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# Aytes delivers promised program on hospital

by Janet Felderhoff John Aytes made a public presentation last Thursday which he called "The Rest of the Story". It was another version of Muenster Memorial Hospital's finances. He used numbers from the audit report for fiscal year 2000 and backed that up with the reports from 1995, '96, '97, '98, and '99. Aytes is the spokesperson for the Muenster Memorial Hospital Support Group. There was standing room only at the meeting.

was standing room only at the meeting. Aytes began his presentation with newspaper quotes from MMH Administrator Jack Endres and Board members Don Flusche, Chas Bayer, and Phil Endres saying that the hospital could not be kept onen because it couldn't

Phil Endres saying that hospital could not be kept open because it couldn't survive financially. "What, they re not saying, what they haven't told you is the rest of the story," remarked Aytes. "At the end of June, 2000, the fiscal year ended and we started a new year. At that time we had cash in the bank \$836,000.00. "As a result of depending upon the reports I came up with these figures. These figures are something that I just put together myself. We studied them as a group, put them in the hands of our accountant and said, "Check them over. Are we giving you the truth? Are we going to be saying what is the truth or have we made a mistake?" Only after going to that extent am I putting these figures before you. They're telling us we're broke, we can't exist any more as a

hospital and I'm saying that the hospital district at the close of fiscal year in June we had \$836,000,00 in the bank. During that period between hear 2000 which ended in June, we bought (rounded to the nearest thousand) as the district bought property, equipment, furnishings, etc. to the tune of \$1.2 million during were in such bad shape. Right now we own almost twice as nuch property and equipment, it's on the books, compared to includes St. Richard's Villa." Method St. Richard's Villa."

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**Health Care Spending in Texas** 

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Health care injects a lot of money into local economies. Statewide, Texans spent more than \$70 billion on health care in 1998 and the estimated spending in the 11 Comptroller regions parallels the populations: the more people, the more spent on health care.

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\$860,000 of equipment, bricks, mortar, etc. in 1996, Aytes said. He stressed that the uncelled of \$875,000 during the stressed that the surglus of \$875,000 during the sevens. The sevens where the money fame from Aytes said, "It was source to the sevent the seven source that much because during the period of '96 through 2000 we had a total tax surplus of \$875,000 tax that was not used for the hospital as we have been told was the case." He then referred to a new spaper quote in which Chas Bayer said, "We're spending \$320,000.00 that we tax each year. We're using it all." Aytes declared that it wasn't all being used. He showed

Health Care Spending

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columns of revenue, expense, and operating loss before taxes were collected, and money after taxes were collected. He said Chas was right that about \$320,000.00 in taxes were being collected each year. The each year and so the amount of money on hand grew each year. It was less in 2000. "When you look across this line and this is the amount they needed and this is the amount they did not need," said Aytes. "Of course it went to build up our book value, it went into the bank, it went into buying equipment, bricks and mortar. All the time they're saying, Were using it all just to keep our hospital open. These numbers were for the hospital only and didn't include St. Richard's Vila. Aytes said that total

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million during the period '96 through 2000. In addition to the increase in cash, the hospital owns almost twice as much property as it did four years ago."

Aytes noted that in 1995 the hospital lost \$607,000.00. "It scared the stuffings out of everybody connected with it and at that point in '95 they started talking merger," Aytes said. "Something happened in '96 to turn that situation around. Two major factors, one was they finished the birthing clinic, delivery room, operating room, etc. so that inpatient care was considerably enhanced so that a considerable number of people started going through the hospital as patients. We got Dr. Currier in there operating, doing procedures and deliveries and that helped tremendously. At the same time we had another thing come on line. It was called

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**Chamber Banquet** features "Dirt Doc"

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Garrett has authored several books, teaches organic gardening at SMU in the continuing education department, writes a monthly column for Acres, USA and edits the monthly newsletter for the "Dirt Doctor's Ground Crew".

Crew". Saturday, Jan. 27 is the date of the Chamber of Commerce Banquet which will be held in the Community Center. Happy Hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The menu includes chicken fried chicken. Door prizes will be awarded. Tickets are \$10 each and should be purchased by Thursday, Jan. 25 from the Chamber office. Anyone interested in attending is welcome to purchase a ticket and come enjoy an informative evening with Howard Garrett.

### DON'T FORGET ...

Citizens of Muenster are encouraged to vote in the election Saturday, Jan. 20 to continue or reject the 1/2 cent sales tax to be used for economic

development. 7 am to 7pm at City Hall

(for more info refer to last week's Enterprise)

Muenster School Board renews Steelman's contract

made by the Kindergarten classes, listing what they believed School Board members do. Mr. Steelman gave his report to the Board which included: Steelman attending the Superintendents Academy - Lamar Technology; the Special Education Co-op is reviewing next year's budget; and the Muenster Hornet Band will be performing at the Texas Association of Rural Schools Winter Conference at Baylor University on Feb. 10-11.

Baylor University on Feb. 10-11. Jerry Eckart, technology director, noted that Muenster ISD is again eligible for the TIF grant, possibly \$50,000, and is confident the district will receive the grant. Athletic Director Coach Gordon Martin noted the encouraging number of basketball participants. There are 12 varsity girls, 12 JV girls, 12 varsity boys, and 17 JV boys playing high school basketball. Participating in Coathered and the school basketball.

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dll S COIILEACE be added to Junior High; will soon set date for Junior High uit academic district meet; and Muenster Junior High socience and 20 and 27. Newton also told the Board the Monday night economics class and getting dual credit the is working on getting classes next year on the classes next year on the menster camus. The Board also heard a report from Marlene Fisher, school nurse, on the HB 2085 required Blood-Borne Plan for the district. Fisher and other local school nurses abe attended a Texas Department of Health meeting and gotten together to work out a plan for the schools. The mas not submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher submitted any substricts no advanced notice of the ruling. Fisher substricts fisher and fis

# The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees met Wednesday, Jan. O. Prior to their regular monthly meeting, the Board met to discuss the contract of Superintendent Clyde Steelman. After the closed athering, the Board announced they set ended his contract another year, contract. The Board also is an another year of contract another year contract. The Board also is a state of the same. At the beginning of the regular meeting, a dozen district's staff were present to give recognition and during January, Texas School Board Appreciation Month. Frem Hartman and Emily Klement both thanked the Board for their hard work and dedication. 'You are the School Board not only for today, but Klement Also hanging in the meeting room was a poster. **Gainesville vote:** Gainesville votes Saturday on hospital tax... Panel debates new hospital

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profitability of the new hospital in addition, the oliback forces are convinced that Muenster will not give the sopital district. The members, David Hutcherson and Karla Metzler, spoke for the new hospital and against obligation bond would have required a vote, but the supplemented by anticipated obligation bond would have required a vote, but the supplemented by anticipated for the very with the help of hospital," he said. Metzler added, that they felt that the dast Board election was a vote member openhy favored a new hospital. The rollback people not the the hospital does not met the hospital does not met

budget. Metzler pointed out that the actual cash flow includes \$1 million in depreciation expense. Thus they predict a positive cash flow of at least \$1.1 million based on conservative predictions. "As Cooke County grows, as our hospital grows and revenues increase and expenses are held to minimum increases, we feel we will be able to reduce the tax rate in the future," she stated. The opposing sides differ as to:

The opposing sides differ as to: • The sufficiency of the patient base. • The drawing power for new doctors and services. • The effect of more taxes on current and new businesses. • The conditions at the current Gainesville hospital and

and • Muenster's intentions. • Gainesville's resolve. On Saturday, the Gainesville hospital District voters will clear up the questions a little.

Natural Advocate - Howard Garrett



Employee of the City of Muenster and Nortex Communications began last Friday picking up limbs downed by the Christmas freeze. Limbs dragged to the curb are being chipped and hauled away. Pictured are city workers Richard Herr and Gary Hacker and Nortex employees Maurus Hacker and Terry Bartel. Photo by Janie Hartman

### HOSPITAL SUPPORT ..... continued from pg. 1

cash at all or investments, use only the receivables, you have almost enough to pay off all of the debts within \$64,322.00, the debts within \$64,322.00, that's how close you can come," said Aytes. "Remember the tremendous progress we had made between "96 and year 2000? That was made despite the fact that there was depreciation during that four years of right at \$700,000.00 and we still improved our overall position to that degree."

degree." Rufus Henscheid remarked that depreciation is money that has gone down the drain. Aytes agreed that it is money that has not actually left the money pool at the hospital and is still part of the deposits. Jack Endres asked what desked. "Does it represent loss in value of equipment over time that has to replaced." Aytes agreed that everyone. The value of assets to be given to Gainesville at the marger net, after all liabilities and debts have been paid off, treasonable market value today as an operating hospital and in y judgment. \$3,500, 000.00." comment ed Aytes. "The moment either one of those quit operating under their current license they become just so much brick and mortar, just so much dequipment in disuse and it would revert to book value or maybe even less. The cash and investments -\$43,000.00. The net deduction amount taken out that would still give us the value of our assets as probably as much as four and a quarter million dollars. If the cash and cash equivalents will still be there and go to the more disc or maybe even less. The fash and cash equivalents will still be there and go to the more disc or assets as probably as much as four and a quarter million dollars. If they quit operation." **St. Richard's Villa** has been fuot be any where that value. The cash and cash equivalents will still be there and go to the more month of 98 and full year reports for 1999 and Year reports for 1998. That her hast two years. He month of 1988. This was to give some idea of how much cost of operating the hursing home has increased in the stimated salaries and other payroll expenses to be \$451,000.00 for 1998. This year the figures for the same prospile and the sid it has almostal output.

doubled. Jack Endres asked if he'd compared that to the salaries of other nursing homes in the area. He was asked to hold his

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district has received only 35% of the tax revenue. The majority of it will come in February. Items discussed or considered by the Board included:

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• Huckabee & Associates master plan for the district should be ready for the Board's series in two to three weeks.
• Received four bids to surveying, Delbert West, and Camp Creek. The Board voted to award the bid to Camp Creek. Surveying the district's property for \$7,500.
• No action, just discussion on the overnight field trip to Palo Duro Canyon.
• The Board agreed to pay fourther boards with shall schools.
• Textbook selection committees appointed were Elementary, Lisa Hettler and Kristi Schneider, High School, Irene Hartman, Martha Koesler, Gordon Martin, and Phil Newton.

Phil Newton. you are to closing it, folks we could keep this thing going like we have the last 30 years. That thing has always been hard to keep open. That thing brings in \$4 million a year. You take in \$11,000.00 a day up there. There's something like over \$5,000.00 in salaries a day." Henscheid said the hospital is a long way from being broke. Flusche remarked, "We've strived real hard to keep it from going broke, that's for certain." Henscheid added, "We think it can operate for a lot of years yet and we don't know of anybody on the Board who was really fighting to close the hospital, but he didn't know of anybody on the Board who was really fighting to close the hospital, but he didn't know to generate enough cash to keep it open. Thusche asked if the people of fuenster would buy their insurance so that they can use the Muenster Hospital. Aytes replied that the hospital hasn't used half of the tax money-raised. Aytes noted that the Board

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Muenter Water District will hold a public hearing on February 5, 2001 at 8 00 A. M. in the Meeting Room at Muenter City Hall 400 N. Main, Muenster, Texas to annex the following Intracts or parcels of land into the Muenster Water District: Fleitman Property. All that tract of land in Block 14 of the Gunter and Wellesley's subdivision of the Thomas Scott Survey, Abstract 900 in the City of Muenster, Texas, part of the Iand described in the warranty deeds from Bertha Dangelmayr Fleitman et vir to Jerry Fleitman, et al, being of Record in Volume 677, Page 229 and in Volume 660, Page 495 of the Deed Records of Cooke County, Texas: BEGINNING 80 feet East of the Northeast corner of Block 78 on the East line of Mesquite Street in the City of Muenster, Cooke County, Texas, THENCE East 728,26 feet to point for corner; THENCE East 728,26 feet to point for corner; THENCE East 728,26 feet north of the Northwest corner of Lot 14 in said Suddivision, THENCE 547 28,25 feet, more or less, long the North line of said Fourth Street in the Fleitman Subdivision of Cooke County, Texas, filed in Cabinet A, Slide 27, Cooke County Plat Records, at a point 80 feet North of the Northwest corner of Lot 14 in said Suddivision, THENCE Fourt 728 26 feet more or less, along the North line of said Fourth Street to the East line of Mesquite Street in the City of Muenster, Texas, THENCE Fourt 32 soft feet Street in the City of Muenster, Texas, THENCE Fourth along the East line of Mesquite Street 1670 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Fleitman Subdivision: All of Lots 1 through 13, and Lot 16; all of Second Street and Magnolia Street; and Fourth Street from Mesquite to Magnolia Street, in the Fleitman Subdivision. Unit 1, in Muerater, Texas as set out in Plat recorded in Cabinet A, Slide 72 of the Cooke County Plat Records.

Subdivision, Unit 1, in Muenster, Texas as set out in Plat recorded in Cabinet A, Slide 72 of the Cooke County Plat Records. Schilling Family and Muenster Jaycees: All that tract or parcel of land located in the Thomas Scott Survey, Abstract No. 900 in Muenster, Texas, that is part of a tract of land conveyed by Albert Schilling et to Frank Schilling, by deed recorded in Volume 262, Page 249, Cooke County Deed Records, being more particularly described as follows BEGINNING at a point which is South 89 deg. 34 min. 47 sec. West, 533.72 feet from the intersection of the North line of Ninth street and the West line of Mesquite Street, being the Northeast corner of the original city limits of the City of Muenster, Texas, THENCE North 150 feet to point for corner. THENCE West 291 feet, more or less, to point for corner on wire fence; THENCE Worth 50 deg 02 min. 00 sec. West 950 feet, more or less, with Wire fence passing a set parke in midel of CR 428 and on the South line of the Grey 249 Survey. Abstract No 516 and the North line of CR 428 and on the South core of 895 feet, more or less, to a point North of the intersection of the South line of said CR 428 and the East line of CR 428 and Muenster, Texas; THENCE South along the East line of CR 423, 1100 feet, more or less, to a point East of Northeast corner of Block 67 in the City of Muenster, Texas; THENCE West 35 feet, more or less, to the middle of CR 423 (Mesquite Street); THENCE South along the center of CR 423, 1005 feet, more or less, to the center of 428; THENCE West 35 feet, more or less, to be middle of CR 423 (Mesquite Street); THENCE West 35 feet, more or less, to the center of 628; frams or less, to boot for 298 feet, more or less, to the center of 428; THENCE West 35 feet, more or less, to point for corner at Northwest corner of Frank Schilling tract; THENCE South 647.79 feet, more or less, to point for corner at Northwest corner of Frank Schilling tract; THENCE East 1757.57 feet, more less, to point for corner at Northwest corner of Frank Schilling t

Bert Hesse et ux Tom Hesse Land: All that fract or parcel of land, being a part of Tracts 23 and 24 of the George Ivy Survey. Abstract No 516 in Muenster, Cooke County, Texas, and being portions of the tract of land conveyed to Bert Hesse et ux in deed recorded in Volume 998, Page 439, and a tract conveyed to Tom Hesse, recorded in the Deed Records of Cooke County Texas, and being more particularly described as follows, BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of said survey; THENCE West along the South line of said survey; THENCE West along the South line of said survey 300 feet, more or less, to point for corner of Hesse 17 at a point which is 100 feet, more or less, North of the Northwest corner of Block 97 in the City of Muenster, Texas; THENCE North 300 feet, more or less, to point for corner; THENCE E as 3300 feet, more or less, to point for corner on the East line of said Ivy Survey.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, January 21, 2001 Muenster Mused Open, 1 to 4vv CLOSED Muenster KC Free Throw Contest - 1:30ev-Sacred Heart Gym	Monday, January 22, 2001 Sacred Heart Advisory Council meeting, 7:30ru Commissioners Court meeting, 10 AM, Courthouse	Tuesday, January 23, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Home Hospice Grief Support seminar, 6-8w / MMH Board meeting, 7w / Ag. Marketing Club meeting, 7w / Parenting Classes begin 9:30-11:30Aw, Cooke County Courthouse, Room B-4	Wednesday, January 24, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball, 7PM Religious Ed Class, 7PM MISD needs Committee Reports, Jr. High Auditorium, 7:00PM	Thurday, January 25, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum C., 1 to 4ew CLOSED Cooke County Business and Professional Womens meeting, 6 pw - The Center	Friday, January 26, 2001 Muenster Museum Con. 1 to 4PM CLOSED	Saturday, January 27, 2001
Sunday, January 28, 2001 Muenster Museum 1 to 4rw CLOSED Lindsay R.O.C.K. Super Bowl Pancake Breaklast after Masses	Monday, January 29, 2001 C A T	Tuesday, January 30, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Wednesday, January 31, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Mass at 6:30 pw followed by Religious Ed Class Winter Arts Festival, 7 pm, Community Center SCHO	Thursday, February 1, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Content 1 to 4ew CLOSED	Friday, February 2, 2001 Muenster Museum (1), 1 to 4PM CLOSED	Saturday, February 3, 2001



### Harold Corcoran 1925 - 2001

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Altar boys were great-nephews, Danny Kendall, Pat Bayer, and Ben Wyrick. Roger Harrison and Peggy Salas, and the Angels of Mercy



### Harold Corcoran

Harold Corcoran Choir provided the music. Selections were: "In the Graden," "Be Not Afraid," "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling, "On Eagle's Wings," "We Remember, and "Mine Lyss and Tenderly, Jesus Is The Remarks of membrane Steve Zwings and in part: "Harold was a he knew about the things in the world that were important to him the held firm to those him shole heart. Harold had a strong commitment to his community. His strong belief in God and his love of St were evident to everyone het he held firm to those high a family, and his commitment to his torong the strong belief in God and his love of St were evident to everyone het always wanted the very het always wan

and strict morals to lead his children in life-long successes... "He loved the land... "We will all miss Harold. When spring comes along, we will look toward- the garden and wonder what he would have planted. And when summer hits, we will glance at the fields, remembering his around, we will see pecans falling and wonder, which would be his favorite. When winter sets in, we will gather indoors and warm our hearts with memories of him. Burial in St. Peter's Cemetery of Lindsay was directed by Clement-Keel Fueral Home. Pallbearers were Scott Hermes, Chris Metzler, Mike Corcoran, Don Schad, John Kasparek, and Chris Hundt.

### Why our natural gas bills are higher this winter

**Commissioner** Charles Matthews Railroad Commission of Texas

Texas During the last year I have been traveling throughout the state discussing the challenges facing the Texas natural gas industry. As the demand for natural gas is increasing, we are seeing the tightening of supply. The tightening of and the tightening of the tightening the tightening of the tightening of the tightening tightening the tages of the tightening the tages of the tightening of the tightening tightening of the tightening of the tightening of the tightening of the tightening tightening of the tightening tightening the tightening of the tightening the the tages of the tot the the the tages frequently. The major cause of recent high the tightening of the tightening of the tightening of the tightening the the tightening of the tighteni

to yield significant increases in actual production until later in the year. The demand for natural gas most certainly exists, and the resource is in the ground. The problem is how to stimulate production and ensure that the necessary infrastructure to move gas to consumers remains available. In the long run, the market will answer most of these concerns. But regulatory and legislative policies will certainly influence how quickly the market responds. I believe that with the growing demand for gas by electric generation in Texas, the Railroad Commission and

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companies will eventually increase production, however that will take time. I will continue working with industry on how technologies and opportunities can be applied today to ensure that Texas can meet the challellge of providing the natural gas to fuel electric generation and other growing demands.

Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews was elected to the Commission in 1994 and is the current senior member. In November of 2000, he won re-election to a second term. He recently was appointed to serve on the gas committee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. He is currently leading the efforts and discussion to establish a working relationship with Mexico's Energy Regulatory Commission to identify energy regulatory barriers and opportunities available on both sides of the border. Prior to his selection, he served as mayor of Garland, the ninth largest city in Texas. In addition, he served as Director and President of the Texas Municipal Power Agency.

### Free composting seminar set for Feb.

Keep Muenster Beautiful and Keep Gainesville Beautiful are sponsoring a free composting seminar in Gainesville at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 22. The composting educator will be Johanna Lange, a Texas Certified Master Composter

and a Texas Certified Master Gardener. Attendance is limited to 50 participants. Each participant will receive a free compost turner and booklet. Pre-registration is required by contacting MaryLee Alford at 940-759-2368 or e-mail: maryleetx@aol.com.



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Muenster ISD plans for the future

What happens now that universities and colleges continue to raise academic entry requirements? What happens when workers entering the job market must have technological skills, but are also required to have a well-rounded education? Muenster ISD has developed six committees to address these and other educational issues in order to meet the ever-changing demands of the job market. Changes in curriculum and course offerings will further prepare students for college and carees. The six committees consist

offerings will further prepare students for college and careers. The six committees consist of over 80 participants and include school board members, staff members, students, parents, and community members. These people have been involved in several members to analyze and discuss function of the several months to analyze and discuss function of the several months to analyze and discuss function of the several months to analyze and discuss function of the several months to analyze and discuss for a several for a several months and the several for a se

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Fort Worth museum offers discounts

bill. "Our gas customers are going to have higher bills because the unseasonably cold weather across the nation has increased the demand for natural gas and natural gas prices are rising as well," said Terry Tombaugh of Customer Relations. "This new option allows our gas customers to

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FROM MY SIDE OF THE FENCE by Ed Cler

For quite some time we have been told why we should support those who would see our Hospital District merged with the Gainesville District to form a Cooke County Hospital District, and, on the other hand, why we should disagree and try and keep our Muenster Memorial Hospital alive, and under our control. Every week there are a number of "Letters to the Editor" in the Muenster Enterprise, some pro and some cool

con. After being allowed to see a copy of the Financial Audit of MMH for the last several years, and in the light of an article or two in the *Gainesville Register* stating

Urbanization threatens wildlife & habitats. that our representatives in Washington D.C. have reconsidered their cuts in Medicare funding and their willingness to reinstate some of it, I have decided to opt for keeping our District as is. True, the reps. may not keep their word, but doing away with the district is so final - it's scary

scary

I am afraid that once we relinquish it and our control, we will lose something that quite a number of folks worked hard for and that we may never regain. I also believe that each person that votes on the issue, should vote his or her own convictions.

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After you've seen the horses, goats, and pigs at the 105th Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, trek across the street and take in the bears, camels, and dinosaurs at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History - at a discount. Visitors to the annual Stock Show and Rodeo can get a \$1 discount off any Museum exhibit, Omni Theater, Noble Planetarium, or combination ticket simply by showing their Rodeo or Stock Show grounds ticket stub at the Museum Box office. The discount offer is good throughout the Stock Show's run, Jan. 19 - Feb. 4, 2001. During the 17-day period, the Omni Theater will be showing two IMAX® films on its 80-foot domed screen, Alaska: Spirit of the Wild and Mysteries of Egypt. Exhibits will include a special traveling exhibit, Raise the Roof. An Exhibit about Buildings, plus permanent attractions such as ExploraZone®, DinoDig®, Comin' Through Coutown, and Lone Star Dinosaurs. The Noble Planetarium will show Voyage to the Planets and Winter Skies. The Museum is open daily. For show times and gallery hours, call 817-255-9300 or go to www.fortworthmuseum.org. the Letters to Editor <text><text><text><text><text> Dear Editor, The value of most things in the determined

Letter to the Editor

Letter to the Editor, We've all heard the reports of wasteful government spending of taxpayer's money in Washington D.C. A couple of examples I recall are when the Dept. of Defense paid \$120 for hammers and \$320 for commode lids. The typical response from us is to shake our head in frustration and disgust and excuse it because "the bureaucrats don't care" or "it's just government money," or "nobody is accountable in Washington." According to the Muenster Hospital internal financial report for the year 2000, we

Dear Editor. The active and current) letters to the editor regarding the hospital merger. While we all opinion, or maybe more precisely a difference of knowledge of the facts, I think it's time someone should make it's time someone should make it's time someone should make the board and the merger. We should all tip our hats to the board and the merger. We should all tip our hats to the board and the merger. We should all the our hats to the board and the merger. We should all the solution. The board and the solution of the the board and the merger. We should all the solution of the the board and the merger. We should all the solution of the the board and the solution of the art hospital 100 solution of the art hospita

miles away, what have we really lost? The hospital will to go there in case of an emergency and if it's not too serious, they'll probably treat you there and send you home. The only thing that we will be to any the doctors, nurses and the doctors, nurses to any the to any the assess to any the to to any the to any the to any to any the to any the to to any the to any the to any to any the to any the to any to any the to any the to the to any the to any the to any the to the to any t

Another article out of that Co-op magazine explained how "Telemedicine" is often the answer for rural hospitals without a cadre of physician specialists available. When I read these articles I kept thinking, isn't there a chance of us getting similar help ?

Then there was the fact that the government now realizes that they took too much money away from hospitals, especially the small rural ones. Now we are faced with too few hospitals, and they are unable to meet the demands. It is showing up mostly in the Emergency Rooms, and I remember what the Gainesville Hospital Board President has told us about their ER problems.

But now there is the announcement about Congress voting to put more money back into the health system. Some \$35-billion this year. That is substantial evidence that the government has recognized the problem. But it will take a couple of years to undo the harm caused in the health care field. Even though we can not expect an immediate turn-around in Medicare reimbursement policy, there is finally light at the end of the tunnel. Another couple years will put these bad times behind us.

I, along with most of our business people, am convinced that all we need to successfully operat our hospital is to take advantage of help that is available out there, and tighten the belt and cut costs where possible. And of course the people in charge have to convert from their current frame of mind and step up and say that now that the community will be behind them, they CAN

Next was last month's article about the hospital making a profit.

Dear Mr. Editor Dear Mr. Editor Jan.15, 2001 The attitude of the community is changing regarding the hospital situation. Now that we have been briefed on the actual situation it is obvious that not many still feel that we must close our hospital. We now know from the Board and Administrator that we actually had \$\$35,000 in the bank when the business year 2000 closed. We have also discovered too many avenues of help available to think of closing. The Letter to the Editor from Julie Rhomer Collins places some substance behind all the articles we have read in recent months. I thought when reading the SUCCESFUL FARMING, October article telling how the small rural hospital, Baum Harmon Mercy, in Primghar, Iowa, population 1,000 saved itself by becoming a Critical Access Hospital (CAH), well, I thought we should try to do the same. Of the several articles in TEXAS CO-OP POWER in November, one was about how the Coleman County (Texas) Medical Center hired a good manager after experiencing several bad ones, and he brought it back from the edge of bankruptcy. It goes to show that it has and can be done. But our Administrator has stated often that he is certain that our hospital cannot survive, and that is really worrisome.

one. Thanks, Leroy Buddy P.O. Box 245 Muenster, TX- 76252

Dear Editor. VOTE YES on continuing the \$0.005 Section 4B Economic Sales Tax this Saturday, Jan. 20. This sales tax is paid by EVERYONE who buys products in the City of Muenster. Thus, it applies equally to residents, tourists, etc. A half-cent sales tax does not sound like a lot, but it adds up quickly. This tax provides the city's economic development corporation with an annual income around \$70,000; in turn, these funds support city projects for economic development, such as building the water tower and replacing the old water lines with newer, larger water lines on Main Street. Woting YES means that this annual \$70,000 funding will eswer treatment plant, park and/or street improvements, etc. In the next ten years, this could amount to over \$700,000 in funds for city improvements! Muenster is a wonderful place to live, but just think what those advitional funds could provide! Woting NO will mean the end of the sales tax and result in the loss of these funds, thus, if the city is cales tax will have to come from other sources, including the possibility of increased possible state fines, funding will have to come from other sources, including the possibility of increased will have to come from other sources, including the possibility of increased will have to come from other sources, including the possibility of increased will be slightly lower than its surrounding cities. This sounds good, but with the high price of gas, will people actually travel to the City of Muenster to save a half-penny per dollar spent? Probably not. Please take the time to for continuing to improve the City of Muenster. Cuties and sources the city for continuing to improve the City of Muenster.

er. Stephen D. Broyles 407 W. Ninth Street Muenster, TX 76252

Jan.15, 2001

Dear Editor, Thanks to the tremendous efforts of the Cooke County American Cancer Society volunteers and the support of businesses and individuals in Cooke County the number of cancer patients and families served has grown. In 2000 there were 310 patients served by the American Cancer Society. This was an 11% increase from the previous year. Also up from 1999 were the number of individuals programs. Volunteers presented cancer related education to 6846 people for the year 2000, a 32% increase. These cancer patients and families would not receive many important services without the support Cooke County residents give to the American Cancer Society. This support is most evident at the annual Relay For Life. The June 2000 event had 40 teams registered and 100 survivors registered with 85 of them walking the opening lap. Luminatics numbered 865, a glowing tribute to those battling cancer and those who have succumbed to cancer. Cooke County ranked 9th per counties of 30,000-34,999 populations size (up from 10th in 1999). and ranked ist per counties of 30,000-34,999 population size (up from 3rd in 1990). Wat an awesome accomplishment!! Toke County residents have always exhibited a caring and committed attitude towards helping cancer victims. On behalf of the American Cancer Society I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to your dedication in the battle to become involved as a volunteer, or you are a cancer please contact mo or the ACS houline at 1:800-CANCER. Enterplate the atsender in our lifetime It you would like more information on the American Cancer Society, would like more information on the American Cancer Society, would like more information on the American Cancer Society, would like more please contact mo or the ACS houline at 1:800-CANCER.

Letter to the Editor

People are walking up to me, or calling, and asking, "Is it true what you're saying about the hospital actually being in good financial shape ? That it actually took less than half of the taxes collected to keep the hospital going over the past five years ?" And the rest went in the bank ! Of course it is true. When three MMH Board Members and the hospital Administrator came to our meeting last Thursday evening, and finally admitted that those figures that I have presented were correct, and that they could not refute them, well, that should put the question to bed. You can be sure that they had many excuses for earlier telling this community that "... the Hospital District was using all the tax funds collected just to keep the hospital alive...... barely keeping head. above water, etc." Of course there was no admission of why they put out that story in the first place.

Let me make a prediction of what happens next, now that the cat is out of the bag, and the old Let me make a prediction of what happens next, now that the cat is out of the bag, and the old plan (being broke) will no longer work : A new strategy is now needed to convince the community that there is no way the Hospital can carry on, that indeed, it is necessary to MERGE with Gainesville, regardless whether there is to be a new facility or not. Think about this: We all know that the few key personnel needed for continued operation of our Hospital are the Doctors. One Doctor's practice accounts for over half the average daily number of in-bed patients. Should that Doctor leave, the Hospital does then actually become almost a wasteland until somehow he is replaced. That interval without the proper Doctor could spell the end of our MM Hospital ! It is not really necessary for the Doctor to leave...... It is just as effective should he be incapacitated through lack of equipment, facilities, or personnel !!!!!!!

As someone else said — no Doctors, no Hospital. Anyone at the Thursday evening meeting realizes that particular game has already been set in motion by blaming the Doctor for financial shortfall at the hospital. If you want to see for yourself, I have a video tape of the meeting, and it has good sound reproduction. The old saying, See Your Tax Dollars At Work, couldn't be a more fitting title for the tape !

1034 Cherry Lane Leo Hess 759-4292

# the taxpayers are paying \$26.26 per meal we serve for each patient at our hospital. I've been a patient there, and the food is good, but not that read the food is good, but not that good. Now this may not be of the magnitude of the example mentioned above, but I think the taxpayers of the MMH district would appreciate an explanation from the chief hospital administrator for this expenditure. What exactly is the justification for the numbers? Doug Hellman Doug Hellman 970-884-9555

Mary K. Endres Cooke County ACS Board President P.O. Box 662 Muenster, TX 76252

The value of most things in our society can be determined by how long we have to work to acquire them, or pay for them. For example, according to the Tax Freedom Foundation, the average American works until the middle of May to earn enough to pay his or her taxes. By contrast, the same average American will work only until Feb. 7 to earn enough to buy food for the entire year 2001! The supply of safe, affordable, and abundant food in the U.S. is no accident, however. It is a story that includes the skills and knowledge of a variety of people: research scientists, equipment manufacturers, retail specialists and, of course, our farmers and ranchers. The Cooke County Farm Bureau invites you to share in our celebration of National Food Check-Out Day. Despite the abundance of our food supply, there are still those in need. The Cooke County Farm Bureau is privileged to work with our local Food Check-Out Day partners, Tom Thumb, Grocery Store in Gainesville and Fischer's Meat Market in Muenster. You will find donation sites to donate non-perishable food items, which the Farm Bureau will deliver to VISTO of Gainesville on Fischer's/Meantsetr, will donation as well. In celebration of our abundant food supply, our food Check-Out Day partners, Tom Thumb/Gainesville and Fischer's/Meantsetr, will donate a \$50.00 gift certificate to a random shopper on Feb. 7. National Food Check-Out is a time when all of us can be glad we are Americans, living in a land of plenty. It is also an apportunity to share that plenty. Please join the Cooke County Farm Bureau for the celebration on Feb. 7. by donating non-perishable food items that may be dropped off at the Cooke County Farm Bureau office located at 1212 W. Highsya 82 in Gainesville, De X 1035 Gainesville, TX 76241

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waste their time pursuing care avenue. It is time to end the anecdotal stories and hearsay. Please give the voters of the MMH district enough credit to make their own intelligent decision. It is time! Sincerely,

Sincerely, Leon Klement 2762 FM 2739 Muenster, TX 76252

## Lifestyle

### GMH develops program to help patients with diabetes

New data from the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES III) show that more than half of people with Type 2 diabetes in the United States have unacceptably high blood sugar levels, putting them at increased risk for serious diabetes-related complications. To address this critical health problem, Gainesville Memorial Hospital has developed a new program to assist individuals with diabetes in controlling their disease. "Too Sweet Are You?" is a

diabetes in controlling their disease. "How Sweet Are You?" is a check-up for persons diagnosed with diabetes. For \$10, beginning Monday and continuing through Friday, individuals with diabetes can participate in the Check-Up and receive a Hemoglobin Alc test, widely considered the best test for measuring blood

Marian Gruber celebrates 75th

birthday with surprise party

Pre Pre O sugar control. The Hemoglobin Alc is a simple lab test that measures a person's average blood sugar works. As blood glucose testing only tells you how you are doing today. The glycated hemoglobin (hemoglobin Alc) is a long-term indicator of glucose level. This makes it a much better test to evaluate hemoglobin (hemoglobin Alc) is a long-term indicator of glucose level. This makes it a much better test to evaluate hemoglobin (hemoglobin Alc) is a long-term indicator of glucose levels. This makes it substitute for daily monitoring of glucose levels, but is an excellent tool for the diabetic patient and their physician to use in designing an effective. This with diabets is provide the substitute for daily monitoring the substitute fo

GMH Business Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, Jan. 22-26. Participants will be asked to complete a simple information sheet and pay their \$10 fee. Blood will be drawn in the laboratory following check.in. No appointments are necessary and there is no need to avoid food or drink prior to the test. Results will be given on Thursday, Feb. 1, from 3 to 7 p.m., in the Gerald Culwell Conference Center at GMH. Other services available on Feb. 1 include free spot glucose testing, blood pressure checks, and foot screening. Registered dictitians Lucy

testing, blood pressure checks, and foot screening. Registered dietitians Lucy Krahl and Kathleen Davis and Certified Diabetes Educator Joan Walterscheid will be on hand to discuss the results of the Alc testing and answer



**Gibbons** With joy and pride Dorothy Endres of Muenster and Marge Schmitt of Yakima, Washington are telling about the arrival of their first great-grandchild. Ashley Kay Gibbons was born to John and Amber Gibbons on Dec. 19, 2000 at 4:23 p.m. in Vancouver, Washington, weighing 71b. 6 oz. First-time grandparents are Danny and Donna Schmitt of Prosser, Washington. The great-grandparents are Dorothy Endres of Muenster and the late Donald Endres and Marge Schmitt of Yakima, Washington and the late Eddie Schmitt. Gibbons

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questions. Information will also be available on all of GMH's Diabetes Education

Refreshments will be

Refreshments will be available. The Feb. 1 date will also serve as a diabetes screening for the general public. Those interested in this free service are asked to avoid eating for two hours prior to the screening. Symptoms of diabetes include increased thirst and urination, constant hunger, weight loss, blurred vision, frequent infections, slow-healing wounds and sores and extreme fatigue.

For more information on the Diabetes Check-Up (for persons with diabetes) of the Diabetes Screening (for the general public), call 612-8340 or 759-2395.

### Midwestern State announces students

### on Dean's List

On Dean's List Midwestern State University has announced the names of three Muenster students of the university who have earned placement on the Dean's List for 2000. They are Kerri Beth Acuna, Brandon Joel Bayer, and Andrea Lynn Goodwin. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must have completed a semester schedule of at least 12 hours, with no grade lower than an "A."

opened anytime for anyone wishing to stop in. The Historical Commission also discussed the next special exhibit to be displayed at the Museum - Pioneer Woman. Anyone wishing to loan items or information to this exhibit is asked to contact one of the above or any member of the historical group.



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Members will work on the new exhibit Feb. 22, 23, and 25. The next meeting of the Historical Commission will be Feb. 8 at 8 a.m. at the Museum.



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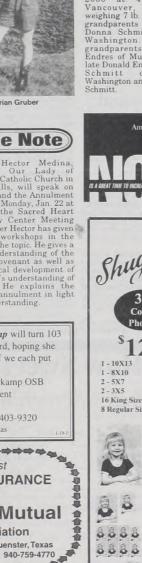
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### PAGE 6 - JANUARY 19, 2001 - THE MUENSTER ENTERPRISE

### Hollie Jo Fuhrmann is Texas A&M graduate

Hollie Jo Fuhrmann, the daughter of Ron and Pat Fuhrmann, and the Fuhrmann, and the Harmann, and the Amanda and the late Adolph Fuhrmann, graduated with honors from Texas A&M University on Dec. 16, 2000. Hollie received a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and a minor in Women's Studies. She also attained the distinction of um laude by graduating with a 3,539 grade point ratio at Texas A&M University. The graduation ceremony to place at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning in Reed Arena. The Commencement Adress was given by Dr. George F. Bass, The George T. and Gladys H. Abell Distinguished Professor of Nautical Archaeology and Holder of the George O. Yamini Family Chair in Nutical Archaeology. Dr. Ray M Bowen, the President of texas A&M University. Cafered the degrees. The attendance ceremony were her parents, Ron and Pat, her brothers, Sean and Ryan, her brothers, Mother, Kathy Swaney, both of Arlington. following the ceremony ereyone enjoyed dinner at Cafe Eccel where Hollie has be the past eighteen months. Later that evening a party was be the raraduates who are brother graduates who are brother graduates who are brother graduates who are bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eighteen months. Later that evening a party was bast eight

# Leah Vinson named third

Louin Of Texas Leah Catherine Vinson, a 7th grade Muenster ISD student representing Muenster, was recently named third runner-up in the three day Distinguished Youth of Texas Scholarship and Recognition competition held in Dallas, Leah, daughter of Stephen and Deborah Vinson, received a seventy-five dollar educational savings bond, trophy, medallion of honor, ad flowers for her placement at the program finals. Margam finals Margam fina

childbirth in the contemporary United States, was a member of the Anthropological Society, a member of the Texas A&M

United States, was a member of the Anthropological Society, a member of the Texas A&M Roadrunners, and a member of the 1st and 2nd Annual Texas A&M Marathon Training Club. She ran her first marathon at the Motorola Marathon in Austin on Feb. 20, 2000. Hollie is applying for graduate programs in Medical Anthropology to begin in the fall of 2001. Her areas of interest are anthropology of reproduction, feminist anthropology, and gender studies. Hollie's goals are to obtain a Ph.D. in Medical Anthropology and a professorship. Currently, Hollie has plans to travel to New Zealand with Alan Maschek for a four month work abroad program where she hopes to continue her research conducted in her independent study.



### runner-up in "Distinguished Youth of Texas" in Dallas

in this group actually qualified for the state finals. The Distinguished Youth Program is designed to recognize girls who rank high academically and are leaders in their respective schools and communities. Judging criteria for winning the state title of

Young Miss of Texas' included 30% for scholastic achievement, 30% for school activities/community service, 25% for personal interview with a panel of judges, and 15% for personality projection in formal attire.



### Snoring linked to heart disease

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### Samuel Campbell is one

Samuel James Campbell, son of Kelly and Dyam Campbell of Arlington, turned one on Jan. 7. He celebrated is birthday along with his grandpa Vogel at a party held at his grandparents' home in hurkey and dressing lunch, a chochate cake with ice cream, and watching Sam attempt to other is presents. Tamily attending were faultene Lubbers. Also aunts and Irma Koelzer, and Larry hubbers. Friends attending were Lauren, Adrien and Herma Beiten attend but grandparents Jim and Linda Vander Sim and Linda Meran Rohmer. Tamile to Attend but grandparents Jim and Linda Campbell and aunt Sarah Ausour.

Business and Professional Women meeting notice

The Cooke County Business nd Professional Women will old a meeting on January 25, seginning with dinner at 6pm t the Center Restaurant upstairs) in Muenster. The rogram topic will be Networking.

at the upstairs) in any program topic will Networking. Upcoming meetings include business meeting on Feb. 8, at noon, at the Wooden Spoon in Lindsay and Feb. 22 will be a program meeting on Feb. 22, at the Center. The program will honor Women's Education Month Month

For more information, call Mary Huneycutt at 668-8811.

### Parenting classes beginning

Effective parenting is one of the most rewarding but also most challenging tasks in life. To help parents, grandparents or other caregivers improve their parenting skills, two Parenting Class series will be held soon. A morning class series begins on fuesday, January 23 and continues on Tuesday, January 23 and continues tuesday, Fabruary 13. All classes begin at 9:30 A.M. and run until 11:30 A.M. An evening class series starts on

begin at 9:30 A.M. and run until 11:30 A.M. An evening class series starts on Thursday, February 8, and continue on Thursday, February 15 and Thursday, February 15 and Thursday, February 15 and Thursday, February 12. These classes will start at 6 P.M. and conclude by 8 P.M. Classes will be held in the Cooke County Courthouse, Room B-4. People should enter the South basement door - B-4 is down the hall North on the left. The Parenting Class series will include two major topics. <u>Positive</u> <u>Parenting</u> will include a variety of discipline techniques including: nurturance and prevention tools as

well as guidance tools. Some of the specifics include setting limits, use of consequences, communication, f consequences, communication, espect and responsibility. <u>Healthy Eating</u> for children and amilies will also be included each

Healthy Eating for children and families will also be included each week. The classes are free and open to people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and County System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary and service, or accommodations in order to participate in this program order to participate in this program order to participate in this program of the County Extension Service at (940) 668-5412 to register and (940) 665-5412 to register ado classes are free, however participate are asked to register and so that adequate handout materials can be provide.

### Winners announced at Sacred Heart Preschool New Year's Eve Dance

Despite the inclement weather, the Sacred Heart Preschool New Year's Eve Dance 2000 was a success. Along with Old Man Winter, some 146 people were in attendance. Disc Jockey Best Mix Pro Sound was scheduled to intertain the party goers, but was involved in an automobile accident and unable to attend. However, Carl Haubold, preschool parent, generously offered the use of his stereo equipment and DJ talent to save the evening. Along with pick up foods, a breakfast buffet was served. Door prizes were awarded to

Larry Allen, Claude Walter, Brandy Smith, Kyla Henscheid, Bart Henscheid, Ronnie Weinzapfel, Brenda Green, Melanie Hesse, Floyd Haverkamp, Debbie Hess, Joan Haverkamp, Dudley Boyd, Lennie Haverkamp and Annette Bayer. Winners of the trips were Dale Schilling, Ben Fleitman, and Cindy Mollenkopf. Clay Morris was the winner of the 50/50 card game. Proceeds from the dance help defray the cost of tuition, buy needed materials, and help with upkeep of the building.

Master naturalist volunteer, Quayle, discovers new plant

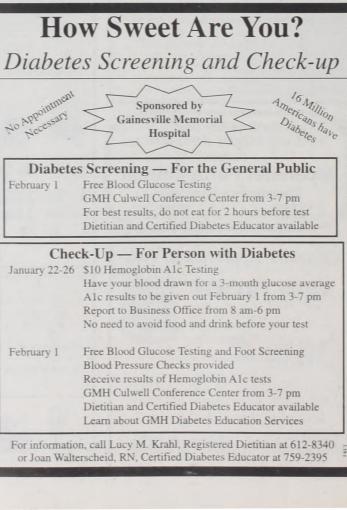
Quary ic, unscoverts new plantWith more tan 5,000flowering plants native to<br/>texas, the odds of anyonediscovering a species are slim<br/>to none. Texas MasterNaturalist Volunteer Jeff<br/>Quayle of Port Worth beat<br/>those odds in April when he<br/>discovered a plant new to<br/>science at Lake Mineral Wells.Quayle, a self-taught<br/>botanist, was hiking in the<br/>park when he found a plant<br/>that was unfamiliar. He<br/>recognized it was from the<br/>enothing else about the<br/>mysterious wildflower,described as a short-lived<br/>annual in the sunflower family<br/>that was designated as a new<br/>becines. Senecio qualylei T.M.<br/>Barkley, named after the<br/>botanist, was hiking in the<br/>park when he found a plant<br/>he reognized it was from the<br/>senecio, but knew<br/>othing else about the<br/>mysterious wildflower.

State Park. Quayle, a self-taught botanist, was hiking in the park when he found a plant that was unfamiliar. He recognized it was from the genus *Senecio*, but knew nothing else about the mysterious wildflower, Super Bowl pancake breakfast

The Lindsay R.O.C.K group will host their annual Super Bowl Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 28. The feast includes sausage,

The feast includes sausage, bacon, juice, coffee, and fruit along with the pancakes.

Serving will be after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on Super Bowl Sunday. The donated cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids. Proceeds will help fund R.O.C.K. service projects.



Dallas Baptist University ringers to perform on Jan. 21

The University ringers of Dallas Baptist University will perform a handbell concert at the First Baptist Church of Gainesville on Jan. 21 at 7:00 p.m. The church is located at 308 East Broadway. The Dallas Baptist University handbell choir is under the direction of Dr. C. Edward Spann, dean of the College of Fine Arts. Founded by Dr. Spann in 1990, it was recognized as the National Exemplary School Program in 1993 by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. This choir has toured



The concert on Jan. 21 is free and open to the public. For further information call 940-665-4347. Lee Deeds is the minister of music at First Baptist Church.

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## **School News**

### Sacred Heart School receives \$500 grant from the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program

Sacred Heart School has received a \$500.00 grant from the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program to support the school's physical science and physics programs. John and Cherilyn Pollard, owners of Bayer's Kolonialwaren (Exxon), worked with Jack Murdock, Principal of Sacred Heart, to secure the grant, which is one of 3,000 available

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The Muenster ISD woodshop students rebuilt the Scouts Pinewood Derby race track to accomm cars per race. The track was also painted and a new starting pin added. Pictured assembling th the upcoming race are, from left, Blake Garrison, Elliot Klement, Toby Walterscheid, Jon Reed, E Matt Parson, instructor Rudy Koesler, Dillion Sicking, Toby Johnson, Cameron Walterscheid, ka and Chris Luttmer. Materials for the project were supplied by Ace Hardware, Flusche Enterprise Photo by Janie

### Brad Endres is Geography Bee champ at Muenster ISD

Third Six Weeks "A" HONOR ROLL Ist Grade (Mrs. Anderle, Chelsey Caldwell, Jordan Fredrick, Blake Grewing, Chase Hammer, Olivia Haverkamp, Kameron Heady, Andrea Hess, Andrew Loyd, Hunter Nobile, Kendall Reiter, Shane Sicking, Jace Wan. (Mrs. Dankesreiter) Kalyn Dangelmayr, Lana Heers, Emily Hellman, Paige Hennigan, Cole McAden, Joseph Monday, Allison Pagel, Nicole Pagel, Chloe Schneider, River Stewart, Blake Voth, (Mrs. Fredrick) Luke Crabtree, And Felderhoff, Mark Jones, Dalton Kolzer, Deni Koelzer, Landon Presnall, Dain Schmidlkofer, Stefani Tucker, Kendra Walterscheid, Whitney Yosten.

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Shaina Felderhoff, Lia Heers, Eric Hellman, Jackie Klement, Abigail Loyd, Tyler Pagel, Derek Schmidlkofer, Corey Sicking, Natali Yosten. (Mrs. Popp) Jadi Abner, T.J. Acuna, Jacob Klement, Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Levi Trubenbach, Christopher Valliere, Natalie Valliere, Steven Valliere, Sara Walterscheid.

Muenster ISD Honor Roll

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4th Grade (Mrs. Klement) Brandan Bindel, Paul Crabtree, Samantha Endres, Elizabeth Martin, Madchen Moseley, Joshua Sicking, (Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Madchen Moseley, Joshua Sicking, (Mrs. Christina Eckart, Cletus Fuhrmann, Craig Grewing, Rebecca Grewing, Megan Harrison, Laura Heers, Kim Patel, Alison Teafatiller, Lee Walterscheid. (Mrs. Hale) Dillena Hundt, Alison Miller, Lindsey Watson.
6th Grade - Brad Endres, Megan Felderhoff, Amber Fuhrmann, Zach Swirczynski, Michael Valliere, Collin Walterscheid, Krystal Wolf.
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Stewart. 2nd Grade (Mrs. Heers) Aaron Grewing, Derek Pagel, Tanner Silmon. (Mrs. Hess) C.J. Harrison, Zachary Pierce, Diana Velasquez, Phillip

Vogel. 3rd Grade (Mrs. Endres) Ashton Barrett, Jon Britain, Scott Endres, Christina Hale, Andrew Koesler, Pierce Morrill, Bianca Velasquez. (Mrs. Popp) Toby Dyess, Allen Fette, Amanda Hundt, Delana Sicking.

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6th Grade - Matthew Abney, Kyle Caldwell, Melissa Cox, Sandy Endres, Evan Koesler, Jennifer Neel, Heather Pittelkow, Kalyn Rohmer, Roman Vogel, Bret Walterscheid.

On Thursday, Jan. 11, the National Honor Society of Muenster High School sponsored the National Geographic Society's

In the final round Brad Endres, 6th grade, was the school champion. The reserve champion was Clint Miller, 8th grade. Other finalists included: Cletus Fuhrmann, 5th grade; Derek Felderhoff, 8th grade; and John Rohmer, 4th grade. Geographic Students in grades 4-8 participated in the preliminary round. Individual winners, selected from each grade level, went on to final round

results of this test will be mailed to the school in approximately six weeks. National Honor Socrety members assisting with the Geography Bee were: Brett Howell, Chris Jackson, Grant Hartman, Greg Johnson, Chris Grewing, Josh Freeman, Ashley Hess, Ashley Klement, Krystal Hale, Pamela Lutkenhaus, and Laura Drachenberg.



Muenster ISD Geography Bee

**Sacred Heart Honor Roll** 

Second Nine Weeks ROLL ROLL Grade 12: Jacqueline Bartush, Melanie Bartush, Diane Becker, Keith Felderhoff, Holly Hartman, Jessica Koesler, Dana Miller, Grade 11: Kelly Fetsch, Elizabeth Fette, Sara Sepanski, Kristen Yosten, Grade 10: Catherine Bartush, Christopher Fuhrmann, Haley Rogers, Michael Voth, Grade 9: Cindy Hartman, Kathryn Sepanski, Grade 8: Andrew Davis, Grade 7: Mark Gehrig, Diana Knabe, David Walterscheid, Debra Yosten, Grade 5: Stephen Davis, Lauren Sepanski, Grade 4: Natalie Endres, Kaitlyn Felderhoff, Joseph Hesse, Kalysa Pollard. "A"HONOR ROLL Grade 12: Jeff Hartman, Michael Miller, Kegdal Sellers,

Kalyssa Pollard. "A" HONOR ROLL Grade 12: Jeff Hartman, Michael Miller, Kendal Sellers, Nicholas Taylor. Grade 11: Audrey Barnhill, Andrea Bauer, Mattie Sicking, Aaron Walterscheid, Kristen Zimmerer. Grade 10: Mary Callahan, Katherine Cox, Jessica Davies, Joseph Davis, Clint Fuhrmann, Liliana N asche, Therakul Pulpanyawong, Tiftany Richey, Charlie Sue Switzer, Jana Truebenbach, Thomas Whitecotton, Mindy Wimmer.

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### Health Notes

Ulcer test saves time and money

Ulcer test saves time and money A blood test can determine if a person is rid of the bacterium that causes most ulcers, reducing the need for more expensive and time-consuming tests. "A blood test should be used as a preliminary evaluation tool and could eliminate the need for more costly alternatives that sometimes involve endoscopic procedures," said Dr. Mark Feldman of UT Southwestern Medical Center. The source of Helicobacter pylori (H. Pylori) infection — suspected of being chiefly responsible for duodenal and peptic ulcers — is usually unknown, but infection appears to occur during childhood. Depending on age, 30 to 50 percent of the U.S. population is infected, but only a small percentage will develop symptoms, Feldman said.



ice cream. LINDSAY ISD WEEK OF JAN. 22 - 26 SACRED HEART SACRED HEART S.N.A.P. MENUS Mon. - Cook's choice, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread. Tues. - Fiesta salad, lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, corn chips, ranch style beans, fruit, bread. Wed. - Steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, green beans, jello, bread. Thurs. - Lasagna casserole, mixed vegetables, lettuce, fruit, garlic toast. Fri. - Pizza, beans, lettuce, fruit.

**School Lunch Menus** 

LINDSAY ISD Mon. - Pizza, lettuce salad, corn, pineaple, bread. Tues. - Chicken fajitas, pinto beans, cole slaw, peaches, bread. Wed. - Stew, batter bread, pickled beets, pears. Thurs. - Baked ham, new potatoes, black-eyed peas, mixed fruit, bread. Fri. - Chili dogs, sweet rice, baked beans, oranges.

baked beans, oranges. ERA ISD Mon. - Fish sticks or chicken nuggets, sliced pears, tossed salad, green beans, jello. Tues. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, Mexican salad or tossed salad, peaches, cornbread. Wed. - Pizza: pepperoni or cheese, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, wacky cake. Thurs. - Country fried pork steak or krisp-n-krunchy chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, hot roll.

roll. Fri. - Chicken sandwich and trimmings, tator tots, ice cream

### Muenster ISD teacher to serve on TAAS Committee

Texas Education Agency (TEA) invited DaLana Chism to serve on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) Survey II Committee. DaLana Chism teaches fifth and sixth grade mathematics in Muenster Elementary School

and Strengther Element in Muenster Element School. TEA chose one teacher from each of the 20 Education Service Centers in Texas to serve on the TAAS II Survey

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MUENSTER ISD Mon. - Corny dogs, potato wedges, ranch style beans, pears, banana bread. Tues. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy. wed. - Chicken and rice soup, ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, carrot sticks, animals cookies, bananas. Thurs. - Chicken patty, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, pineapple tidbits, hor tolls. Tri. Barbecue sandwiches, French fries, pork and beans, pickles and onions, applesauce,

Committee. The committee will review the objectives and prototype items for the mathematics portion of the TAAS II: NCS Pearson, the contractor providing support services for the testing program, will reimburse committee members for travel, including airfare, lodging, and meal expenses. The committee will meet in Austin Feb. 22 and 23.

S&S FFA & 4-H Booster Club to sponsor jackpot

### show, Jan. 20

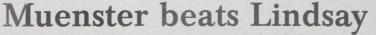
Snow, Jan. 20 The S&S FFA & 4-H Booster Club will sponsor its annual hog, sheep, and market goat show on Saturday, Jan. 20 at the Loy Lake Park Showgrounds in Denison. FFA and 4-H members who wish to show should make their entries by 9.00 a.m. on the day of the show. The show will begin at 10:00 a.m. For more information about the show, call Jack Boston or Warren Maher at S&S High School (903-564-3768) or Corgie Fisher (903-564-6201).

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L 11 12 9 4 36 The Lindsay Lady Knights took a commanding 31-20 half-time lead in girls action, but Muenster fought back, holding Lindsay to 12 second-half points and a 46-43 Lady Hornet district win. Muenster took the lead with 6:31 on the clock and led by as much as 7 points before 4 straight points by 0'Dell closed the gap to 46-43 with 1:22 on the clock. The Lady Hornets worked on the clock, Lindsay stole the ball twice, but missed two 3's to keep the 3 point spread. Melinda Walterscheid was Muenster's leading scorer with

Sacred Heart hits

### Thackerville

The Tigers and Tigerettes both brought home victories last week with wins over the Thackerville Wildcats. The Tigers had three close quarters before out-scoring the Cats by 11 points the final period to clinch the 55-41 victory

Cats by 11 points the final period to clinch the 55-41 victory. Marty Farrell led all scorers with 18 points. Luke Endres and Keith Felderhoff each added 10, with Johnny Yosten scoring 6, Jack Biffle 5, Jeff Hartman 4, and Clint Fuhrmann2. SH 16 11 10 18 55 T 12 10 12 7 41 The Tigerettes added another win to that column of their season record with a win over Thackerville.

### **Bellevue** beats Muenster by 5

The Lady Hornets had a non-district match with Bellevue last Friday, falling 39-34. Bellevue took an early lead, then Muenster tied the game at half-time, and took a 2 point lead going into the final quarter, before allowing their host more baskets in the fourth.

Nost note observes in the fourth. Six Lady Hornets put points on the board, led by Ashley Hess with 12. Megan Lippe and Melinda Walterscheid each added 6. Ashley Klement scored 5, Kristie Lutkenhaus 3, and Lisa Felderhoff 2. M 7 9 7 11 34 B 10 6 5 18 39

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Kristie Lutkenhaus (10) reaches for the rebound against Elaine Hess (42) of Lindsay. Lady Hornet teammates working under the basket include Megan Lippe (21), Brittany Haverkamp (23), Ashley Hess (12) and Melinda Walterscheid. Photo by Janie Hartman

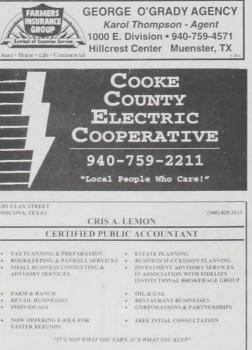
### Tigerettes 6-0 in district

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes kept their district record clean with a dominating 87-25 win over Prestonwood Tuesday night. Our guard play was coach Jon LeBrasseur. to have to have good guard play to go in the playoffs, so I am pleased with our improvement." Jayna Biffle was the game's Hading scorer with 20 points and 23 rebounds. Raney Bauer added 17 points and took six countey Hartman each added 20, with Jana Truebenbach apiece. Karen Gehrig put 5 points on the board, Mary Jane Coultant 4, and Jennifer Hoedebeck 1. SH 20 31 19 17 87 P 7 11 5 2 25

### Muenster Hornets squeeze by Prairie Valley 54-49

Muenster traveled to Prairie Valley last Friday and brought home a 54-49 victory. Only five Hornets put points on the board with three hitting double digits. Mitch Endres dropped in 16, Chisam Cain 14, and Brett Howell 10. Elliot Klement added 8 points, and Greg Johnson 6.

Muenster took an early lead extending it to 10 points at half-time. Prairie Valley edged to a 4 point spread entering the final quarter. The Hornets held their ground and gained a point for the win. M PV 





The Hornets guard the goal against the Knights' offense in Tuesday's action packed contest. Pictured are Mitch Endres (20), Jonathan Bengfort (15), Colby Newton (5), Chism Cain, Greg Johnson, Elliot Klement and Tommy Arendt. Photo by Janie Hartman

### Tigers take two district victories

The Sacred Heart Tigers took two district victories last week with wins over Fairhill and Lakehill.

Muenster free throw

competition

The Muenster Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the local youth free throw contest on Sunday, January 21, 1:30 pm in the Sacred Heart School gym. Registration. begins at 1:00

pm in the safet fleat control gym. Registration. begins at 1:00. All boys and girls ages 10-14 are invited to participate. For more information, contact Gary Endres at 759-4810 or Tom Felderhoff, Jr. at 736-4791.

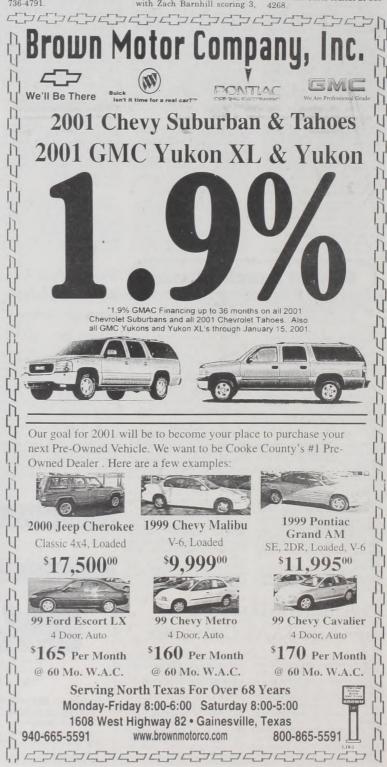
Last Monday, the Tigers defeated Fairhill 56-43. Jumping into an early lead, Sacred Heart kept their opponents' scoring down for three quarters to grab the victory

three quarters to grab the victory. Marty Farrell led all scorers with 23 points. Jack Biffle added 11 for the Tigers, with Johnny Yosten getting 7, Jared Zimmerer 5, Keith Felderhoff 4, and 2 apiece from Jeff Hartman, Clint Fuhrmann, and Chris Fuhrmann. SH 17 12 15 12 56 F 9 6 9 19 43 The next night, nine Tigers. added points to a 58-34 win over Lakehill. Yosten led with 14, and Zimmerer 10. Clint Fuhrmann added 7, with Farrell and Biffle each getting 6. Matthew Grewing and Luke Endres put in 5 points apiece with Zach Barnhill scoring 3,

and Hartman 2. The Tigers took a commanding lead in the first half of play, 32–9 to get the 
 win.
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 Lindsay KC free throw contest set for Jan. 21

The Lindsay Knights of Columbus Council 11905 will sponsor the council level free throw competition on Sunday, Jan. 21, beginning at 1:30 in the Lindsay gym. Age groups that can compete are 10-14. For more information contact chairman Chris Hundt at 665-4268.



### **Junior Varsity Action**

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win. Clint Fuhrmann was high scorer with 21 points. Chris Fuhrmann followed with 14, and Jared Zimmerer 10. Wes Wimmer and Daniel Bartush each scored 5. Mikey Bayer 3, and Zach Barnhill 2. SH 13 20 12 15 60 J 12 17 19 14 62 Sacred Heart 47 Nocona 29 The Tigerettes won their first game over the Nocona Freshmen, with all eight players adding points to the victory. Cathenia Bartuck were the last

eight players adding points to the victory. Catherine Bartush was the leading point maker with 10 points. Sara Sepanski added 8, Lilly Nasche 7, and 6 each from Lynn Sicking, Kristen Yosten, and Kate Sepanski. Elizabeth Fette hit a 3, and Lisa Endresa a free throw. The Tigerettes were 67% from the charity strip. SH 11 14 13 9 47 N 6 5 12 6 29 Muenster 54 Nocona 30 The Hornets had a fun victory over the Nocona Freshmen with every team member getting in some playing experience.

experience. High scorer of the game was Michael Endres with 13 points. Tyler Walterscheid added 10, Mitch



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Tyler Walterscheid (11) moves in for two points as Michael Endres (21) is ready to rebound if needed in JV action with Lindsay. Photo by Janie Hartman

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### **Junior High Action**

Sacred Heart 40 Lindsay 23 The 7th grade Lady Cubs got a pre-Christmas win against Lindsay. Six Lady Cubs scored, led by Hannah Hess, who put in 18 points. Shannon Hartman added 8, Whitney Winmer 5, Joelle Fuhrmann 4, Diana Knabe 3,

Hartman added 8, Whitney Wimmer 5, Joelle Fuhrmann 4, Diana Knabe 3, and Nicole Bayer 2. Mallory Block was high scorer for Lindsay with 12 points. Allison Hundt put in 3, with Stephanie Metzler, Tiffany Martin, Megan Benton, and Leanna Gustine each adding 2. SH 5 12 11 12 40 L 3 4 10 6 23 Bacred Heart 39 Lindsay 25 Jacquelline Bauer and Stephanie Henscheid led the 8th grade Lady Cubs to victory, combining their baskets for 31 points on the scoreboard. Katie Flusche added 8. Cheryl Knabe dropped in 11 points for the Lady Squires. Brittany Selby and Jessica Bener each added 4, with Heidi Hess, Kaylee Privett, and Mackenzie Webster all getting 2. SH 8 13 6 12 39 L 10 2 4 9 25

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Sacred near, jump to the back loose the final quarter for the win. Hoedbeck scored 18 points for the Cubs, 12 in the first period. Bartush added 10, Truebenbach 6, Stephen LaChance 5, Coker 4, and Andy Davis LaChance 5, Coker 4, and Andy Davis 1 SH 17 4 6 17 44 SJ 8 3 15 4 30 Lady Cubs 36 Nocona 41 Sarred Heart settled for second place after a championship round defaet. Henscheid popped in 16 points and Flusche 10. Christine Fetsch and Bauer each scored 4, with Bartush adding 2. SH 12 8 11 5 36 N 12 6 15 8 41 Cubs 41 Nocona 45 Taul Bartush scored 24 points in the championship game. Hoedsbeek added to points. Truebenbach 5, and Davis 2. SH 9 9 14 9 41 N 6 14 13 12 45 Muenster 17 Collinsville 14

Cubs 44 Saint Jo 30 red Heart jumped into an early reld on to it, then broke loose the

C 10 15 25 Muenster 32 Collinsville 16 The 7th grade Stingers won over Collinsville last Thursday, jumping into an early lead and keeping the Pirates from scoing. Derek Endress put in 8 points for Muenster, with Michael Eckart and Jordan Walterscheid scoring 6 each. Malcom Martin added 4, and Travis Felderhoff, Ryan Hennigan, Ryan Fuhrmann, and Noah Barnhill each getting 2.

Fuhrmann, and Noah Barthill each getting 2. M 12 10 8 2 32 C 0 3 3 10 16 Muenster 49 Collinsville 25 A strong second quarter put the 8th grade Stingers in a big lead toward their victory. Russell Endres scored 20 points for the game's high point maker. Sean Fuhrmann added 12, Chase Cain 7, Justin Wolf 4, and 2 apiece by Clint Miller, Derek Felderhoff, and A.J. Fleitman. M 12 21 14 2 49 C 9 7 0 9 25 

# At left, Krystal Hale (14) tries to pass the ball around Sacred Heart's Catherine Bartush. Photo by Dave Fette

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At right, Zach Barnhill attempts a rebound. Above, John McCoy pushes in under the basket in JV tournament action against Nocona. Photos by Dave Fette

rnotos by Dave Fette Felderhoff 8, Dustin Walterscheid 6, and Ricky Endres and Jared Ledbetter 4 each. Karl Fisher got the team's only 3 pointer, and getting 2 points each were Brady Howell, Kirk Hartman, and Daniel Russell. M 13

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Sunday, January 21, 2001 Registration 1:00 p.m. Competition 1:30 p.m. Sacred Heart High School Gym

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TAHC reports on TERT

A foreign animal disease outbreak in Texas could cost sovernment entities more than so militon per county. Those were the estimates tallied up in early November when livestock health officials simulated an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) in South Texas to test emergency preparedness. A planning team of ficials from the United States, Canada and Mexico developed the exercise. The goal was to test international ommunications and decision-making regarding where and how extremely limited supplies of FDM vaccine would be distributed among the three countries. The Texas TERT practiced working with state state's emergency.

### Corn export forecast brighter

For the third consecutive expected to expand and reduced exportable supplies in China and Eastern Europe will boost the U.S. market share. Since May 2000, the U.S. com export forceast for 2000/01 has risen nearly 7 million tons, the highest level since 1994/95. Despite expanding exports, a record U.S. corn crop will push bighest level since 1986/87. In contrast, foreign stock levels are dropping, led by reductions in China and Eastern Europe. Further increase in global demand should be met by the U.S.

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management system. "To stop the spread of disease, immediate action is required, to stop animal and livestock vehicle movement," said Dr. Dee Ellis, who headed the TERT team in South Texas. "We needed immediate producer cooperation to stop livestock hauling, close sale barns, rodeos and other events."

Global travel of humans and livestock has greatly increased the risk of a foreign animal disease outbreak or pest introduction, said Dr. Linda Logan, head of the Texas Animal Health Commission. She urged producers to report potential signs of disease to private practitioners or TAHC headquarters at 1-800-550-8242.



WINTER PASTURE FERTILIZATION Ryegrass and annual small grains make up the backbone of the winter pasture program in Texas. Both tolerate a wide range of soil types and fertility, produce high quality forage and are somewhat tolerant of hard grazing. One of the keys to proper management is the rate and timing of fertilizers. Soil sampling and testing should be done first to give producers viable recommendations for that individual field. field

first to give producers viable recommendations for that individual field. Mitrogen: All grasses respond to nitrogen fertilization. Dry matter yield and crude protein of ryegrass increases with increased nitrogen rate. Maximum economic yield for ryegrass and small grains occur at an N rate of 180-240 lbs. N/acre, when applied in three or four equal applications. Usually it is split in 60 lbs. N at or near planting (if sod seeded apply nitrogen after the ryegrass or small grain has at least 3 true leaves). 60 lbs. N/acre as the plant just comes out of winter (late January to mid-February) and then the last application in mid-March (small grains) to early April (ryegrass) as ryegrass and small grains begin the greatest forage growth. Forage growth is often spring, consequently, the late spring application of nitrogen may or may not be economical. It depends on the forage demand, forage growth, nitrogen holding capacity of the soil, how much hay and feed stuff the animals consumed in the winter (excretia contains nitrogen) and the producers ability to utilize or harvest excess forage growth (make hay or silage).

excess forage growth (make hay or silage). Nitrogen fertilizer is the single most expensive part of winter grazing. Including legumes in the mixture can reduce the need for nitrogen. Nitrogen fertilization also suppresses legume growth. However, the annual legumes prior to mid February. If a legume is included in the mix, the nitrogen rate should be reduced and timing that be reduced and timing this means skipping the last nite other hand, grows and blooms artier than the other legumes and the indwinter nitrogen fertilization.

CORN & SORGHUM MEETING Producers indicate that our county wheat acreage is off some 50% due to the wet fall and winter. This means we will have some 15,000 to 20,000 acres additional to plant to other crops.

15,000 to 20,000 acres additional to plant to other crops. Dr. Cloyce Coffman, Extension agronomist, will present two programs on Monday, January 22. The first will be a Com and Grain Sorghum program at 12:00 Noon at Mike Graves Farm Store at Era, the second meeting will be on Reduced Till and begin at 3 P.M. atthe Cooke County Electric Co-op at Muenster. Each meeting will cover varieties, herbicides, planting management, and other factors. 1-1/2 CEU's per session will be

given toward pesticide license

MARKETING CLUB Agricultural Marketing Club will hold its regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 23, at the Farm Bureau Building in Gainesville. Dr. Blake Bennet, Texas Agricultural Extension economist, will cover commodity options, futures, and outlook.

### TEXAS DAIRY FACTS

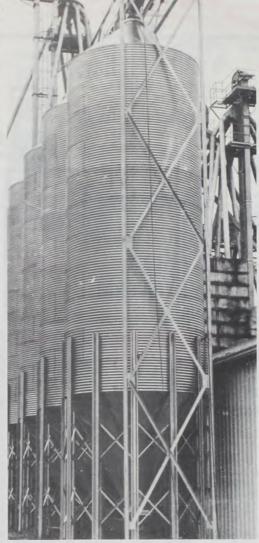
TEXAS DAIRY FACTS +Fourth-largest agriculture industry in Texas, following beef, cotton and nursery crops. -Ranks 7<sup>th</sup> nationally in milk production with 653 million gallons

Kanks /\* nationally in milk production with 653 million gallons of milk per year.
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milk per person annually in various products-milk, cheese, yogurt, and ice cream. •Generates \$827 million on-farm cash receipts from milk. •Earn an average of \$1.27 per gallon of milk at the farm. •Approximately \$2 billion in total economic impact. •Largest milk-producing state in the south.

the south. •Employs 21,000 individuals in the production, processing, transportation and distribution of milk and dairy products. •More than 70% of the milk is produced in just twelve counties.



Work continues at Tony's Seed and Feed, South Main Street in Muenster, with the addition of five 2,800 bushel hopper bins. The added storage will be used for raw ingredients or unfinished feed and should be completed in a couple of weeks. Photo by Janie Hartman

# Crop, livestock figures predicted

L' Corn for grain production is forecast at 10.1 billion bushels, up 7 percent from 1999. Based on Nov. 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 137.7 bushels per acre, up 3.9 bushels from a year ago. If realized, this would be the largest production and second largest yield on record.

O I January/October red meat production was 38.6 billion pounds, 1% higher than the comparable figure a year earlier. The accumulated beef production was 2% higher than last year; yeal was down 3%; pork down 2% and lamb and mutton down 4%.

**COW POKES** 

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Statistics Service Wheat acreage Texas wheat producers have seeded 5.6 million acres for the 2001 winter wheat crop, down 7% from last year, and 10% less than 1999. Planting of the 2001 wheat crop was slow across most of Texas due to adverse weather, varying from extremely dry to excessively cold and wet soil conditions," State Statistician Robin Roark reported. Nationally, US seedings of winter wheat for 2001 totaled 41.3 million acres, down 5% from the 2000 level. This is the lowest wheat seeding since 1971.

lowest wheat seeding since 1971. Annual crop production statistics Many Texas producers had a difficult crop production year as extreme weather patterns during the summer and fall adversely affected final production results. The 2000 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 3.95 million bales, 22% below 1999. An estimated 4.4 million acres were harvested. The 2.0 million abandoned acres is the second largest abandonment total, behind only the drought of 1998.

Corn production statewide was estimated at 124 bushels per acre, 5 bushels less than in 1999.

1999. Sorghum production was estimated at 80.3 million hundredweight (cwt), 23% below 1999. Yield, at 3,416 pounds per acre, was 112 pounds lower than the previous

below 1999. Yield, at 3,416 pounds lower than the previous year. The 2000 Texas soybean crop was estimated at 7.0 from the previous year's production. Harvested acreage was estimated at 260,000 acres, down 32%. Production of all hay was estimated at 8.9 million tons, 32% less than in 1999. Grain stocks report The second quarter wheat stocks for Texas, all positions on Dec. 1 totaled 83.1 million bushels, down 22% from 1999. The on farm wheat storage, at 1.7 million bushels, was down from the 2.6 million bushels stored on farms a year ago. Off farm wheat stocks, at 81.4 million bushels, accounted for 98% of all wheat stocks. Total sorghum stocks in all positions for Texas were 23.7 million cwt on Dec. 1, down 49% from the previous year. On farm stocks totaled 3.36 million cwt campared with 2.8 million cwt a year ago. Off farm sorghum stocks in all positions total 8.52 billion bushels, up 6%, were at the highest level since 1987. All wheat stocks in all positions total 2.24 billion bushels. Qata in all positions total 1.80 billion bushels, down 4%. Grain sorghum in all positions total 2.24 billion bushels. Otta in all positions total 1.40 billion bushels, down 4%. Grain sorghum in all positions total 2.24 billion bushels. Otta in all positions total 1.44 million bushels, up 8%.





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