

## Commissioners hear concerns over rabies

by Janet Felderhoff  
Cooke County resident Ed Hinkle has some major concerns over the current rabies outbreak and the county's animal control situation. Hinkle said that he as a trained animal control investigator for the Grayson County Humane Society and is one of the original founders of the Cooke County Humane Society.

"My concern is the liability at the county has, especially with the rabies outbreak," Hinkle told the Cooke County Commissioners Court at their March 27 meeting. "The county is having to learn to rely on volunteers to pick up these animals. The deputies are not familiar with the law. I think that Cooke County has a real problem when it comes to liability with its animal control."

Hinkle stressed that he wasn't suggesting that the county necessarily should hire an animal control officer. He said that neither the deputies or the Humane Society volunteers seemed to be familiar enough with the law.

An incident was cited by

Hinkle where a rabid skunk was killed by a family's dog. They were told that the dog had to be quarantined for a certain period of time. He claimed that the people were possibly exposed to rabies when they handled the dog to put it in quarantine. There are now two people taking rabies shots who weren't exposed until they handled their dog. An animal exposed to a rabid skunk doesn't have to be confiscated and quarantined until the skunk is officially designated as having rabies. Also the people shouldn't have been told to handle the dog, said Hinkle. He asked, "If one of those people should happen to die, what position is the county in as far as liability is concerned?"

Hinkle suggested setting up a training program for volunteers and law enforcement. The rabies outbreak could become very severe before the year is over with, he noted. Hinkle suggested that it would cost the county less to hire an animal control officer than to have a wrongful death suit.

Cooke County Sheriff Mike

Compton agreed that the county does have a rabies problem which is growing. "I've been in contact with the Zoonosis Committee of the North Texas Region and Cooke County is third behind Denton and Wise County for rabies cases," he reported. "From what Jan Buck told me, the North Texas Region is leading the State. My understanding is that as the local rabies control authority we have certain responsibilities that we try to fulfill. All of us are limited by our resources and the circumstances. Plus we are also limited by what we can do against a skunk."

Compton explained that anytime there is an exposure of a domestic animal to an animal that is suspect of having rabies, that wild animal has to be tested to see if it's rabid or not. That is the responsibility of the local animal control authority, he stressed. If exposed to rabies, the domestic animal has to be quarantined, he stated. Three Cooke County Sheriff's deputies were sent to the Zoonosis School to learn proper procedures. The County has a

good dog bite program including double checks in place according to the Sheriff.

As told by the Sheriff, one of the big problems his deputies have had is finding a way to transport the skunks without taking their patrol car out of commission for a long time. They use the department's pickup truck when it's available and rely on Tommie Kirksmith when it's not, he said. He asked for creative solutions to the transportation problem. "We know how to handle two legged skunks, but the four legged skunks are killing us" he joked.

After the meeting his problem was solved as all four County Commissioners promised the use of their vehicles and the Maintenance Department's truck was promised for after hours use when needed.

Commissioner Bill Cox pointed out that the County already has a committee set up to evaluate the situation and try to find a solution. It is a combined effort with the City of Gainesville. Commissioner Phil Young is serving on the committee and reported that a meeting had not yet been called. He promised to try to speed up the process. Judge Bill Harris told Hinkle that the committee is where he should take his concerns since that is where the county will look for a solution to the animal control situation.

Commissioners debated the pros and cons of participating in the August 2000 sales tax holiday which was started last year to help families with school children. On the designated weekend in August sales tax are not charged on certain items. This has caused

some concern among counties in Texas, especially those bordering one or more other states.

Commissioner Cox said that he felt more people from Oklahoma and other areas benefited than did the residents of Cooke County. "I don't really see any big need for it," he remarked. Commissioner Jerry Lewis wondered if local residents would rather pay the state sales tax on items or pay local property taxes. Commissioner Hess noted that was a big day for buying school clothes and doing all that shopping. "A lot of people do take advantage of that," he said. "I'd hate to see us pass it up." He related that at a meeting in Austin a representative of Texarkana expressed his displeasure with the tax free day because they See TAX HOLIDAY, pg 2

## SHHS Choir and soloists win state music competition

Friday, March 24 found the Sacred Heart Music Department's Angelic Acapella and six soloists stepping up to receive the TAPPS 1A/2A State Music Trophy at Trinity University in San Antonio. The competition began early as the choir warmed up and soloists rehearsed with the talented pianist, Mrs. Barbara Bradley. The students were accompanied by a crowd of parents, grandparents, and well-wishers who traveled to San Antonio to cheer them on.

From a field of 30 female soloists, Elizabeth Fette took first place, Jacqueline Bartush second place, Gina Yosten, third place, and Katie Cox fifth place. In the male solo division, Daniel Bartush and Oliver McElroy competed and Oliver placed third.

The Small Ensemble competition, which is music

taken from a prescribed music list, was dominated by the Mayflowers in first place and Angelic Acapella placing third. In the Sacred Competition, Angelic Acapella placed third and in the Pop and Show Competition, Angelic Acapella placed second.

"State Music Competition is a tough and competitive event," said Mrs. Pam Fette, choir coordinator. "You have to earn a Division I rating to make it to State and that is very difficult to accomplish. Musicologists from all over the state judge the entries in each district and the judges at State are very tough in their critiques. Not all choirs or solos competing even earned a Division I rating at State."

Sacred Heart's all female audition choir, Angelic Acapella, earned a Division I rating in all their entries. The

members are Melanie Bartush, Kelly Fetsch, Jacqueline Bartush, Andrea Bartush, Barbara Nussbaum, Gina Yosten, Dana Miller, Elizabeth Fette, Adrienne Bartel, Diane Becker, and Katie Cox. The Mayflowers trio, Jackie Bartush, Gina Yosten, and Elizabeth Fette, earned a 99.5 for their small ensemble entry, one-half point away from perfect.

According to the State Music Coordinator from Corpus Christi, Sacred Heart School won the State competition by a wide margin. Many other choir directors from across the state offered their well wishes to the students and the choir director.

Sacred Heart School's Music Department boasts two choirs, the class choir and the auditioned ladies choir. Both groups contributed to the District Music First Place Trophy which will be displayed next to the State First Place Trophy.

The Music Department is hard at work now, along with the Drama Department, on the spring musical, "Bye, Bye Birdie" which shows April 14, 15, and 16. Tickets go on sale soon.



Remains of the home occupied by Chris D. Hess. When firemen arrived in the pre-dawn hours of Sunday morning, all they could do was watch the house burn. Photo by Janie Hartman

## Rural home destroyed by fire

by Janet Felderhoff  
Muenster Volunteer Firemen were called to a house fire on County Road 424 Saturday evening about 8:15 p.m. Nobody was home at the time of the fire. It originated in the utility room. Muenster Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) Chief Herbie Knabe reported that after investigating they determined the cause of the blaze.

Response team was seven minutes from the time the call was received. Twelve Muenster firemen responded. Myra Volunteer Fire Department was called as backup also.

Knabe noted that the fire

caused major damage in the utility room of the home and some damage to the attic. The rest of the house sustained smoke and water damage. When the MVFD left the scene Knabe said they were sure that the fire was out and the suspected cause determined. They turned it over to the occupant, Chris D. Hess.

About 5:15 Sunday morning fire was again reported at the residence. When the firemen arrived the house was already beyond saving and it burned to the ground. The cause of the second fire hasn't yet been determined, Knabe said. Nobody was in the house at the time of the second blaze. Most of the contents of the home were lost. Some belonged to the occupant and some

belonged to the owner John Nasche.

Spectators were a problem at the scene Saturday evening, Knabe stated. There were a number of young people at the scene and they were getting in the way of the hoses. Many remained even after being asked to leave the property. Finally Knabe resorted to a threat to call the Sheriff's Department in order to keep people out of the way. Knabe said that once a fire department arrives on the scene it's the department's domain until it is turned back over to the owner or occupant. People are asked to consider that it could be dangerous and impedes the work of the department to have spectators too near a fire.

## ABBA fundraiser Saturday reflects smiles, pride, success

The annual ABBA fundraiser held in Lindsay Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Centennial Hall led to smiles of pride in a venture that was eminently successful marked by attendance of more than 400, who savored a wonderful dinner catered by The Hermes Sisters.

Adding special interest and providing surprising historical facts was the address of David Barton, founder of VallBuilders, Inc. He spoke principally on the Founding Fathers who drafted the Declaration of Independence. He reiterated that it was clearly not the intention of the 6 men to "keep God out of government, but to keep government out of religion."

Barton also emphasized how we have lost the privilege of prayer in schools, and how subtly this was accomplished.

He discussed the court case, *Anne Doe vs. Santa Fe ISD* that this week being heard by the United States Supreme Court, in reference to "Can students lead prayers at public functions?"

Guest soloist, Karen McKearan, Christian singer pleased the audience with her beautiful voice and choice of songs, which included "Que Sera, Sera," "Unforgettable," "Mockingbird Hill," "Killing Me Softly With His Song," "Thank You For Giving Me The Lord," and "Bring That Child To Me."

Another speaker was Mark Rutcher of Life Dynamics, in Denton. He spoke about his organization's work in exposing selling of body parts from healthy babies who have been



Karen McKearan

aborted. "A truly grizzly practice." Findings of Life Dynamics were recently the subject of a "20/20" TV show. He emphasized that people must educate themselves about "this grizzly practice" of fetal tissue marketing.

The ABBA program was opened by Father Sebastian Beshoner, OSB. Justice of the Peace John Roane introduced elected officials State Rep. Ron Clark, Cooke County Sheriff Mike Compton, District Clerk Pat Payne, Prec. 1 Constable David Tharp, Commissioner for Prec. 3 Frank Rust, and Jon Newton who is running for Congress. Bill Black, chairman of the ABBA Board recognized clergyman present and board of directors present. Albert Zimmerer, president of Cooke County Pro-Life Group announced winners of door prizes.

## Runoff elections slated for April 11

As most voters are now aware, both political parties are engaged in holding runoff elections across the State. Early voting for the runoff will be from Monday, April 3 through Friday, April 7 at the Cooke County Courthouse. The elections will be held on Tuesday, April 11.

In order to minimize the costs involved, both parties have agreed to combine the existing 25 precincts into four shared polling places. This consolidation is strictly for the purpose of the runoff election. It will not affect future elections.

The consolidated precincts and their polling places are as follows:

Precincts #1, 3, 12, 14, 15, 20, and 34 at North Central Texas College, Library Lyceum, 1525 W. California Street Gainesville; Precincts #5, 8, 10, 11, 22, and 30 at Calvary Baptist Church, 900

S. Wine in Gainesville; Precincts # 17, 18, 19, 21, 33, and 35 at Knights of Columbus Hall, North I-35 at US 82 in Gainesville; and Precincts #2, 4, 6, 7, 9, and 37 at Hillcrest Church of Christ, 1712 O'Neal Street in Gainesville.

Positions up for election on April 11 are Gene Kelley and Charles Gandy for US Senator nominee of the Democratic Party. The winner faces Republican incumbent Kay Bailey Hutchison. Names and positions on the Republican ballot were requested from the Cooke County Republican Party Chairman Ed Zielinski, but had not been received as of press time Wednesday evening.

Only those who voted in the March Primaries will be eligible to vote in the runoff elections. You may vote only in the Party runoff that you voted in for the March Primary.



**DON'T FORGET...**

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, April 2 at 2:00 am. Set your clocks ahead one hour before retiring Saturday night.

## Area elections are on as multiple candidates file

by Janet Felderhoff  
Apparently residents are taking an interest in local politics as several usually uncontested races have multiple candidates. Elections are scheduled for Saturday, May 6 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Filing deadline for candidates was Wednesday, March 22.

With a proposed hospital merger in the picture for the Muenster and Gainesville Hospital Districts, voter interest should be high. Muenster has three board positions open. All three candidates have filed for re-election. They are Werner Becker Jr., Jerry Hess, and Margie Starke. Carol (Mrs. Walter) Grewing is also seeking election to the Board.

Gainesville has five seats on their Board open. Those positions are currently filled by Doug Lewis M.D., Khawaja Anwar M.D., Larry Sears M.D., Jerry Parr, and Mike Paulson. All but Paulson have filed for another term. Others who placed their names on the ballot are Roger Martin, Rod Tyler, William Abbott, David Eurich D.D.S., and Bill Wellman D.V.M.

Three places are open on the

Muenster ISD Board of Trustees. Serving in those positions are Jim Endres Place 5, Tom Hartman Place 6, and Neil Huchton Place 7. All seek an additional term. Terry Walterscheid is challenging Hartman for the Place 6 position.

Lindsay ISD recently held a bond election hoping to build a multi-purpose gymnasium complex. Voters failed to approve it, but building some type of facility is still under discussion.

There are two positions open on the LISD Board and five candidates will be on the ballot. Patricia (Pat) Zimmerer and Rudy Zimmerer serve in those positions now. Pat Zimmerer will be the only incumbent on the ballot since Rudy declined to seek another term. Others filing are Carol Conaway, Bruce Bezner, Richard Connert, and Steven Zwinggi.

The City of Muenster has three seats on the Council with expiring terms. Troy Sicking, Jewel Otto, and John Pagel are all seeking additional terms. Since they have no opposition the City will likely cancel its scheduled election.



# County loses chance at grant

by Janet Felderhoff  
Cooke County's Courthouse Restoration project is on hold. An agenda item to take action on bids and bid specifications for the project was tabled at Monday's meeting at the request of Commissioner Virgil Hess. Hess and a committee of volunteers, many members of the Cooke County Historical Commission, spent seven months preparing for the grant application.

A telephone call from the County's architect Karl Komatsu came during the meeting Monday. Komatsu informed Hess that the Masterplan had been disapproved and so Cooke County was no longer in the running for the first round of grant money being offered by the State for historic courthouse preservation projects. A letter of explanation was expected sometime Monday.

Hess expressed surprise and disappointment that the Masterplan had not been approved. "We started with a plan already approved by the Texas Historic Commission," he said. "We even presented it to Governor George Bush

when he visited the Courthouse." Having an approved Masterplan in place was one reason that the County decided to take part in the grant application effort, said Hess. When it was learned that changes were needed before the final Masterplan was submitted, the Committee worked hard to complete them by the deadline.

The letter received Monday stated six minor flaws in the Masterplan. Hess said that he plans to make the corrections and resubmit the Masterplan for approval. He promised that he would keep doing so until he gets it approved. There are more rounds of grant money being offered, but Hess was unsure whether the County would apply for them. If it looks like the money will be offered in a way that causes a necessity to piecemeal the restoration work, Hess isn't sure they want it. He feels it is best to get all of the restoration work finished at once, rather than some now and some in two or three years.

During the Commissioners Court meeting concern was

expressed as to whether the County could make any repairs to the Courthouse. If there is no Masterplan in place, then no work can be done according to an agreement with the Texas Historical Commission. "We could be dead in the water for the next 100 years if they don't ever approve a plan," lamented Maintenance Supervisor Junior Durham. Durham also served on the application committee and put in many hours of work.

In a telephone interview Wednesday, Hess said that it was determined that the old Masterplan should still apply since they never received a letter from the Texas Historical Commission saying it was no longer approved. This would allow the County to make repairs using its own funds.

# Lindsay ISD wants survey

by Janet Felderhoff  
Residents of the Lindsay Independent School District may soon receive surveys seeking their opinion on a number of topics. The idea started with a proposal by the Lindsay Site-Based Committee. Joe Tepera, committee representative, gave a presentation to Lindsay ISD trustees at the Monday, March 20 meeting.

Tepera proposed that a community survey be done to learn reasons that the bond election to fund a multi-purpose gymnasium complex failed. The survey would be done at random and those polled would be anonymous. It was a consensus of the Board that the survey might help them determine whether to call another bond election in the future. The goal would be to identify the reasons voters

opposed the bond and to help the trustees as they decide on any future action to take on a building program.

It was then discussed that the survey could be expanded to include other topics that involve the schools. A list of questions will be presented to the Site-Based Committee by the School Board for inclusion in the survey.

Superintendent Travis Winn reported on a recent visit to LISD from the State Fire Marshall. The Fire Marshall identified some areas of concern that involved district owned buildings and other buildings owned by the Diocese of Fort Worth and leased to LISD. Winn had already met with church officials and the St. Peter's Parish Council. It was agreed to research the problems and then meet to discuss potential remedies.

Winn informed the Board that the Diocese plans to renegotiate the terms of the lease on church-owned buildings. A meeting with the Diocese is planned for a future date.

A request was made by the district chief asking the Board to consider the local policy for restraining unruly students. This was discussed. Winn expressed support for teachers

being able to maintain control in their classroom, but asked that the local policy be more detailed. At the Board's request, Winn agreed to research the subject and come back with his recommendations.

Concerned about the Cooke County Appraisal District's (CCAD) proposal to discontinue tax collections services now being performed for most entities in the County, Winn attended the CCAD Board meeting in March. He told the Board that CCAD Board member Marvin Knight had withdrawn his proposal that CCAD get out of the Tax collection business. CCAD is expected to retain that service.

In other action the Board:

- Approved the rehiring of a list of teachers recommended by the administration.
- Approved the contracts of Assistant Principal Scott Knight and K-12 Principal Jerry Metzler. Metzler is expected to begin his duties with the district in April.
- Approved the school calendar for 2000-2001.
- Heard a report from teacher Elaine Schad on Technology.

The LISD Board meets the third Monday of every month in the school cafeteria.

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have people coming in from three states to take advantage of the day designed to help Texas families. They lost thousands of dollars.

Hess concluded that he felt the county could bear the loss. "People that have young kids, that's the day they buy school stuff," he said. Participation in the day free holiday will take place by Cooke County since the Court didn't take any action.

Vertex Company's contract for Federal Reimbursement Procurement was rejected unanimously. County Auditor Gloria Parrish noted that there wasn't enough of that type of reimbursement available to make it worthwhile. Sheriff Compton agreed saying that they already do what they're supposed to be doing and get 100 percent reimbursement. The INS money the company promised wouldn't help in Cooke County because there aren't any INS prisoners housed here, he explained.

John Stockton from Precinct #2 requested approval for the replatting of his personal 10 acre tract in the Shultz subdivision into two five acre tracts. Precinct #2 Commissioner Cox voiced his concern stating that by law Stockton should go to the Lake Ray Roberts Zoning Board for approval. Stockton didn't want to do this.

After explaining the requirements to Stockton, Judge Harris advised him to take the plat to the next meeting of the Lake Ray Roberts Zoning Board so that

it will be on file with them. "You have to notify them of what you're doing to show that you're complying with their regulations," Harris explained.

Several residents expressed displeasure that plats within a subdivision could be subdivided into much smaller acreage. They each owned 20, 10, and 26 acres and a nice home within the subdivision, said Kenneth Burkhalter.

"The subdivision laws in the State of Texas provide that you can subdivide 10 and 15 acre tracts to individuals in the family," said Harris. "However, you can't do it less than two acres in that area because of the Zoning Commission."

Other business conducted by Commissioners Court:

- Approved purchase of two server computers for the County Judge and the District Attorney as recommended by the Courthouse Technology Committee.
- Approved request from City of Gainesville for a downtown bus stop on the southwest corner of the Courthouse. It will either be at Main and Commerce or at Main and Dixon. It will be used by TAPPS buses, as well as buses transporting tourists to and from the downtown area.

- Tabled action on Courthouse Restoration Project.
- Approved Interlocal Agreement between the City of Callisburg and Precinct #1 in Cooke County.
- Approved monthly bills, reports and minutes of last meeting.

## 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, April 3, 2000.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. Approve minutes of the March 6, 2000 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 Ordinance #247, Utility Rates and Charges, which proposes increasing water and sewer rates in order to fund improvements to the sewer treatment plant and water lines. (Reading #2)
2. Receive a quarterly report on investments.
3. Consider and act upon maturing certificates of deposits.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consider and act upon approving construction of a ramp at the Seyler Museum.
2. Consider and act upon approving funding modifications to the wading pool at the City Swimming Pool, as well as funding relocations of the electrical wiring around the swimming pool.
3. Consider and act upon approving the Park Board's recommendation on hiring a swimming pool manager.
4. Open sealed bids on the FY 2000 cabling and wirewall projects. Consider and act upon awarding the lowest bid of a qualified bidder.
5. Consider and act upon adopting the Interlocal Agreement with the TMS Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool.
6. Consider and act upon approving Ordinance #248, Cancellation of Election.
7. Consider and act upon appointing Cooke County Appraisal District to calculate the 2000 effective tax rate for the City of Muenster.
8. Receive an update report on:
  - a. Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) projects.
  - b. ISO Fire Prevention Inspection.
  - c. Governor's Community Achievement Award options.
  - d. Gas Additive MTBE.
9. Review the Monthly Budget Summary.
10. Review and act upon monthly bills.
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION - The council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss the following: Texas Local Government Code 551.072, Deliberation Regarding Real Property.
12. Return to open session. Act upon any actions taken from the executive session.

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**KEEP MUENSTER BEAUTIFUL MONTH**  
PROCLAMATION #3-6-2000

WHEREAS, the nation is recognizing several beautification efforts this month.

WHEREAS, April 1, 2000 is the Great American Clean-Up Day.

WHEREAS, April 1, 2000 is also the Great Texas Trash-Off Day.

WHEREAS, April 22, 2000 is Earth Day.

WHEREAS, April 28, 2000 is Arbor Day.

WHEREAS, April 1, 2000 is also the day that the residents of the City of Muenster will attend the dedication to the Keep Muenster Beautiful Park, as well as participate in the Great American Clean-Up Day and Great Texas Trash-Off Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Pagel, do hereby proclaim April 2000 as Keep Muenster Beautiful Month.

Given under my signature for the City of Muenster, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000.

ATTEST:  
MICHAEL MATSON, City Secretary  
JOHN PAGEL, Mayor for the Term

**Don't mess with Texas**

**TRASH-OFF**

**April 1, 2000**

**Food & Prizes!**

8:30 AM Meet at Keep Muenster Beautiful Park on Main Street for the park dedication. All volunteers needed for a photo that may be in *Women's Day Magazine!* Trash bags and safety vest will be handed out until 9:00 AM. Let's clean up Muenster! All volunteers welcome!

11:00 All cleanup volunteers meet at Muenster City Park for food and drawing for prizes!

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, April 2, 2000 Muenster Golf Assoc., 4-person scramble, Turtle Hill, 2 pm	Monday, April 3, 2000 City Council meeting 7:30 PM Bereaved Parent/Grandparent Support Group, 7 PM, Home Hospice Office	Tuesday, April 4, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Hospital Merger Town Hall meeting, MISD Auditorium, 7 PM Grief Recovery Seminar, 6-8 PM, Home Hospice Office	Wednesday, April 5, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7 PM Hospital Merger Town Hall meeting, 7 PM, Ross-Point Community Club Bldg. Religious Ed Class, 7 PM Sh Akumi & Friends meeting, 7:30 PM, Calistersa Chamber of Commerce Board meeting, 5:30 PM	Thursday, April 6, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center TDH Immunization Clinic 9-11 AM, Cooke County Electric Co-op	Friday, April 7, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 PM	Saturday, April 8, 2000 Lindsay High School Prom
Sunday, April 9, 2000	Monday, April 10, 2000 VFW meeting, 8 PM	Tuesday, April 11, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Recovery Seminar, 6-8 PM, Home Hospice Office	Wednesday, April 12, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Religious Ed Class, 7 PM Chamber of Commerce breakfast, 7:30 AM, The Center	Thursday, April 13, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Board meeting, 7:30 PM DIALOGUE Support Group meeting, 7-8 PM, Lindsay Health Clinic	Friday, April 14, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, noon to 4 PM	Saturday, April 15, 2000

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# Obituaries

## Alvina Fette Voth 1914 - 2000



Alvina Fette Voth

by **Elfreda Fette**  
 Mass of Christian Farewell was offered for Alvina Fette Voth on Monday, Mar. 27 in Sacred Heart Church at 10:00 a.m., officiated by Father Sebastian Beschner OSB and Father Harry Fisher.

Alvina Voth, "Vinie" as she was known to relatives and a multitude of friends, died on Friday, Mar. 24, 2000 at 12:50 p.m. at her residence in Muenster.

She was born on Apr. 3 1914, the only daughter of Henry and Laura (Endres) Fette; attended Sacred Heart School and then attended Our Lady of Victory Academy in Fort Worth for four years and graduated there. On Jan. 3, 1938 she was married to Joseph Frank Voth.

Survivors are her husband Joe Voth; three daughters and spouses, Kathy and Jim O'Brien of Irving, Lola and Joe Kindiger of Lindsay, and Joan Cowden of Muenster; and four sons and their spouses Jerome Richard and Jean Voth of Carrollton, James Henry and Fran Voth of Muenster, Robert Joseph and Peggy Voth of Gainesville, and Mark Ronald and Carole Voth of Arlington.

Also 13 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. One new great-grandchild was born the morning of the funeral.

Also surviving are one brother and sister-in-law Jerry and Delette Fette of Waco; and one sister-in-law Elfreda Fette of Muenster. There are numerous nephews and nieces, cousins and hundreds of friends.

Preceding her in death were her parents; one daughter, Sheila Voth, and seven brothers: an infant brother, John, one day old, and Ensign Richard Fette during W.W.II, Edgar Fette, Herbert Fette, Joe Fette, Emmett Fette, and R.N. Fette.

Vina Voth lived her entire life in the Muenster area. She was a devout member of Sacred Heart Church, loved her home, flowers, quilting, cooking, baking, loved especially her family, and delighted in helping wherever needed. All her life she symbolized an angel, to her husband, her children, her extended family, and a multitude of friends. In the nine months of her final illness she endured pain and frustration without complaint. "Why Me?" was never even once her attitude - never once entered into her realm of thought.

Participating in the funeral Mass on Monday, with Father Sebastian and Father Harry were altar servers Alvin Hartman and Chuck Bartush.

Traci McCormick, a niece, gave the First Liturgical Reading from the Old Testament. Elizabeth Fette, a great-niece, gave the Second Liturgical Reading from the New Testament, and also led the Prayers of the Faithful at Offertory. Father Sebastian read the Gospel and homily. Nephew Milton Fette gave the narration for the Offertory procession, as items important in Vina's life were placed at the altar: Robin Voth, a niece, presented a crocheted article made by Vina; Shari Flusche presented the last loaf of bread baked by Vina; Traci McCormick presented flowers from Vina's garden; Brandi Voth presented Vina's Rosary; Debbie Hess presented family pictures, symbolic of Vina's love of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. These items were placed near the altar.

Remembering his Aunt Vina even more vividly, Milton Fette continued with this tribute: "And evening would come, the busy day almost done. Out would come the crocheted basket. With those small loving hands, beautifully made items would appear - this was part of her day. As early morning would arrive toward the end of the week, out would come the flour, bowls, and yeast. Again, with those small loving hands that wonderfully, delicious, fresh home-made bread we all

remember would come hot out of the oven. This was part of her week. In early spring, again those small loving hands would become busy. The flower beds need cleaning, flowers need planting. What came forth were beautiful flowers that would last till that first frost. This was part of her life. These are just some of the things we will remember forever in our hearts."

Jerry and Delette Fette, brother and sister-in-law carried the Offertory gifts of bread and wine to the altar. Eucharistic Ministers were Viola Rohmer, Leoba Mollenkopf, Lorena Taylor, and Frances Bayer.

Music Ministers were Ruth Felderhoff organist, and Linda Flusche, Emily Klement, Pam and Dave Fette. Sacred songs included "I Am The Bread of Life," "Psalm of the Good Shepherd," "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling," "Servant Song," "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman," "Edelweiss Blessing," and "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name."

Shari Flusche and Leroy Voth, Vina's grandchildren gave Remarks of Remembrance.

Shari recalled "My grandma was always quick with a cheerful 'hello.' Anytime I went to visit, I always found her busy with cooking, baking, sewing, or gardening... She loved to cook, especially on Sunday, when family members came... No one ever left hungry or empty-handed... But No One was allowed in her kitchen while she was cooking!!!... She enjoyed seeing them enjoy her dinner... My grandma was very generous and neighbors frequently benefited... When my husband Shawn and I moved over to her street, grandma was the first visitor, and with a pan of home baked cinnamon rolls!... It's impossible to count the times she shared with others... She had a wonderful talent with flowers... We could bring our sick plants to her and get them back later, thriving and well... She was very particular about her flower beds... I am told that one Easter morning when I was three years old, I saw the flowers along her sidewalk, and, knowing how she loved flowers, I picked them for her!! I'll never forget hearing her words 'Oh No!! I worked so hard to get them there!... When my son Steven was 3, he did the same thing to me, and got a similar response. Payback, maybe?!... I guess we inherited her passion for flowers... My grandma had a strong love of God, family, and nature. She always had her Rosary and prayed it every day... I'll miss her own special gift of giving and I am thankful she shared this with me."

Leroy Voth recalled: "On our birthdays, My Grandma gave each grandchild a dollar, plus a penny for each year of age. One year I received a dollar and twelve cents and a birthday card. I remember saying 'I can't wait till I'm fifty.' My grandma really enjoyed hearing that... Grandma had a great passion for sewing. For years she worked at the Sewing Factory here in Muenster... She was so talented and creative... She would bring home scraps to make her quilts or hand-crochet cloth rugs and mats or

lap covers... She took pride in her multi-colored rugs, and once when I asked for a solid blue rug, she thought I was crazy and tried to talk me out of it. When she completed the rug, she made it a point to tell me 'This is the only solid blue rug I have made for anyone - but it is especially for you!!'... "After my grandma's stroke last June, she was confined to bed. Her strong will and determination kept her living longer than was expected. She struggled to gain strength to feed herself, play dominoes, and try a few steps. She loved being outdoors under her favorite shade tree shelling pecans. Even on her bad days, her face would light up when we came to visit... I will always remember her... and the wonderful example she set for her family."

On Sunday afternoon, Mar. 26, at 4:00 p.m. a Rosary service was held at McCoy Funeral Chapel and Vigil at 7:00 p.m. Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Pallbearers were nephews: Leroy Voth, Darren Voth, Keith McCormick, Russell Fette, Jerry Ray Fette, and Shawn Flusche.

Relatives and friends who attended from a distance included Keith McCormick of Richardson, Jerry Ray Fette of Stephenville, Doug and Helen Otto of Arlington, Jim and Pat Fette of Wylie, Ken and Paula Hermes of Sanger, Debbie and Mike Marino of Denton, Dan and Claudette Fette and sons Aaron, Gabriel and Benjamin of Denton.

## Ruben R. Sturm 1927 - 2000



Ruben R. Sturm

Ruben R. "Tex" Sturm, a native of Muenster, died at age 73 on Mar. 15, 2000 in Carroll, Iowa, at St. Anthony's Regional Hospital.

He was born in Gainesville on Feb. 1, 1927 to Joseph and Mary (Jahn) Sturm. Spending his younger years in Muenster, he graduated from Sacred Heart High School.

In 1945 he moved to Carroll, Iowa. Two years later, he started working for Pepsi Cola Bottling Company, remaining with them through 1987, and retired as plant manager. He then was a bus driver for Carroll Community School District for 11 years.

On Feb. 14, 1952, he and Patricia Fleskes were married in St. Lawrence Church of Carroll, Iowa. He was a member of St. Lawrence Parish and its Men's Club. When time allowed, he enjoyed gardening, traveling and playing cards.

According to information sent to Bill Miller, a childhood friend, Ruben Sturm's family indicated that he had been ill since July 1999, suffering a heart attack; undergoing quadruple by-pass; undergoing gall bladder surgery several

months later. Early in 2000, he underwent an appendectomy, and this was later followed by a fatal stroke.

Surviving Ruben Sturm are his wife, Patricia of Carroll; son and daughter-in-law Robert and Marian Sturm of Ankeny; two grandchildren; two sisters Esther Kleiss of Subiaco, Arkansas and Marie Bare of Chadron, Nebraska and five

siblings-in-law and their spouses Annette and Bob Oswald of Harlan, Vera and Duane Sporer of Carroll, Jack and Shirley Fleskes of Denver, Colorado, Kay and Howard Heisterkamp of Ames, and Judy and Tex Adams of Estherville.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a daughter Joyce Sturm and two brothers-in-law Al Kleiss and Ted Bare.

A rosary service was held on Friday at 3 p.m. and Wake at 7:30 p.m. at Sharp Funeral Chapel.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, Mar. 18, 2000 in St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Carroll, Iowa at 10:30 a.m. officiated by Father Marvin Boes and Father Joe Dillingier. Mike Kleiss was lector; Robert, Marian, Barry and Melanie Sturm presented bread and wine at the altar at Offertory.

Burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll was directed by Sharp Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Bob Oswald, Duane Sporer, Tex Adams, Howard Heisterkamp, Warren Maxwell, and Dan Schaben.

## Taxpayers to meet in Wichita Falls

The North Texas Taxpayers League will hold its annual meeting of its members on Saturday, Apr. 8 at 10:00 a.m. at Davenport Buffet, 4407 Kemp Street in Wichita Falls.

State Representative, David Farabee, will be the guest speaker, who is expected to

discuss property tax roll back rate of 8% for Cities and Counties. The North Texas Taxpayers are requesting an amendment of the roll back rate to 2%, and to amend the school District rate from 3¢ to 2¢ per \$100.00 valuation.

Richard Prideaux, president

of the N.T.T.L. is expecting delegates from Archer, Baylor, Clay, Wichita, Montague, Cooke, Jack, and Young Counties.

Reservations for the buffet to be served at 12:00 noon, should be made to Jimmy P. Horany, phone 940-723-4552 by Apr. 3.

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# NCTC plans evening of dining and dancing at Starlight Gala

As hosts, North Central Texas College Foundation urges guests to enjoy an evening of fine cuisine and extraordinary entertainment during the upcoming Starlight Gala. NCTC Dean of Institutional Advancement Debbie Pounds said, "this occasion, scheduled for 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. on April 15 at the Gainesville Civic Center, is a prime opportunity to retrieve finery and dancing shoes from the back of the closet and share an unforgettable five hours with our college supporters from a tri-county area."

NCTC Foundation President Ed Wright and his wife, Ona, a retired professor from the college, described the 1999 gala as, "One of the finest events that has been held in this area in years."

Guests will be pampered, starting with valet parking and hors d'oeuvres early in the evening. Tuxedo-donned scholarship recipients will function as dinner hosts during the service of a 7-8:30 p.m. catered meal by Rohmers.

During a special portion of the program, Pounds noted that several individuals will be recognized as 2000 inductees into the NCTC Honor Circle.

Back by popular demand, beginning at 8:30 p.m., the Gainesville Swing Orchestra will provide an exemplary variety of music perfect for ballroom dancing.

Tickets, which are now available in the NCTC Foundation Office, are \$25 per person. The deadline for ticket purchase is April 5.

## From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

Well folks, spring is here and what we thought was a pretty good lawn last fall, before we quit watering it, is again green, but more from the multitude of weeds than from grass.

Guess it's time to weed and feed again. Where do they all come from? I thought we had the weeds under control, with the exception of some grass burrs, and even they were getting fewer, and it doesn't take much time to cut them out with a knife.

Aileen has been the one to do that, as getting down on my knees, and then getting up again is quite a problem.

We are taking advantage of Tony, who lives with us, and does most of the mowing and weed control work.

The past week has given us several good prospects for rain, but we have so far, received only minimal amounts.

But then, if memory serves me, we may soon be asking for

relief from the wet.

Had a nice time yesterday visiting with a niece Kathy (Hoehn) Anton, daughter of the Al Hoehns of St. Louis, Missouri. It's been five years since we have seen the Antons and their eight year old son Joe.

Kathy enjoyed seeing the farm where she used to visit for a week or so occasionally, during her childhood years.

It was Steve's first time in Muenster, so we gave them a tour of the farm where I was reared and the farm the Ed Cler family occupied for 51 years.

We were surprised to note that Kathy could see most of the changes we had made, especially in the old house.

They were favorably impressed by our town, and the schools and the many fine homes, but thought it a shame that we might lose our hospital.

I could only agree.

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

On Tuesday, Apr. 4 at 7 p.m., the Muenster Hospital District Board of Directors will hold its second public town hall meeting at the Muenster Public School auditorium. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to invite and encourage everyone to attend this important meeting to discuss the proposed merger of the Muenster Hospital District and the Gainesville Hospital District and the construction of a new state of the art hospital. This is your

opportunity to voice your questions and concerns to the Hospital Board and hear first hand the facts regarding the future of health care in Cooke County. Representatives from the Gainesville Hospital District will also be present to answer your questions. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend if at all possible.

Sincerely,  
Jack R. Endres  
Administrator  
Muenster Memorial Hospital  
P.O. Box 370  
Muenster, TX 76252

To the Editor,

Most of the letters to the editor have been against building one single new health care facility for Cooke County (one was even anonymous). That is understandable since we are more likely to take action when we are against some change in our community than when we are in favor of it. I respectfully disagree with my good friends and neighbors who are against the proposed changes.

Are we struggling with the facts because of our emotions? Having spent four years on the Muenster Hospital board, I feel some in the community may be doing just that. I can certainly understand that this can be a very emotional situation. It is disappointing and difficult to hear that an institution so dear to many in our community is closing, even if facts warrant it. Actually "closing" is not the right word. "Downsizing" is more appropriate since many of the services currently being offered will continue to be offered.

But getting back to the emotional aspect of this proposed merger, I am confident that every board member and the administrator had to struggle some with their emotions. The advantage they have had over the general public is years of studying the facts, exploring possible options, and then making a decision based on the facts. We have been fortunate in Muenster that good and qualified people have given countless hours of their time to serve on various boards in our community. The hospital is certainly no exception. From a personal standpoint, it would have been easier for the present board to carry on as usual until the hospital had to close its doors on its own, but instead they agreed to take on the more difficult task of

making sure the people in our community will continue to have good health care close to home. These board members and the administrator have spent untold hours studying the issues before making this decision.

Frankly when I weigh all the issues, I feel fortunate that the merger is available to us. We have an opportunity to join with our neighbors to ensure improved health care to our local communities and at the same time have a voice in how the new facility will be run. The new hospital will be equipped with important new technology and advanced equipment not currently available to us in Cooke County. This should draw more medical specialists to our county making those long trips to Denton and Sherman unnecessary for many of our citizens. And hopefully many of the expensive careflights and transfers that have become so common will no longer be necessary.

For the citizens of Muenster, the location is great. It is easily accessible for all of western Cooke County. Please realize the Muenster Hospital Board was very influential in choosing this location.


I doubt that any of us want higher hospital taxes to maintain a facility that will not be able to meet our needs. The merger should allow us to lower our hospital taxes. And let us not forget higher water district taxes are likely for next year.

If you are not convinced that a single new hospital in Cooke County will best serve our needs why not attend the Apr 4 town meeting to learn more, participate in the discussion, study the facts, and then make your decision.

Dennis J. Hes  
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## ISSUE UPDATE

with *Mac Thornberry*



### Making Medical Research a National Priority is a Good Investment for the Future

What could you buy with a billion dollars? Probably a lot of things, but how about a few extra years with your children and grandchildren?

It sounds impossible, but that's what your tax dollars could be buying next year because of a billion dollar increase in medical research funding which the House of Representatives approved last week.

The funds were approved as part of the federal budget for next year. For several years, Congress has made medical research a top priority, and I think it is money well spent. Thanks to advances in medical research, the average American can today expect to live 30 years longer than Americans did at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Today, a good part of this research is being done at the

National Institutes of Health. The NIH was created in the late 1800s when scientists were just beginning to understand that bacteria were the cause of many infectious diseases. The NIH now has 25 institutes and centers and has produced more than 80 Nobel Prize winners.

Over the past few years, it seems like hardly a day has gone by that we haven't heard how researchers at NIH and elsewhere have come up with a new cure or a new way to fight some disease. I think it is appropriate for the federal government to help fund medical research.

We can put a price tag on many of the things we buy every day. We can even put a price tag on how much it costs to cure or prevent diseases. But it is hard to put a price tag on buying extra time to spend with our loved ones.

For more information on this or any other issue before Congress, please write Mac Thornberry at 131 Cannon Building, Washington, DC 20515, or through his website at [www.house.gov/thornberry/](http://www.house.gov/thornberry/)

## AUSTIN UPDATE

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### Census Data Will Affect Transportation & Public Health

This year, hundreds of thousands of census workers will take part in the largest peacetime effort in the history of the United States. The Census Bureau is forming partnerships with churches, businesses, and county organizations to remind us that the Census is our civic responsibility. Ministers are helping to explain the importance of the census through bulletins and newsletters, and encouraging members of their congregations to volunteer for census activities. Students are receiving take-home materials from teachers about the importance of the census, especially in understanding what neighborhoods may need new schools.

Veterans - Census information is used by the Department of Veterans Affairs to measure the needs of local veterans for special programs dealing with education, employment, and health care. It is also used to allocate funds to our area for employment and job training programs for veterans, and to plan the locations and sizes of veterans' cemeteries.

Seniors - Texans over the age of 55 are more likely to mail back their census forms than younger adults. This participation is essential to ensure that accurate information is used to plan for the number of Texans who will need Social Security and Medicare benefits.

Transportation - Population figures are used to estimate transportation needs. The growth of our area means that increased traffic may require new roads, stoplights and other measures to increase road safety in District 62. Federal highway construction dollars which are matched with State of Texas dollars are dependent upon the number of residents in an area. This number is determined by the census.

Accurate census information can also save your life.

Public Health - Census information allows public health officials to prepare for medical emergencies. In Houston, funding to investigate a tuberculosis health scare was denied because inaccurate census figures suggested that the population at risk was too small.

Disaster Relief - Census figures allowed emergency workers to estimate the number of people missing after Hurricane Andrew struck south Florida in 1991. Similarly, census data would aid officials in the aftermath of Texas floods or tornadoes.

The U.S. Census Bureau is prohibited by law from revealing census information with anyone. Let's help the government serve us better by filling out our census forms.

## Have you returned your census forms?

This Saturday, Apr. 1, 2000, is a very important date for the nation. It is the official Census Day - the day when everyone in the U.S.A. should be counted.

If you haven't returned your census form yet, please take a

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# Lifestyle

## Sacred Heart Alumni announces ranch rodeo winners from Austin Arena

J E Ranch Arena of Whitesboro stepped into the first place position at the 5th Annual Sacred Heart Ranch Rodeo held March 25 and 26 at the Austin Arena north of Muenster. Their overall time of 3:06.07 won them first place and the top prize which was donated by James Wood. In second place with a time of 3:24.58 was Forsythe Ranch of Hico. H&W and Kountry Corner donated the second place award. Austin Cattle Co. of Muenster took third place with a time of 4:31.96. A time of 4:32.31 earned Kicking A of Whitesboro fourth place. Sacred Heart Alumni and supporters donated both the third and fourth place awards.

Each event winner over both days also took home prizes for their efforts. Double Mugging was won by Austin Cattle Co of Muenster with a time of :29.75. McGrew Ranch of Muenster took top honors in the Team Sorting event with a time of :47.05. Kicking A of Whitesboro won the Team Roping event. Their time was :17.50. With a time of :12.00, J E Ranch of Whitesboro won the Branding event. Prizes for these winners were donated by Gary A. and Paul Hess Trucking of Lindsay, Par 3 Ranch and Main Street Pub, a Friend of Sacred Heart, and James Wood of Denton, respectively.



John Bartush presents first place awards to the J. E. Ranch Cowboys. Courtesy photo

## St. Anne's Society holds March meeting

The St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart met in the Community Center SNAP Room at 3:00 p.m. on Mar. 5. Resident Toni Hess led pening prayers.

The minutes from the last meeting were not read due to the absence of the secretary. Tillie Otto gave the treasurer's report for January and February. Donations were made to Sister Roberta Hesse, Fr. A.J. Williams, and EWTN. Rosaries were also shipped to St. Paul's Hospital.

Tillie read thank you notes from the families of Sis Felderhoff, Gertie Pagel, and Elsie Fuhrmann for Masses said at the Benedictine Missions, Corpus Christi Abbey, and Subiaco Abbey. St. Anne's Society is still collecting pennies for their money making project this year. A jar for the pennies has been placed at the Muenster State Bank, but contributions can also be given to Tillie Otto. If members would prefer not to collect pennies, \$5 can be added to their usual dues instead.

All members who have not paid their yearly dues are asked to pay them immediately.

Adeleine Sicking won the door prize. The meeting ended with prayer.

The next St. Anne's Society meeting will be April 2 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center SNAP Room. Please note the time change and join us for prayer.

## The 52 voice Hardin-Simmons Chorale to sing

The Hardin-Simmons Chorale is a 52 voice choir from Hardin-Simmons University under the direction of Dr. Robert Brooks. They will sing at the morning worship service at First Baptist Church of Gainesville Sunday, Apr. 2. Worship service begins at 10:50 a.m. at 308 E. Broadway.

The Chorale will be singing a variety of hymn arrangements, spirituals and classic anthems such as the familiar *My Eternal King* by Jane Marshall.

All are invited to attend the service. For more information, call the church office at 665-4347 or check the church web site at [www.fbc-gainesville.com](http://www.fbc-gainesville.com)



Amy Dankesreiter and Zakaria Struxness have chosen April 29, 2000 as their wedding day. The engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by their parents, Tom and Rosemary Dankesreiter of Muenster and Eric and Lynne Struxness of Aurora, Colorado. Theresa Hermes of Lindsay is the grandmother of the bride. The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Muenster High School and a 1997 graduate of Midwestern State University. The future-groom is a 1992 graduate of Hinkley High School and a 1997 graduate of Chapman University, Orange, California. Amy and Zak are both employed by Compuware Corporation in Denver, Colorado as computer analysts. The unity ceremony will be held outside in Castlewood Canyon State Park. The groom's grandfather, Rev. Virgil Lundquist of Sask, Canada will officiate. Amy and Zak plan to sanctify their vows in Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Jan. 20, 2001. The couple will reside in Denver.

## Joe Hoenig enjoys relatives visiting in Muenster

On Mar. 5, Gary and Donna Hoenig Argo and daughter Lisa and son Bradly brought Ceci Hoenig from Marietta, Georgia to visit Grandpa Joe Hoenig. Other visitors included Pam Hoenig Baldwin and son Colt, Wilma Hoenig Boaz, Wm. "Billy" Hoenig and daughter Stephanie, Eleanora Hoenig Pelzel and Carl Pelzel, Richard

and Edna Hoenig Hermes, Rupert and Jeannie Neu Hoenig, Cecelia Neu Hoenig, and Rita Hoenig Cottle.

The guests enjoyed visiting at the home of Joe Hoenig, eating at The Center Restaurant, back to Joe's home for more visiting, and then to Wm. and Sharon Hoenig's for the evening.

## Herbs to be featured at Sherman event, May 6

Several opportunities are available to enjoy the celebration of herbs in everyday life on May 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event will be held on the lawn of the historic C.S. Roberts House (1896), a Victorian house museum owned and operated by the Sherman Preservation League.

The festival offers a broad variety of uses of herbs, both current and historical. Lectures and demonstrations include the growing of herbs in the North Central Texas Climate, herbs for health and well being, gardening with children, making herbal

wreaths, and decorative crafts. Many of the exhibitors are selling their wares, such as fresh herbs, native plants, cookbooks, and garden antiques and crafts.

Local chefs offer continuous demonstrations of cooking with fresh herbs, and guests are invited to sample food flavored with fresh herbs.

The Sherman Preservation League offers tours of the C.S. Roberts House, an 1896 Eastlake-Stick style Victorian home, during the event.

There is no admission fee to the event. Guests may arrive at the C.S. Roberts House at 915 South Crockett at 11:00 a.m.

## Noted author to speak in Saint Jo on the Caddo Indians

The Twentieth Century Club of Saint Jo invites everyone who is interested to attend a special fundraising luncheon on Saturday, Apr. 8 at 11:30 a.m. in the Chamber of Commerce Building in Saint Jo.

Cecile Elkins Carter, noted author from Mead, Oklahoma, will give a talk on the history of the Caddo Indians. Mrs. Carter is the past Cultural Representative of the Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma and author of the book, *Caddo Indians: Where We Come From*. The book is a chronicle of the Caddo past in Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, and Oklahoma.

Mrs. Carter has enriched the book by sharing observations, stories and vignettes on 20th Century Caddos inviting the

reader to recognize the strengths rooted in ancient culture that have enabled her people to survive epidemics, enemy attacks, and displacement from their aboriginal homeland.

Profits from the luncheon will provide funds for the annual scholarship that the club awards to a graduating senior. The cost of the tickets for the luncheon and presentation is \$6.00. Two door prizes will be given out at the luncheon.

Tickets may be purchased from club members or from Goff's Flowers on the square in Saint Jo. Please call Bonnie McKee at 940-995-2349 for additional information and to reserve tickets.

## Garrett marks 4th

Kerry and Mike Dangelmayr honored their son Garrett Michael on his 4th birthday with a party at their home. The celebration was held on his birth date Sunday, Mar. 19. Garrett enjoyed the afternoon playing with his cousins and friends.

After party favors were distributed and gifts were opened, the guests enjoyed tacos, chips, and dips. A decorated cake with Garrett's name, birth date, four candles, and a clock showing the time of his birth served as a centerpiece. This was served along with ice cream to the guests.

Special guests included

Garrett's big sister Rashae and little brother Kagen, and grandparents Patsy and Paul Dangelmayr and Mickey and Benny Haverkamp. Also attending were Jeanie, Glenn,

and Shawn Hess; Monica, Roger and Kyle Haverkamp; Karen, Ron, Amanda, Shelby, and Cassie Dangelmayr; Leslie Chris, and Kayln Dangelmayr; Amy and Darrell Dangelmayr; Rhonda, Wade, Bailey, and Tyler Walterscheid; Jacque, Monte, Brooke, Abby, Erin, and Taylor Endres; Joell and Zane Kemp; Jana, Karia, Karly, and Colten Holder.

## New Arrival

Hess

Kim and Rudy Hess of Lindsay proudly announce the birth of their son Haegen Gerald Hess, in Denton Community Hospital on Mar. 25, 2000 at 12:29 p.m. weighing 5 lb. 7 oz. and measuring 17 inches in length. Grandparents are Regi and Patsy Bayer of Muenster and Paul and Lillian Hess of Lindsay and the late Shirley Reiter Hess. Great-grandparents are Mae Streng, Romana Bayer, and Margaret Reiter Schmitt of Muenster.



Garrett Michael Dangelmayr

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 We would like to thank all of the many friends, neighbors, and relatives who took time to visit, write cards and letters, or call during her special time of need.  
 A very special thank you to Rhonda Schmidkofer for the excellent care she provided. We also wish to thank the numerous doctors, especially Dr. Advincula and Dr. Currier, Muenster Home Health care employees for their continuous and skillful care during her illness.  
 We would also like to thank all who participated in the Rosary, Vigil and funeral services, especially Fathers Sebastian Beshoner and Harry Fisher, Eucharistic Ministers, McCoy Funeral Home for sympathetic support. David and Pam Fette, Emily Klement and Linda Flusche and Ruth Felderhoff whose beautiful music was so special.  
 We would also like to thank everyone for generous gifts towards Mass Offerings, Memorial Cards, beautiful flowers, food, memorials to Sacred Heart Trust Fund, Donations to the Library and Muenster Hospital.  
 Thank You to all who donated, prepared and served the delicious family meal after the funeral service and to the Knights of Columbus for the use of their hall.  
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 The Grandchildren





Pat and Shirley Knabe of Muenster announce the engagement of their daughter, Misty Leigh Knabe, to Jonathan Michael Whitener, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Whitener of Burleson. The couple plans to wed on Saturday, Aug. 12, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. at Hallmark Baptist Church in Fort Worth. The bride-elect is attending North Central Texas College and will be beginning the Pre-Med Program at the University of Texas at Arlington in August. The future-groom is a firefighter/paramedic in Grand Prairie. The couple plans to reside in Arlington.

## Entries being accepted for adult art show

Entries for the Annual Art Show sponsored by North Central Texas College will be accepted from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Apr. 24, at the NCTC Student Activity Center.

Presented by the college art department for the 35th consecutive year, officials are anticipating a substantial field of show entries, after approximately 350 pieces of artwork showcased last year.

Artwork may be submitted under four categories: The first section will encompass paintings, such as oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels and miniatures, while the second will showcase graphics such as prints or drawings.

The third division will allow exhibition of original crafts such as fibers, jewelry or

woodcarving. The fourth category will feature ceramics, sculpture and mixed media. No kits, copies or molded wares will be accepted.

In addition, artists may submit works of photography under the following categories: professional - black/white or color; general - black/white or color; college - black/white or color; or school - black/white or color. Photography entries are limited to six per category. Photos should be matted, mounted or framed.

There is a fee of \$2.50 per each individual work entered. Entries are limited to three selections per category. Artists are required to meet two terms of eligibility: the work should be fully original in concept and

should have been designed in the past year.

The show will be judged on Apr. 26. Winners will be named during a formal presentation from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Apr. 30 in the NCTC Little Theater. Cash awards will be distributed for top entries. Ribbons and certificates will

also be awarded in each media category for each division. On special award will be given to the still life best portraying the show theme, "Still Life."

The public is welcome to examine all entries from 1 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Apr. 27, 28 and 30 in the NCTC Student Activity Center.

## Morton Museum presents "The Roaring Twenties"

The third session in the Morton Museum of Cooke County's Spring Series - "The Roaring Twenties" - will take place at noon on Monday, Apr. 3 at the Morton Museum of Cooke County in Gainesville.

Flag pole sitting, flappers, Charles Lindbergh, "talking" movies - all images from the 1920s. In this program, come and immerse yourself in all the exciting events that were occurring as the country danced its way into the modern world.

In the second part of the session, Gina Dill of Kinne's Jewelers in Gainesville will discuss Art Deco jewelry -

typical designs, materials that the pieces were made from, and will display several examples of the jewelry. She will also discuss reproduction Art Deco jewelry which is being produced today. Handouts will be provided. Refreshments will be served - samples of food first manufactured during the decade.

Seating is limited. For members of the Cooke County Heritage Society, the cost to attend is \$3 and for non-members the cost is \$4. To reserve a seat or for information, call the museum at 940/668-8900.

## Technology information aimed at prompting business success

Discover new technologies available to increase small business productivity during the April presentation of "Technology in the Workplace" by the Small Business Development Center at North Central Texas College.

The session will be offered from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Apr. 17 at the NCTC Corinth Campus and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Apr. 27 at the NCTC Gainesville Campus.

"This course," said SBDC Director Catherine Keeler, "will emphasize the benefits of utilizing remote access, networks and the Internet in the course of daily business."

In addition, small business owners can still register for the SBDC's series of on-line courses. Starting Apr. 12 and

May 10, each six-week course consists of 12 lessons.

Lessons, Keeler noted, will include interactive quizzes, assignments, tutorials and on-line discussion areas - all via the World Wide Web.

Registration, which is required at least four days in advance of each seminar, may be conducted by phone when paying with a credit card. Enrollment may also be handled by mailing the form in the NCTC schedule to NCTC/Small Business Development Center, 1525 W. California, and Gainesville, TX 76240-4699. For additional information call the SBDC Office at 940-668-4220 or 1-800-351-7232.

## Alexander Nicolas Nervo honored on second

Alexander Nicolas Nervo was honored with a party for his second birthday on Sunday, Feb. 27, at the home of his maternal grandparents, Arthur and Rachel Hennigan of Muenster. He was delighted with a pirate theme, accented with "Happy Birthday, Alex" balloons, black pirate flags, a ship's helm, and decorative gold and silver swords.

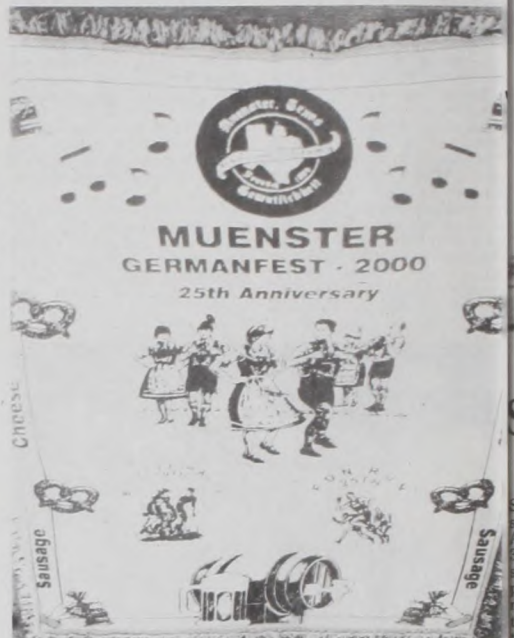
A large chocolate cake was a gift from the godparents, great-aunt and great-uncle Linda and Robert Coursey of Gainesville. Decorations on the cake depicted an ocean and beach scene, palm trees, and an X-marked trail leading to a chocolate treasure chest filled with multi-colored confetti candies. Also on the cake table was a pirate ship scene and gold chocolate coins. Guests were given pirate gift bags.

Attending were the honoree's parents, Donna and Nicolas Nervo and his brother Dominic Xavier of Arlington; his grandparents Arthur and



Alexander Nicolas Nervo

Rachel Hennigan; godparents Linda and Robert Coursey; aunt and uncle Lisa and Darrell Hess and children Jordan, Brandon, and Brittany of North Richland Hills; and great-grandmother Odilia Lutkenhaus of Muenster.



In observance of its 25th Germanfest, the Muenster Chamber of Commerce commissioned this afghan which was created by Country Mills, Inc. The design captures the history and spirit of German Heritage with the depiction of special events. This unique custom woven afghan is available in three colors, Williamsburg Blue, Hunter Green, and Cranberry Red, with natural as a second color. It is being sold for \$39.95. The Chamber is presently taking orders and will also offer it at the Germanfest this year.

Photo by Janie Hartman

## Area Happenings

**Bereaved Parent/Grandparent Support Group** will meet Monday, Apr. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Home Hospice office. Call 665-9891 for information.

**Grief Recovery Seminar** will be held Tuesdays, Apr. 4, 11, 18, and 25 from 6-8 p.m. at the Home Hospice office. Call 665-9891 to register.

**American Cancer Society DIALOGUE Support Group** will meet Thursday, Apr. 13 from 7-8 p.m. at the Lindsay

**Health Clinic.** Call Kelly at 665-9891 (daytime).

**Hospice Foundation of America Bereavement Teleconference** will focus on Living With Grief: Children Adolescents and Loss. This event, sponsored locally by Home Hospice of Cooke County, will be held at the North Central Texas College Library Lyceum on Wednesday, Apr. 26 from 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. To reserve a seat call Kelly Lamkin at 665-9891.

## Baptisms

**Tharp**  
Jenna Frances Tharp, daughter of David and Deana Tharp received the Sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, Mar. 18 in St. Peter Catholic Church in Lindsay. Father Sebastian Beshoner OSB officiated the service with Jenna's Aunt Kellie Tharp, Harold and LaVern Nortman, David, Barbara and Michael. Also Stephen Nortman, Danny, Linda, Amy, Amber and Katie Nortman; Donald, Debra, Stephanie, Cammi, and Courtney New; and friends Rita and Case Reasor. A very special guest was Father Sebastian Beshoner OSB.

pick-up foods were served at the home of David and Deana Tharp along with a special christening cake.

Attending the Baptism were parents David and Deana Tharp; grandparents Bobby and Mary Ann and daughter Kellie Tharp, Harold and LaVern Nortman, David, Barbara and Michael. Also Stephen Nortman, Danny, Linda, Amy, Amber and Katie Nortman; Donald, Debra, Stephanie, Cammi, and Courtney New; and friends Rita and Case Reasor. A very special guest was Father Sebastian Beshoner OSB.

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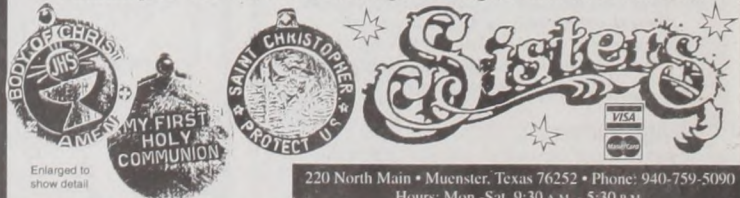
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# School News



Sacred Heart TAPPS Academic and Art District Champions.

Photo by Janie Hartman

## Thornberry to host 2nd annual Academy Forum this weekend for area students

For the second year in a row, U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) will host an Academy Forum in Wichita Falls this Saturday, Apr. 1, for area students and their parents who are interested in attending one of the Nation's military service academies.

The Academy Forum will be held from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the Bank One Tower conference room, located at 4245 Kemp Boulevard in Suite 514. Registration starts at 10:45 a.m. Representatives from West Point, the Naval Academy, and the Air Force Academy will be on hand to speak and answer questions regarding their respective institutions.

Thornberry said that high school sophomores and juniors would be most likely to benefit from the forum, but that all

students, parents and counselors are welcome to attend.

As a member of Congress, Thornberry can nominate up to five students for each service academy. That number varies, he noted, depending on how many students from the 13th District are attending an academy at the time of nomination. Applications for nomination must be submitted to Thornberry by Nov. 1 of a student's senior year. Final decisions on which nominees are selected are made by the service academies themselves.

Area residents with more questions about Saturday's Academy Forum are encouraged to contact Thornberry's office in Wichita Falls. The number is 940-692-1700.

## HHS Academic Team seizes first at district

by Janet Felderhoff  
Twenty-five students from Sacred Heart High School are rebound after the TAPPS Academic Meet held on March 4 at Sacred Heart School. A score of 250 points, 115 more points than Alexander, the nearest competitor, clinched the first place title for the team. State competition takes place in April at Concordia University in Austin. Students scoring fourth and above at district will compete at State. Those placing fifth will go to state as alternates.

Sacred Heart students who earned an opportunity to compete at State, the categories they competed in and how they placed include: Jackie Bartush - Science 2nd; Biology 1st, Spelling 1st, Poetry 3rd; Andrea Bauer - Persuasive Speaking 5th; Jana Coker and Oliver McElroy - Duet Acting 5th; Katie Cox - Spelling 2nd; Ebra Dangelmayr - Spanish 1st; Joseph Davis - Current Events 2nd, History 3rd; Kayla Elderhoff - Spelling 3rd; Danish 5th; Keith Felderhoff - Mathematics 4th, History 1st; Kelly Fetsch - Poetry 4th; Elizabeth Fette - Dramatic/Humorous Interpretation 4th, Poetry 5th; Duet Acting 6th; Joanna Ehrig - Spanish 3rd; Mathematics 3rd; Glenn Leason - Calculator 1st, Number Sense 1st, Ready Writing 2nd, Advanced Math 1st; Jeff Hartman - Persuasive Speaking 2nd, Current Events 6th; Sarah

Hess - Literary Criticism 4th; Sarah Kelly and Michael Voth - Duet Acting 2nd; Jessica Koesler - Ready Writing 4th, Literary Criticism 5th; Michael Miller Number Sense 4th, Computer Science 3rd; Matthew Nasche - Physics 1st, Science 4th; Nicholas Taylor - Persuasive Speaking 1st, Original Oratory 1st, Current Events 3rd; Aaron Walterscheid - Mathematics 5th; Josh Walterscheid - Calculator 3rd, Number Sense 6th; and Gina Yosten - Dramatic/Humorous Interpretation 2nd, Original Oratory 2nd, Prose Interpretation 6th, Duet Acting 6th.

Others placing in District competition included: Melanie Bartush - Literary Criticism 6th; Adam Klement - Computer Science 6th; Sara Sepanski - History 6th.

Taking third place overall with 142 points, Sacred Heart had 16 students qualify for State in the TAPPS Art competition at District. Participants who are statebound include: Dana Miller - Graphite Drawing 1st and 4th, Drawing Color 5th, Painting Transparent 1st, Mixed Media 2-D 3rd, and Art History 2nd, On-site Drawing; Sayaka Kawatake - Drawing B&W 4th, Graphic Design 3rd and honorable mention, Mixed Media 2-D 6th, Relief Sculpture 5th; Anne Flusche - Graphic Design 1st, Sculpture 6th, Thematic 5th, Photography; Jackie Bartush - Mixed Media 2-D 4th, Art

History 1st; Andrea Bauer - Relief Sculpture 3rd, On-site Photography; Michael Miller - Sculpture 3rd and 5th, Metalwork 2nd, Seek & Sketch; Jana Coker - Printmaking 4th, Senior Portfolio 6th, On-site Photography; Andrea Bartush - Crafts 2nd and 3rd, Drawing Ink 6th, On-site Photography; Jennifer Hoedebeck Crafts 5th; Grace Cochran Art History 3rd.

Advancing to State in On-site Drawing, Seek & Sketch, and Photography are Adam Klement, Johnathan Bayer, Barbara Nussbaum, Sarah Kelley, Cassidi Patterson, Jack Biffle, and Sara Sepanski.

Those placing at District, but not advancing to State, include: Barbara Nussbaum Drawing B&W 6th, Painting Opaque honorable mention; Sara Sepanski - Drawing B&W honorable mention; Melissa McCarty - Printmaking honorable mention.

There were eight schools participating in the meet. Those included Sacred Heart, Fairhill, Ambassadors of Christ, Heritage Christian, Alamo Catholic, Alexander, and Masonic Home.

Sacred Heart High teachers Debbie Endres and Jo Bedowitz co-ordinated the meet. Mrs. Endres deemed it very successful and voiced appreciation to all of the parents and other volunteers who assisted.



Chad Walterscheid and Levi Trubenbach



Ryan Felderhoff and Jordan Henscheid



Hanna Hess and Shannon Hartman



Garrett Walterscheid and Lacey Trubenbach



Greg Walterscheid and Jeff Walterscheid receive Buckaroo Rodeo awards from Stacie Miller.



Clayton Love and Colt Baldwin

## Young buckaroos try hand at rodeo events

Laughter and enjoyment filled the arena as youngsters, parents, and grandparents watched the annual Sacred Heart Buckaroo Rodeo.

The Sacred Heart Buckaroo Rodeo was held on Mar. 25 in the Austin Indoor Arena. The 9 a.m. performance featured ages 1-13. Team winners were: **The Pony Express** - D&N Ranch (Diana Knabe and Nicole Bayer); **Branding** - The Cowboys (Greg Walterscheid and Jeff Walterscheid); **Goat Milking** and **Chicken Sorting** - Taller and Smaller Cowboys (Dustin Hesse and Neil Bayer); **Slicker Suit Race** - The Cowboys (Greg Walterscheid and Jeff Walterscheid). Overall winners for the 9 a.m. performance were: 1st place, The Cowboys

(Greg Walterscheid and Jeff Walterscheid); 2nd place, The Stars (Shannon Hartman and Hannah Hess); 3rd place, Double C (Clayton Love and Colt Baldwin).

The 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. performances were for ages 5-10. Team event winners for the 11 a.m. performance were: **The Pony Express** - Broken Arrows (Colby Richey and Tyler Rohmer); **Branding** - Awesome Blossoms (Kristen Miller and Becky Brundage); **Goat Milking** and **Chicken Sorting** - Crazy Daisies (Jessica Schilling and Dainah Hartman). Overall winners for the 11 a.m. performance were: 1st place, Crazy Daisies (Jessica Schilling and Dainah Hartman); 2nd place, Wild

Fillies (Adrianna Finney and Morgan Herr); 3rd place, Girl Power (Mackenzie Herr and Natalie Endres).

Team event winners for the 2 p.m. performance were: **The Pony Express** and **Branding** - Bronco Busters (Ryan Bartush and Ben Walterscheid); **Goat Milking** - Double Trouble (Samantha Wimmer and Kaitlyn Felderhoff); **Chicken Sorting** - T Bar W (Chad Walterscheid and Levi Trubenbach). Overall winners were: 1st place, T Bar W (Chad Walterscheid and Levi Trubenbach); 2nd place, Trubenbach Cattle Co. (Lacey Trubenbach and Garrett Walterscheid); 3rd place, The Bulls (Ryan Felderhoff and Jordan Henscheid).

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## Sacred Heart High School Physics Class builds middle ages artillery weapon

by Michelle Fuhrmann  
Sacred Heart Journalism Student

The Sacred Heart High School Physics Class has built an artillery weapon. This particular type of war machine, trebuchet as it is called, was used in the Middle Ages. Trebuchets, which are somewhat like catapults, were used for hurling stones or other large objects at enemy castle walls or whatever was the desirable target. Trebuchets were invented in China, perhaps as early as the 10th century B.C. By the sixth century A.D., they made their way to Europe where they were the dominant siege weapon between 850 and 1350 A.D. Trebuchets were so powerful, in fact, they stuck around 100 years after the introduction of

gunpowder.

So, how do trebuchets work? The trebuchet consists of a beam, a rod (which serves as a fulcrum to the beam), a counter-weight, a sling (a pouch with two strings attached), a trigger mechanism, and a main structure with a trough running along the bottom. On one end of the beam is the counterweight. On the opposite end, one string of the sling is attached to the beam while the second string is looped over a metal prong. The trigger mechanism holds down the end of the beam where the sling is attached. When the trigger is released, gravity pulls the counterweight down (this gives the trebuchet its power). Thus the sling, guided by the trough, flies upward. As the sling

reaches a certain point, the loop comes free of the prong, and the projectile is hurled through the air.

The physics students built their trebuchet not to storm castle walls but to learn about projectiles in a hands-on project. The nine students and their teacher, Ms. Angie Smith, have been working with their trebuchet for no less than a month. The structure stand about twelve feet tall and is ten feet long. They used a counterweight of 180 to 270 pounds and flung water balloons, potatoes, and a melon varying distances ranging from about 35 to 45 yards.

Each student helped work the trebuchet. All learned something from this physics project and had a little fun, too.



Michelle Knaut's Sacred Heart second grade class presented a patriotic and Irish program to the residents of St. Richard's Villa the week of St. Patrick's Day. After the group entertained they stayed for a visit. Courtesy photo

## Gainesville student named grand prize winner in Treasures of the Texas Coast art contest

Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst announced that Marylu Govea, a 6th grader at Lee Intermediate School in Gainesville, is 2000's grand prize winner in the Treasures of the Texas Coast art contest for Texas schoolchildren. The annual competition is sponsored by the Adopt-A-Beach program of the Texas General Land Office.

Govea's artwork, depicting a girl in a Texas flag bathing suit and diving mask observing fish underwater, was one of 48 regional winners selected from more than 4,500 entries statewide.

Govea will receive four round-trip tickets to anywhere in the contiguous 48 states

from Continental Airlines, a class party at Schlitterbahn Waterpark Resort in New Braunfels, and a water filtration pitcher from Brita Products Company. Her art teacher is Tammy McGehee; her principal is Marcia Schmitz.

All 58 regional winners, two from each council of governments area, will receive two tickets to the Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi, two all-day passes to Schlitterbahn, a certificate of recognition from Commissioner Dewhurst, and a copy of the poster that will display the winning artwork. The winners' teachers also will receive a certificate.

### School Lunch Menus

#### WEEK OF APR. 3-7 MUENSTER ISD

- Mon. - Tacos, shredded lettuce and cheese, diced tomatoes, beans, cake, fruit.
- Tues. - Barbecue sandwiches, French fries, beans, carrot sticks, fruit.
- Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, fruit, hot rolls.
- Thurs. - Sub sandwiches, potato salad, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit, carrot sticks, cookies.
- Fri. - Fish (sea treats), creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, fruit, hot rolls, ice cream.

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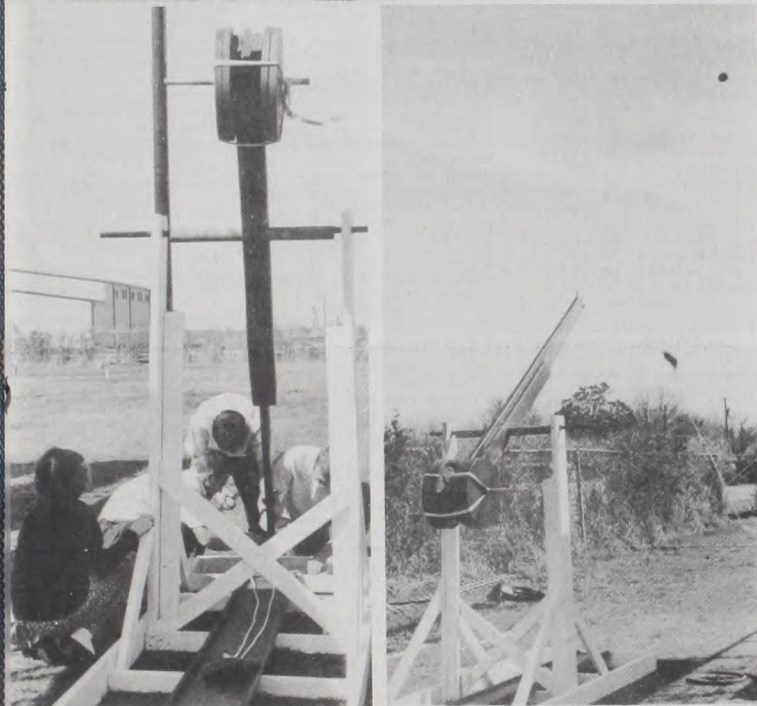
- Mon. - Cheeseburgers w/trimming, French fries, ice cream.
- Tues. - Spaghetti and meat, corn, salad, applesauce, hot rolls.
- Wed. - Corn dogs, vegetarian beans, salad, fruit.
- Thurs. - Mexican casserole, ranch style beans, lettuce, fruit, bread.
- Fri. - Fish, tator tots, mixed vegetables, fruit, bread.

#### LINDSAY ISD

- Mon. - Chicken, creamed potatoes, green beans, pears, bread.
- Tues. - Fiesta salad, applesauce, peaches, bread.
- Wed. - Barbecue ribs, pinto beans, macaroni salad, pineapple, bread.
- Thurs. - Baked potatoes, cheese, lettuce salad, peaches, bread.
- Fri. - Student Holiday - No School.

#### ERA ISD

- Mon. - Chicken nuggets or steak fingers, new potatoes w/gravy, mixed fruit, tossed salad, hot roll.
- Tues. - Pizza: Sausage or cheese, corn, peaches, tossed salad, rice krispy treat.
- Wed. - Chicken spaghetti or egg rolls, green beans, pears, tossed salad, breadsticks.
- Thurs. - Soft taco, shredded cheese, trimmings, pinto beans, chocolate pudding.
- Fri. - Barbecue sandwich, pickle spears, French fries, ice cream.



Above, from left, Chris Smith, Glenn Gleason, and Jeff Hartman assist Ms. Smith in setting the trebuchet. Top - Walterscheid releases the trigger and (at right) the weapon slings the potato through the air. Photos by Janie Hartman

## Students can win hunting/fishing license in contest

Texas students have the chance to compete for one of 15 lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses given to the top winners of the 2000 Texas Wildlife Expo youth poster, essay and poetry contest. "Go Wild in Texas" is the theme for this year's event.

In addition to a one year hunting and fishing license, winners will receive a one year subscription to Texas Parks and Wildlife magazine, trips, tours, books and more.

The poster contest is open to students in kindergarten through 12th grade, entries should be on standard size poster cardboard and may be in any medium except glitter. Students in grades 7 through 12 are eligible to enter the essay contest. Essays must be 500 to 1,000 typewritten words. The poetry contest is open to

students from kindergarten through 12th grades. Poems must be 50 to 500 words.

One winner will be selected from each grade level for the poster and essay contests. Two poetry winners will be selected, one in kindergarten through sixth grade and another in seventh through 12th grades.

One entry (poster, essay or poetry) per individual may be submitted, and a completed entry form must accompany each entry. All winning entries will be posted on the TPW Web site, and the winning poster will be exhibited at the 2000 Texas Wildlife Expo, Sept. 30 - Oct. 1.

Deadline for entering the contest is May 19. For information or entry forms, call (800) 792-1112, or at on the Web, www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

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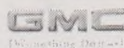
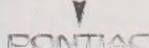
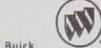
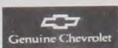
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# Sports



Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleaders are, from left Karen Gehrig, Raney Bauer, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Dana Miller, Kate Sepanski, Elizabeth Fette, Tiffany Richey and Andrea Bauer. Photo by Janie Hartman

## Sacred Heart picks eight cheerleaders for 2000-2001

Sacred Heart High School held varsity cheerleader tryouts on March 22 in the Tiger gym. Each candidate performed one cheer and chant alone and then all performed the cheer and chant together. Eight girls were chosen to serve as cheerleader for the 2000-2001 school year. One girl was chosen from each class, and then four girls were chosen at large. Selections were made by judges - National

Cheerleader Association instructors and UNT cheerleaders and by popular vote. The 2000-2001 Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleaders are senior and head cheerleader Dana Miller; juniors Andrea Bauer and Elizabeth Fette; sophomores Raney Bauer, Jennifer Hoedebeck, and Tiffany Richey, and freshmen Karen Gehrig and Kate Sepanski.

## Lindsay wins triple championship at Hornet Relays in Muenster

The Lindsay Knights, Lady Knights and JV Knights all finished in first place at last Saturday's Hornet Relays in Muenster.

The varsity Knights took home 18 medals, 11 first place golds. The junior varsity earned 14 first places and five seconds, while the Lady Knights took 17 medals, including 3 gold, 10 silver, and 4 bronze.

The Muenster Hornets settled for the third place overall finish behind Henrietta. They earned only 1 gold, along with 7 silver and 3 bronze. The Lady Hornets ended in 4th place with 11 medals.

The Tigers of Sacred Heart finished the meet in 8th place, while the Tigerettes got 3 golds and 2 silvers for 5th place.

5 Nathan Bruce	L	12:23
<b>300m Hurdles</b>		
1 Skyler Shauf	L	41:52
2 Adam Anderle	L	42:19
3 Gomez	N	43:59
4 Greg Johnson	M	46:12
<b>1600m Run</b>		
1 Boxell	P	4:51.90
2 Allmand	H	4:55.85
3 Michael Kendall	L	4:57.98
4 Bran. Schroeder	L	5:00.46
5 Clint Metzler	L	5:01.10
<b>400m Dash</b>		
1 Travis Alfrey	L	51.89
2 Bryan Miller	M	52.34
3 Aljoe	E	52.66
6 Tom Arendt	L	56.11
<b>200m Dash</b>		
1 Adrian Anderle	L	22.91
2 Twiner	E	23.03
3 Cas. Walterscheid	M	23.52
5 Dan Hellingner	L	24.25
<b>4x1 Relay</b> : 1st, L., Adam Anderle, Travis Alfrey, Adrian Anderle, Nathan Bruce, 44.65; 2nd, N., 45.31; 3rd, E., 46.20; 5th, SH, 47.52.		
<b>4x4 Relay</b> : 1st, L., Skyler Shauf,		

3 Andrews	PW	13.81
5 Stacie Garner	L	14.04
<b>300m Hurdles</b>		
1 Hannah Trammell	L	50.80
2 Roderick	H	51.87
3 Boyd	E	54.89
4 Lisa Felderhoff	M	58.54
5 Ashley Klement	M	1:00.9
<b>1600m Run</b>		
1 W. Skelton	E	5:32.4
2 Brown	N	5:39.8
3 Ellen Bezner	L	5:59.4
4 Megan Ward	L	6:01.1
6 Jami Gerstberger	M	6:10.80
<b>400m Dash</b>		
1 Puckett	E	1:02.70
2 Lalk	H	1:02.97
3 Tuggle	E	1:06.11
4 Sara Trammell	L	1:06.25
5 Emmy Trammell	L	1:07.50
<b>200m Dash</b>		
1 Cotton	PW	27.70
2 Abby Trammell	L	28.08
3 Walterscheid	SJ	28.27
5 Stacie Garner	L	28.53
<b>400m Relay</b> : 1st, Henrietta, 5:58.8; 2nd, Lindsay, Alex Hellingner, Sarah Trammell, Abby Trammell, Stacie Garner, 53.32; 3rd, Petrolia, 53.59; 4th, Muenster, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Megan Lippe, Jennifer Reid, Brittany Haverkamp, 53.93; 6th, Sacred Heart, 57.96.		
<b>800m Relay</b> : 1st, Henrietta, 1:55.51; 2nd, Muenster, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Megan Lippe, Phillip Krieger, Kelly Krueger, 1:57.01; 3rd, Petrolia, 1:58.59; 4th, Lindsay, Alex Hellingner, Alex Hauf, Alex Hauf, Deanna Meurer, 1:59.95; 5th, Sacred Heart, 1:59.13.		
<b>1600m Relay</b> : 1, Era, 4:18.50; 2, Lindsay, Sara Trammell, Abby Trammell, Hannah Trammell, Jennifer Bezner, 4:21.20; 3rd, Muenster, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Kelly Felderhoff, Patricia Lutkenhaus, Brittany Haverkamp, 4:22.11; 4th, Sacred Heart, 4:32.68.		



The "weightman" relay had Lindsay in the lead at the last exchange, but a problem with the hand-off dropped the Knights to 3rd place. Pictured are Blake Crutinger and Brad Minnix of Lindsay with Toby Walterscheid coming up fast to pass the stick to Justin Walterscheid. Photo by Janie Hartman

each event and point makers from Muenster, Sacred Heart, and Lindsay are as follows:

<b>VARSITY BOYS</b>		
<b>Shot</b>		
1 Wetzel	H	48' 6 1/2"
2 Blake Crutinger	L	45' 6"
3 Jim Stoffels	M	42' 11 1/4"
4 Brad Minnix	L	42' 8"
5 Just. Walterscheid	M	41' 2"
<b>Pole Vault</b>		
1 Durden	C	12'
2 Josh Freeman	M	11'
3 King	H	10' 6"
4 Jeff Klement	M	10'
4 Matthew Nasche	SH	10'
4 Josh Walterscheid	SH	10'
<b>Triple Jump</b>		
1 Fero	C	42' 8"
2 Preston Henry	L	40' 9 1/2"
3 Jonathan Yosten	SH	39' 1 1/2"
4 Skyler Shauf	L	38' 11"
5 Greg Johnson	M	38' 8 1/2"
<b>3200m Run</b>		
1 Boxell	P	10:23
2 Allmand	H	10:24
3 Harrison	H	11:13
5 Clint Metzler	L	11:22
6 Michael Kendall	L	11:24
<b>800m Run</b>		
1 Harrison	H	2:12
2 Cramer	P	2:14
3 Jeff Klement	M	2:16
5 Brett Howell	M	2:21
6 Luke Endres	SH	2:22
<b>Discus</b>		
1 Wetzel	H	129' 2 1/2"
2 Jim Stoffels	M	125' 4 1/4"
3 Marcus Dennis	L	124' 7"
<b>Long Jump</b>		
1 Craft	H	20' 2"
2 Jones	C	19' 3 1/2"
3 McMahan	SJ	18' 11 1/2"
4 Justin Fleitman	M	18' 10"
5 Greg Johnson	M	18' 10"
<b>High Jump</b>		
1 Craft	H	6' 2"
2 Orenshaw	E	6'
3 Tuggle	E	5' 10"
<b>110 Hurdles</b>		
1 Justin Fleitman	M	15:73
2 Adam Anderle	L	16:30
3 Skyler Shauf	L	16:66
4 Jon Yosten	SH	16:86
<b>100m Dash</b>		
1 Crossland	H	11:93
2 Arnett	N	12:03
3 Yorkery	P	12:09
4 Dan Hellingner	L	12:13

<b>GIRLS VARSITY</b>		
<b>Shot Put</b>		
1 Stanford	SS	35' 1"
2 Sarah Hess	SH	34' 11 1/4"
3 Perez	SJ	32' 5 3/4"
5 Stacie Garner	L	31' 1 3/4"
6 Maggie Luttmir	L	31' 1"
<b>Long Jump</b>		
1 Andrea Bauer	SH	17' 1 1/2"
2 Ward	P	16' 7 1/2"
3 Kelly Felderhoff	M	15' 10"
<b>High Jump</b>		
1 Deanna Meurer	L	5'
2 Hannah Trammell	L	4' 6"
2 Sarah Hess	SH	4' 6"
2 Bates	H	4' 6"
5 Jacque Bezner	L	4' 6"
5 Megan Lippe	M	4' 6"
<b>100m Hurdles</b>		
1 Andrea Bauer	SH	16:05
2 Hannah Trammell	L	16:20
3 Deanna Meurer	L	17:51
6 Ashley Klement	M	19:56
<b>Discus</b>		
1 Sarah Hess	SH	105' 8"
2 Stanford	SS	97' 10"
3 Ashlie Privett	L	92' 5 1/2"
5 Robin Neu	L	73' 11 1/4"
<b>Triple Jump</b>		
1 Ward	P	34' 2 1/2"
2 Hays	P	33' 3 1/2"
3 Cotton	PW	33' 2 1/2"
6 Alex Hellingner	L	31' 7"
<b>3200m Run</b>		
1 J. Skelton	E	12:18.55
2 Brown	N	12:40.67
3 Steph. Fleitman	L	12:54.37
4 Grace Cochran	SH	13:07.64
5 Megan Ward	L	13:19.74
6 Keri Felderhoff	M	14:32.71
<b>800m Run</b>		
1 Skelton	E	2:28.38
2 Walterscheid	SJ	2:33.84
3 Keri Felderhoff	M	2:34.99
4 Melanie Brown	L	2:36.76
6 Crystal Hale	M	2:38.79
<b>100m Dash</b>		
1 Cotton	PW	13:37
2 Britt Haverkamp	M	13:72



C. Fuhrmann, Cub hurdler.



Lisa Felderhoff clears the hurdle for the Lady Hornets.



Robyn Neu winds up for discus throw.



Distance runner for Sacred Heart, Grace Cochran.



Stephen Hofbauer prepares to shoot the shot.



Hornet jumper Greg Johnson.



Kari Felderhoff led Jessica Walterscheid of Saint Jo in the 800m until inside the last 90 yards when Walterscheid stole the lead to take home the silver. Photo by Janie Hartman



Sarah Hess unrolls for a gold medal. Photo by Janie Hartman

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# Münster hosts junior high meet

Due to heavy rains in the morning, the junior high track meet held in Münster last Friday was contained to indoor events only, no field events.

There were four divisions, and 8th, girls and boys, teams from Sacred Heart, Saint Jo, Nocona, and Münster participating. Also individuals from Lindsay, Nocona's 7th grade girls joined the track, as did Münster's boys. In the 8th level divisions, Sacred Heart and Münster led the teams.

Following are results for Münster, Sacred Heart, and Lindsay:

**7TH GRADE GIRLS**

**2400m Run**

Wes Wimmer	M	11:26.01
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**800m Run**

Jessica Beznar	L	2:49.60
Justin Walterscheid	M	3:27.67

**100m Dash**

Christen Hess	M	16.11
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**400m Run**

Erwin	L	1:11.03
Nelby Jolliff	M	1:23.25

**200m Dash**

Lana Fisher	M	33.47
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**100m Hurdles**

Christen Hess	M	23.16
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**300m Relay:** 3rd, Münster, Tara Czyski, Shannon Grewing, Shelby Olf, Kristen Hess, 1:03.42.

**400m Relay:** 3rd, Münster, Tara Czyski, Steve Klement, 2:15.57.

**500m Relay:** 3rd, Münster, Tara Czyski, Shannon Grewing, Stevie Klement, Lana Fisher, 5:15.99.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1st, Nocona, 213; Saint Jo, 89; 3rd, Münster, 55; Lindsay, 20; 5th, Era, 5.

**7TH GRADE BOYS**

**2400m Run**

StephenLaChance	SH	10:26
Daniel Cochran	SH	10:36
Justin Felderhoff	M	11:51
Dam Vinson	M	12:02

**800m Run**

Sean Fuhrmann	M	2:41
Wes Coker	SH	2:51
Derek Felderhoff	M	2:55
Russell Endres	M	2:58

**100m Dash**

Clint Miller	M	13.92
Cliff Walterscheid	SH	15.17

**300m Hurdles**

John Fredrick	M	52.34
Aar. Walterscheid	M	1:06.92

**1600m Run**

A.J. Fleitman	M	6:12.01
StephenLaChance	SH	6:41.84
Daniel Cochran	SH	6:53.76

**110 Hurdles**

Sean Fuhrmann	M	22.83
Aar. Walterscheid	M	24.26

**400m Run**

A.J. Fleitman	M	N/A
Russell Endres	M	N/A
Dustin Felderhoff	M	N/A

**200m Dash**

Craig Hopper	M	27.68
Jeff Walterscheid	SH	33.22
Derek Felderhoff	M	35.21

**4x1 Relay:** 1st, Münster, John Fredrick, A.J. Fleitman, Clint Miller, Craig Hopper, 54.21.

**4x4 Relay:** 1st, Münster, John Fredrick, Clint Miller, Craig Hopper, Sean Fuhrmann, 4:31.15.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1st, Münster, 134; 2nd, Nocona, 91; 3rd, Era, 66; 4th, Sacred Heart, 24; 5th, Saint Jo, 3.

**8TH GRADE GIRLS**

**2400m Run**

Rose Bartush	SH	10:07.00
Karen Gehrig	SH	10:30.69
Chel. Felderhoff	M	10:38.66
Kristian Koessler	M	12:49.07

**800m Run**

Kate Sepanski	SH	2:37.17
Whitney Watson	M	3:00.25
Cindy Hartman	SH	3:08.61

**100m Dash**

Lisa Endres	SH	14.17
Rachel Clark	M	14.24
Amy Trevino	SH	15.13

**100m Hurdles**

Rachel Clark	M	20.79
Lisa Endres	SH	20.95
Whitney Watson	M	21.40
Kim Hess	SH	21.89

**400m Dash**

Katie Flusche	SH	1:08.60
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**200m Dash**

Court Hartman	SH	29.46
Mel Walterscheid	M	30.13
Robyn Hermes	M	30.15

**300 Hurdles**

Chel. Felderhoff	M	54.35
Jacqueline Bauer	SH	59.44
Whitney Watson	M	1:01.87

**1600m Run**

Rose Bartush	SH	6:15.30
Steph. Henscheid	SH	6:17.20
Karen Gehrig	SH	6:28.27

**400m Relay:** 2nd, Münster, Robyn Hermes, Joanna Felderhoff, Alisha Walterscheid, Rachel Clark, 56.03; 4th, Sacred Heart, Stephanie Henscheid, Rose Bartush, Lisa Endres, Amy Trevino, 1:00.40.

**800m Relay:** 1st, Sacred Heart, Jacqueline Bauer, Courtney Hartman, Amy Trevino, Kate Sepanski, 1:58.41; 2nd, Münster, Robyn Hermes, Alisha Walterscheid, Melinda Walterscheid, Joanna Felderhoff, 1:58.95.

**1600m Relay:** 1st, Sacred Heart, Courtney Hartman, Katie Flusche, Kate Sepanski, Jacqueline Bauer, 4:28.77; 2nd, Münster, Chelsa Felderhoff, Joanna Felderhoff, Melinda Walterscheid, Alisha Walterscheid, 4:33.15.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1st, Sacred Heart, 132; 2nd, Era, 112; 3rd, Münster, 94; 4th, Nocona, 80; 5th, Saint Jo, 8.

**8TH GRADE BOYS**

**2400m Run**

Wes Wimmer	SH	9:18
Jordan Smith	SH	9:37
Alex Sicking	SH	9:43

**110 Hurdles**

Andy Davis	SH	23.99
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**400m Run**

Kevin Walterscheid	SH	1:02.89
Frank Klement	SH	1:03.07
Kirk Hartman	M	1:04.03

**200m Dash**

Jared Ledbetter	M	30.38
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**800m Run**

Andy Davis	SH	2:39
Kyle Endres	M	2:49
Zach Barnhill	SH	2:54

**100m Dash**

Cole Ferguson	M	12.44
Chris Hoedebeck	SH	13.47

**300m Hurdles**

Paul Bartush	SH	50.36
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**1600m Run**

Daniel Russell	M	6:05.92
Adam Taylor	SH	6:10.58
Alex Sicking	SH	6:14.09

**4x1 Relay:** 1st, Sacred Heart, Paul Bartush, Chris Hoedebeck, Kevin Walterscheid, Frank Klement, 4:12.80; 4th, Münster, Joseph Dangelmayr, Kirk Hartman, Daniel Russell, Cole Ferguson, 4:24.15.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1st, tie, Era and Sacred Heart, 104; 3rd, Nocona, 81; 4th, Münster, 46; 5th, Saint Jo, 27.



Lady Stinger hurdler Rachel Clark.



Cole Ferguson breaks the rope in the 100m prelims.



Jessica Beznar and Mindy Walterscheid waiting for the 800 m start.



Courtney Hartman passes the stick to Amy Trevino in the 800m relay.

## Tigerettes win big in district opener

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes softball team traveled to Fort Worth Monday night, Mar. 27 to play their first district game of the season at Mesquite Christian School. The Tigerettes won 17-2 after 3 1/2 innings. Star pitcher Marye Callahan, a freshman, pitched four strike-outs. First-inning pitcher senior Sarah Smith pitched the last inning with one strike-out and no runs allowed. "Grand-slam Anne" Callahan, a senior, hit one triple, one grand-slam and had R.B.I.'s. Freshman Michelle Smith hit one single and had R.B.I. Freshman Tiffany Smith also hit one single and one R.B.I.

Every Tigerette team member saw playing time, including seniors Jana Coker, Jana Felderhoff, Sarah Kelly and Andrea Bartush, and sophomore Audrey Barnhill, and freshmen Jana Leibenbach, Jennifer Hoedebeck, Randy Bauer, Julie Sue Switzer, Crystal Smith, Alicia Cochran, and Sherine Bartush.

The Tigerettes are coached by Beth Bartush and Kip Callahan. Their next game is on Monday at 4:30 p.m. next Monday, Apr. 3. Their next district game will be at home on Monday, Apr. 10 against West Christian.

## Germanfest fun run seeks volunteers in all areas

Anyone interested in becoming a part of a new crew to help at the finish line and work the results, please contact Chairman of the Fun Run, Ted Heers at 759-5041. Also, if you would like to help set up the chutes and construct them, contact Eric Walterscheid at 759-2887.

The timing and result crew at the finish line will be led by Dave Flusche. Tabulating the final standing at the K.C. Hall will be Carol Fleitman and Wanda Flusche. Help is needed for all of the above.

The race is at noon on Sunday, Apr. 30.

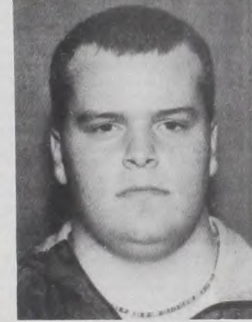
## Schmitz earns wrestling letter

At the 1999-2000 Lehman Catholic High School Winter Sports Banquet, first year participant, Kevin Schmitz received his varsity letter for wrestling.

Kevin is a 6'2", 265 lb. junior at Lehman in Sidney, Ohio. His record for the year was 21-10 with nineteen wins coming by pin. Kevin placed first in three dual matches, two tri-meets and one ten-team meet. He placed second in sectionals and second in district before being eliminated in the regional competition. Two of Kevin's losses came from an individual that finished second in the state of Ohio.

Kevin also received the award for most pins on the Lehman team. He was also selected to the Division III, Dayton, Ohio area Wrestling Coaches Association third team. Kevin is currently involved in AAU wrestling, track and weightlifting to stay in shape for football this fall. His academic interest is Architecture.

Kevin is the son of Ken



Kevin Schmitz Schmitz, a former Sacred Heart graduate and Kris Torres-Schmitz, a Bishop Dunne graduate. He lives with his mom, dad and sister, Kathryn, in Piqua, Ohio. Kevin's grandmother, Lorene Schmitz, lives in Saint Jo and grandfather, Gene Schmitz, lives in Thackerville. His other grandparents, Richard Torres & Dolores Torres live in Dallas.



Kyle Endres led this crowd in the first lap of the 800 run. Following are Andy Davis and Zach Barnhill of Sacred Heart. Photo by Janie Hartman

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# Farm & Ranch

## Reduced stocking rates key to drought recovery

With Texas ranchers enduring a third drought in four years, Extension Range Specialist Dr. Larry White at Texas A&M University said it's a critical time for evaluating pasture management practices.

He said the current dry cycle may last for up to 10 years, so protecting forage resources through reduced stocking rates is essential. However, the amount of reduction necessary is dependent on the producer's current situation.

"It's an important time for producers to reevaluate their entire operation—what they've been doing correctly and what has not worked as well as it should have," White said. "What I would suggest to ranchers is that they go and evaluate their pastures at this time and determine how close grazing has occurred."

He said a healthy pasture may have some bare ground, but it should also have three to six inches of stubble. He emphasized that there should be even more if producers are continuing to graze livestock, because pasture growth is not expected until April or May.

"If ranchers have adequate forage now to protect the resource, then obviously they have probably already made some stocking rate adjustments because of the drought and are closer to being in balance with the forage supply," he said. "They can maintain this reduced herd size if we get any kind of reasonable rainfall."

White said reduced stocking rates may still be too high if the dry spell continues. Producers may have to make further reductions to protect their resources and their ability to recover from the drought.

He advised producers to move the remaining livestock to winter pastures and hold them until May, if they can. Moving livestock to cool season

pastures will allow warm-season grasses to get a good start even when below normal rainfall.

White said there are not many options for producers who are already struggling to balance forage supplies with demand.

"For those ranchers that are already in trouble, it's actually best to bite the bullet and further reduce their stocking rate—event to the point where they do not have any livestock," he said.

"The key to this is that if you're already in a total crisis situation, there is very little you can do at this point except to destock, allow nature to help recover the site with plenty of rest and then to not allow this kind of management to occur in the future."

White said failing to reduce stocking rates impacts a pasture in several ways. It weakens the best grasses, making drought recovery

difficult.

Going into the fall with an excessive amount of bare ground has resulted in an abundance of weeds, which compete with desirable forage for moisture. Also, when it does rain, a higher percentage will actually run off the soil because of the reduced litter cover.

"The (amount of) rainfall you receive is not as important as how much soil moisture you capture," he emphasized.

With excess run-off also comes excessive erosion.

"You're losing your best soil and the nutrients from your soil," he said. "It also removes what limited seed supply you might have had in that topsoil to help reestablish a good stand of grass."

White said good management leaves adequate cover and vegetation to utilize the moisture and produce forage.

*Texas Cattlemen's Association*

## Cattlemen be careful with roadside forage

The Texas Department of Transportation is allowing farmers and ranchers to mow and bale vegetation on highway right-of-ways in Texas. The landowner immediately adjacent to the requested rights-of-way has the "right of first refusal." Written permission from your district TxDOT office is required.

Dennis Herd, Extension livestock specialist at Texas A&M University warns that feeding hay harvested from vacant city lots or roadsides can result in hard ware disease. The hay may contain nails, wire or foreign objects which can pierce the stomach wall and kill the animal.

Rumen impaction occurs when cattle are forced to depend on low-quality forage substitutes and do not receive adequate protein. Insufficient drinking water adds to the problem, making it impossible for food to pass through the digestive system, he explained.

Herd said the most serious problem is not a lack of feed but a lack of drinking water. Some producers use salt to limit feed intake because it is inexpensive and takes little time. This requires an increase in the amount of water the animal needs. If sufficient drinking water is unavailable, salt toxicity may occur.

*Texas Cattlemen's Association*

## What America eats

In 1996, each American consumed an average of 77 pounds more of commercially grown vegetables than in 1970, 63 pounds more grain products, 54 pounds more fruits, 32 pounds more poultry, 10 gallons more milk lower in fat than whole milk, 20.5 pounds less red meat, 73 fewer eggs, and 17 gallons less whole milk.

It takes just 40 days for most Americans to earn enough money to pay for their food supply for the entire year. In comparison with the 129 days it takes the average

American to earn enough money to pay federal, state and local taxes for the year.

More than 96 billion pounds of edible "surplus" food is thrown away in the U.S. each year. It is estimated that almost 27% of our food supply is wasted.

Americans are eating about 14 pounds of turkey a piece each year, more than double the rate 20 years ago.

Americans consume 1.2 billion pounds of popcorn a year. Soybean oil is the most widely used edible oil in the United States; you can find it in mayonnaise, salad dressing, processed cheese products, dessert frostings and much more.

Peanuts are not actually nuts. Peanuts, like soybeans, are members of the legume family.

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## Water law needs modification, says the Independent Cattlemen's Association

The Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas (ICA) recently broke with all other agricultural trade associations in the state and urged the Legislature to modify the "Rule of Capture," to protect landowners from having their water sources depleted.

ICA President Chuck Kiker of Beaumont said that landowners face the certainty of losing the right to control the water under their land if the Legislature fails to act.

The drought of the last several years has shown us all too clearly that water is a scarce resource," Kiker said. "It is also our most basic and valuable resource. Landowners are the best stewards of our water and have been since Texas was first settled."

The "Rule of Capture," was declared to be the law in Texas by the Supreme Court in 1904. It affirms the right of landowners to use the water under their land. The Rule of Capture has served us well for 96 years," said Tom Beard, an ICA director from Alpine, "but landowners cannot compete with Texas cities in the demand for water. The cities simply have bigger pumps."

ICA is urging that a duty be imposed on all water users in Texas to consider the impact on the aquifer from which they are pumping and on adjoining landowners.

When large cities are desperate for water, the environmental consequences of pumping an aquifer dry are the last priority, ICA says. To drain an aquifer that took

thousands or even millions of years to fill because of the needs of a municipality today is unconscionable," Kiker said. "We must have reasonable limits, and it's a lot better to have landowners decide than the state."

Kiker pointed out that the alternative, ultimately, was regulation of groundwater by the State of Texas. "That should appeal to no one," he stated.

## Watch the newborn calf

Important things one should know when checking a newborn calf:

- Just because a calf breathes doesn't mean it's okay. Check the calf vigor, is it limp or depressed? Is it making efforts to stand? How vigorously does it breathe?
- A calf should stand in less than one hour.
- Is it getting good mother attention?
- Check its body temperature. Newborn calves are usually 103-104 degrees Fahrenheit and will drop to 101 within half an hour, then stabilize. If it is not in this range, help warm it with heat lamps, blankets, etc.
- A calf should be sucking its mother within two hours of birth and have an active suckling reflex. If it's a dystocia (assisted birth) calf, do not wait two hours. Nipple feed the calf colostrum. If it won't suck, tube feed the calf. Take action before scours set in.

## Moldy hay warning

Moldy hay could make your cattle sick. Hay that has received excess moisture and heat can mold, making the hay less nutritious, cutting value by 25 to 30 percent.

Moldy hay can also create the potential for the ingestion of mycotoxins. Not all moldy hay is toxic, but mycotoxins can lead to liver damage. Cattle that are suffering from liver problems are sunburn in light colored areas of the skin or places where there is little hair, since liver problems lead to light sensitivity.

Moldy hay can still be fed, as long as it is diluted with higher-quality hay, grain or commercial supplement.

### Milk Production

Texas milk production totaled 515 million pounds during February, up 6 percent from last year. Production for January totaled 525 million pounds.

## County Agent's Report

by Craig Rosenbaum

### STOCKPILED BERMUDAGRASS

We heard a lot of information this past year about feeding standing forage to cattle in the winter. We know this takes place with supplementation in the drier areas of west and southwest Texas. With recent dry winters we now have information on bermudagrass quality in dry winters.

This past spring, Monte Rouquette planted 22 acres of 'Tifton 85' bermudagrass. Prior to planting, 200 lbs/ac of 21-8-17 was applied and incorporated into the seedbed. On 5/26-5/28, sprigs were planted and an additional 245 lbs/ac of 21-8-17 was applied on 7/29. A hay harvest was obtained in September and another 300 lbs/ac of 21-8-17 was applied on 9/22. The field was then left alone for the remainder of the season.

Forage data obtained from one of the fields began in mid-November through mid-February. Samples were obtained about every 30 days and were hand-clipped to the soil surface. Although only one year's data, the information provides evidence that standing bermudagrass alone will probably meet the nutrient requirement of the mature, spring-calving cow that goes into the fall in good shape. Nutritive value will be different each year and will be affected by freeze events and moisture.

This is not the end-all study. The data does not indicate what 'Coastal' or 'Tifton 44' or common bermudagrass would have looked like because only 'Tifton 45' was studied. Nor does it suggest we will be able to use stockpiled grass every year because we all know how drought plays into the equation. The information, however, does lend credence to the potential for using stockpiled bermudagrass instead of hay for fall, early winter grazing, possibly until ryegrass is ready. This has the potential to significantly reduce winter feeding costs for those cattlemen in the east and central Texas area.

The following are clipping dates and analysis of the study:

Sample Date	CP	ADF	TDN
11/18/99	18.36	31.14	58.36
12/15/99	16.44	35.58	56.86
1/18/00	16.24	38.00	55.60
2/18/00	15.88	39.18	54.38

### WHEAT TOUR TO ARKANSAS

County wheat producers are invited to a tour of wheat breeding operations in the Jonesboro, Arkansas area. The tour of University of Arkansas Research Centers, Novartis Seed Breeding farms, Ag Pro Breeding Farms and to Sherman Cullum Seeds is scheduled for May 4, 5, and 6, 2000. In addition the T.A.E.S. Farm at Prosper will be on the tour to look at five new small grain releases in wheat, oats and barley. Costs of the tour and registration should be made by Wednesday, April 12, 2000, by contacting Craig Rosenbaum at the Cooke County Extension office at (940) 668-5412.

## Corn concern

Last year's corn crop was slightly down from the previous year, but was still the fourth largest U.S. crop on record. With the carry-over stocks, this led to the largest total corn supply since 1988.

The 1999-2000 total corn use is projected to reach 9.5 billion bushels, the largest usage in history.

There is a growing concern on what effect La Niña will have on this year's corn crop. Recurring dry weather will probably be seen throughout the southern half of the Cornbelt. Analysts say dry weather and poor sub soil conditions will bring higher corn prices.

## 'Rally for Rural America' in DC calls for new direction

Wes Sims, President of Texas Farmers Union, and his wife Latria Of Sweetwater, joined roughly 2,500 other producers in the nation's capital March 20-21 for the "Rally for Rural America," an event organized to call attention to the crisis in the farm and rural economy.

"We decided to come to the rally because we wanted to send a message that Congress must invest in rural America's future," said Sims. Record low commodity prices have impacted farmers, but also rural main street. We felt there was a lot at stake and it was important to stand arm-in-arm with farmers and ranchers from around the country."

At the rally, speakers expressed concern over the loss of family farmers, the escalation of mergers and acquisitions, a loss of businesses and jobs on rural main street, erosion of health care and education, a decline in infrastructure, and a reduction of capital investments in rural communities. Rally participants urged Congress to open up the farm bill and reform rural policies to alleviate the price crisis, ensure fair and open markets and pursue fair trade.

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**Feeder Steers (per lb.):** 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.32-1.52; No. 2 & 3, 90-1.33; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.20-1.37; No. 2 & 3, 90-1.20; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.00-1.20; No. 2 & 3, 85-1.00; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 90-1.10; No. 2 & 3, 80-90; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 88-93; No. 2 & 3, 70-88; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 78-81; No. 2 & 3, 70-78.

**Feeder Heifers (per lb.):** 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.15-1.30; No. 2 & 3, 80-1.15; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.03-1.23; No. 2 & 3, 80-1.03; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 97-1.10; No. 2 & 3, 75-97; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 89-1.10; No. 2 & 3, 70-89; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 78-84; No. 2 & 3, 65-78; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 76-81; No. 2 & 3, 59-76.

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47-57 Slaughter cows; #1-3, 32-40; cutter, 40-47. **Stocker Cows (per head):** Pregnancy tested, 3- to 9-year-olds—large frame, \$600-\$750; medium frame, \$450-\$600. **Cow-calf pairs:** w/calves under 250 lbs.—large frame, \$700-\$870; medium frame, \$500-\$700. **Holstein baby calves:** \$40-\$110; Crossbreds, \$200-\$250. **Barrows & Gilts:** US #1, 230-270, 36-39; US #2, 220-280, 34-36. **Feeders (per head):** 100-175 lbs, \$35-\$45; 25-90 lbs., \$20-\$35. **Bears:** Feeder, 400 or less, 28-30; Light wt., 400-500, 30-32; Med. wt., 500-600, 32-34; Heavy wt., 600-up, 36-38.

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100 Weekday	200 Weekday	400 Weekday	650 Weekday	1,000 Weekday
\$29.95	+100 Bonus Weekday	+200 Bonus Weekday	+325 Bonus Weekday	+500 Bonus Weekday
	\$39.95	\$49.95	\$69.95	\$99.95

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This limited time offer requires new activation with a two-year service agreement on select rate plans. Unlimited long distance applies to calls made from the 940 local calling area in U.S. destinations. Bonus weekend minutes is a limited time promotional offer to new activations on Digital Edge plans \$19.95 per month and above for the first six months of service only. Promotional bonus minutes apply only to portions in the DFW Metro Area Calling Area. Unsurpassed does not roll over to the next month. Some restrictions apply. See store for details.



# 2000 COOKE COUNTY YOUTH FAIR SHOW and SALE



A Special Thanks to the Following Buyers and Supporters  
**Champions and Buyers**



Grand Champion Steer  
Dustin Bryant, Valley View FFA  
Buyer: Robby Martindale, Martindale Feed Mill



Reserve Champion Steer  
Jarred Anderson, Callisburg FFA  
Buyer: Ronnie Felderhoff, Muenster Milling



Champion County Bred Steer  
Matthew Grewing, Archery 4-H  
Buyer: James Wood, James Wood Motors



Reserve County Bred Steer  
Brad Felderhoff, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: James Wood, James Wood Motors



Grand Champion Barrow  
Hal Ray Spears, Era FFA  
Buyer: Stan Comer, Red River Farm Coop/Wool Equine Products



Reserve Champion Barrow  
Lindsay Hughes, Callisburg FFA  
Buyer: Gary Wyrick, Future Equipment



Champion Lamb  
Kacee Stobaugh, Valley View FFA  
Buyer: Gayle Wood, Bullard Construction



Reserve Lamb  
Dustin Rucks, Valley View FFA  
Buyer: Robby Martindale, Alan Ritchey, Inc.



Champion Meat Goat  
Courtney Haverkamp, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: Jack Flusche, Muenster Friends



Reserve Meat Goats  
Jennifer Alcorn, Era 4-H - assisted by Kelly Crenshaw, right  
Buyer: James Wood, James Wood Motors



Champion Rabbit  
Brandy Dangelmayr, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: Kirk Klement, Klement Ford, Muenster



Reserve Rabbit  
Megan Dangelmayr, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: Jack Flusche, Flusche Enterprises



Champion Broiler  
Mark Lutkenhaus, Lindsay 4-H  
Buyer: Kenneth Fleitmann, Lindsay Youth Supporters



Reserve Broiler  
Paul Jones, Lindsay 4-H  
Buyer: Ronald Mosman, Ronald Mosman Trucking



Champion - Food Division  
Joseph Davis, Sacred Heart  
Buyer: Mary Dangelmayr, Muenster Friends



Reserve - Food Division  
Debra Dangelmayr, Sacred Heart  
Buyer: Greg Wilde, James Wood Motors



Champion - Clothing Division  
Ellen Bezner, Lindsay FHA  
Buyer: Kathleen Schroeder, Lindsay Youth Supporters



Reserve - Clothing Division  
Jennie Stiles, Callisburg FHA  
Buyer: Patty Proffit, First American Bank



Champion - Creative Arts  
Tiffany Eurick, Red River 4H  
Buyer: Edwin Knight, Cooke Co. Farm Bureau



Reserve - Creative Arts  
Kristen Smith, Muenster FHA represented by Angel Hernandez  
Buyer: Ross Felderhoff, Muenster Friends



Grand Champion - Metal Shop  
Adam Anderle, Lindsay FFA  
Buyer: Larry Schmacher, Lindsay Youth Supporters



Reserve - Metal Shop  
Anna Calhoun, Lindsay FFA  
Buyer: Larry Schmacher, Lindsay Youth Supporters



Champion - Wood Shop  
Elliott Klement, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: Kirk Klement, Klement Ford, Muenster



Reserve - Wood Shop  
Angel Hernandez, Muenster FFA  
Buyer: Ronnie Felderhoff, Muenster Friends

## 2000 COOKE COUNTY YOUTH FAIR BUYERS & SUPPORTERS

### Platinum

Valley View Friends  
Martindale Feed Mill  
James Wood Autoplex  
Muenster Friends  
Callisburg Youth Supporters

### Gold

Muenster Milling  
Red River Coop  
Bullard Construction  
Alan Ritchey, Inc  
Petro Flex  
Lindsay Youth Supporters  
Era Youth Supporters  
Jet Star Co  
GNB/First State Bank  
Gene Pelzel

### Silver

Mercer Well Service  
Muenster Livestock  
Jimmy Jack Biffle  
Brammer Supply  
Pump Co. Services  
Future Equipment  
Enderby Gas  
Klement Ford  
H & W Meat  
Waurika Livestock

Smith Feed Store  
Tom Thumb  
Texas Farm Bureau  
Lynn Williams  
Tim Stobaugh Dairy  
W B Hudspeth, Inc  
Rite Weld Supply  
Barnes Bros Feed  
Boom Town Fireworks  
Decatur Livestock  
Ross Directional Drilling  
Ryan Norwood  
Barthold Tire  
First American Bank  
T & S Materials  
Bill Hudspeth Cattle Co  
North Central Texas College

### Bronze

Henry, Hatcher, Schiller  
Fulton Supply  
Osborne's  
Paul & Scarlett Hodgkinson Tractor Service  
Cross N Ranch  
Young Farmers & Ranchers  
Mike Graves  
Toby Stobaugh  
Selby Farms

Security Bank  
Curtis Wilkerson  
Sizelove Construction  
Southwest Logistics  
York Cooling & Heating  
Sanger Bank  
Design Depot  
Bill Harris  
Ronald Mosman Trucking  
Gene Jackson  
Flusche Enterprises  
Larry Corbett  
3 Wheel Ranch  
Gainesville VFW Post 1922  
Brown Motor Co  
Karl Klement Dodge  
Dan Alexander  
Wolfe Equine  
Camac Steel  
Schalk & Smith  
T. Jack Martin  
Jo Ellen & Bob Fuhrman  
Hal & Jean Dick  
Protocol Feeds  
Zimmerman Annuity Trust  
Jack House  
Mickey Weatherly  
Jimmy Gillum

Gainesville Riding Club  
Gainesville Land Co.  
Bobby Clark  
Anderson Horseshoeing  
W. B. Hodgkinson  
Gerald Graham, DDS  
Family & Community Education Council  
Richard Dangelmayr  
Tooley's Trim Shop  
Dr. James Graham  
Ward Custom Metal  
Lisa Clark  
Main St. Pub  
Gainesville Pool Supply  
Roy & Connie Purcell  
Nancy Graves  
Cindy Myers  
Don Mode  
Kendall Pearse  
Able Bondsman  
Jimmy, Susan & William Bryant  
Valley View Chamber of Commerce  
Muenster Chamber of Commerce  
Valley View Riding Club  
Era FFA  
Valley View FFA  
Tom & Linda Ellender

W W Auction  
Carrie Burgess  
Kim Hammer  
Ken & Denise Pearse  
Dustin's Office Supply  
Calvin Williams  
Amanda Myers  
Billy & Delinda Dennis  
Phillip Duncan  
Mike Howe  
Taylor Farms  
Sullivant Law Firm  
Sullivant Ranch  
John & Mary Danglemayr  
Lana & Billy Don Wolf  
Shelly & Joyce Hughes  
Madison Pearse Cattle Co  
Lynn & Bud Peters  
Kelley Sand & Excavation, Inc  
Westwood Millworks  
Ben Franklin/Ace Hardware  
**Floor Buyers**  
Muenster Livestock  
Gainesville Livestock

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