ann Fuhrmann of Lindsay, bride's sister was maid of honor.
Bridesmaids were Stephanie Stoffels of Lindsay, friend of the bride, Amy Hoberer of Lindsay, bride's cousin, Debra Voth of Muenster, bride's cousin, Michelle Davis of Gainesville, grooms' sister, Bonnie DeBorde of Lindsay, bride's friend, Melissa Fuhrmann of Lindsay, bride's sister.

sister.

They wore sleeveless, long A-line formals of satin/georgette, with chiffon overlay skirts in shades of lavender, sage, and

silver.
Taylor Bozarth of
Gainesville, niece of the groom
was flower girl, wearing a

white dress. She had a wreath on her hair. Connor Fuhrmann of Lindsay, bride's cousin was ring bearer, carrying a ring pillow, made by Pam Hoberer, bride's godmother.

Shawn Clark of Callisburg, friend of the groom was best man.



Betsy Fleitman hosts sorority meeting

Groomsmen were Ronnie
Abbe of Gainesville, groom's
brother, Josh Ballinger of
Callisburg, groom's friend, Loy

Candlelighters were Garra
Ballinger of Callisburg and
Marci Etter of Gainesville,
friends of the couple.

The special prayer read during the ceremony was the same prayer offered by the bride's parents on their wedding day.

Traditional wedding music was played by Annetta Earle organist and Kerri Kennedy Reiter vocalist.

Church decorations included lighted candles in candelabra on the altar, ficus trees with lighted miniatures against the walls.

walls.

Greeting guests and presenting wedding programs preceding the ceremony were Matthew Bozarth, groom's nephew and Scott Bransford, groom's cousin.

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A reception followed in Lindsay Centennial Hall.

Jennifer Warren of Hurst, bride's cousin and Abbie Grewing of Muenster, bride's friend presided at the guest book.

A three-tiered white wedding cake, with four small satellite cakes in front, were decorated with lavender daisies. The round chocolate groom's cake carried a top ornament of BNSF. Cutting and serving the cakes were Pam Hoberer of Lindsay, Jennifer Bozarth of Gainesville, and Jeannene Walterscheid of Muenster.

Decorations in the reception area included doorways decorated as archways, with greenery, tulle and miniature white lights, and ficus trees along walls with miniature lights.

The bride and groom left the reception in a covered wagon driven by Alton Luster, groom's grandfather who owns the wagon.

The reheasal dinner was bedden Jure 2 in the heads.

wagon.
The rehearsal dinner was held on June 2 in the church's reception area, catered by King's Barbecue and hosted by the groom's parents.
When the couple returns from a wedding trip to Montego Bay, Jamaica, they will reside in Gainesville.

Hess graduates Magna Cum Laude

Ross and Janet Felderhoff of Muenster announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Deann Denise Felderhoff, to Steven Wayne Muller of Myra. Wayne is the son of Steve and Sharon Muller of Myra. The couple plans to be married in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on Saturday, July 8, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. with Father Michael Olson officiating. Deann is a 1999 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and is attending North Central Texas College. The future-groom is a 1995 graduate of Era High School and attended North Central Texas College. He is employed as a machinist at Rumber Materials, Inc. in Muenster. After their marriage the couple will reside northwest of Muenster.

Carrie Hess, a 1996 graduate of Muenster High school, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas Woman's University on May 13 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics and Institutional Administration.

Attending the ceremony held at Pioneer Hall were her parents, Judith and Virgil Hess; sisters, Connie Lutkenhaus and Heather Hess; brother, Nathan Hess; aunt, Janet Hoenig; C.A. Samford and Steve Salsman. A party in honor of the graduate was held at the home of Connie Lutkenhaus following the graduation. Family and friends enjoyed refreshments and a special cake made by the mother of the graduate.

While attending Texas Woman's University, Carrie maintained a GPA of 3.879. She was an active member of Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society, Golden Key Honor Society, and secretary of the Student Dietetic Association. She also did many hours of volunteer work for the St. Vincent De Paul house of the Immaculate Conception Church, Denton Regional Medical Center, the American Heart Association, and various other organizations. Carrie was the recipient of numerous scholarships while attending The Texoma Regional Blood Center mobile unit will be conducting a blood drive at Gainesville Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, June 14, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The drive is sponsored by GMH and the Gainesville Rotary Club.

The Texoma Regional Blood Center will be conducting a blood drive at Gainesville Rotary Club.

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Carrie Hess

T.W.U., one of which was from
the Texas Cattle Women's
Association.

Carrie will continue her
education at T.W.U., as one of
thirteen students selected to
participate in the combined
Dietetic Internship and
Master's program in the Fall of
2000. In addition, she is
currently employed by James
Sawyer and Associates and
plans to pursue her appraiser
certification.

Carrie is the granddaughter
of Lucille Lutkenhaus and the
late Bill Lutkenhaus and
Agnes Hess and the late Albert
Hess.

The Mu Epsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society of women educators held its final meeting of the school year at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, at the home of Betsy Fleitman, at the home of Betsy Fleitman in Lindsay. Twenty-nine members and two guests attended.

New officers of the next biennium were installed as follows: Betsy Fleitman, president; Della Turner, vice president; Valerie Vaughn,

The highlight of the meeting was a Polynesian meal catered

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that it is attractive & appealing to tourists, business & residents. Keep Muenster Beautiful is affiliated with Keep Texas Beautiful & Keep America Beautiful in ongoing efforts to bring about positive changes regarding issues that by Roger Dieter. Bonnie Wilson, recipient of the Mu Epsilon scholarship, was a special guest.

# Two blood drives set

### NEWS OF THE SICK

Herbie Yosten was recently a patient at Denton Regional Hospital where he had by-pass surgery. Cards and well-wishes will reach him at 345 Cross Street, Muenster, TX 76252.

Katy's parents are Dan and Christy Bezner. Her grandparents are Weldon and



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We're starting a new year & looking for new Board members. Those interested in helping Keep Muenster Beautiful are asked to attend this weeks meeting – Thursday, June 8 at 5:30 at the Cooke County Electric Co-op auditorium. Future 2000 - 2001 Board meetings may be in the form of dinner party meetings. Come join the fun! Teachers and all interested high school juniors & seniors are encouraged to participate. The future of Muenster belongs to our youth. Let's work together to do our part to ensure quality of life & quality employment opportunities. part to ensure quality of life & quality employment opportunities for today's youth who may want to raise

tomorrow's children in a clean & beautiful Muenster.



Rose Bezner, and John and Pat Yosten.

Special guests at the party were Lisa Bezner, Sandra Walterscheid, Andy, Susie, Jessica and Nick Bezner, Wade, Rhonda, Bailey, and Tyler Walterscheid, and Mark and Lori Mollenkopf.

Katy was also honored at a party May 5 at the Hartman Campout with grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Cake cupcakes and drinks were served. Katy celebrated her actual birthday May 6 at the campout with her relatives.

Green Tips

Fact: 25% of North American electricity use is for lighting.
Tip: Use a fluorescent light instead of a traditional bulb and keep a half ton of carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere over the life span of the light bulb.



# Sun smart: wear your skin well year-round

Skin well year-round

Do you take your skin for granted? Do you participate in outdoor activities without protecting your skin? Do you strive to achieve a golden tan? If you don't practice sun-smart habits, you may be one of an estimated one million people to develop skin cancer this year, according to the American Cancer Society.

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The American Cancer Society and the protective clothing, including a hat and using a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a skin protective clothing, including a hat and using a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a skin protective factor (SPF) of 15 or higher that will block both UVA and UVB type rays, says Dr. Ramsdell, MD, spokesperson for the American Cancer Society.

Those most at risk for skin cancer are people with light skin, fair hair, light color eyes, and those who burn easily. However, darker-skinned people can also develop skin cancer, including malignant melanoma.

The most common warning sign of skin cancer is a change in a preexisting mole or the

Evening activities are fun way to

should visit a dermatologist.

"Early detection is the key to surviving skin cancer, especially malignant melanoma which can spread quickly if left undetected. When found early and with proper treatment, localized malignant melanoma is highly curable - up to a 96% survival rate." Dr. Ramsdell says. "If the cancer spreads to distant parts of the body, survival rates can drop to 12%."

By adopting a lifetime of simple sun-smart habits you can enjoy outdoor activities worry-free and wear your skin well year-round. For more information on skin cancer and how to reduce your risk contact the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or www.cancer.org.

### Evening activities are fun way to beat the heat at Fort Worth Zoo

This summer you don't have to take the family all the way to Africa to enjoy an evening safari. Let the Fort Worth Zoo bring the fun and surprises of an outdoor adventure to you with Sunset Safari.

Beginning Friday, June 2, the Zoo will come alive every Friday and Saturday evening with after-hours entertainment and family activities. From 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., guests can enjoy a few more hours of their favorite exhibits, or join in some great activities such as outdoor movies, live entertainment, crafts,

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# Three medical doctors honor the fourth

The Doctors Antonetti, a close-knit, treasured kinship, representing many years of medical care of their patients, were present for the graduation and hooding of the youngest, Dr. Robert S. Antonetti, Son of Judy and A.R. Antonetti, M.D. and grandson of Angela and Alfredo Antonetti, M.D. of Muenster, his father Alfredo G. Antonetti, M.D. of Dallas; his grandualed as a Medical Doctor at the Commencement 2000, University of Texas School of Medicine in Galveston, Texas. He was hooded by his grandfather Alfredo G. Antonetti, M.D. of Dallas; his granduncle Carlos C. Antonetti, M.D. of Muenster; his father Alfredo R. Antonetti, M.D. of Dallas; his granduncle Carlos C. Antonetti, M.D. of Ballas; his granduncle Carlos C. Antonetti, M.D. of Medicine in his homeland.



Doctors Alfredo G. Antonetti, Carlos C. Antonetti, Robert S. Antonetti and Alfredo R. Antonetti. Courtesy photo

# Just a Thought

# Kim Neu visits Sr. Roberta Hesse

by Elfreda Fette
Kim Neu, daughter of Harold
(Harry) and Caroline Neu of
Denison, formerly of Muenster
and Lindsay, is a dental
hygienist now living in
Smadan, Switzerland and
employed in St. Moritz,
Switzerland. At age 28, she is
in her second period of
residency in that wonderful
Alpine country.
She prepared for a threeweek trip to Africa to visit her
aunt, Sister Roberta Hesse in
Soa and Jakiri Africa, in the
Cameroon area. She departed
on June 25.

Sister Roberta Hesse has
written to her Muenster
relatives, saying how anxiously
she anticipates the visit. She
admitted with glee that she is
holding out tempting bits of
information about what Kim

can expect during her visit but also, in an aside remark suggesting items Kim can bring to Africa - for example, a tube of Vick's ointment, requested by one of the African nuns; or balloons for small children - the list becomes quite intriguing.

Since Kim is a dental hygienist, Sister Roberta mentions there will be opportunities for plenty of "volunteer" work. "Maybe she could bring dental gloves and anything needed for cleaning teeth!! Hm-m? The poor we have always among us!!?" .... "Also bring a video camera there'll be lots of opportunities for pictures."

Sister Roberta suggested personal clothing for mild summer weather, even in the rainy season. Mornings and evenings are quite chilly

bring along a sweater, rain jacket, and long sleeved p.j.s. and a reminder that all clothing must be hand-washed. "Young people," she said, "wear jeans, shirts, blouses, simple dress; Shorts are not popular."

After Sister Roberta meets her upon arrival, Kim will get to drive with the nuns from Soa to Jakiri, a seven hour drive in a jeep over very primitive roads. (Remember the jeep she took along from Muenster?)

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Sister Roberta cautioned Kim: 'Before leaving the plane at Nsimalen, put all precious things like camera, jewelry, etc. in your handbag. Don't put money in your suitcase, but carry it in your bag, or hide it on your person. On the airplane, the Swiss Air people

# Cub Scouts hold graduation ceremony

Another year of scouting came to an end as the Cub Scouts held their annual graduation ceremony at the VFW Hall, Monday, May 22. The boys advanced to the next rank and were given many awards they had earned. It was also announced that the Pack was named a "Quality Unit," entitling all the Pack members and leaders to wear a special patch.

Tiger Cubs of Den 6 Josh Voth and Spencer Nielsen received Honor Roll and Bowlathon patches, and Tiger Paws #3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17. Will Taylor and Aaron Grewing received Honor Roll and Bowlathon patches and Tiger Paws #3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17. Will Taylor and Aaron Grewing received Honor Roll and Bowlathon patches and Tiger Paws #3, 5, 6, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17. Zachary Pierce received Honor Roll and Bowlathon patches and Tiger Paws #3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17. Will Taylor and Aaron Grewing received Honor Roll and Bowlathon patches and Tiger was #6, 13, 16, and 17. Will Taylor for Food, Honor Roll, Scouting for Food, and World Conservation patches. Scott Endres received Honor Roll, Scouting for Food, and World Conservation patches, and one gold and three silver arrow points.

Wolves of Den 5 Pierce Wolver and Tiger Paws #6, 10, 13, 16, and 17.

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addition, Ashton Barrett received one silver arrow point, and basketball and soccer belt loops. Toby Dyess also received one silver arrow point. Zachary Moritz also received two silver arrow points and a soccer belt loop. Dustin Pumphrey also received 5 silver arrow points. John Nystrom also received three silver arrow points and a gymnastics sports letter. Gerry Brundage received five silver arrow points and an Honor Roll patch.

Bears of Den 3 Brandan Bindel, John Rohmer, Seth Pierce, Kirk Felderhoff, and Jordan LaChance received Honor Roll and Scouting for Food patches, basketball belt loops and sports pins. In addition, Brandan Bindel and John Rohmer received bowling belt loops and three silver arrow points. Seth Pierce also received a soccer sports pin, bowling belt loop, and one silver arrow point. Kirk Felderhoff also received one silver arrow point. Jordan LaChance also received a bowling bet loop, one gold and one silver arrow point and a

Bear patch. Paul Crabtree received an Honor Roll patch and a silver arrow point. Josh Sicking received Honor Roll and Scouting for Food patches and one silver arrow point. Ryan Bartush received a bowling belt loop, a Scouting for Food patch, and a silver arrow point. Joe Hesse received Honor Roll and Scouting for Food patch and seilver arrow point.

Many of the boys attended May Crowning at Sacred Heart Church and the Civil War reenactment in Gainesville. They will receive patches commemorating these events.

Den Leaders, Committee Members, and Chairpersons were also recognized. Those volunteering were Ben Bindel, Laurie. Valliere, Tammy Caldwell, Allison Crabtree, Nancy Nystrom, Rita Bayer, Jan Nielsen, Kim Pierce, Cheryl Rohmer, Angie Bartush, Kim Felderhoff, Joyce Abney, Terri Luke, Diane Grewing, Mary K. Endres, Valerie Henscheid, and Linda Vogel.

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# Wardens warn of low water and lower legal limit for boating-while-intoxicated

summer season, game wardens are warning of low water conditions throughout the state as well as strict enforcement of boating-while-intoxicated laws under the new minimum 0.08 percent blood-alcohol content law.

law.

On lakes, rivers, and bays throughout the state, game wardens, along with local law enforcement agencies, are patrolling busy waterways and will continue throughout the summer.

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The key messages game wardens deliver to boaters are:

• Always wear a life jacket.

• Avoid alcohol.

• Be especially careful on personal watercraft.

• Maintain a proper lookout at all times (required by law).

• Maintain as afe speed as weather, water, boat congestion, and traffic conditions dictate (required by law).

congestion, and traffic conditions dictate (required by law).

Legislation went into effect Sept. 1, 1999, which lowered the blood-alcohol content from 0.10 to 0.08 for boat operators as well as automobile drivers. Any boat operator who appears to be under the influence or who has a blood alcohol content of 0.08 or greater may be arrested. Boating-while-intoxicated violations carry penalties similar to driving-while-intoxicated violations.

There will be no grace period for enforcing this new water safety regulation, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife's Law enforcement. Director Jim Robertson.

"It seems that many boaters are becoming aware that drinking while boating is just as dangerous as drinking while driving," said Robertson.
"Nearly all accidents and fatalities can be avoided if

An approach to boat docks
Boat docks are a great place to catch bass. Knowing where the fish relate, as sky conditions change will help you catch more fish from docks.

you catch more fish from docks.

On a cloudy, dark day, fish will relate more to the edges of the dock, roaming in and out of the structure to feed. On sunny, bright days the bass will, for the most part, stay in the shadiest areas of the dock. They will move accordingly as the sun's position and sky conditions change. Keep this in mind and you will fish docks more efficiently while covering more water. Also learn to use a spinning outfit effectively, so you can skip a worm or jig under the dock in order to reach those isolated corners. It will pay dividends.

Pay attention to your strikes
By paying attention to each strike you get, you can often tell how close you are to really being focused in on what the bass want. A bass that totally inhales your bait is a good indication that you are giving the bass exactly what they want.

Fish that are barely hooked or fish that tend to short strike may be telling you that you are close to what they want, but just not quite there. If this happens, try a change in color, retrieve, size of your bait or,

people simply use common sense, are courteous on the water, wear their life jackets, and avoid alcohol."

Despite recent rains in various parts of the state, some lake levels remain as much as 15 to 30 feet below normal. Boaters are reminded to be cautious when operating on lakes with low water levels include; be familiar with the body of water, watch closely for submerged objects such as tree stumps, rocks, islands and sandbars, and avoid operating at night.

Water-skiers, wake-boarders and persons towed in innertubes should be extremely careful on lakes in which the water level is low, according to TPW's Boating Law Administrator Carlos Vaca. Those being towed in innertubes are particularly vulnerable to being injured by submerged objects because they are not able to maneuver the tubes.

For information on boating safety courses, call Texas Parks and Wildlife at (800) 792-1112 or visit the department's Web site at www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

Persons born on or after Sept 1, 1984 must complete an approved boater education course before operating alone boats of 10 horsepower or more or sailboats over 14-feet in length.

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**Fishing Tips** 

BOATING-WHILE-INTOXICATED FACTS:

• As of Sept. 1, 1999, any boat operator who either appears to be under the influence and/or has a blood alcohol content of 0.08 or greater may be arrested for boating-while intoxicated.

in some cases, completely change to a different type of lure.

Line size could make a difference. Drop down a couple of sizes and see if that generates a more serious bite.

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Lure Color
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they even fool the fisherman.
So how do you know the
right color or pattern to
throw?

I let the water color
dictate my choice of lure
colors. Color or shade has a
much greater effect, than
the pattern itself. My rule of
thumb says chartreuse, red
or black shades for muddy or
heavily stained water. In
clearer water, the more
natural colors like chrome,
clear, blue or white will be
my first choices. Fish slower
in stained water and speed
up the retrieve in clear
water.

The Quiet Approach

The Quiet Approach
Avoid running your big
motor into the shallow
areas. Instead, shut off at
least 100 yards from your
targeted fishing water. Place
your trolling motor into the
water quietly. You'd be
surprised how far sounds
carry under water. Avoid
dropping, kicking or
thumping things in the boat.
Use the subtle approach. A
bass in shallow water is
naturally spooky. Sneak up
on it to up your chances

BWI offenders face similar penalties to driving-while-intoxicated offenders. The first offense is å class B misdemeanor and may result in a jail sentence of 180 days, a \$2,000 fine, or both.

Texas game wardens are responsible for recreational boating safety. In addition to checking boats for equipment required under the Texas Water Safety Act and monitoring boating activities to ensure safe operations, wardens make a special effort to enforce the boating-while-intoxicated statute passed in 1989.

In 1999, game wardens

1989.

In 1999, game wardens made 167 boating-while-intoxicated arrests.

WHY BOATERS SHOULD AVOID ALCOHOL:

Half of all boating accidents are alcohol-related.

The effects of alcohol may be increased while boating. The sun, wind, and water pounding against a boat create added stresses.

against a boat create added stresses.

• Alcohol not only impairs the operator's ability; passengers who drink may lose their balance and fall overboard. Most injuries result from falling overboard.

• If a person who has been drinking alcohol falls into the water, disorientation may cause the person to swim in the wrong direction during the first crucial seconds and could result in a drowning.



# Golf Tourney Sat., July 15

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Michelle Fuhrmann is recipient

a several activities in her high chool career. She was a nember of the Dance Team Leon and Sandra Fuhrmann.

Preston Cagle, son of Chris and Terri Cagle, graduated May 27 from Coppell High School. Graduation ceremonies for the 477 graduates of the Class of 2000 were held at Loos Field House in Dallas at 2:00 p.m.

Following the ceremony Preston was honored with a party hosted by his parents in their home in Coppell. Preston

Following the ceremony Preston was honored with a party hosted by his parents in their home in Coppell, Preston is the grandson of Gene and Elsie Hoedebeck of Muenster.

and Jim and Judy Moore of Saint Jo, plus many friends and relatives from the Dallas area.

Preston will be attending Colorado State University in the fall.

Cagle is graduate

of Farm Bureau scholarship





Preston Cagle

# Muenster Honor Roll

Sixth Six Weeks
"A" HONOR ROLL
1st Grade (Mrs. Fredrick)
yler Acuna, Briana Bindel,
ayley Hess, Lindsay Kelley,
rianna Klement, Devon

2nd Grade (Mrs. Heers) T.J.
couna, Toby Dyess, Shaina
'elderhoff, Eric Hellman,
Amanda Hundt, Jackie
Klement, Jacob Klement,
Indrew Koesler, Abigail Loyd,
leremy Lutkenhaus, Derek
schmidlkofer, Levi
Trubenbach, Natali Yosten.
Mrs. Hess) Jadi Abner, Scott
Indres, Christina Hale, Lia
Heers, Tyler Pagel, Corey
Sicking, Delana Sicking,
Christopher Valliere, Natalie
Valliere, Steven Valliere, Sara
Valterscheid.

Valliere, Steven Valliere, Sara Walterscheid.

3rd Grade (Mrs. Endres) Shelby Anderson, Paul Crabtree, Samantha Endres, Jordanne Hellman. (Mrs. Kemp & Mrs. Popp) Brandan Bindel, Brandy Dangelmayr.

4th Grade (Mrs. Schneider) Christina Eckart, Cassie Hale, Kim Patel. (Mrs. Walterscheid) Emily Endres, Cletus Fuhrmann, Laura Heers, Dillena Hundt, Alison Miller.

5th Grade (Mrs. Hale) Matthew Abney, Brad Endres, Amber Fuhrmann, Evan Koesler, Krystal Wolf. (Ms. Hettler) Sandy Endres, Megan Felderhoff, Jennifer Neel, Roman Vogel, Collin Walterscheid.

Felderhoir,
Roman Vogel,
Walterscheid.
"B" HONOR ROLL
1st Grade (Mrs. Fredrick)
Seth Bewley, Aaron Grewing,
Derek Pagel, Phillip Vogel.
(Mrs. Klement) C.J. Harrison,
Tanner Silmon.

Mrs. Klement) C.J. Harrison,
Tanner Silmon.
2nd Grade (Mrs. Heers)
Barrett Ashton, Jon Britain,
Winter Dittfurth, Allen Fette,
Camille Hale. (Mrs. Hess)
Pierce Morrill, Dustin
Pumphrey, Bianca Velasquez.
3rd Grade (Mrs. Endres)
Stacie Knabe, Jenni Luke,
John Monday, Josh Sicking,
Alex York. (Mrs. Kemp & Mrs.
Popp) Noel Barnhill, Brooklyn
Caldwell, Gretchen Gregory,
Elizabeth Martin, Brett Morris,
Madchen Moseley, John
Rohmer.

Robmer.

4th Grade (Mrs. Schneider)
John Crabtree, Cameron
Gilliland, Ricky Grewing,
Matthew Harrison, Annie
Hopper Alex McGehee, Colby
Parsons, Derek Pittelkow,
Hillary Swirczynski, Alison
Teafatiller, Anne Walterscheid,

Lee Walterscheid, Lindsey Watson. (Mrs. Walterscheid) Caitlyn Barrett, Adam Fredrick, Craig Grewing, Rebecca Grewing, Megan Harrison, Cori Krewson.

5th Grade (Mrs. Hale) Sylvia Booth, Rick Hogan, Chris Moster, Heather Pittelkow, Zach Swirczynski, Bret Walterscheid. (Ms. Hettler) Kyle Caldwell, Melissa Cox, Jayna Rohmer, Kalyn Rohmer, Michaei Valliere.

"A" HONOR ROLL

6th Grade - Kelly Endres, Malcom Martin, Leah Vinson.

7th Grade - Derek Felderhoff, JoAnna Felderhoff, Sean Fuhrmann, Craig Hopper, Shelbi Jolliff, Clint Miller, Tara Swirczynski, Steven Vinson, Whitney Watson.

8th Grade - Kristi McAden, Melinda Walterscheid.

10th Grade - Grant Hartman, Chris Jackson, Pamela Lutkenhaus, Christopher York.

11th Grade - Lauren Dangelmayr, Kacie Garcia.

Christopher York.

11th Grade - Lauren
Dangelmayr, Kacie Garcia,
Chris Grewing, Mary Skinner,
Kristin Smith.

12th Grade - Karen Cler,
Allison Endres, Kelly
Felderhoff, Randy Grewing,
Darren Hennigan, Raegan
Koesler, Casey Walterscheid.

Naren Hennigan, Kaegan Koesler, Casey Walterscheid. "A-B" HONOR ROLL 6th Grade - Danielle Bindel, Michael Eckart, Jennifer Endres, Katy Endres, Jenna Felderhoff, Travis Felderhoff, Brianna Fleitman, Ryan Fuhrmann, Tiffanie Klement, Jace Koesler, Nathan Privett, Jordan Walterscheid, Dustin Wimmer.

9th Grade - Richard Endres, rady Howell, Kami Klement,

ornoy Howell, Kami Klement, Megan Lippe.

10th Grade - Chisam Cain, Laura Drachenberg, Lacy Endres, Krystal Hale, Ashley Hess, Tracy Hess, Crystal Lutkenhaus, KayLee Price, Shanelle Spakes.

11th Grade - Diane Britain, Keri Felderhoff, Ami Graham, Brett Howell, Greg Johnson, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Bronya Vogel.

Vogel.

12th Grade Justin
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Hartman, Jackie Henscheid,
Jeffrey Klement, Doug Knabe,
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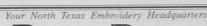




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11th Grade: Deanna
Meurer, Rachel Lively, Ashlie
Privett, Nick Fuhrmann,
Jonathan Bengfort, Michael
Kendall, Courtney Miller,
Margaret Luttmer, Ellen
Bezner, Jennifer Bengfort.
10th Grade: Sophia
Rahman, Jennifer Wilson, Jeff
Kendall, Chelsea Brewer.
9th Grade: Genevieve
Knauf, Patrick Zimmerer,
Emmy Trammell, Sara
Luttmer, Renee Sandmann,
Elaine Hess.
8th Grade: Lori Kasparek,
Lindsey Williams.
7th Crade: Bredley Anderle

8th Grade: Lori Kasparek, Lindsey Williams. 7th Grade: Bradley Anderle, Rameez Anwar, Jessica Bezner, Ryan Dickerson, Joni Erwin, Whitney Galubenski, Daniel Kendall, Cheryl Knabe, Travis Reiter, Kelsey Tucker. 6th Grade: Bradley Arend, Mallory Block, Dustin Hughes, Allison Hundt, Mary Klement,

Stephanie Metzler, Michelle Rauschuber, Ethan Reiter.

5th Grade: Brittany Anderle, Sanaa Anwar, Jillian Bezner, Sabrina Bezner, Julie Hanson, Levi Hermes, Amanda Hess, Melissa Jordan, Amy Nortman, Joe Otto, Chandni Patel, Karissa Reiter, Angela Stead, Rachel Zimmerer.

4th Grade: Krystal Arend, Ashley Caillier, Elizabeth Dieter, Lauren Krahl, Jennifer Rauschuber.

3rd Grade: Nicholas Bezner.

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3rd Grade: Nicholas Bezner,
Rebecca Brannon, Steven
DeGarmo, Kelsey Hawkins,
Rose Hermes, Kayla Hess,
Kristan Hoberer, Derek Hundt,
Kelly Laux, Nichole Metzler,
Amber Nortman, Pooja Patel,
Natalie Rose, Jon Michael
Sweeney.

Natalle Kose, Jon Michael Sweeney.

2nd Grade: John Block,
Dianne Brown, Dillon Hanson,
Colton Hermes, Josh Hess,
Shirley Hess, Haley Hughes,
Adam Krebs, Greg Luttmer,
Katie Neu, Conner Skinner.

Ist Grade: Justin Anderle, Robert Arend, Todd Bezner, Jessica Block, Llogan Cheaney, Emily Conaway, Carolyn Dickerson, Bethani Eberhart, Rebecca Fuhrmann, Kailyn Gum, Kelsey Hermes, Vanessa Hess, Geren Horn, Jonathan Husman, Troy Kirby, Christopher Klement, Greg Knauf, Jessica Krahl, Allison Metzler, Katie Nortman, Madison Parkhill, Macy Perry, Thomas Rohmer, Jason Schumacher, Savannah Stoffels, Amelia Wyrick.
"A-B" HONOR ROLL

Stoffels, Amelia Wyrick.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL
12th Grade: Matt Crosby,
Dalana Cunningham, Daniel
Hellinger, Leah Hermes,
Courtney Hoelker, Christine
Jordan, Brent Krebs, Diana
Schad, Tyler Schneider, Leslie
Schumacher, Cody Secrest,
Carly Stark, Ryan Tabbert,
Amanda Tamplin, Sarah
Trammell, Jonathan Whitaker.
11th Grade: Travis Alfrey,
Michael Almon, John Bayer,

Drink plenty of fluids; avoid drinks containing alcohol, caffeine, or much

Melanie Brown, Anna Beth Calhoun, Brent Connett, Cassie Gunter, Kenneth Reiter, Stacie Sandmann.

10th Grade: Megan Anderson, Nabeel Anwar, Tommy Arendt, Jacque Bezner, Dominie Fuhrmann, Jeff Kendall, Alex Haayen, Cathy Lusk, Robin Neu, Christina Otto, Faith Skinner, Chad Stoffels, Hannah Trammell, Kristan Tucker, Megan Ward.

9th Grade: Joey Arendt, Corrie Crosby, Kyle Endres, Jami Hamilton, Alex Hellinger, Ben Hundt, Jeremiah Luttmer, Jamie Price, Alex Shauf, Jalynn Wilson.

8th Grade: Ashley McPherson, Whitney Neu.

7th Grade: Garrett Alfrey, Cody Anderle, Allison Conaway, Jacob Geray, Laura Hellman, Nathan Hermes, Stephanie Hermes, Dana Huchton, Trinity Otto, Amy Polk, Jared Schroeder, Brittany Selby, Erin Shears, Mackenzie Webster, Ryan Zimmerer.

6th Grade: Patrick Bayer,

Mackenzie Webster, Ryan Zimmerer.

6th Grade: Patrick Bayer, Megan Benton, Kristopher Creed, Matthew Eberhart, Olivia Erwin, Jacob Guiling, Leanna Gustine, Adam Kasparek, Diane Knauf, Derick Murray, Jacob Root, Clint Williams, Erin Wyrick.

5th Grade: Michael Conaway, Travis Endres, Andrea English, Jeff Hess, Kaileigh Hess, Josh Jones, Nichole Krebs, Dustin Neu, Elizabeth Neu, Heather Odell, Kayla Otto, Jennifer Schroeder, Lauren Shears, Johnathan Zimmerer, Laura Zimmerer, 4th Grade: Mary Bayer,

Schroeder, Lauren Shears, Johnathan Zimmerer, Laura Zimmerer

4th Grade: Mary Bayer, Garrett Block, Madisen Burrows, Lauren Creed, Rhea Claire Galubenski, Chelsea Hermes, Keith Hermes, Hillary Hoelker, Neil Jones, Christopher Jordan, Dillion Ott, Jaden Perry, Jayden Root, Kimberly Schumacher, Clayton Starnes, Sarah Stoffels, Morgan Webster

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2nd Grade: Zohaib Anwar, Matthew Dieter, Mitch Dieter, Dax Fleitman, Gwen Gabel, Aaron Griffin, Brent Hermes, Ross Jones, Ryan Kendall, Wesley Morrison, Cammi Neu, Kelli Reed, Austin Reiter

1st Grade: Aaron Beard, Dakota Butler, Austin Hermes, Tyler Hundt, Josh Timmins.

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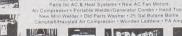


















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# **Farm & Ranch**

# Combs reminds pesticide applicators to obtain continuing education credits

Agriculture Commission
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 non
commercial applicators, face a
Feb. 28, 2001, renewal date.
private certificate holders face
a Dec. 31, 2000, deadline.

"We will experience an
especially large class of private
applicators renewing their
licenses this cycle." Combs
said. "More than 26,000 private
applicators in the said received an especially large class of private
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# Cloning may reverse aging process

The finding that the heifers appear to have cells younger than their chronological age is surprising because, at birth, Dolly the sheep had cells that were the same chronological age as the six year old ew from which she was cloned.

In cloning the six heifers, cells were taken from a 45 day old fetus and fused into cow eggs using a slightly different process.

disease," said Dr. Michael West, of Advanced Cell Technology, Inc., which conducted the study. He said that with therapeutic cloning it would be possible to take one young cell from a patient and make thousands of new, young cells. These could be put back into the patient to provide a new immune system or young cartilage in a knee. New heat cells could be grown to replace those in a damaged heart, and since they're identical to the patient's cells, wouldn't be rejected. The researchers cautioned, however, that there will be ethical questions regarding therapeutic cloning.

Texas Cattleman

# Texas ranchers in need of pasture and hay

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs reminded farmers and ranchers if they have pastureland with available water supplies for lease or hay to sell to call the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay and Grazing Hotline at 1.877.429-1998.

"We are still receiving calls from ranchers in the Edwards Plateau and West Texas who need grazing acreage as well as hay to feed their livestock," Combs said. "Some areas of the state have not seen rain since early last year and are going into summer' with forecasts calling for above-normal temperatures and belownormal rainfall.

"One producer in Concho County said he had never seen it this dry in 50 years," Combs said. "With most of Texas still in moderate to extreme drought and 63 percent of our ranges and pastures rated in fair to very poor condition, the situation is still critical for many producers. We've even heard from one rancher who is looking for 50,000 grazing acres since there is no forage on his land."

The Texas Forest Service's free protection page is txforestservice.tamu.edu. This section of the product of the service of the product of the product of the service of the product of the service of the product o

Information on drought and outdoor burning is available on several web sites that serve Texans. These sites provide can or can not do information for controlled burning and whether any bans are in effect.

The Texas Forest Service's fire protection page is txforestservice.tamu.edu. This site, among other functions, compares current drought conditions with past droughts. On ticc.fws.gov, information on current burn bans, along with ongoing summaries of current wildfires in provided.

Alternatives for Texans affected by the drought can be found at agnews.tamu.edu/drought.

Private applicators must renew their license every 5 years and obtain 15 CEUs during that period. Two credits must be in integrated pest management and two in laws and regulations. Applicators must self-certify their credits by listing them on the renewal form that they should receive in December.

# Judge levies \$12,000 fine for "Willful failure to pay beef checkoff"

Finding that Montana ranchers Jeanne and Steve Charter willfully refused to pay the beef checkoff, Administrative Law Judge Dorothea A Baker on April 26 ordered them to pay past assessments and late charges totaling \$417.79 and \$12,000 in civil penalties.

civil penalties.

In her decision and order, the judge wrote, "The Respondents were aware of the requirements of the Order for paying assessments and decided not to comply with those requirements as a means of getting publicity for their positions."

positions.

The judge noted that while the amount of assessment refused was relatively small, the impact of the refusal to pay has the potential to adversely impact the enforcement mechanism...(and) is more than sufficient reason to justify the imposition of a civil penalty of \$12,000..."

In her decision, Judge Baker reaffirmed the constitutionality of the Beef Act and confirmed that the Agricultural Marketing Service had acted properly when it recognized the National Cattlemen's Beef Association as the successor organization to the National Live Stock and Meat Board, thus making it both a legal contracting entity and the representative of state beef councils as defined in the Act. The Charters had argued against both points.

The Charters had also claimed that NCBA was using checkoff dollars to support its lobbying efforts, something prohibited by the Beef Act and Order. Judge Baker found. "The Respondents failed to present any evidence other than their own unsubstantiated assertions to support their claim that checkoff dollars were spent on lobbying."

Judge Baker concluded, "The language of the Beef Act and Order does not allow the Respondents to be exempt from paying assessments because of their opposition to one of the industry groups that the board contracts with for services."

# Cattle need shade

U.S. House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest and Ranking Minority Member Charlie Stenholm have formally requested that the General Accounting Office analyze costs to the agriculture and forestry sectors from additional water quality regulations proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Agency.
In their bipartisan letter requesting the GAO study.
Combest and Stenholm stated their concerns that EPA has

water quality rules

were moved through grazing need 18-27 and dairy cows for the fundation of the sun.

Technically, researchers at the University of Kentucky toted, that each cow needs 40 quare feet of shade. If cattle camp out under the shade instead of grazing, but research found that cattle without access to shade didn't graze during the heat of day anyway.

# GAO asked to analyze

During warm summer weather algae collects quickly in water tanks. Left unclean, the water can become a potential source for contamination and become difficult to maintain.

Goldfish and the use of copper sulfate(can be toxic) are not always efficient.

Research at a local Wal-Mart found a swim-pool product called HTH Granular, containing calcium hypochlorite.

Calcium hypochlorite is safe for all animals.

The amount used depends on how big the water tank, but a couple of table spoons daily in a 50 gallon tank worked.

Read the label to be sure the active ingredient is calcium hypochlorite. Other products contain chlorinating compounds that may not be safe.

not attempted to undertake a legitimate analysis in concert with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and vastly understated the true cost of Water Quality Planning and Management Regulations regarding Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs).

While EPA estimated the total cost to states would not exceed \$25 million annually, the USDA has estimated that just one element of the TMDLs would cost \$100 million each year.

\*\*Source: Texas Cuttleman\*\*

# County Agent's Report by Craig Rosenbaum

DAIRIES ARE IMPORTANT
TO COOKE COUNTY
We have reached June which has
traditionally been Dairy Month.
Let's take a few minutes to talk
about this important industry in
Texas and Cooke County.
The dairy industry is alive and
well. Currently there are roughly
1,100 producers in the state of Texas
with 28 of those in Cooke County.
The price Texas producers received
for their milk in 1999 was 70 cents
less than they received in 1998, but
still averaged \$1.20 more than the
average price in 1997.
Milk is priced by the hundredweight and the average price last
year was \$14.02 per hundredweight.
Or, for consumers who are more
accustomed to paying for milk by
the gallon, that's about \$1.20 per
gallon of milk. Of course this is the
average. There were substantial
swings during the course of the year,
with the range going from \$1.55 per
gallon high to a low of \$1.96 per
gallon.
Most of us would find it quite

roughly \$8 million dollars in sales for the county.

Now let's look at the rest of the state, who is number one and what Texas counties are in the top 10. Last year, Erath County continued to be the largest producer in the state, Hopkins County is number two, and not far behind is Comanche County. Other counties include Archer, El Paso, Wood, Johnson, Hamilton, Lamb and VanZandt at number ten. A new addition to this year's top ten was Lamb County in West Texas. With just three producers, they were number nine in April. As you go further West in Texas, the herd's definitely get larger.

Dairying continues to be a major industry here in Cooke County. Let's not forget to celebrate June Dairy Month here by having another glass of milk or bowl of ice cream.

### (Ag Briefs)

Tarrant County has been added to the state quarantine, restricting the movement of commercial bee operations following the detection of Africanized honey bees there.

The addition makes 120 counties in Texas now Quarantined.

Bees were collected from a tree by a Girl Scout camp near Pelican Bay in the northwestern part of the county. The hive apparently had been there several months.

The USDA has lowered its 1999-2000 corn export estimate by 50 million bushels. They say the season average farm prices for corn will be \$1.85 to \$1.95 per bushel, based on average yields on 77 million planted acres.

To make matters worse, a NOAA outlook report warns that some areas will experience less than normal rainfall until July.

Whether normal precipitation returns depends if La Nina will weaken by June and return to normal rainfall by July, lasting until November.

### Current market information available 24 hours a day

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CROSS TIMBERS WILDLIFE NEWS by Jim Dillard, Wildlife Biologist, TP&WD

### **Cross Timber Tongue Twisters**

Prior to 1927 Texas didn't have an official "state bird" and not many other states did either. But thanks to the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, through their Birds, Flowers and Garden Division; the Texas Legislature adopted their nomination, the mockingbird, in January 1927, much to the chagrin of advocates for the wild turkey. The resolution, signed by Governor Dan Moody stated..." "it is found in all parts of the State, in winter and in summer, in the city and in the country, on the prairie and in the woods and hills, and is a singer of distinctive type, a fighter for the protection of his home, falling, if need be, in its defense like any true Texas ...". Folks in other southern states including Florida, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Mississippi were likewise infatuated with this songster and soon followed suite by also giving them state bird status. I know of no other bird that sings a better signature song of Texas than this silver tongue treetop orator.



The mockingbird in my neighborhood is the first sound I hear in the morning and one of the last each evening. If I don't hear him pretty soon after I wake up I lay there wondering if the local alley cat might have counted coup during the night. But when he starts that "Tra-la-la, tweddle-dee-dee-dee, there's peace and good will up on Mockingbird Hill" routine at all hours of the night, then that peace and good will can run thin. Some scientists believe that unmated males are the culprit night serenaders. Night singing mockers are our Texas equivalent of the nightingale and skylark of Europe all mixed into one. I once watched a squirrel, apparently annoyed by the incessant singing of the mockingbird perched on top of a telephone pole, stealthily climb all the way to the top for no other apparent reason than to scare it elsewhere. They'll sing during most months of the year and the warmer it is the louder it seems they sing. Females also sing.

Our Northern Mockingbird (Mimus polyglottos) is one of ten species of Mimic-Thrushes of the Family Mimidae found in the Americas from Canada to Argentina and Chile. Its range has increased northward in the United States since the mid-1800s and they're now found coast to coast and into southeastern Canada. Some were released along with a wide variety of other songbird species by ornithological groups and wealthy residents in the 19th century in an effort to introduce new birds into the wild and around their homes. Others gradually moved into

new habitats created by changes on the landscape. Clearing of woodlands for croplands and planting of ornamental fruit and berry producing trees and shrubs in cities also contributed to their range expansion. They adapted well to cities, parks, and backyard habitats and are one of the most people tolerant species I know.

Mimus is Latin for "mimic" and polyglottos means "many tongued." Indians in South Carolina called them Cencontlatolly or four hundred tongues and sometimes they sound like they may have that many. Although they have their own language and songs, their ability to copy calls, songs or phrases of other birds around them set them apart from all others. I read about a football game that was interrupted by one that could imitate an official's whistle and another up in New York City that learned the bee-beep-beep sound of a backhoe in reverse. Others have been known to imitate crickets, frogs and squeaking gate hinges. Mockingbirds repeat a phrase several times and then switch to a new one. If they can't think of one they know, I think they just make up a new one. If you listen close you're likely to pick out the song of several local species in addition to their normal gibberish. I often hear the sound of grackles, scissor-tailed flycatchers, and bluejays in the repertoire by my resident mocker.

Coloration of plumage on both sexes is dull gray with white outer tail feathers. White wing patches flash in flight like white lights. While feeding on the ground, mockingbirds often walk stutter-stepped, alternating with raised wing movements thought to flush insects from cover for capture. Insects and berries or fruits make up the bulk of their diet so you're not likely to see them on a backyard bird feeder filled with seeds.

Males build cup-like nests of small sticks and females line them with soft grass where she lays 3-5 bluish green eggs blotched with russet or crinnamon that hatch in about 12 days. After 12 more days of eating insects and fruit cuisine delivered to the nest by both parents, the youn

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# Thornberry pushes for reform of Endangered Species Act

restore some common sense to the law.

"The Endangered Species Act is a classic example of good intentions gone astray,"

Thornberry stated. "It's also an example of how the federal government has crossed the line between responsible conservation and overzealous regulation. No one wants to see bald eagles go extinct, as the law was originally intended to prevent.

prevent.
"But as the recent debate over the prairie dog has shown, the federal government has lost its sense of balance between

preserving endangered species and protecting the rights of law-abiding American citizens. This bill will help restore that sense of balance and, in the process, put some common sense back into the law. The bill is called The Common Sense Protections for Endangered Species Act (HR 3160). According to Thornberry, the legislation would reform the law in four key ways, including:

1. Returning more authority for wildlife protection back to the states - Under the Constitution, the states have always had primary responsibility for the protection of wildlife and plants within their borders. This bill

recognizes the importance of state involvement in this area by restoring to them a more cooperative role in protecting

cooperative role in protecting species.

2. Requiring that the listing of endangered species be based on sound science - Too often, the federal government has rushed to list a species as endangered only to later find that the scientific information used for the listing was incorrect. This bill will help put an end to this by, among other things, requiring the use of peer reviewed science to support any listing.

3. Giving private property owners a greater voice in the listing process - HR 3160 will help ensure that those people most affected by the

Endangered Species Act are aware of what the federal government may be proposing in the area and are able to participate more fully in any federal action involving the listing or delisting of a species.

4. Putting the emphasis on species recovery, not just species listing - There are currently 1,197 species listed as endangered on threatened. Yet, Thornberry noted, none of these species have been recovered due to actions taken under the Endangered Species Act. This bill will make sure that more resources are devoted to the recovery and delisting o species.

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