

## MMH Board quizzed on variety of topics

**by Janet Felderhoff**  
Members of the Muenster Memorial Hospital Board met on Tuesday, April 23. There were several people present in the audience. Several had questions and concerns that they were allowed to express.

During his Investment Report MMH Administrator Jack Endres told the Board that the news wasn't good. "We've had some pretty bad months even during tax season with the revenues not being within utilizing tax revenues earlier than we normally would," he explained. "So what we've got is basically a beginning balance in our investment account, namely TEXPOOL, and our escrow account at Muenster State Bank, with a beginning balance of \$664,259.00. We ended up the month of March \$511,525.00 or a drop of \$152,734.00 which was basically transferred to cover payroll."

Endres said that there should be enough money in the checking to cover this month's last payroll, but the statements didn't reflect the \$100,000.00 transfer he made in April. The account was down to \$312,000.00.

Board member Don Flusche inquired about long-term liability and being free of debt. Endres directed them to the place in the monthly report that showed roughly \$590,000.00 of long-term liability. Discussion followed on the worth of the hospital building and how much less it would be worth if it closed. Board member Duane Knabe noted that there was about a \$12 million of receivables, but said he didn't think he would buy the receivables.

Referring to a statement made by Angelo Nasche in a

written hospital board candidate question and answer interview, Flusche asked Nasche to go to the paper and retract a statement he made about long-term liability. Nasche responded, "I put down what I thought and had heard and had verified from what I knew and I'm not going to retract it. There was nothing brought up about this long-term liability other than tonight, so maybe you all ought to

put something in the paper." Flusche said he thought it would be the honorable thing for Nasche to do as a candidate. Nasche said that it would be the honorable thing for Flusche to do to give further information to voters to make up their mind.

Carol Grewing complained that they didn't get the last meeting in the paper. (Untrue, it was on

page one of the April 13 issue.)

Flusche then asked Nasche why he said it was a debt-free district and wondered where he got his information. Aytes said that he imagined that Nasche got the information from the *Enterprise* since that's what Jack's statement was on April 3, 2000 at the Town Hall meeting. Endres denied making the statement that the district was debt-free. "I think that

the comment you are referring to is the comment along the lines of, "we're barely making it now and we have almost no overhead, what are we going to do with overhead on \$10,000 when we can barely make it on the overhead we've got?" The statement was made when a question came up about building a new hospital in Muenster.

Aytes asked Endres if he were absolutely sure that he

hadn't stated that the hospital was debt-free. Endres said he didn't say it.

The statement Aytes spoke of was printed in the April 14, 2000 issue and read as follows: Endres, "Right now we're barely keeping our nose above water and we have no overhead. We have no debt owed. There's no way we can slap a \$10 million dollar replacement facility on top of that and operate."

A special meeting was called for Tuesday, May 8 at noon to canvass votes from the May 5 election.

It was announced by Endres that the hospital's merger legislation was introduced in the Texas House and passed on April 20. It's still pending in the Senate.

The floor was then opened to the public for questions. John Aytes requested a copy of several months' short forms of the financial statements for all. Please See HOSPITAL, PAGE 13

## Remember to vote Saturday in local elections

This is the year for contested elections. In Muenster the polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. in the lobby of Muenster Middle School (former high school building). Contested elections include Muenster City Council, Muenster ISD, Muenster Hospital board, and a decision for the Muenster Water District.



This tiny Germanfest visitor has a ringside seat as she watches an Alpenfest band member play a saw with a fiddle bow, one of the many specialty acts they performed in the Tanz Halle. "It all depends on the weather!" is the last assessment of Germanfest each year, as the festival is ready to open. This 26th year, "WEATHER WAS A LADY!" smiling benevolently on all three

days. No uncomfortable heat, no strong winds, no pesky humidity or showers—just sunny days, occasional breezes and contagious enthusiasm carried the festival throughout. Attendance was up—by Sunday morning estimated at about triple. Sponsors and directors are eagerly awaiting final reports at the Chamber of Commerce Board meeting. Dave Fette Photo



TAPPS State Academic Champions - Sacred Heart High School include, from left, back row - Michael Voth, Keith Felderhoff, Kristin Zimmerer, Patrick Knapp, Jeff Hartman, Nicholas

Taylor, Melanie Bartush, Kelly Fetsch; front - Jackie Bartush, Holly Hartman, Jessica Koesler, Elizabeth Fette, Joseph Davis, Oliver McElroy and Lisa Endres. Janie Hartman Photo

## Sellers leads Tigerettes to 2nd

Sacred Heart senior golfer Kendal Sellers posted a two round total of 172 to lead the Sacred Heart Tigerettes to second place in the TAPPS AA State Golf Championships. Sellers 172 total allowed her to capture the individual honors and become the first Sacred Heart golfer to be the medallist champion. "This is a great accomplishment for Kendal and the Sacred Heart golf program," said Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "For the past four years this has been a goal for Kendal and she has ended her Sacred Heart career as the TAPPS AA Golf Medallist." Sellers headed into the second day of play with a one shot lead over Teela Cox. Sellers held off a

charge by Cox but Rachael Smith posted a 36 on the front side to move to within one of Sellers. Sellers continued her steady play of fairways and greens and captured the title with a 3 shot win over Smith.

The second place finish by the Tigerette squad is their highest ever. Audrey Barnhill carded a 214, Sara Rogers 239, Jayna Biffle 269 and Lilly Nasche 289. Amarillo Trinity Fellowship ran away from the field with a two day team total of 792. "I am proud of these young ladies," said Coach Jon. "Golf is a hard game, especially on a competitive level, and we hope to continue to build on the success of this season next year."

## SHHS wins TAPPS Class 2A academic competition

**by Janet Felderhoff**  
For the first time Sacred Heart High School earned the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) Class 2A Academic State Championship. The competition was held on the campus of Concordia Lutheran College in Austin. Winners at the state academic meet were Jackie Bartush - Biology first, Composite Science second, and Spelling third; Oliver McElroy - Monologue first; Elizabeth Fette and Patrick Knapp - Duet Acting first; Nicholas Taylor - Current Events second, Oratory fourth; Elizabeth Fette - monologue second; Kelly Fetsch - Poetry third; Lisa

Endres - Number Sense third; Oliver McElroy and Jessica Koesler - Duet Acting third; Keith Felderhoff - History fourth; Jessica Koesler, Melanie Bartush, and Holly Hartman, Editors - Yearbook fourth; Joseph Davis - History fifth, Current Events fifth; Jeff Hartman - Persuasive Speaking fifth; Jessica Koesler - Ready Writing sixth; Michael Voth and Kristin Zimmerer - Duet Acting sixth.

Accompanying the students were Angela Smith, Marilyn Barrick, Gary Endres, Kathy Hartman, and Pam Fette. Art students from Sacred Heart took fourth place at

the state art competition. Those students who placed were: Kristen Yosten - Art History first; Dana Miller - Drawing, Graphite third, On Site Drawing fifth; Jackie Bartush - On-Site Photography third, Senior Portfolio fourth, Commercially Processed Photography fourth, Drawing, Color fifth, and Crafts honorable mention; Grace Cochran - Art History third; Therakul Penpanyawong - Sculpture fifth; Amy Trevino - Crafts honorable mention.

Patti Bayer and Sandy Fuhrmann traveled to Concordia Lutheran College in Austin with the Art students.



State medalists in the TAPPS golf tournament were Sacred Heart Tigerettes, from left, Lilly Nasche, Sara Rogers, Kendal Sellers, Audrey Barnhill and Jayna Biffle. Janie Hartman Photo

**DON'T FORGET!**  
Muenster Band to present concert in Muenster City Park Sunday, May 6, 4:00PM

## Six candidates for three positions on Muenster Memorial Hospital Board



Angelo Nasche



James Walterscheid



Claude Walter



Kristi Dangelmayr



Phil Endres



John Aytes

### Five seek to fill Place 2 at Muenster ISD



Wanda Flusche



Kim Gerstberger



Bob Hermes



Terri Luke

### Candidates for Lindsay School Board



Ronnie Felderhoff



David Arendt



Richard Connett



Chris Hundt

For city election  
two seek to serve  
as mayor



Henry Weinzapfel

A.J. Knabe  
Photo not available

**Correction!**  
In last week's story, *Knabe challenges Weinzapfel for mayor*, in *The Enterprise*, an error was incorrectly corrected in A.J. Knabe's answer to question one to read: "I have also studied local politics by sitting in on several different City Council meetings." The sentence should have read: "I have also studied local politics by sitting in on several different cities' council meetings."

## 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 Tuesday, May 8, 2001.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. Opening prayer.
3. Approve minutes of the regular meeting on April 2, 2001.
4. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
5. Consider any other business to come before the Council.

### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consider and act on tax abatement agreement with Universal Machining Services, Inc.
2. Consider and act on tax abatement request from Element Ford of Muenster.
3. Consider and act on authorization for Mayor Pro-Tem Johnny Pagel and City Secretary Nichelle Maxson to enter into loan agreement between City of Muenster and Muenster State Bank in the amount of \$15,000. Funds will be used by Muenster Historical Commission to order printing of 1,000 Muenster history books. Loan funds will be repaid by Historical Commission from sale of said books.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Canvass Election results of May 5, 2001.
2. Administer Oaths of Office.
3. Consider and act on approval of Park Board recommendation to hire Jill Hess as pool manager for 2001 season. Approve pool manager hiring lifeguards, with approval of Park Board Commissioner.
4. Consider and act on items relating to 2001-2002 Texas Community Development (TCDD) Sewer Grant.
  - a. Options relating to sewer plant.
  - b. Contract with Kinley-Norn & Associates for engineering services.
  - c. All other items.
5. Consider and act on approving renewal of lease with Muenster ISD for water usage from Well #3.
6. Consider and act on disposal of 20' x 140' alley in Block 53.
7. Consider and act on approving adjustments to 2000 property tax roll.
8. Discuss time limits on building of streets as it relates to subdivision ordinance. Take action as necessary.
9. Consider and act on roof repairs to Museum property - 422 W Main St.
10. Consider and act on dock at Willow Street & Fourth Street which is in deteriorated condition.
11. Receive information update on city projects.
12. Discuss city policy for water line extension agreements.
13. Receive quarterly activities report from Police Department.
14. Information review of budget summary.
15. Review and act on monthly bills.
16. Adjourn.

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2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, May 6, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, May 7, 2001 Muenster City Council Meeting, 7:30 PM Bereaved Parent/Grandparent Support Group, 7 PM Home Hospice Office	Tuesday, May 8, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center <b>National Teachers' Day</b> SH Preschool Parent Mtg, 7 PM Muenster 4H Meeting, 7PM, SHHS Wheat & Small Grain Tour 8:30AM, Carl Enderby Farm, Era	Wednesday, May 9, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center SH Alumni Meeting, 7:30 PM, SNAP Meeting Room Rel Ed Final Class C of C Breakfast 7:30AM, The Center Restaurant	Thursday, May 10, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Dialogue Support Group, Home Hospice, 7PM	Friday, May 11, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Saturday, May 12, 2001
TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK						
Sunday, May 13, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM  <i>Mother's Day</i>	Monday, May 14, 2001 MISD Elementary Award Ceremony, 6:30PM, Auditorium VFW Meeting, 8 PM Prerequisite test for Lifeguard training, 5 PM, Muenster Pool	Tuesday, May 15, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Jr. High Awards Ceremony, 6:30PM, Auditorium	Wednesday, May 16, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MISD Board Meeting 7 PM	Thursday, May 17, 2001 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Muenster High School Awards Banquet, SHCC Relay For Life Bank Night, 5:30PM, GMH Culwell Contr. Rm.	Friday, May 18, 2001 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Lindsay High School Awards Banquet	Saturday, May 19, 2001 ARMED FORCES DAY

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# Obituaries

## Miriam (Koesler) Caplinger 1925 - 2001

by **Elfreda Fette**  
 Miriam (Koesler) Caplinger died peacefully at her home in Muenster at age 75 on Apr. 24, 2001 at 4:35 a.m., following three years of illness and pain, battling pancreatic cancer.



Miriam (Koesler) Caplinger

She was the devoted wife of J.D. Caplinger, the loving mother of three sons and two daughters, and beloved grandmother of eleven grandchildren.

Born in Lindsay on June 18, 1925, she was the daughter of pioneer area citizens, Alphons Koesler, Sr. and Mary Fuhrmann Koesler. She was a 1942 graduate of Sacred Heart High School in Muenster. In 1944 she began work in St. Vincent's Hospital in Sherman in the business office. On Nov. 11, 1948 she married J.D. Caplinger in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster. She and J.D. were both employed at St. Vincent's Hospital in Sherman in the business office. On Nov. 11, 1948 she married J.D. Caplinger in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster. She and J.D. were both employed at St. Vincent Hospital until moving to Muenster in 1964. From 1964 until 1994 Miriam worked as Business Office Manager at Muenster Memorial Hospital and was the mainstay of that department and J.D. was the Surgical Tech in Muenster Hospital, also giving personal attention to patients during their recovery, building enduring friendships with their families. After retirement, Miriam devoted her time and talents as Sacristan and Eucharistic Minister for Sacred Heart Church until November 2000.

Survivors are her

husband; two daughters and sons-in-law Mary Kay and Jack Endres of Muenster, and Diann and Gary Zimmerer of Valley View; and three sons and daughters-in-law Paul and Susan Caplinger of Denton, Bob and Ann Caplinger of Carrollton, and Jerome and Cynthia Caplinger of Oklahoma City. There are eleven grandchildren and two sisters Theresa Hermes of Lindsay and Sister Mary Lin Koesler of Floresville, and one brother, Alphons Koesler, Jr. of Muenster.

Preceding her in death were her parents; one sister, Sr. Corinne Koesler, and three brothers Father Leo Koesler, Tony Koesler, and Norbert Koesler.

Mass of Farewell and Christian Burial was offered in Sacred Heart Church on Thursday, Apr. 26, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. by Father John Ohner OSA pastor, Father Sebastian Beshoner OSB, and Deacon Jerome Caplinger. Altar servers were grandchildren Eric Endres, Jennifer Endres, and Stephen Zimmerer.

Cynthia Caplinger, daughter-in-law, gave the First Liturgical Reading and Patricia Caplinger, granddaughter, gave the Second Reading. Deacon Jerome Caplinger, her son, read the Gospel; and Emily Endres and Natalie Zimmerer, granddaughters, carried Offertory gifts of bread and wine to the altar. Also presented at the altar were a family photo by Scott Endres, Miriam's retirement watch from Muenster Memorial Hospital by David Zimmerer, and prayer book by Lydia Zimmerer, all grandchildren.

Eucharistic Ministers were Mary Kay Endres and Diann Zimmerer, daughters, Paul Caplinger, son, and Sr. Mary Lin Koesler, a sister.

Music Ministers were Emily Klement, Ruth Felderhoff, and Pam and Dave Fette. Special songs selected by Miriam were "On This Day, O Beautiful Mother," "Holy God We Praise Thy Name," and "Holy, Holy, Holy." The songs were also sung at Miriam and J.D.'s wedding. Other sacred music included "Shepherd Me, Oh God," "Song of the Angels," and "Yahweh, You Are Near."

Remarks of Remembrance were given by Mary K. Endres, daughter. She stated, in part: "My Mom always described her childhood as one filled with lots of love and laughter and deep religious faith... After graduation she hoped to attend nursing school, but financial constraints changed that to employment in the business office at St. Vincent's in Sherman... There she met a charming red-headed young man, J.D.

and after three years of courtship, they were married on Nov. 11, 1948... In 1964 they moved to Muenster... Mom and Dad were married almost 52 1/2 years... and celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Their lives were spent in service to their God, their family and their fellowmen... Mom was particularly endearing to the very old and very sick because she always prayed with them and their families... Mom's family was very important to her... she loved having everyone together sharing a meal, laughing and telling stories... During her last few months, she especially enjoyed pulling out old photos and talking about her family... We will always remember this strong feature of her personality: She expected nothing less than perfection from herself and anyone else... She made many wonderful friends and was a wonderful friend to many."

On Apr. 25 a Rosary service at McCoy Funeral Chapel of Muenster at 4:00 p.m. was led by godchild Mary Lin Knabe. Vigil at 7:00 p.m. was led by son, Deacon Jerome Caplinger at McCoy's. The eulogy, at both the Vigil and Mass, was given by daughter, Mary Kay Endres. Family Rosary Thursday morning was led by granddaughter, Patricia Caplinger.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Pallbearers were Robert Caplinger, Jr. and Cyle Caplinger grandchildren, Rudy Koesler, Chuck Koesler, Max Koesler, and Tom Dankreiter, nephews.

## Vote will address water district taxation

Muenster's May 5 election will include a proposal to decide whether or not areas annexed into the Muenster Water District in January 2001 should be taxed the same as the rest of the district. A Yes vote means that everyone in the district will be taxed equally. A No vote means that residents of the newly annexed areas would be exempt from Muenster Water District taxes while everyone else in the district pays them.

The water district's board is also pursuing additional funding from outside the district. Board president Bob Bauer and board member Claude Walter recently visited congressman Ralph Hall at his Rockwall office and participated in a conference call with senator Kay Bailey Hutchison's Dallas office and the senator herself in Washington, D.C. Bauer reports that both the senator and the congressman reacted very positively and expressed willingness to help, especially with contacts at the national level.

Work on the lake is proceeding. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is in the

process of drilling additional core samples in the on-site vein of nondispersible soil that will be used to build the dam. NRCS reportedly considers the already tested soil sufficient to build the dam, but wants to test additional soil to determine whether it is of higher quality (less dispersible) than that already tested, or could serve as a reserve if some of the already available soil turns out to be of lower than expected quality.

Bauer strongly urges a Yes vote in the upcoming election, stressing that the new lake is urgently needed. He referred to an article in the April 18, 2001, edition of the *Gainesville Daily Register*, reporting that a pump at Gainesville water well No. 10A needs to be lowered by 160 feet. The article quotes utilities director Ron Sellman as saying, "In one year we have seen a 26 to 28 foot drop [in the aquifer]... As long as I've been director, I've never seen the level [of the aquifer] rise. Typically it drops around 8 feet per year. We were really surprised about the 26-foot drop this year."

Submitted by Don Rohmer

## Texas Monthly Oil Statistics

### MARCH PERMITS TO DRILL

A total of 1,224 original drilling permits were issued, compared to 1,119 in March 2000. Total drilling permits for 2001 year to date is 3,447. The March

total included 944 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 38 to re-enter, and 242 for recompletions. Permits issued in March included 296 oil, 343 gas, 533 oil and gas, 40 injection and 12 other permits.

## Robert L. Turner 1946 - 2001

Robert L. "Bob" Turner died on Sunday, Apr. 29, 2001 at the age of 55. He was born on Jan. 21, 1946 in Bonham, Texas to Alton Jefferson Turner and Elora Peggy Kinkade Garrett. He graduated from L.D. Bell High School and later served two years in the U.S. Army in Korea. He married Della Rose Nortman on July 29, 1967 in Fort Worth, Texas.

A Knights of Columbus Rosary was recited at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, and a Rosary with visitation followed on Wednesday evening beginning at 7:00 p.m. at George J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday at St. Peter's Church in Lindsay, officiated by Rev. Sebastian Beshoner, OSB, and Rev. Robert Strittmatter.

Mr. Turner worked 29 years as a conductor for The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. He was currently serving as local chairman for the United Transportation Union. He was a member of St. Peter's Church, The Lindsay Knights of Columbus, and a long time supporter of St. Mary's Catholic Church as well as Catholic Life Insurance, which his wife

Della is currently serving as the District 8 Director.

Bob Turner was a hardworking and loving husband, father, son, friend, brother, and Papa. He enjoyed his work, his deer lease, spending time with his family and friends, especially his grandsons.

He will be missed by his wife Della of 33 years, his son and daughter-in-law, Chad and Amy Turner of Wynnewood, Oklahoma, his daughter and son-in-law, Brandi and Mike Dieter of Lindsay, son Dusty Turner of Gainesville, mother Peggy Garrett of Gainesville, sister and brother-in-law Charlotte

and Terry Reel of Wylie, grandsons Cade Turner, Nicholas Dieter, and Nathan Dieter, nephew Tyler Reel and a host of family and friends, especially his railroad family.

In lieu of flowers his family requested that donations be made to St. Mary's Catholic School in memory of Sister Gabriel Burton Tuition Fund, 931 N. Weaver, Gainesville, TX 76240.

Pallbearers were Chad Turner, Dusty Turner, Dennis Nortman, Harvey J. Kinkade, Paul Hassell, and E.D. Garner.

## J.D. Hott 1930 - 2001

J.D. Hott of Rosston, Texas died at age 70 on Monday, Apr. 23, 2001 in All Saints Episcopal Hospital of Fort Worth. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Apr. 25, 2001 at 10:30 a.m. in Forestburg Baptist Church, officiated by Rev. Kris Barnett of Forestburg Baptist Church. Burial was in Rosston Cemetery, directed by Clement-Keel Funeral Home.

J.D. Hott was born Dec. 6, 1930 to James Everett and Etta Carter Hott. On June 9, 1951 he married Peggy Gilliland in Gainesville.

Before retiring, he was a Street Supervisor for the City of Arlington. He served in the U.S. Army and was a member of Forestburg Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife Peggy Hott of Rosston; two sons Charles Hott of Chicago, Illinois and Don Hott of Rosston, daughter and son-in-law Elizabeth and Michael Smith of Ben Wheeler, Texas; four grandchildren Jason Bennett, Michael Smith, Jr., Tommy Smith, and Chelsea Smith; and several nieces and nephews. Also one brother Marion Ray Hott of Gainesville.

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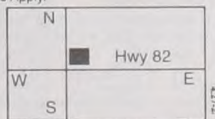
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# Letters to the Editor

To the Editor of the Muenster Enterprise,

In this letter, I only wish to address two terms that I have heard or read frequently from members of the so-called "Muenster Hospital Support Group". These two terms are "fact" and "debt free".

I have been taught that a fact requires objectivity and truth. A fact is not an opinion or a conclusion drawn from facts. Thus, the only true facts that have been presented in the merger arguments are contained in the Independent auditor's Report of Examination of the Muenster Hospital District and those that have been presented at town hall meetings by independent parties.

As for the term "debt free", one only has to look at the audited balance sheet of the Muenster Hospital District for the year ended June 30, 2000 to see that the total liabilities of the district are \$1,198,466.00. These liabilities, which all could be considered debt, specifically include long-term debt of \$572,265.00 and current portion of long-term debt of \$123,925.00. The Independent auditor's Report of Examination which contains these figures is available to everyone and has been presented to the "Muenster Hospital Support Group".

Every voter in the MMH District should ask themselves if their vote is based on facts presented or if their vote is based on opinions based on the views of others. If one only considers the facts I believe the best way to save our hospital is through the proposed merger. Therefore, ones vote should be for the three candidates that support the merger. These three are Kristi Dangelmayr, Phil Endres, and Claude Walter.

Duane Knabe, CPA  
P.O. Box 160  
Muenster, TX 76252

Dear Editor:

I would like to comment on a recent article, "From My Side of the Fence," in which Mr. Cler describes how he treated his horse after it threw him into a waterhole. I consider his treatment less than humane and see no value in printing stories of this kind. Venting one's anger on an animal is not appropriate behavior.

I would like to share with you a quote from Mahatma Gandhi: "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. . . I hold that, the more helpless a creature, the more entitled it is to protection by man from the cruelty of man."

Sincerely,  
Sr. Anselma Knabe

416 Green River Trail  
Fort Worth, TX 76103  
April 26, 2001

Mr. David Fette  
Editor of the Muenster Enterprise  
May 2, 2001

At the last meeting of the Muenster Hospital District Board of Directors held April 24<sup>th</sup>, a letter was handed to me at the recess before executive session signed by employees of MMH which read "We, the employees of the Muenster Hospital District, fully support our Administrator and members of the Muenster Hospital Board as they work to provide for and insure the future stability and availability of Health care needs and jobs both in our community and in our county!"

This letter is very much appreciated by our Administrator and Board, especially since the employees who signed it know the real facts of what is happening to our Hospital and the health care industry.

Thank you, employees, for your support and thank you, Mr. Fette, for your generous contribution to the community for your space in the Muenster Enterprise. Thank you to everyone in the community for your telephone calls, words of encouragement and support.

Sincerely,  
Don Flusche, President  
Muenster Hospital District

## To the citizens of Muenster:

There is only ONE clear choice for mayor!!! He has the knowledge, leadership, experience and class that Muenster deserves in a mayor. We encourage each and every one of you to vote for our current mayor, Mr. Henry G. Weinzapfel. Many thanks goes to

Henry and the city council members for all their time, dedication and hard work that they have put into running this town. All are to be commended for a "job well done."

Sincerely,  
Bert & Delanne  
Walterscheid  
619 E. Second St.  
Muenster, TX 76252

The Muenster "Golden Oldies" senior citizen group faithfully helps with every Keep Muenster Beautiful cleanup.  
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## Don't mess with Texas



Letter to the Editor of the Muenster Enterprise

There has been a great deal of debate regarding the future of medical care in Muenster. The fruit of those debates will be clear after the election in August. I joined the Muenster Hospital board in 1995 because I wanted to keep our hospital. It was clear to me at that time that the hospital was in serious financial difficulty. I thought that my experience in turning around failing schools could be applied to saving the hospital. Six years later I have come to the conclusion that there is no way that the Muenster Hospital can be sustained, in its present form, for more than a year - regardless of claims to the contrary. The members of the Muenster Hospital Board, collectively, have vigorously pursued every possible idea to keep the hospital open. Individually, I have sought the advice and counsel of many of my former students who are now physicians in Dallas, Ft. Worth, and Oklahoma City. The universal response has been amazement that our hospital has survived this long and that it cannot continue under current federal legislation.

The reasons that our hospital cannot continue in its present form are many.

1. A major factor is the refusal of many large health insurance companies to contract with a small hospital.
2. Another major reason is the severe decline in federal reimbursement for health care services.
3. Our population base is too small to support our hospital with larger competing hospitals nearby.
4. We underutilize our hospital. We have less than four patients a night.
5. We have difficulty recruiting physicians, especially specialist, with our low patient base.
6. Increasingly restrictive regulation by federal agencies.

Less patients with lower payments means that the revenue needed to support federally mandated hospital services cannot be met. If the community chooses to retain our hospital, then it is inevitable that our hospital will close in the near future. The consequences will be:

1. We will not have local medical services.
2. Our wonderful staff will be dispersed and lose their seniority and benefits.
3. Our community will have no voice in medical services for our citizens

If the community chooses to merge into a county hospital, (NOT Gainesville Hospital), then:

1. Our medical staff is assured of continued employment treating Muenster residents.
2. Muenster is assured - BY STATE LAW - of continued medical services in our community.
3. We will have a voice in medical decisions that affect our community. To me it's very simple. Vote against the merger and we lose our hospital - soon. Vote for the merger and we keep our medical facilities, medical staff, and voice in the future of health care in our community. I understand that losing the hospital is a deeply emotional issue, but merging into a county hospital will assure continued medical facilities, staff, and control while the alternative means closing the hospital, losing our medical staff, our voice in community health care, and transferring the building and land to the county - which is what is required by law. After spending a great deal of time, effort, and analysis, it is my carefully considered opinion that the best possible choice for the citizens of Muenster is to merge into a county hospital that assures continued medical services in Muenster.

Sincerely,  
Jerk B. Murdock, Ph.D.

## From My Side of the Fence by Ed Cler

Folks, after six days of hospitalization, three in I.C.U., it's good to be back home. Seems as if the old ticker is properly regulated again.

The foregoing should tell you why "From My Side of the Fence" has been missing from the *Enterprise* for the past two weeks.

It was quite a surprise to see the changes that occurred while I was gone.

On the way home from Denton, I was surprised to see how the trees had greened in a few days. Leaves that were just emerging when I became ill, were about fully grown and the trees were gloriously green and filled out.

I was also elated to see all the different species of birds that had come back and added their beauty to the scene.

Cardinals had spent the winter with us, as did the Blue Jays and Grackles.

It was a pleasure to see a few hummers checking out the feeders, along with some orioles, both Baltimore and the orchard variety.

Several kinds of dove spent at least part of the winter here. Tony says one variety, a rather large bird, was from South America while another, a beautifully built bird was native to Mexico.

When we first noticed the South American birds, there was only one pair, but as time elapsed we counted as many as fourteen or sixteen.

Most of the dove are now more noticeable by their absence, but a number of squirrels have become much more active of late, and their antics are always interesting. They seem to enjoy eating the sunflower seed the birds spill on the ground.

It really is a pleasant time of the year.

Sure is good to be home!

## Garbled answers unraveled from last week

In the last issue we published questions and answers from written interviews with the Muenster ISD Board candidates for Place 2. Something happened and answered got tangled in the layout. We apologize for this and offer the correct versions as follows:

*What are your views on the issue of health insurance for the staff?*

**Felderhoff** - Health insurance is a necessary evil. It is something that you hope that you will never need, but must have. Currently the state is working on an economical insurance program. Schools must have a competitive insurance for their staff to keep qualified teachers.

**Flusche** - It is difficult to find and hire new teachers because of low salaries and minimal job benefits relative to the broad job market. If adding health insurance will help attract, hire and keep good teachers, then this benefit should be offered.

**Gerstberger** - This is definitely a yes answer. Teachers have so few benefits, and are so deserved of this and more. This, however, is an issue I feel the state should be involved with. The teachers are our children's future and it is imperative they know we support them and their needs.

**Hermes** - I think it is important that health insurance for the staff be greatly improved. These professionals should be given the health benefits needed by everyone to live in today's world.

**Luke** - With the ever increasing costs of health care it is a virtual necessity for all school employees to have adequate health care coverage. There is currently a bill in the State Senate to subsidize schools for part of health care coverage. Hopefully, with additional state support, better policies will be financially possible.

*Regarding the needs Assessment Committee reports, what do you feel are the top three urgent concerns?*

**Felderhoff** - 1) Maintain a strong Vo-Tech program and find a full-time industrial arts and CAD teacher; 2) Add finance and accounting to our curriculum. Graduates need a basic knowledge of accounting, investing, insurance and finance principles; 3) There are many other needs, from building projects to theatre arts, that a strategic plan complete with time projections and costs will need to be developed.

**Flusche** - The Needs Assessments Committee reports contain many excellent ideas for improvements. Implementing any of them must be based on the available funding and available space. Any expenditure must benefit the school and the maximum number of students. I am reluctant to prioritize them myself until I know more about the feasibility of any improvement in terms of cost, space requirements, student and school benefits.

**Gerstberger** - New cafeteria - with the increasing number of students, a new cafeteria is definitely needed. It is overcrowded at the present time and with the High School on the other side of the campus, it should be more

centrally located. Additional personnel - new AP classes are being added and increased enrollment makes additional personnel a must. Air conditioning in the gym - the gym is hot, whatever season. Air conditioning will allow us to use it more effectively and comfortably.

**Hermes** - Science labs are a very needed improvement for the entire school. Hands on experiment are a great teaching aid and are a necessary part of teaching. AP and Pre AP classes are needed to keep up with the times. It is important our school help the students going to college every possible advantage. Technology improvements are a constant necessity. This area must constantly be upgraded to keep up with the fast paced world.

**Luke** - The safety and well being of our students and staff must be our first priority. Elementary attendance is growing rapidly and there are some crucial changes that need to be addressed to accommodate this growth. With technology making great strides, keeping current is beneficial to all students, most especially those at the high school level.

*How important is it to continue to offer vo-tech courses to students?*

**Felderhoff** - Extremely important. Not all students are going to pursue higher education. It is extremely important to teach vo-tech skills that can be used the rest of the student's life. Most students do not have the opportunity to develop these skills without the vo-tech courses.

**Flusche** - Some students will become part of the work force immediately after graduation. We need to prepare these students so they will be ready for their chosen vocation. Vocational courses are one vital means to do this. Vocational education works very well and the proof of this is the fact that many of our current local business leaders received preliminary training in our vocational programs.

**Gerstberger** - I feel these classes are very important. There are so many kids who leave our school with much better knowledge and experience going into the workforce. Whether it be carpentry, welding, homemaking or farming, these are important life skills that once learned are not forgotten. Our vo-tech teachers are very competent at their crafts, turning out many fine carpenters, welders and farmers.

**Hermes** - I believe vo-tech courses are needed to help give the students not going to college the advantage of being prepared to succeed in other areas. These classes also help prepare students to be able to take care of many everyday jobs done around the house.

**Luke** - These courses teach a fundamental of confidence and responsibility to all who enroll in them. Regardless of plans on continuing education, these programs introduce lifelong skills that are used and implemented whether at home or in the workplace.

*Do you feel the present programs leading to TAAS testing are being handled correctly?*

**Felderhoff** - Yes. Some say that the teachers are

teaching for the test, but I feel that the teachers are teaching beyond what is needed and are doing a great job.

**Flusche** - TAAS testing has been mandated and is not optional. I have heard that TAAS testing is being coached in some cases and that the TAAS results tend to classify and reward the schools throughout the state and this may or may not benefit the students directly. But the emphasis of schooling must be on learning. Ideally, the students should be able to pass the TAAS as a result of their normal learning process. As a school board member, I will investigate if this is happening.

**Gerstberger** - This issue I feel should be left up to the teachers and administrative staff. After hearing the TAAS report on this year's sophomore class - 100% passing in Math, Reading and Writing with all but 6 being TASP exempt, makes me feel like they are doing something right.

**Hermes** - Judging from the success our school has with the TAAS testing it appears this is being handled correctly. I have no knowledge of problems stemming from these tests.

**Luke** - While helping the students to do well on the TAAS test, I wonder if too much stress is put on students for an accelerated test score.

*What are your opinions on starting AP (Advanced Placement) classes in junior high?*

**Felderhoff** - Currently the junior high class schedule is full. With the addition of AP classes in junior high, the students will not have enough time in their schedules for any electives such as vo-tech.

**Flusche** - Students should have a well-rounded education that includes social skill development. If AP classes enhance this goal, then they should be implemented. But if AP classes are just a means to qualify the school for a higher level of state funding and the benefit to students is not clearly positive, then AP classes should not be implemented. I am absolutely behind any measure that will help the student's development.

**Gerstberger** - There is a need for AP classes in junior high to prepare them for these classes which will be offered next year in high school. We should give all students the opportunity to set goals at a level in which he or she will succeed. By assessing the potential of all students, your education program will be stronger.

**Hermes** - Starting a few AP classes in junior high could be a good start for helping our students going to college. These students are in a transition between elementary and high school and, while they should be pushed, we must be careful not to overload them.

**Luke** - I think careful selection should be made when requesting that a student be put in an AP class at this age level. Junior high is full of changes and growth and, while AP classes are definitely beneficial, it should be used as a tool for those who are ready for the extra responsibility.

## Hood Community Club celebrates 101st homecoming

On Sunday, May 6, beginning at noon, the Hood Community Club will celebrate its annual Homecoming by meeting in its club building which is celebrating its 101st year. All families and friends who have lived in the Hood Community are invited to a "covered dish" lunch spiced with lots of stories about the "old days" in Hood. It is a special time for reminiscing about the good and the bad times; and remembering how families used to get together with the "grown-ups" talking, sitting on the front porch while the kids played in the yards. It is a chance for all of us to go

back to a time when the work was difficult, but there was always time for socializing. This celebration has become a yearly favorite, with alumni coming from out of state, as well as locally, to renew old friendships. This year the Centennial Quilt will be displayed and depicts many scenes and families from the times when Hood was a thriving little town.

Door prizes will be given, and a great meal enjoyed by all who attend. But the best gift will be the making of some new memories, as well as sharing the old.



Dana Wimmer and Bryan Sanders have chosen June 9, 2001 for their wedding day. Their engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by her parents, Larry and Pat Wimmer of Muenster. Parents of the future-groom are Les and Judy Sanders of Bowie. The wedding will be held in Sacred Heart Church with Father John Ohner, OSA, officiating at 2:00 p.m. The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Muenster High School. In 1996, she received a Master of Education degree in Counseling from the University of North Texas. She is employed as a Licensed Professional Counselor for Montague County Mental Health Center in Bowie. Mr. Sanders is a 1989 graduate of Bowie High School. He is employed as a mechanic at American Airlines/DFW. The couple will reside in Muenster.

## Maintenance of wastewater system needs to be top priority

Tens of thousands of homes in Texas are located in suburban or rural communities where houses are spaced widely apart. In many of these areas, wastewater collection and treatment systems are not available, so homeowners dispose of their waste using aerobic wastewater treatment plants and spray disposal systems. Aerobic systems are similar to septic tanks in that they both use a natural bacterial process to treat the wastewater, but unlike septic tanks, aerobic plants require a constant supply of oxygen to operate properly and a special type of chlorine tablet to reduce bacteria levels before the wastewater can safely be used for spray disposal.

To supply the oxygen necessary to treat wastewater, aerobic treatment systems use a mechanical blower or aerator that is operated by a control panel located in a basement, crawl space, or on an outside wall. Because of the mechanical components involved, aerobic treatment systems must be serviced by a factory authorized maintenance professional at least three times per year. This preventive maintenance insures that the wastewater being disposed is safe and can be applied to your lawns and shrubbery.

If you have an aerobic unit and need to locate a factory certified technician, check the inside cover of the system's control panel. The name and phone number of the company providing service to your system should always be on the control panel. Your local health department can also

direct you to a qualified service technician.

Lastly, system maintenance also includes filling the system with chlorine tablets to reduce levels of potentially harmful bacteria before it is disposed of onto the lawn. Only use calcium hypochlorite tablets labeled for wastewater treatment. Do not use tablets or sticks sold for swimming pools. The wrong type of disinfecting tablet can harm your lawn and possibly cause a fire or explosion. The correct type of wastewater chlorine tablets are available in 10 pound pails from major home improvement stores, hardware stores, or can be ordered on-line through [www.norweco.com](http://www.norweco.com).

For further information on the care and operation of home wastewater treatment systems, please contact Norweco, Inc. at 419-668-4471, visit the website, or call your local TNRCC office.

## Order reprints of History Book now!

Due to many requests, the Muenster Historical Commission has decided to offer re-prints of the Muenster History Book. All of the original copies have been sold and there is a demand for more. Originally the book was printed in conjunction with the town's Centennial in 1989.

Orders are being taken now. Orders placed by July 1, 2001 will be \$75.00 per book. For an additional \$5.00 the book will be shipped. To avoid a possible increase in price, be sure to order by July 1. Send order requests and check to Muenster Historical Commission, P.O. Box 234, Muenster, TX 76752.

This is a great opportunity to get copies for family members or for those who have joined the community since the first printing and who would like to get to know more about the town and the people who live here. There are plans for the future to print supplements to the original. It would be as continuation of the first and possibly include some things omitted from the first book.

More information can be obtained by calling any of the following members of the Historical Commission: Celine Dittfurth, (940)759-4154; Jewel Otto, 759-4243; or Juanita Bright 759-4482.

## New Arrivals

### Hacker

Sally and Maurus Hacker, Jr. announce with pride and joy the birth of their first child, a son, Nathan Charles Hacker on Apr. 25, 2001 at Denton Community Hospital weighing 7 lb. 2 oz. and measuring 18 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Chuck and Vicky Fisher and Maurus and Lynn Hacker. Great-grandparents are Clyde and Polly Fisher, Dan Haverkamp and the late Patsy Haverkamp Flores, Diamond and Evelyn Fuhrmann, and Bertha Hacker and the late John Hacker. Ella Haverkamp is the great-great-grandmother.

### Gomez

Ammy Petway and Florentino Gomez of Gainesville are parents of a daughter, Jewellyana Michalle Florenda Gomez, born on Apr. 25, 2001 at 1:13 p.m. in Muenster Memorial Hospital, weighing 6 lb. 10 oz. and measuring 19 1/2 inches long. She is joined at home by four brothers, Guy 9, Emilio 1 1/2, Joaquin 16, and Bryan 4; and four sisters Shy 5, Jennifer 7, Arely 9, and Roxana 14. Grandmother is Jewell Petway of Gainesville.

## Meeting Notice

DIALOGUE, an ongoing support group for cancer patients and their families and friends will meet Thursday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. at the Home Hospice office, 1001 E. Broadway, Gainesville. For more information call Kelly Lamkin, L.S.W. at 665-9891.

## Gardening

The essence of the enjoyment of a garden is that things should look as though they like to grow in it.  
*Beatrix Farrand*

## NCTC writing winners announced

North Central Texas College has announced the winners of the NCTC Creative Writing Contest for 2001 - 2002. Muenster winners include: **Layuna Hicks Memorial Short Story**, 3rd, Dana Wells, "A Smoke Break for Mrs. Hinkle."; **NCTC Regional Short Story**, 2nd, Phil Endres, "Deb, Down at the Diner."; **Mattie McDaniel Ramage Memorial Literature Essay Contest**, 1st, Mary Ann Sheaff, "The Chimney Sweep's Champion."

## Alcohol may affect stress

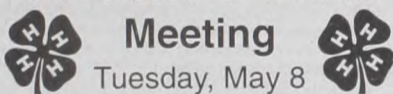
When you come home after a tough day at work, having a drink to help you unwind may not be a good idea. We tend to think of alcohol as a way to help relieve stress, but in large amounts, it may affect the way the body reacts to stress. California researchers found that exposure to large amounts of alcohol decreases the body's ability to respond to certain kinds of stress.

This could be a clue as to why alcoholics often have chronic health problems. When a person is ill or injured, the immune system needs to react. If this response has been blunted by alcohol, then the illness is not combated. Alcohol can also keep people from responding to stresses that challenge the brain by keeping nerve cells in the brain from learning and remembering.

This doesn't mean that if you have an occasional drink in the evening that you're causing harm to your body. In fact, some studies have shown that this can help prevent heart disease. But doctors warn that if you use alcohol the wrong way or become too dependent on it, you will harm yourself. Find other ways of dealing with stress so that alcohol doesn't become a crutch.

Information from the University of TX, Southwestern Medical Center

## Muenster 4-H Club



### Meeting

Tuesday, May 8  
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Sacred Heart High School  
Election of Officers

public service announcement from the Muenster Enterprise



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Katherine A. Vickers of Gainesville and James E. Putnam of Forestburg will be married in St. Mary's Catholic Church of Gainesville on June 9, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Their engagement and approaching marriage have been announced by parents of the bride-elect, Walter and Linda Vickers. The future-groom is the son of the late Paul and Catherine Putnam. Katherine is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and Tarleton State University. She is employed as a teacher at St. Mary's School of Gainesville. The future-groom is a 1989 graduate of Forestburg High School and is employed at Streetworks of Denton, Texas. The couple plans to reside in Gainesville.

## Monsignor Hubert Neu celebrates 50th May 26

Monsignor Hubert J. Neu will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination on Sunday, May 26 at Saint Patrick Cathedral, 1206 Throckmorton Street in Fort Worth. Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. with a reception following at the Historic Texas and Pacific Main Waiting Room, located at 1600 Throckmorton Street.

Everyone is welcome. Father Neu's ordination to the priesthood at his hometown parish, Saint Peter's in Lindsay, was a first for the Dallas-Fort Worth Diocese. He was ordained by Bishop Augustine Dangelmayr. His First Mass on May 31 was also in his home town. His first assignment was assistant pastor at St. Bernard's Church in Dallas.

## St. Anne's Society requests religious items for hospital

The next meeting of the St. Anne's Society of Sacred Heart will be Sunday, May 6 at 3 p.m. in the Community Center S.N.A.P. Room. Members are asked to bring holy cards, booklets, medals, religious

pictures, and other religious articles to the meeting or to give them to Tillie Otto. They will be donated to St. Paul's Hospital. Everyone is invited to join in the prayer and fellowship this Sunday afternoon.

## Footprint Friends seek support!

Relay for Life is June 8 and 9 at the Muenster Hornet Stadium from 6 p.m. Friday to 2 p.m. Saturday. Era School has sponsored a team the last six years and will again have a team on the field. The team from Era carries the name Footprint Friends.

Last year the team raised over \$2,300.00. If you would like to make a donation, contact Barb Rider or Sheila Wilson at 940-665-5961, ex. 20. All proceeds go to the great cause of fighting cancer through the American Cancer Society.

The Footprint Friends can certainly use your support. The group also has raffle tickets available for TV/VCRs, DVD player, stereo system, limo service, and much more. All donations to this cause will be appreciated.

## Fundraiser set for May 5

Gainesville's VFW Auxiliary Post 1922 is sponsoring a fund raiser on Saturday, May 5 at the VFW post. May Day! May Day! Features a country Store, bake sale, kids fun such as face painting, cookie walk, and clowns. Hotdogs and hamburgers will be available.

At 4 p.m. an Auction begins. Proceeds go to cancer aid and research.

## Republican meeting held

On Thursday, May 3, the Cooke County Republican Women had a general meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce in Gainesville.

Mrs. Jan Langein, who is the Executive Director of the Genesis Women's Shelter in Dallas, was the guest speaker. Since 1985 Genesis has been offering a multi-faceted approach to the problem of domestic violence. Genesis provides safety and shelter during a time of crisis stabilization and, with a maximum stay of six weeks, residents can receive comprehensive therapeutic programming for themselves and their children. Non-residential services are provided at Genesis Women's Outreach and Annie's House provides long-term transitional housing.

Mrs. Langein also addressed legislation affecting domestic violence that is being considered.



Angelic Acappella of Sacred Heart High School will present a free Mother's Day Concert in Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, May 13, at 6:00 pm. Members of the choir are, from left, front - Tiffany Ritchey, Diane Becker, Lisa Endres, Kim Hess, Kate Sepanski, Laura Taylor; back - Melanie Bartush, Jackie Bartush, Kelly Fetsch, Katie Cox, Elizabeth Fette and Dana Miller.

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## Initiative seeks to cover 76,000 uninsured children ... Affordable health insurance now available

If you have a child who is currently uninsured, there is affordable children's health insurance to fit your budget available to you now. TexCare Partnership is an initiative whose goal is to provide coverage for the 76,000 uninsured children in the North Texas area.

TexCare Partnership consists of three separate health insurance options - the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Medicaid, and the Texas Healthy Kids Corporation.

Combined, these three programs cover children from birth through age 18. Rates for CHIP are based on the family's size and ability to pay. Benefits include regular checkups and doctors' visits, prescriptions, dental care, eye exams and glasses, and covers all pre-existing conditions. If a family qualifies for CHIP, they will pay no more than \$18 per month for all the children in their home.

On Monday, May 21, representatives of TexCare Partnership will be at Muenster Memorial Hospital, located at 605 N. Maple Street, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. to provide application assistance to families. To complete an application families must come prepared with the following documentation: verification of your income (copy of your most recent pay stub, income tax return, or a statement from employer), verification of any child care expenses (i.e. day care receipts or statement from your childcare provider), any expenses for adult day

care, and any child support or alimony paid or received.

If you are applying for a non-citizen child who is a legal resident, please include proof of the child's immigration status. You can bring a copy of a green card, and Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) document or anything else that proves the child's legal immigration status. We do not need information on the citizenship status of any adults in the family. We will not share any information you provide with the INS and the INS CANNOT use this application or the enrollment of your children in any TexCare Partnership program to deny you admission to the U.S., to harm your permanent resident status or to deport you.

If you have any questions about TexCare Partnership or the application process feel free to call toll-free 1-800-647-6558. Or, for local assistance call KidCare of North Texas at 817-413-3925.

## Hornet Band to present Concert

The Muenster High School Hornet Band will perform in a Concert in the Park this Sunday, May 6, in the City Park. Performance begins at 4 p.m.

The Band Boosters are sponsoring a Hamburger Supper after the show. The \$5 cost includes all the trimmings, chips, and drink. There will also be a bake sale after the concert.

Everyone is invited to attend the Concert in the Park.

## Thank You

To all our Muenster friends and relatives, thank you so much for all of the kindness extended to us during the illness and passing of our beloved Joan Klement Schleicher: daughter, wife, sister, mother, aunt, grandmother. We are grateful for the prayers, masses, cards, phone calls, visits, food and flowers - all meant a lot to us during this difficult time.

Joan never lost her Muenster roots. She loved returning as often as possible and renewing acquaintances with school friends and relatives. She brought so many of her Fort Worth friends to Muenster so often over the years they practically considered themselves part of the community. She certainly would have enjoyed this Germanfest and her class reunion had she been able to attend, but the good Lord had plans for a different kind of reunion with her.

We cherish our memories of her cheerful personality and vivacious energy, even as we mourn her loss. Your support has helped strengthen us through this time of grief.

Sincerely,  
Ollie Klement and Family  
Richard Schleicher and Family

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Sacred Heart Duke qualifiers, from left, back - Mark Gehrig, Jon Ambrose, Aaron Krahl, David Walterscheid; front - Dianna Knabe, Joelle Fuhrmann, Debra Yosten, Sarah Whitecotton, Nicole Bayer. Courtesy Photo

## Sacred Heart students qualify for Duke Talent Identification program

Nine seventh graders at Sacred Heart School in Muenster have qualified for the Duke Talent Identification Program (TIP). In order to qualify for this achievement, students must score at the 95th percentile or higher on a grade level standardized achievement, aptitude, or mental ability test battery. These nine students, Jon Ambrose, Nicole Bayer, Joelle Fuhrmann, Mark Gehrig, Diana Knabe, Aaron Krahl, David Walterscheid, Sarah Whitecotton, and Debra Yosten, represent 45% of the total class enrollment of seventh grade at Sacred Heart School. This is an exceptional honor to Sacred Heart School. Every year since its

inception in 1980, Duke University TIP seeks to identify and serve academically gifted and talented young people. Duke's mission is to identify academically talented 7th graders based on standardized test score. Candidates are identified and invited to complete either the SAT I Reasoning Test or the ACT Assessment college entrance examinations. TIP then provides these participants with information regarding their academic abilities and resources and provides unique educational opportunities.

In the Fall of 2000, Sacred Heart School's students completed their achievement testing

process. The results of this testing yielded the talented 7th graders who have been identified by TIP. These students will take either the SAT I or the ACT examinations in the next few months. These college entrance exams require knowledge and skills rarely taught in junior high or middle school. However, nearly a quarter of past Talent Identification participants scored at least as well as the average college-bound senior in one or more parts of the SAT or ACT. Therefore, these Sacred Heart 7th graders face a unique challenge and will have an outstanding opportunity to pursue future goals through this program.

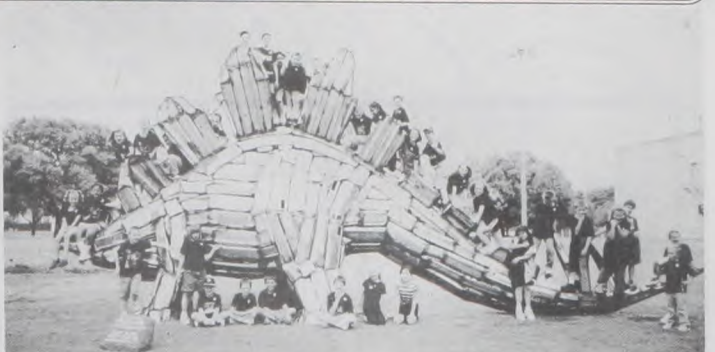


Sacred Heart Art students winning at state were, from left, front - Amy Trevino, Dana Miller; back - Jackie Bartush, Kristen Yosten, Grace Cochran, Therakul Penpanyawong. Janie Hartman Photo

## Era Grade School busy with projects

The kindergarten and first grade recently took a field trip to the Dallas Symphony on Tuesday. Students, and teachers, Mrs. Enderby, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Cannon, and Mrs. Klutschowski, and parents boarded the bus for a day of musical learning. Upon arrival at the symphony, all musical instruments and their families were introduced to the children. They listened to the massive Lay Family Organ with 4535 pipes and toured the Meyerson Symphony Center. They also heard selections ranging from Bach to Ellington to Star Wars by John Williams.

The first weeks of April the classes of K - 1 will be studying fairy tales, reading them and comparing and acting them out. As a wrap up to the unit there will be a dress up day - where each child dresses up as their favorite fairy tale character.



Lou Heers and Carol Ann Hess' 2nd graders of Muenster ISD took a field trip to the Dallas Museum of Natural History on April 6. The children enjoyed a special program entitled, "Discovering Dinosaurs," followed by a tour of the "Texas Dinosaurs Exhibit." After lunch, the students were free to explore the other museum exhibits. Pictured above, Muenster ISD 2nd graders pose on "Stegosaurus Chromosaurus" at the Dallas Museum of Natural History. Courtesy Photo



Muenster ISD's 2nd grade class of Lou Heers and Carol Ann Hess completed all six months of "Book It!", a reading incentive program. Both classes had 100% participation each month. To celebrate this wonderful accomplishment, the classes had a pizza party on Friday, April 20. Klement Ford of Muenster graciously donated the pizzas prepared by Kountry Korner. The pizzas were delivered by fathers Mark Klement and Ben Bindel, both of Klement Ford. Courtesy Photo

## Variety of projects involve Era students

Mrs. Popes second grade class has been learning their multiplication facts. They recently completed a 25 day multiplication contest between the girls and the boys. After 25 days, there was a tie, so all students were treated to a breakfast brownie party in the room.

In Mrs. Chaffin's and Mrs. Bruno's fourth grade classes, students have been working on the hall rainforest. They have created animals and plants for the hallway. They will study the rainforest as a unit and will complete various reports and class projects on this topic.

A chess tournament will be held in the classes this week. Mrs. Heinzman's boys in the eighth grade Gifted and Talented Program have been coming over to teach the class the game of chess, a life-long recreational hobby. The fourth graders are busy writing book reports, keeping journals on each chapter and will be summing up their books and created covers for them next week. The GT students are busy building air balloons for their projects.

The fifth grade students of Mrs. Meyer and Mrs. Spears recently returned from a three day trip to

Camp Grady Spruce. The camp offers an outdoor education to school students. This was the 6th year for students to participate. Students in attendance learned about the environment through

active, hands-on experiences that made learning fun. Some of their classes were orienteering, outdoor geometry, climbing Johnson's Peak, studying habitats on Devils Island and many more.

## Era ISD board election to be held Saturday

The Era ISD will hold their 2001 School Board election on May 5. The voting will be held at the Era Community Center with Ima Dell Barthold as election judge. Voting will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

On the voting ticket for this year are: **Place One:** Filee Michael Brown will face incumbent John Smith; **Place Two:** Frank Rust, incumbent will face no opponent; **Place Three:** Kathy Metzler, faces no

opponent and will be new to the Board.

Other members of the Era School Board currently serving are: G.C. Ellis, president who chose not to run, Randy Huddleston and Alan Spears (up for election in 2002), and Walt Stevens and Jamie Kindiger (up for election in 2003).

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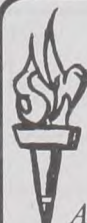


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# Kristin Smith receives art award

Kristin Smith, a senior Art student at Muenster High School, received the "Shady Oak Gallery Award" at the NCTC Art Show and Awards Ceremony on Sunday, Apr. 29, during a reception given by the college.

Kristin did a pen and ink drawing of horse heads with a wolf head hidden in the drawing. Kristin received a plaque, a gift certificate from Shady Oak Gallery, and a bag full of art supplies. Kristin has won several awards the past several years for her artwork. Some of those awards include: Grand Champion, Creative Arts

Division, Cooke County Youth Fair, 2000; Best of Show, Arts and Crafts Fair, MHS, 2000 and 2001; NCTC Art Show, tied for 1st place in the high school division, 1999; nominated for Who's Who in Art at MHS, 1999, 2000, 2001, and won the award in 1999.

Kristin is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. T.J. Thomas of Forestburg, Texas. She will be attending the University of Texas next fall.

Other students from MHS entering the Art Show were: Grant Hartman, Josh Freeman, Elliot Klement, Casey Bell, Megan Hennigan, Brett Howell, Chisam Cain, and Matt Parsons.



The combined voices of the North Central Texas Chorale and the North Texas Civic Chorus from Sherman performed a concert of classical music at Sacred Heart Church Tuesday

night. They were accompanied by a string orchestra and directed by Dr. Michael Linder of the North Central Texas Music Department. Dave Fette Photo



Kristin Smith

## Two from Muenster ISD attend AP program

In 1999, then Secretary of Education Riley challenged American educators to increase excellence and equity in education by expanding the availability of College Board's Advanced Placement Program to every high school in America. Soon thereafter, Gaston Caperton, president of the College Board, accepted this challenge.

College Board decided to host an AP Small School Summit to involve the small and rural schools in discussion and planning of future AP programs. Muenster High School was chosen to send two representatives, Martha Koehler, AP Teacher, and Emily Klement, AP Coordinator, to the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Antonio for a two day summit in order to address the needs. Muenster was chosen because of their strong involvement in AP and College Board programs, as well as having a program of excellence in curriculum and test results on the AP exams. College Board and Southwestern Bell Telephone underwrote the program.

The group participated in

a program that addressed challenges and best practices of Advanced Placement programs in the eight states represented at the summit. They also met in small focus groups in order to address local and state issues.

Muenster High School is growing in its AP Program. This fall, Pre-AP and AP courses will be offered to middle school and high school students. English Literature, English Composition and Calculus have been offered for several years. In addition to those courses, Science, Physics, Computer Science, and Social Studies will be offered to many students who have already pre-registered for the courses. These courses will involve academically challenging

curriculum, analytical and critical thinking skills, and a highly developed plan for

success in higher education.

President George W. Bush has charged the nation with this message: "By ensuring that each child is educated,

we ensure that no child is left behind. Through education we prepare children for their future. Advanced Placement classes are an effective way to help students advance. They give young people a head start, a challenge, and an opportunity."

### Health Notes

#### Gum deemed a possible solution

The condition we call heartburn really has nothing to do with your heart at all. It's a burning feeling in your chest and throat when stomach acids rise into the esophagus. It affects about a quarter of all adults at least once a month. There are many effective over-the-counter remedies for heartburn available these days, but with regular use some of them may cause side effects like diarrhea. You may have an alternative in your pocket or purse.

Ordinary chewing gum may help relieve the symptoms of heartburn. Antacids fight heartburn by neutralizing acid in the stomach, and chewing gum generates a sort of natural antacid. When you chew gum, it increases the flow of saliva. Saliva is alkaline, so it neutralizes stomach acid. Saliva also encourages the muscles of the esophagus to contract, so less acid leaves the stomach.

You can also prevent heartburn by watching what you eat — fewer fatty foods and chocolate — and by avoiding meals or snacks before bedtime. Don't lie down soon after eating, either.

If heartburn is an ongoing problem for you and the usual remedies don't work, talk to your doctor. It may be more serious than just something you ate.

### Era announces prom May 19

The Era junior/senior prom is scheduled for May 19 at the C Quarter Circle Ranch on the Burns City Road. Walk in will begin at 7:00 p.m. and prom begins at 8:00 p.m.

### Health & safety tips Computer convenience may equal body strain

While computers have increased convenience at work and at home, they also cause a number of problems such as tension in the neck and shoulders, lower-back soreness, eye strain, and swelling of the lower legs.

"If you work with a computer, you are likely to sit in one position for long periods of time, which tends to shorten your muscles," said Peter Snell, assistant professor of internal medicine and exercise physiologist. "By performing a few simple exercises at work, not only do you receive the benefit of stretching your muscles, but it also adds some movement to your day."

Snell suggests incorporating the following exercises into your day:

- To ease strain on the neck, turn your head slowly from one side to the other.
- While sitting, stretch your lower back by slowly bending down between your knees and touch the floor with your hands.
- To bring relief to fingers and hands open and close them 10 times, spreading the fingers apart widely.
- To stretch calf muscles, put your hands against a wall, lean forward and place one foot in front of the other with the front knee bent. After a few seconds, switch feet.

A news tip from UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas

### School Lunch Menus

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Tues. - Mexican casserole, ranch style beans, salad, fruit, bread.

Wed. - Chicken, rice, gravy, peas, peaches, bread.

Thurs. - Corn dogs, lettuce, corn, fruit.

Fri. - Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwiches, celery sticks, apples.

#### MUESTER ISD

Mon. - Hot dogs w/chili and cheese, pinto beans, potato rounds, pears, strawberry shortcake.

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

Wed. - Sub sandwiches w/ham and cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, chips, carrot sticks, oranges, cookies.

Thurs. - Chicken pot pie, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, pineapple, hot rolls.

Fri. - Barbecue sandwiches, French fries, pork and beans, onion and pickles, applesauce, ice cream.

#### LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Corny dog, baked beans, carrots, celery sticks, pineapple, bread.

Tues. - Chicken fajitas, corn, applesauce, peaches, bread.

Wed. - Fish, black-eyed peas, French fries, pears, bread.

Thurs. - Sloppy Joes, French fries, pinto beans, mixed fruit, bread.

Fri. - Tacos, pinto beans, applesauce, oranges, bread.

#### ERA ISD

Mon. - Barbecue wieners or steak fingers, green beans, applesauce, tossed salad, chocolate chip cookie.

Tues. - Country fried pork steak or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, fresh strawberries, hot roll.

Wed. - Nachos, Mexican salad or tossed salad, corn, sopapilla.

Thurs. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce or fish sticks, black-eyed peas, peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.

Fri. - Chicken sandwich, trimmings, French fries, ice cream.

Congratulations to Micalee Matson, Muenster City Secretary and KXGM Administrative Professional Winner



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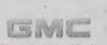
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# Sports



Audrey Barnhill slides safely into home to score the Tigerettes' second run in their bidistrict victory. Janie Hartman Photo

## Tigerettes win bidistrict

Sacred Heart hosted the TAPPS bidistrict softball playoff game Tuesday afternoon, challenged by District 4 runnerup Christian Academy of Waco. The Tigerettes won the game 12-0 after a five inning run rule.

had no errors, with pitcher Mary Jane Callahan "controlling the game." Jennifer Hoedebeck and Callahan hit 2 of 3, with Andrea Bauer getting a triple for 1 of 2 along with Michele Bayer and Karen Gehrig.

striking out 9, with 1 walk, 3 hits and no runs.

Coach Bartush noted that Lisa Endres, Courtney Hartman, Catherine Bartush and Charlie Sue Switzer came off the bench strong to help with the win.

The bidistrict championship advances the Tigerettes to the regional playoffs against Prestonwood Christian Academy. Sacred Heart has faced this team twice this season, defeating them 12-7 several weeks ago.

Defensive standouts were Crystal Hess, Audrey Barnhill, Bauer, Jana Truebenbach (who threw a player out at second) and Callahan, who pitched the game, facing 18 batters,

"Offensively, we ran the bases well, with a few mental mistakes. But, overall, I was pleased with the way they played," commented Coach Beth Bartush. The Tigerettes



A baseline hit was covered by Crystal Hess, who pitched the ball to Audrey Barnhill to get the runner out at first. Ready to assist in the play are Mary Jane Callahan and Karen Gehrig. Janie Hartman Photo



Coach Beth Bartush, Jennifer Hoedebeck and Waco's 3rd baseman watch as an Andrea Bauer triple hit allows Hoedebeck to score. Janie Hartman Photo

## Relay Team advances to state

Muenster tracksters participated in the 1-A Regional Track and Field Meet in Abilene last week. Several athletes placed, but only the girls 1600m relay team will advance to the state championship meet in Austin.

Pamela Lutkenhaus, Alisha Walterscheid, Brittany Haverkamp, and Kristie Lutkenhaus ran a 4:10.01 relay race for a

second place finish, and a trip to the state finals.

The 800m relay team finished in 5th place. Robyn Hermes, Megan Lippe, Alisha Walterscheid, and Kristie Lutkenhaus clocked in at 1:51.19.

Other Lady Hornets running at regional, their races and times were Jami Gerstberger, 1600m run, 6:10.12; Megan Lippe,

200m, 27.81; and Kristie Lutkenhaus, 400m, 62.40.

Greg Johnson finished 4th in the long jump, leaping 20' 9". Josh Freeman cleared the pole vault 13' 6" and settled for a 4th place, while Elliot Klement threw the discus 132' 10", placing 6th for the Hornets. Johnson's 39' 11" triple jump and Derek Elliott's 11 pole vault did not earn a placing.



Muenster athletes competing at the regional track and field meet were, from left, Josh Freeman, Kami Gerstberger, Elliot Klement, Kristi Lutkenhaus, Greg Johnson, Brittany Haverkamp, Pamela Lutkenhaus, Chelsea Felderhoff, Megan Lippe, Robyn Hermes, Alisha Walterscheid and Derek Elliott. Janie Hartman Photo

## Tigerettes host two pre-playoff games

The Sacred Heart Tigerette softball team, in preparation for the TAPPS bi-district game, hosted two teams for playoff warm-up.

On Apr. 19, the Tigerettes defeated Prestonwood 12-7. Mary Jane Callahan pitched 5 innings, causing 12 strikeouts, two hits and no walks. Jana Truebenbach pitched two innings, walked 2, and had 5 hits against her.

Callahan was 3 for 3, hitting a double, triple, and home run, scoring 4 times. Jennifer Hoedebeck was 2 for 4, Truebenbach hit a triple, Alisha Cochran 2 for 3, and Jayna Biffle 2 for 2, scoring 2 runs and hitting a triple.

Defensive standouts were Andrea Bauer, Crystal Hess, Cochran, Audrey Barnhill, and Catherine Bartush.

On Apr. 25, TAPPS 5A Nolan High School challenged the Tigerettes,

handing Sacred Heart a 2-4 defeat.

Nolan scored their 4 points in the second inning on 3 Sacred Heart errors. "Then we settled down and mentally got back in the game," added Coach Beth Bartush. The Tigerettes only hits were a triple by Callahan and a double by Barnhill, which hit Callahan in for the Tigerettes first score. At the

mound, Callahan struck out 6, walked 2, pitched 10 hits, and 4 runs, "only 2 were earned," the Coach added.

Defensively, Bauer was moved to catcher for an injured Truebenbach, Barnhill to shortstop, Cochran to third base, and Courtney Hartman to right field. All five, and Crystal Hess played great defense according to the Coach.

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Sacred Heart state qualifiers to the TAPPS track and field meet are, from left, back - Michael Voth, John Knabe, Thomas Whitecotton, Johnny Yosten; 3rd row - Courtney Hartman, Mary Jane Callahan, Jana Truebenbach, Andrea Bauer; 2nd row - Kate Sepanski, Karen Gehrig, Elizabeth Fette, Dana Miller, Grace Cochran; front - Jennifer Hoedebeck, Melanie Bartush, Kristin Zimmerman and Catherine Bartush. Janie Hartman Photo

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We thank the Golden Oldies senior citizen group, youth groups, business teams, and families, plus Boy Scout troop 644 and Fischer's Market, who picked up their Adopt a Highway areas in the week preceding the clean up.

We had a total bag count of 174 because of the greater number of areas cleaned. Several participants noticed and commented that the streets and roadsides had much less litter and looks better.

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# Lindsay scores big at regional meet

The Lindsay Knights brought home a Regional Championship in Track and Field this weekend scoring an impressive 121 points to outscore the second place Karnack Indians by 43 points. Over 30 schools participated in the Class A, Region III meet held in Nacogdoches with the two finishers in each event advancing to the State Meet held in Austin, on May 11 and 12.

Hannah Trammell also winning the bronze medal. The men's team advanced to the State Finals in six events and just missed in six others. Those moving on to Austin are Skyler Shauf, in the 100m hurdles and the 300m hurdles, finishing first

in both events. Brandon Schroeder also won the gold in the 1600m run. Picking up the silver was Mitch Creed in the 3200m run and Travis Alfrey in the 400m dash. The Lindsay Knights' 1600m relay (Skyler Shauf, Chris Horner, Rhett

**BOYS:** Brad Minnix, shot put, 46' 11", 3rd; Marcus Dennis, discus, 135', 4th; James Almon, discus, 135', 5th; Preston Henry, long jump, 20' 4", 4th; Mitch Creed, 3200m run, 10:35.51, 2nd; Philip Fleitman, 3200m run, 10:43.02, 3rd; 400m relay, 43.90, 3rd; Sam Hellinger, 800m run, 2:05.37, 3rd; Skyler Shauf, 110m hurdles, 15.21,



The Muenster Lady Varsity golf team competed in the Regional Golf Tournament April 23-24 in Abilene, but did not place. Members and their two-day scores were, from left, Kami Klement 135-128, Deann Dangelmayr 134-138, Mary McCourry 122-118, Robyn Hermes 119-110 and Ashley Hess 133-122. Janie Hartman Photo



Muenster team of 3rd and 4th graders won the 3rd/4th grade Little Dribblers Tournament at Nocona. Front row, from left, are Shaina Felderhoff, Elizabeth Martin, Jackie Klement and Sam Wimmer. Back row, from left, are Kristen LeBrasseur, Brandy Dangelmayr, Samantha Endres, Lia Heers and Ted Heers.

The Lady Knights also made an impressive showing with a second place finish in the high jump and Hannah Trammell finished first in the 300m hurdles and second in the 100m hurdles. Other medal winners for the Lady Knights included Melanie Brown picking up a bronze in the 800m run, and the 1600m relay (Alex Haayen, Alex Shauf, Jacque Bezner,



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## Sports Events

### Red River Challenge Bike Tour

The Bennigan's MS 150 Red River Challenge Bike Tour will begin Saturday, May 5 at sunrise at Denton Ryan High School, travel north to an overnight stay in Lake Texoma Park and cross the Texas/Oklahoma finish line Sunday morning to end the 150 mile bicycle tour. The event will raise funds for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Online registration and information can be found at [www.ms150.org](http://www.ms150.org).

### Share your soles

Participants and spectators in the 9th Annual Longhorn 5K Night Run and Walk are invited to donate their gently worn or unwanted shoes to the homeless. The race will start at Sundance Square in Fort Worth on May 10 at 8:18 p.m. Registration will take place the night of the race at the Square at 6 p.m. For more information call 817-568-1200.

### NHL Breakout

The world's largest off-ice hockey tournament will be May 12-13 at Lone Star

Park in Dallas. NHL Breakout 2001 combines tournament play with a festival that features entertainment and activities for hockey fans of all ages. Admission to all activities outside of tournament play is free. To register for the street and in-line competition, call 817-436-5999 or online at [www.nhl.com](http://www.nhl.com). There will be six age divisions. Teams may register from 5 to 10 players. Entry fee per team is \$180.

Complete listing of contestants and times and distances are as follows:

### GMH golf tourney

A fundraiser for Gainesville Memorial Hospital, to purchase a cell washer/centrifuge for the GMH laboratory will be held May 18.

The annual golf tournament will feature a two-man scramble format, two flights, at the Gainesville Municipal Golf Course, with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Prizes will be awarded.

Entry fee is \$60 per player, which includes a round of golf, cart rental, putting contest, a meal after the tournament, prizes and refreshments on the course. For information and entry, call 940-665-8619.

## Raintree Hunting Tips

### Safety first turkey hunting

by Brenda Valentine

Turkey hunting has become very popular and some turkey hunting locations have become very crowded. For this reason, as well as many others, turkey hunting safety is a top priority.

Don't wear "gobberhead" colors -- red, white and blue. Even the top of a white T-shirt behind the open collar of a camo shirt stands out in the woods. Consider exposing a swatch of fluorescent orange while you are moving through the woods.

Always sit with your back protected by a tree or rock that's wider than you are. Pick set-up positions that give you a long (longer than shotgun range) view to the front and sides. This is particularly important if you use decoys. Never carry a decoy fully exposed through the woods.

If you see another hunter approaching your camouflaged location speak up in a loud and clearly human voice. Never try to signal with your call or wave your hand. Most important, always be absolutely sure of your target and what is behind it before you pull the trigger.

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1st and 300m hurdles, 40.17, 1st; Adam Anderle, 300m-hurdles, 41.21, 3rd; Travis Alfrey, 400m dash, 50.58, 2nd; Brandon Schroeder, 1600m run, 4:40.56, 1st; Michael Kendall, 1600m run, 4:47.93, 3rd; 1600m relay, 3:26.97.

**GIRLS:** Deanna Meurer, high jump, 5' 2", 2nd; Melanie Brown, 800m run, 2:33.28, 3rd; Hannah Trammell, 100m hurdles 16.16, 2nd, and 300m hurdles, 47.88, 1st; Alex Shauf, Jacque Bezner, Emily Trammell, Alex Haayen, Megan Ward, 3200m run 13:23.43, 4th and 1600m run 5:55.25, 5th; Ashlie Privett, discus, 103' 1", 4th; 1600m relay, 4:16.20, 3rd, Alex Haayen, Jacque Bezner, Alex Shauf, Hannah Trammell, Stacey Garner, 800m run, 6th, 2:40.6.



The K-2 team from Muenster, coached by Clyde Steelman, finished 3rd in the CCYC League at Gainesville. Front row, from left, are Shane Presnall, Andi Felderhoff, Chloe Schneider, Lana Heers, Landon Presnall; back row - Allison Pangel, Michelle Henscheid, Garrett Walterscheid, Tanner Silmon and Jacy Steelman. Courtesy Photo



The CCYC 3rd/4th grade division at Gainesville was won by the girls from Muenster who shared 1st place with Lindsay. Front row, from left, are Sam Endres, Holly Rohmer, Shaina Felderhoff and Jackie Klement; back row - Lia Heers, Brandy Dangelmayr, Taylor Miller, Elizabeth Martin and Ted Heers. Courtesy Photo



The Muenster team in the 5th/6th grade division of the CCYC at Gainesville finished in 1st place. Front row, from left, are Megan Felderhoff, Hilary Swirczynski, Jessica Walterscheid and Allison Teafatiller; back row - Sandy Endres, Christine Eckart, Rebecca Grewing, Krystal Wolf, Laura Heers and Ted Heers. The girls also won the 5th/6th grade Little Dribblers Tournament at Nocona. Courtesy Photo



