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eer Fire Department was called to a grass fire near County Road 310 around 3:30 p.m. gnite by an electrical wire which ran from a highline pole to a pumpjack near County erty owned by Stormers. Myra VFD assisted and Era VFD responded in case they were Fire Chief Herbie Knabe said the high, unpredictable winds made the fire difficult to ne way and then another creating problems for the firefighters. He estimated that more burned in a three quarter mile long stretch owned by Stormers and Hartman south of plowed field brought the raging grass fire to a halt. Above – Muenster firemen, from left, thenscheid, and Bob Endres refill the truck's water tank. Below – Smoke from the fast uld be seen for miles. It came within a 150 yards of one residence. Janie Hartman photos

Hess resigns council seat

by Dave Fette
City Councilman Dennis
Hess submitted his letter of
resignation to the Council at
the regular September meeting
which was delayed until last
Tuesday because of the Labor
Day holiday. Hess will soon
move to a rural address. He
said he was resigning early to
allow the Council to find a
replacement to help work on
the current budget planning
process.

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Dennis Hess served Muenster as a council member for one and a half years. Mayor Henry Weinzapfel has announced that Joey Anderson, a Muenster resident and director of competitive services at Nortex Communications, has agreed to fill Hess's unexpired term.

An item of discussion by the Council concerned the feasibility of extending the one-half cent sales tax measure which has been used

over the last few years to fund upgrades to Muenster's water system. Now that the water system. Now that the water system is healthy, funds are needed to make improvements to the sewer system.

The mayor said that Muenster's property tax rate of 42 cents per \$100.00 valuation will remain the same in the approaching tax year and the City has surpluses in all departments. The city will apply for a grant to help pay for the sewer plant improvements, but part of the criteria to get the grant include the City's attempts to pay our own way. The Council thinks that a sales tax is a fairer way to spread out the cost rather than increase property taxes. At the current time no action has been taken to extend the sales tax.

Mayor Weinzapfel is pleased that all city departments are doing well financially. The street department is in



Search yields drugs at local residence in Muenster

by Janet Felderhoff
Muenster Chief of Police Bob
Stovall reported that the
Muenster Police Department
and a member of the North
Texas Drug Task Force
executed a search warrant at
219 S. Walnut in Muenster on
Wednesday, Sept. 6. Items
confiscated included several
bags suspected as
methamphetamines, one bag of

No arrests were made at the time. MPD Stovall said that all evidence is being submitted to a crime lab for analysis and the evidence will be given to the Cooke County District Attorney.

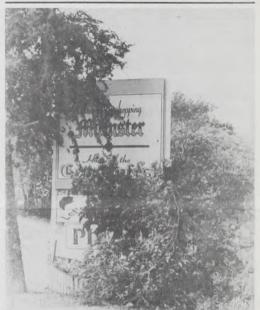
Sacred Heart High School celebrates

School celebrates homecoming tonight

Sacred Heart High students spent Saturday and Sunday decorating the halls of high school in preparation of Homecoming week. Elections were held and the Homecoming week. Elections were held and the Homecoming Queen candidates and Class Princesses were announced. Queen candidates are seniors Diane Becker, Jackie Bartush, daughter of Brenda and Paul Becker; Jackie Bartush, daughter of Brenda and Renny Hartman; and Dana Miller, daughter of Rhonda and Kenny Hartman; and Dana Miller, daughter of Stacie and Glenn Miller, Class Princesses are junior Audrey Barnhill, daughter of Stacie and Glenn Miller, Class Princesses are junior Audrey Barnhill, daughter of Janet and Monte Barnhill; sophomore Jana Truebenbach, daughter of Carla Trubenbach and the late Allen Truebenbach; and freshman Jayna Biffle, daughter of Donna and Jimmy Jack Biffle II.

Each girl selected a classmate on the football squad to escort her. Jayna will be escorted by Jared Zimmerer, Jana by Thomas Whitecotton; Audrey by John Knabe, Jackie Bartush by Nick Taylor, Diane

Sacred Heart Allumni is sponsoring a dance and social on Saturday in the Community Center with music by Rick Arend, D. J. Systems. Doors open at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$7.50 a person and food and drinks will be provided.



Aytes questions MMH Board about merger

by Janet Felderhoff
John Aytes brought a list of questions related to the proposed merger of the Muenster and Gainesville Hospital districts to submit to the Muenster Memorial Hospital Board at their last meeting. He had asked that the questions be put on the agenda for the next Board meeting, but was asked to present them then. This is the third and final in a series presenting the questions, board members' answers, and any input from others present. Representation — When you started talking to us in March, Muenster District's proposed representation at that time assured us one-half of the new merged district board, never has that been the case," Endres explained. "Now on the interim we were trying to set up a corporate entity that in the interim would run the two hospitals. That corporate board would be made up of 50-50.

Flusche said that he has always wanted two people from each (County) precinct (#3 and #4). Although it's not been carved in stone they are discussing a nine member board with two members being elected from each precinct in the county and one at large member.

"We're down to eight percent of the popular vote here in Muenster," noted Aytes. Flusche said that is why Gainesville thinks that they should have six on the board and Muenster three. "We can

get good strong representation over here with good strong facts," ventured Flusche. "We can probably get four people on that board and we might even get the at-large and wouldn't that be something?"

Endres advised, "I think you need to start looking at the necessity of having a good hospital here and you can say, "It's a Gainesville hospital' or "It's a Muenster hospital' but if

Cooke County doesn't get its act together and work together you may not have either. Certainly we'll go first. Gainesville will be the first to tell you that, but Gainesville's not out of the woods either."

Aytes said he's always said he wanted Gainesville to build a new hospital and we want to work with them. He said they differed on the method chosen to work with them.

"If the answer to the questions come up with enough facts that we can support it, then you'll probably see a lot opposition out of the way. But lets get some facts out," Aytes remarked.

St. Richard's Villa – At the time of purchase the facility is reported to have had a monthly profit of between \$12,000 to \$15,000. As of end of fiscal year, June 2000, the Earnings

Statement is reflecting a loss of over \$92,000, for the year ending, or almost \$8,000 loss per month. Even with depreciation taken into account there is still a loss. Why? What happened?

Don Flusche, MMH board chair, noted that there were now payments to make on it when there weren't before. Aytes said that debt service would be the only thing going

in there.

Salaries were then cited by Flusche who said that before the hospital purchased the Villa Wes Fuson, the previous owner and administrator (then and now) wasn't taking a salary for himself. "One of the reasons that Muenster Hospital bought that is to assure our people here in Muenster a really good rest home to go to and that's what we're striving for," Flusche added.

MMH Administrator Jack Endres explained that several factors have changed since MMH bought the nursing home. The economy has changed creating competition for employees and higher pay. "There's a bidding war going for nursing home employees and there has been for the last two years," Endres noted. "All of our rates have gone up. We thought that we could go in there and put benefits in there and maybe get our employees to stay put, that we wouldn't have this revolving door sort of thing. It didn't work. I'll be the first to admit it. Our pay rates are still going up even though we have benefits over there that they didn't have before we came in there. There's such competition for workers in the nursing home area, not just here, but all around us. It's just a nightmare."

Medicare PPS is another change impacting nursing home finances, Endres explained. Medicare no longer pays for skilled nursing as it did previously. "We're no



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Highway 82 this weekend. The dealership will be closed today and
Saturday, then re-open Monday at their new 32,000 square foot home
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Photo by Dave Fette

Forestburg Volunteer Fire Department sponsors "Potluck Dinner"

dessert, plus a little extra to share. Utensils, drinks, and bread will be furnished by the Fire Department.

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longer doing skilled nursing at St. Richard's, he noted. "We brought it all over here so we can do it in our swing bed unit where we still get paid under the old system. It doesn't make us any money we inter don't

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the old system. It doesn't make us any money, we just don't loose as much."

These changes are significant and much won't change until the state provides extra reimbursement. Most of the nursing home patients are Medicaid patients and there is little that can be done.

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Worker's comp insurance is another change. When St. Richard's was bought by MMH this wasn't required as it is now. Endres noted that the rates on workman's comp for nursing homes has greatly increased. "Wes Fuson was in the mind to sell the nursing home," Endres said. We knew that. We wanted that nursing home, to be owned by us, by the people in this town. If you want it owned by us, by the people in this town. If you want it owned by a private corporation, he could have gotten a lot more for his nursing home, but I can't guarantee that it wouldn't be in the same shape the nursing home in Saint Jo is or in Gainesville."

They had hoped they would make money off of the nursing home. Now that it isn't making money Endres still wouldn't recommend selling it because it's a service that this community needs.

Aytes responded that was also a very good pitch for the hospital. Endres said, "Except the hospital can't fly." Aytes said that the biggest loss factor to the hospital at this time seems to be the nursing home. Endres said that the same applies to Home Health which is losing money, but when the new payment system comes around Endres thinks they can pick it up. He feels that since the nursing home industry is in a crisis, the state legislature can't afford but to do something and profits will pick up.

"You're building a beautiful case for a hospital," said Aytes.

long as there are two hospitals in the county neither will qualify for sole provider.

Endres asked Aytes if he thought that there could be two full service, But I think that we can work with them in such a way that we wind up with a hospital over here and contracting with them (GMH) for some of the services that we're not furnishing, in other words let them do it."

"We've already gone through this about services you think we can get rid of, but by state law we can't." Endres replied. Aytes said he wouldn't say what he was thinking.

Endres then asked if there wouldn't be two hospitals in the county, then why would they want the district. "This building will never be a hospital when we surrender the license. It is 35 years out of date." Aytes said that is why we shouldn't let the hospital close or surrender the license. "I'm saying there's enough happening out there in health care with the changes at the state level as such that "political 'suasion' will do a lot for changing those requirements you're talking about."

Flusche said, "You'd be well served if you spent a lot more time writing to your federal government with those letters rather than putting them to The Editor. You can go state government, yes, but you need to go to the federal government with those letters rather than putting them to The Editor. You can go state government, yes, but you need to go to the federal government with those letters rather than putting them to The Editor. You can go state government, yes, but you need to go to the federal government with those letters rather than putting them to The Editor. You can go state government, yes, but you need to go to the federal government with those letters rather than putting them to The Editor. You can go state government, yes, but you need to go to the federal government with those letters and government with those letters of nunderstanding."

A Letter of Intent is the only agreement that has been proposed and, or agreed to between the Muenster and Gainesville Memorial and Gainesville Mem

Hospitals, the Board members stated. Copies of these were made available to anyone interested who attended the meeting in Lindsay when the agreement was signed, they said.

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Board member Werner Becker Jr. explained, "This Meeting of Intent back in November was both Boards met to go forward to present the ideas to all the people through town hall meetings and other things. It was not a definite thing that we're going forward to do this and to get the people informed about what's going on. I think these town hall meetings told just about everything that we're been trying to do. ... The next that's got to be done is that everybody's got to vote on this so that we can go forward, either into one district or if the election over at Gainesville don't pass, it's not going to work, if it don't pass here it's not going to work. If it does pass we'll go forward. We're trying to get this all presented to you before this election so you know what to vote for."

Aytes said he had a statement to make that the Board wouldn't like, but that needed to be made. He said, "Everything that happens here is suspect in this community's mind because of four and a half years of secrecy." This met with denials from the Board.

Becker asked, "If there wasn't a plan presented before we came up with something, how could you ever present anything to the people?" Phil Endres said, "The Gainesville merger was just one of the things we talked about in the past four and a half years. We talked about all kinds of things. That was just one of them, so how can we possibly have broken that any sooner than we did?"

From the audience Pat Hennigan noted, "I failed to see anything in the Muenster Enterprise about anything in those meeting four years ago."

Becker said it wasn't news ready. Endres asked, "What would we put in the paper? Revenues are going down. We're not sure about the security or the future of the hospital. By the way, are you all still going to work here tomorrow or are you going to look for a job in Denton where See MERGER, pg 14

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Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30 S.N.A.P. Center

Wednesday, September 20, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Adult Co-ed Volleyball,7 pm Religious Ed Class, 7pm

Thursday, September 21, 2000 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1 to 4pm

Friday, September 22, 2000 Muenster Museum Open, 1 to 4pm MISD - End of 1st 6 weeks

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Saturday, September 30, 2000 ABBA Walk for Life, 9-11 am,

Thursday, September 28, 2000
Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30,
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Obituaries

Martin Philip Trubenbach 1921 - 2000

Martin

by Elfreda Fette

Martin Phillip Trubenbach,
native of Muenster, and
community and parish leader,
died at age 79 on Sept. 7, 2000
at 7:45 a.m. in Renaissance
Care Center in Gainesville.

He was born on July 22,
1921 on the family farm north
of Muenster to Anthony "Tony"
Trubenbach and Lena Tempel
Trubenbach. On Jan. 14, 1942
he married Lena Mae Schmitz
in St. Peter's Church of
Lindsay. He was a lifetime
member of Sacred Heart
Parish and lifetime member of
the Muenster Council Knights
of Columbus. His entire life
was spent in the Muenster
area, working at farming and
ranching or in the oil field. A
devoted, loving, family man,
dedicated husband, father, and
grandfather, he was especially
attentive to his grandchildren
and great-grandchildren.

Survivors are a daughter,
Gerrie Walterscheid of
Muenster, a son and daughter
in-law, Mike and SandraTrubenbach of Olive Branch,
Mississippi; min e
grandchildren; and a brother
and siteri-in-law Tony Jr. and
Thelma Trubenbach of
Muenster.

Preceding him in death were
his wife, Lena Mae on May 19,
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Muenster.
Preceding him in death were his wife, Lena Mae on May 19, 1983; a son Donnie on June 30, 1995; his parents Tony, Sr. and Lena Trubenbach; brothers Joe Trubenbach and Alois Trubenbach; sisters Margaret Trubenbach and Katherine Voth.
Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2000 in Sacred Heart Church



Martin Phillip Trubenbach

at 2:00 p.m., officiated by Father John Ohner OSA,

Father John Unnet Usa, pastor.
Altar servers were greatnephews Dustin Walterscheid, Bret Walterscheid, and Collin Walterscheid.
An Old Testament Reading was given by granddaughter Mehssa Trubenbach; and a New Testament Reading was given by grandson Karl Trubenbach. Father John Ohner nastor. gave the Trubenbach. Father John Ohner, pastor, gave the homily. Offertory Petitions were read by granddaughter Donna Walterscheid, with special prayers for Martin and prayers for rain for the community.

A special Offertory procession included his greatgrandchildren presenting items representing the work and pleasures of Martin's life: Ashley Walterscheid carried a wedding portrait of Martin and

the love of his life, Lena Mae; Levi Trubenbach presented a cow figurine and a toy tractor representing his agricultural work and love of the outdoors; Chad Walterscheid carried a book of crossword puzzles, which Martin worked for many years in spare time; Lacey Trubenbach presented a bottle of oil from Martin's first producing well. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Tony and Thelma Trubenbach, brother and sister-in-law.

Eucharistic Ministers were Leon and Sandra Fuhrmann, Carla Truebenbach, Carol Grewing, Debbie Hess, and Teresa and James Walterscheid.

Music Ministers were Linda Flusche organist and Dave and Pam Fette, vocalists, with guitar. Sacred songs included "I Am The Resurrection," "The Lord Is Kind And Merciful," "Song Of The Angels," "Be Not Afraid," and "On Eagles Wings."

After Mass, a meditation and poem, "God's Garden," was

Afraid," and "On Eagles Wings."
After Mass, a meditation and poem, "God's Garden," was read by granddaughter, Donna Walterscheid.
On Friday, preceding the day of funeral, a Rosary service was held at McCoy Funeral Chapel at 4:00 p.m. and Vigil at 8:00 p.m.
Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were grandsons Karl Trubenbach, Steve Trubenbach, and Trent Trubenbach, and Trent Trubenbach, and nephews Loyd Trubenbach and Wayne Trubenbach.

Sister Yvonne Lerner 1939 - 2000

Sister Yvonne Lerner, age 60 died at 10:20 p.m. at Holy Angels Convent on Sept. 7, 2000. She was born at Wichita Falls, Texas on Dec. 11, 1939, the daughter of John and Barbara (Brenneis) Lerner. Her parents and only brother preceded her in death. She is survived by a sister-in-law, Alvina Lerner, two foster sisters, Patsy Schumacher and Marilyn Wehman, a foster brother Ted Gremminger, several nieces and nephews, and hundreds of friends.

Sister Yvonne received her BSE degree from ASU in Jonesboro and a MRE degree from St. Meinrad's in Indiana. She was a classroom teacher for 22 years before venturing into other apostolates. She taught in Muenster at Sacred Heart School for four years in the classroom. She was a organist, taught music for a singing group in school and was a guest soloist at weddings.

Her other ministries include: Director of, Religious Education Programs, Vocation and Benedictine Oblate Program for the Community, College Campus Ministry in Arkadelphia HSU and OBU, Pastoral Administrator of the Arkadelphia and Malvern parishes, Permanent Diaconate Staff and Diocesan Director of the Diaconate Program for the Diocese of



Sister Yvonne Lerner

Little Rock. She was also Secretary for the National Association of Diaconate Directors for two years.
Sister Yvonne served as Sub-Prioress for the community for six years and also worked with the Charismatic Renewal, Inner Healing, Vocation and Retreat Programs. In 1998, she gave a retreat for the Military Council of Catholic Women in Germany. She has enriched the Liturgies by her musical talents of organ, guitar, and by her beautiful voice in Cantoring.

Funeral Mass and Celebration of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Angels Convent Chapel with Celebrant J. Peter Sartain, Bishop of Little Rock, Concelebrant Andrew J. McDonald, Bishop Emeritus, Assistant Deacons John "Bo McAllister and Vic Stepka.
Also present were 15 priests, 30 deacons, and 41 Benedictine Sisters Community Members.
Masters of Ceremony were Rev. Gregory Pilcher, OSB, chaplain at Holy Angels Convent, and Fr. Nicholas Fuhrmann, OSB, chaplain atst. Bernard's Hospital. Also attending were local relatives and friends from Gainesville and Muenster.
Burial followed in Our Lady of Mt. Olivet Cemetery on the convent grounds. A Wake Service, including the Rosary was held the evening before in the convent chapel. The Knights of Columbus served as pallbearers were Sister Yvonne's nephews and the Deacons of the Little Rock Diocease.
Burial was under the direction of Emerson Funeral Home of Jonesboro. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Holy Angels Convent Retirement Fund or the Alliance for International Monasticism.

Mattie Brockman Endres Swirczynski 1914 - 2000

by Elfreda Fette
Mass of Christian Farewell
was offered by Father John
Ohner OSA, pastor, in Sacred
Heart Church on Saturday,
Sept. 9, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. for
Mathilda "Mattie" Brockman
Endres Swirczynski, She died
on Sept. 6, 2000 in
Hutchinson, Kansas, where
she had been residing with a
daughter.
She was born on Apr. 24,
1914 in Nazareth, Texas to
Frank J. Brockman and
Josephine Hoelting Brockman.
On June 5, 1935 she married
Leonard J. Endres in
Nazareth.
They lived in Fort Worth

On June 5, 1935 she married Leonard J. Endres in Nazareth.

They lived in Fort Worth and Dallas in the early forties; in Omaha, Nebraska; in Huron, South Dakota; Columbus, Ohio; Oklahoma City; and in Muenster where they built a home. He died in Muenster on Nov. 27, 1980.

On July 2, 1985 she was married to Ray Swirczynski. He died on Mar. 7, 1997.

Survivors include three daughters and sons-in-law, Susan and Dale Henning; Mary Beth and Jerry Hertach, and Jeanne and Jim DeLano. And three sons and daughtersin-law Kenneth and Mary Margaret Endres; Richard and Rosemary Endres; and Nicholas and Linda Endres. There are 19 grandchildren. Also one sister, Martha Woods and two brothers, Victor Brockman; and sister-in-law, Sister M. Irma Endres, SSM.

Preceding her in death were her first husband Leonard J. Endres on Nov. 27, 1980 and her second husband Ray Swirczynski on Mar. 7, 1997.

Also preceding her in death were four daughters, Judith,



Mattie Endres Swirczynski

Sharon, Donna, and Kay Endres, and one son, Thomas Endres.
While living in Muenster, Mattie was very active in local community affairs. She assisted her first husband, Leonard Endres in organizing and operating the first Germanfest, especially the week-long German Week when it was first held on the parking lot in front of the Sacred Heart Community Center. She was also instrumental in organizing the Muenster Museum and the Muenster Public Library.
She was a talented homemaker, loving wife, mother, and treasured grandmother. In Muenster she was a member of Sacred Heart Church. In Hutchinson, Kansas, she was a member of Holy Cross Parish.

Preceding the day of funeral, a Rosary Service was held in McCoy Funeral Chapel on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Participating in the funeral Mass with Father John Ohner OSA were altar servers Alvin Hartman and Sylvan Walterscheid.

OSA were altar servers Alvin Hartman and Sylvan Walterscheid.

A son-in-law Jim DeLano and a granddaughter Teresa DeLano gave the First and Second Readings from the Old and New Testament, respectively. Father John Ohner gave the homily. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Lisa Endres and Pattie Doherty. Eucharistic Ministers were Charles Bayer, Cherilyn Pollard, and Regina Pels.

Music Ministers were Charles Bayer, Cherilyn Pollard, and Regina Pels.

Music Ministers were Christy Hesse and Linda Flusche. Sacred music included "On Eagles Wings," "The Lord Is Kind And Merciful," "All That We Have," "Amazing Grace," and "How Great Thou Art."

Interment in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were grandsons, Michael Endres, Steven Endres, Jeffrey Endres, Tom DeLano, Justin Hertach, and John Henning.

Oliver Ernest Huggins 1906 - 2000

Services for Oliver Ernest Huggins of Gainesville, age 93, were held on Sunday, Sept. 3, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. in McCoy Funeral Chapel in Muenster, officiated by C.E. Cole.

Mr. Huggins died in Denton Regional Medical Center on Sept. 1, 2000 at 9 a.m. He was born on Oct. 10, 1906 in Bulcher to Oliver Amos Huggins and Annie Pearl Milburn Huggins. On Sept. 30, 1933 he married Bessie L. Yancey in Frederick, Oklahoma. He was a member of the Methodist Church, a farmer and rancher, and was employed by Precinct 4 County Commissioner for 30 years.

Survivors include his wife,

Commissioner for 30 years. Survivors include his wife, Bessie L. Huggins, one



Oliver Huggins

daughter and son-in-law Louise and Weldon Doughty of Gainesville; one sister Marie Williams of Gainesville; one brother Loyd Huggins of Hurst; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were

grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were three brothers, Nicholas, Lowell, and Cleo Huggins; four sisters, Pearl Robison, Lillie Whitt, Juanita Lawhorn, and Ruby Yancey.

Burial in Coker Cemetery of Cooke County was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Jerry Doughty, Gary Doughty, Michael Doughty and Matt Doughty, all grandsons.

Andrew "Andy" Schumacher

Mass of Christian Burial for Andrew "Andy" Schumacher, 81, of Dimmitt, was held at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with Fr. Fern Couture, pastor, officiating. Vigil service was held at Foskey-Eilley-McGill Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Westlawn Memorial Park in Dimmitt, under the direction of Foskey-Eilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Schumacher was born May 4, 1919, in Muenster. He married Oleda Heiman in

Hereford on Sept. 16, 1940. Mr. Schumacher served in the Army during World War II. He was a member of the Catholic Church and self-employed custom farmer.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Charlotte Rentfro of Purcell, Oklahoma, Yvonne Wilcox of Mineral Wells, Nan Davis of Tulia; two sons, Glenn Schumacher of Plainview and Randy Schumacher of Amarillo; two sisters, Marie Loerwald and Adeline Loerwald, both of

Hereford; 10 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clem and Angela Schumacher, and by one brother, Ernie Schumacher in 1981.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Diabetes Association or Hospice Cares, 213 West Etter, Dimmitt, 79027.

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Information received from the Hereford Brand of Aug. 24, 2000

Lory Lynette Hermes, D.C. 1942 - 2000

Lory Lynette Hermes, D.C., 58, of Lake Dallas, Texas, passed away Sept. 10, 2000, at Flow Rehab Hospital in Denton. Mrs. Hermes was born July 24, 1942, to Alfred and Irene Luttmer Sicking in Muenster. On June 22, 1963, Lory married her husband of 37 years, Cyril C. Hermes.

Mrs. Hermes attended

T.W.U.; was a graduate of San Jacinto Community College and later received her Doctor of Chiropractic from Texas Chiropractic College. She then worked side by side with her husband at Hermes Chiropractic and Rehab Center in Lake Dallass for 28 years. She is survived by her husband, Cyril C. Hermes of

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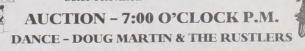
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NCTC Regents adopt budget, set tax rate for coming year

The North Central Texas College (NCTC) Board of Regents, meeting in regular session Monday evening, Aug. 21, officially adopted the college's 2000-01 operating budget of \$17,247,113 and set the college tax rate for the coming year.

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The new budget is up by just over \$1 million from last year, only a 6.3 percent increase, but preliminary enrollment reports for the fall 2000 semester indicate that NCTC's student population may grow this fall by a percentage of up to three or four times that figure.

Turning from the budget to taxes, the regents voted unanimously to set the new college tax rate at 10.32 cents per \$100 of assessed property value. A required public hearing, at which no citizens appeared to address this proposed new rate, was conducted a week earlier (Aug. 14).

The new tax rate is up from

The new tax rate is up from the current year rate of 10.11 cents - just over a two-percent increase. According to the Cooke County Appraisal District (CCAD), the college's "effective" rate for the coming year - a rate that would generate the same dollar amount of revenue as this year - would be 9.57 cents because of a \$94.7 million increase in countywide valuations.

ountywide valuations. Heidi Ellis, NCTC dean of nancial services, pointed out

that some of the required legal notices regarding taxes in the newspaper may have cited an increase of about 7.8 percent in total tax revenues with the new rate. She stressed, however, that this would be the amount of increase of the proposed new rate of 10.32 cents over the effective rate of 9.57 cents - not over the actual current year rate of 10.11 cents.

To owners of homes with an assessed value of \$61,432, the countywide average, the new college tax rate will mean a \$1.29 increase in their total college tax bill over the current year - from about \$62.10 to \$63.39, assuming that the taxable value has remained unchanged. The owner of a \$120,000 property, with no increase in assessed value, will pay \$2.52 more.

Even with the tax rate increase for 2000-01, local ad valorem tax revenues will still fall about \$24,000 short of doing what they are intended to do - cover total yearly maintenance and operation costs for NCTC's physical plant facilities in Cooke County. However, it will be the smallest such shortfall in many years, down from almost \$250,000 a decade ago and from about \$85,000 this past year with such big-ticket items as the air conditioning of the gymnasium.

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opening this fall, the project is now slated for completion in time for the spring 2001 semester.

The change order provides for \$12,874 worth of items to be added to the original construction cost of \$392,045 to be financed out of board-dedicated reserves. These include stone corners in lieu of bricks, addition of chair rails in the "living room" areas of each unit, addition of medicine cabinets to the bathrooms, and installation of individual apartment-style student mailboxes.

The NCTC regents also approved a major realignment of the structure of the college's top-level instructional administrative and instruction are restructuring was recommended by a special task force on administrative and instruction al reorganization appointed and led by NCTC President Dr. Ronnie Glasscock who said additional recommendations will be forthcoming in regard to the organization and number of instructional departments.

Under the new structure, Dr. Eddie Hadlock will assume the new position of vice

system-wide.
Dr. Hadlock's promotion leaves open his former post of dean of arts and sciences. Also open will be the dean of applied sciences position left by the reassignment of Rusty Waller as dean of institutional research and effectiveness.

In other business, the NCTC regents:

• Approved the proposed Cooke County Appraisal District budget. Present at the meeting to comment on the budget and to answer questions was Doug Smithson, chief appraiser.

• Approved the employment of contract personnel for the

coming academic year including Cherly D. Gary, law enforcement instructor, Gainesville Campus; Lisa C. Herrington, financial aid advisor, Corinth Campus; and Farahnaz Hojjaty, developmental math instructor.

* Approved bids for livestock feed.



Opinion/Editorial

Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Editor,

I was at the last Muenster Hospital Board meeting and got a real shock when I heard that Saint Richard's Villa was losing money. I heard what they gave as the reason, but that did not make much sense to me. How can Saint Richard's be losing money when there is a long waiting list to get in. All we have ever been told is how much money it was making, now we all at once get told that we are losing \$92,000 or more in the last year. Why were we not correctly informed, rather than being misled. Just a few months ago at the last Muenster Townhall Meeting someone asked Jack Endres how Saint Richard's was doing and he told us it was breaking even, so we naturally assumed that meant breaking even after making mortgage payments. But now we find out it was no where near breaking even.

Part of their explanation was that it was bought in the first place because it was important to keep Saint Richard's ownership in Muenster. All the while they were taking up the purchase and explaining to everyone what a good deal it was they were at the same time planning on turning everything over to Gainesville.

Another thing we found out when he gave the Board members a review of the past month's financial report is that the Home Health also is "in trouble and a cause for great concern", whatever that means.

means.
This has really been a shell game. They have tried to keep everyone's attention on the hospital while all the time it was Saint Richard's in trouble. No wonder they did not want us to know. Thank the Good

Lord that someone knew enough to ask the questions, or we would not know yet what was going on. Were we to merge with the other district how long would most of the county be willing to pay extra taxes just so Muenster could have a good nursing home? After all, the rest of the county does not have tax supported nursing homes. Once the rest of the voters knew, that would be the end of Saint Richard's.

The point was made that we could not count on getting and holding board seats in the new merged district because we represented only eight percent of the total county vote. Don Flusche laughed at the idea, and called out for someone to explain how precincts work so we could understand. Well we had a representative discuss that issue with a county commissioner, and sure enough, if the rest of the county were in agreement that a money-loser like Saint Richard's needs to be closed down there is no way Muenster could stop it from happening. And if the rest of the county voters were in agreement to prevent Muenster from seating a single board member that is the way it would go. If all of the Muenster voters were put in one precinct, instead of being spread over two precincts, even then Muenster would have only 32% of that one precinct. It hink Don could benefit from a similar discussion.

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discussion.

It is time for a vote to put an end to these misrepresentations. Let's call for the vote, now.

FROM MY SIDE OF THE FENCE by Ed Cler

Sometimes if one waits long enough, good things happen. About 8:30 this morning I sat down to write whatever came to mind. Then a crash of thunder, some lightning, and rain began to fall.

Well people, we just sat and watched the wet stuff come down and by 10:00, according to Channel 2, we had accumulated 1.25° of rain. That is far from a drought breaker, but it is a good start and is surely most welcome.

Alleen tells me there is to be a prayer service at Sacred Heart this evening asking Almighty God for relief from this awful drought. I think it will be a good time to say "Thank You" for what we have, and ask for a refill.

The last rain of any consequence to fall at our house was in early July, and followed a long period of dry weather, interspersed by small showers of little import.

Sometime this summer we had rain gutters installed on the house. I remarked to the supplier that I really didn't know why I would install rain gutters when we had so little rain.

But, then today we found that they will get the job done.

We have been watering Aileen's flowers, and the pecan rees that are loaded with nuts. The grass is burned brown, but the flowers and trees are doing well.

The Lord willing, we will get rain in the necessary quantities.



ISSUE UPDATE

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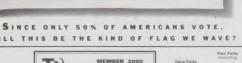
Proposed Rule by OSHA Could Cost Nursing Homes \$1.2 Billion in the First Year Alone

Homes \$1.2 Billion in

With our lives getting busier and busier, it seems like we have more government rules and regulations than ever to worry about. Most people think we have too many, but the Administration sees things a little differently.

In addition to the 450 Executive Orders the President has signed since entering office, he has promised to push through more rules and regulations during the last 60 days of his Administration. Many of them will directly affect people and businesses in our area.

For example, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration — or OSHA for short—wants to impose new ergonomic standards on businesses across the country. By some estimates, compliance with these new standards on businesses nearly \$900 billion over the next ten years. The American Health Care Association estimates the new standards



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RON CLARK

HOUSE DISTRICT 62



Debate Over Public School Starting Date

For millions of Texas children, the first day of school began in the second or third week of August. For the past ten years first-day school bells have rung earlier and earlier in the school districts across the state. Many Texans remember the days when schools started after Labor

Day.

Texas law currently does not set a specific start date for public schools, but the vast majority of districts began the 2000-2001 school year between August 7 and August 18 despite continued debate on whether starting school this earlier is beneficial to students. According to a poll of 1,000 Texans, 60% preferred starting school anywhere from a week before to two weeks after Labor Day. Sixty-four percent favored requiring all public schools to start on the same day across the state.

Most states leave the start date up to local school boards, although Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Virginia require all schools start after September 1.

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A bill was filed during the 1997 and 1999 Legislative Sessions that would have prevented Texas public schools from starting the fall semester before September 1, but the House Public Education Committee.

Many Texans have expressed their support of a uniform start date in September. Parents complain that family vacation time is cut short. Teachers say that it is difficult to take courses for their continuing education due to the early start date. Older students' employment experiences are affected. Supporters say that an August date may cause Texas' tourism industry to lose millions of dollars. Opponents say that imposing a uniform start date would usurp school districts' local control. A traditional Labor Day beginning would result in the school year ending in middle or late June, or eliminating many days off during the year. Opponents also say that starting school around Labor Day ignores the needs of local school districts and the best interests of school children. Teacher groups have supported early starts with breaks during the school year.

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The next Session, which begins January, 2001 may reexamine arguments for starting school on a uniform date no earlier than September 1. I would be interested in hearing your opinion on this issue. Please write my Capitol Office at P. O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768.

September 15 is POW/MIA Recognition Day. We should never forget those patriots and their families.





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Green Tips

Fact: Without even considering gas spills and leaks that evaporate into the air, using an electric mower would lower most harmful emissions by 99% (carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides and methane), with carbon dioxide emissions lowered by 38%. Tip: Use an electric mower instead of a gas mower and save about 73% in energy costs.

Lifestyle

Koelzer, Sulak wed in

by Elfreda Fette
The wedding of Christy Ann Sulak of Mansfield and Helmuth Peter Koelzer of Bedford was held on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2000 at 2:30 p.m. in St. John, the Apostle Catholic Church of North Richland Hills. Father Gilbert Pansza, pastor, officiated the Nuptial Mass and the exchange of marriage vows with double ring rites.

The bride is the daughter of Marvin and Sharon Sulak of Mansfield and the granddaughter of Eleanor Rusnak, and Rose Sulak and the late Lervin Rusnak, and Rose Sulak and the late Justin Sulak. She is a graduate of Nolan High School and the University of Texas at Arlington and a member of Delta Zeta Sorority. She holds a BBA degree in Finance and is employed in the Finance Department at Bell Helicopter.

The groom is the son of Muenster and the late Pete Koelzer, and the late Rudolph and Rosina Thim. He is a graduate of Subiaco Academy, Arkansas, and Texas A&M University, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering, Magna Cum Laude, and is employed by Bell Helicopter as an Aerospace engineer.

Presented at the altar by her father, Marvin Sulak, the bride was wearing a formal MoriLee gown of duchess satin, with embroidered bugle beads and seed pearls. The tank bodice was beautifully

trimmed with all-over hand embroidery highlighted with a combination of oat sprays, seed pearls, crystals, and bugle beads. The Basque waist met the full skirt that was highlighted by embroidered detailing above a set-in cuff at the hem. Buttons and the detailing of embroidery flowed up the back of the skirt in a redingote effect.

A crown pearled wreath held her elbow-length veil. Her bridal bouquet included elegant fragrant white roses, million star, stephanotis, minicarnations, and English Garden greenery. She carried her mother's First Holy Communion rosary and her mother's lace handkerchief for sentiment and tradition.

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Maid of honor was Michelle Sulak of Mansfield, bride's sister.

Matron of honor was Cheryl Moehling of Austin, bride's sister.

Bridesmaids were Jeanette Whitley, Christine Elmer, Melissa Moller, friends of the bride, and Lindsay Rusnak, bride's cousin.

They wore orchid, full length formal gowns of satin and embroidery. Sabrina necklines accented the sleeveless bodices. A wide, set-in midriff waist gave an empire effect. The deep, V-neck back floated into a full length A-line skirt.

Bridesmaids carried nosegay bouquets of roses, minicarnations, and greenery.

Flower girl was Chelsea Rusnak, of Tucson, Arizona, bride's cousin. Ring bearer was

Ryan Gehrig, and Gus Felderhoff, all friends of the groom. They also assisted as ushers.

Wedding music was presented by Jean Bourland and Sally Hultgren. Prelude music included Pachelbel's "Canon in D" and Bach's "Minuet;" "I Have Loved You" for entrance and seating of the mothers and grandmothers of the couple; Purcell's "Trumpet "Voluntary" for entrance of the bridesmaids and the bride; "On This Day" for lighting of the Unity candle, which was done by mothers of the couple; On Eagle's Wings" at Holy Communion; Schubert's "Ave Maria" at the Devotion to Mary; and Bach's "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," for the recessional.

Lector for the special wedding liturgy was Charlotte Sicking. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Christian Crowder and Justin Sulak, Jr. Eucharistic Ministers were Stevan and Katie Nasche.

Church decorations included floral arrangements of white gladioli, larkspur, million star, English ivy, and other greenery. All flowers used in church and the reception area were dedicated in loving memory of Ervin Rusnak and

Justin Sulak, the late grandfathers of the bride, Pete Koelzer, Rudolph and Rosina Thim, the late grandparents of the groom, and Helmut Thim, uncle of the groom.

RECEPTION

A reception, dinner, and dance were hosted by the bride's parents for 225 guests and held at S.P.J.S.T. Hall in Burleson. The dance was started with a Grand March, followed by the bride and



The German sweet chocolate groom's cake, decorated with a TAMU seal and chocolate covered strawberries was served by Donna Rusnak, bride's aunt.

Reception assistants were Lynn Sulak, Karen Sulak, Donna Rusnak, Lori McKay, Rhonda Hurtik, and Caroline Townsend.

Punch and hors d'oeuvres were served by the bride's aunts, Lynn and Karen Sulak and her cousin Rhonda Hurtik.

The cake and punch table was decorations emphasized white and orchid tulle and bows.

The groom's parents, Wilfred and Pauline Koelzer hosted the rehearsal dinner at Diamond Oaks Country Club in North Richland Hills on Sept. 8.

When the couple returns from a wedding trip to St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, they will reside in Hurst.



Mrs. Helmuth Peter Koelzer ... 'nee Christy Ann Sulak ...

NEW ARRIVALS

Hermes

Eugene and Cindy Hermes of Lindsay announce the birth of a son, Nathan Ryan Hermes, in Gainesville Memorial Hospital on Aug. 30, 2000, at 3:06 p.m., weighing 7 lb. 8 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. He joins two brothers, Brett M. Hermes, age 8, and Tyler G. Hermes, age 3, at home. Grandparents are Linda and Billy Wilson of Gainesville and Richard and Edna Hermes of Lindsay and Mansell and Debbie Gilmer of Merkel. Great-grand parents are Connie Tyler of Valley View, Bob and Mable Gilmer of Merkel, Joe Hoenig of Muenster, and Cecilia Hermes of Lindsay.

Cabello
Hector and Paula Cabello of
Gainesville are parents of a
daughter, Olevia Dawn
Cabello, born in Muenster
Memorial Hospital on Sept. 7,
2000, at 12:43 p.m. weighing 8
lb. 4 oz. and measuring 20
inches in length, Siblings are
Kenneth Paul Martinez, age 4,
and Kimberly Kale Martinez,
age 3. Grandparents are Juan
and Grace Saucedo and Angel
and Margarita Cervantz of
Gainesville.

Salcedo Melissa Hellinger and Mario Salcedo of Gainesville are parents of a daughter, Victoria

Ann Salcedo, born in Muenster Memorial Hospital on Sept. 11, 2000, at 7:20 a.m. weighing 8 lb. 8.7 oz. and measuring 20 inches in length. She joins brothers Anthony and Andre Ibarra and Iziequiel Salcedo. Grandparents are Patty and George Kizer of Gainesville and Mark and Pattie Hellinger of Gainesville. Greatgrandparents are Manuela and Jose Salcedo of Gainesville.

Dance to celebrate destination dignity month on Sept. 21

Governor George Bush has declared September as Destination Dignity Month. Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma is celebrating the month with a special evening.

"For several years, we have been sponsoring a celebration dance for people with mental disabilities. Our celebration will be held on Thursday, Sept. 21, Sherman VFW, corner of Baker and Frisco, 7:00-9:00

p.m. There is no charge to attend. This event is open to all persons with mental disabilities whether they are a MHMR consumer or not. We will have food, fun, and door prizes. We will have volunteer groups helping us with this event," Paula Cawthon states.

For more information on the event or volunteer information, contact Cawthon at 903-786-4804.

Cool energy saving tips Spread out bathing, dishes, and laundry to avoid excessive use of the hot water heater.

Fr. Sebastian to celebrate 50th

On Sunday, Sept. 17, Father Sebastian Beshoner, OSB will be honored at Saint Peter's Parish in Lindsay on his 50 years of vows as a Benedictine Monk. Parishioners will help celebrate at a noon meal in the Centennial Hall, with each

family supplying side dishes and dessert

An open house will be held from 1-2 p.m. for neighboring parishioners to come and greet Father Sebastian on his years of service.

Sacred Heart Alumni Homecoming 2000 Social Dance Sacred Heart Community Center

Saturday, Sept. 16, 2000

Doors open at 8:00 pm Admission \$750 each Food & Drinks provided

Music by Rick Arend, D.J. Systems

The family of Martin Trubenbach would like to thank everyone for the food, flowers, Masses,

Thank you to Father John, the Eucharistic Ministers, Pam and Dave Fette, and Linda Flusche for the lovely service.

To the Catholic Daughters for a wonderful meal.

A special thank you to the staff at the Renaissance Center for all the special care you gave. You will be remembered in our thoughts and prayers.

Mike, Gerrie, and Families

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Golden Wedding Anniversary observed by Hartmans

by Elfreda Fette
A weekend celebration of the
50th wedding anniversary of
Leonard and Emily Hartman
was hosted by their sons and
daughters-in-law, Tim and
Janie Hartman and John and
Colynda Hartman of
Muenster, daughter and sonin-law Karla Jo and John
Kintz of Fort Worth, and
daughters Jeanann Hartman
of Stephenville and Marilynn
Hartman of Lexington,
Kentucky. There are six
grandchildren.
The observance of the golden
wedding began with the
family's attendance at Mass on
Sunday morning Sept. 3 in
Sacred Heart Church. Open
House was held in the upstairs
reception area of the Center
Restaurant in Muenster
Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to
4:00, and attended by a large
group of relatives, friends, and
neighbors.
The reception area was
beautifully decorated in

cut and served by the nonor couple.

Jessica Hartman, a granddaughter, greeted everyone and invited them to sign the guest book. Among those coming from a distance were Jerry and Delette Fette and her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Lowell McKee, all of Waco. Also attending was a close friend and cousin, Floradell LaGesse of Austin. Also friends from out of county and surrounding areas.

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In the evening a family gathering was held poolside at the home of a niece and her husband, Darlene and Rick Stewart, for reminiscing, picture taking, and a brisket-

salads-and-trimmings informal buffet, attended by family, kin, and friends.

Throughout the celebration, friends and relatives recalled the wedding day on Sept. 6, 1950 when Emily Fette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joen Fette and Leonard Hartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hartman pledged their vows in a Nuptial High Mass in Sacred Heart Church at 8:30 a.m. officiated by Rev. Anthony Schroeder OSB, pastor, and Rev. Fr. Salvador of Dallas, a family friend.

Altar servers were Jimmy Fette, Jerry Klement, Donald Lehnertz, Robert Meurer, and Ronnie Herr.
The bride was attired in a beige crepe dress, brown velvet hat, and brown accessories. She carried an orchid corsage atop her white prayerbook.
Her sister, Florence Fette was bridesmaid, wearing a teal blue dress, brown accessories,

at the bride's book.

When Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hartman returned from their wedding trip to West Texas and Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico they made their home here where he is engaged in farming. The bride is a graduate of St. Paul's School of Nursing in Dallas. She was one of the first nurses employed by Sister Mildred Felderhoff, administrator, when Muenster Memorial Hospital first opened. Mr. Hartman is a Veteran, having served in the U.S. Army in 1949 and 1950.



Robert and Marian Grub

Grubers celebrate 40th year with Mass and open house

Robert and Marian Gruber elebrated their 40th wedding Robert and Marian Gruber celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Aug. 13 at 10:00 a.m. Mass in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay with Fr. Sebastian Beshoner officiating. They were married by Fr. Alcuin Kubis on Aug. 13, 1960 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster. Their family enjoyed lunch in their home. An open house followed in the afternoon hosted by their daughters, Annette Schmitz of Flower Mound and Alice Gruber of Houston. Also assisting with the open house was Mrs. Gruber's sister, Irma Forrester of Forestburg, who was matron of honor on their wedding day, and a niece,

Mona Baird, also of Forestburg, JoAnn Schumacher of Era, and Kathy Hootman of Denton. More than 100 guests dropped by to wish them well and enjoyed a variety of beverages served with Italian cream cake and German chocolate cake made by Betty Rose Walterscheid, along with other snacks.

A special surprise guest was Jutta Carter (widow of Jodie Starke) of Wichita Falls. The Grubers' son-in-law, LCDR Joe Schmitz, called from his business trip in Kolblenz, Germany to wish them well. Upon his return the following week, they enjoyed dinner at the Dutchman.

Walk for Life offers opportunity to make a statement for life

ABBA Women's Center, a crisis pregnancy center serving Cooke County and surrounding areas, is hosting its first "Walk for Life," Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Lindsay ISD track from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

ABBA is in the process of converting its operations to a medical facility so that limited ultrasound services may be offered. Money raised from the "Walk for Life" will be used to fund this project and to retire the building debt.

The walk is a "non-athletic" event, open to all ages. Walkers can sponsor themselves or may be sponsored by others. They can walk on a team or on their own. Each walker raising \$150 in pledges will receive a high quality t-shirt. Prizes will be awarded to the oldest walker, the youngest walker, the team with the most family members, the walker covering the greatest distance during the walk time, and the walker traveling the greatest distance to get to the walk.

A concession stand will be available. St. Peter's youth group, The ROCK, will be available to paint faces. Lollipop the clown will also entertain. Music will be provided by Mary Lin Knabe. This is an event for the whole family.

"ABBA's "Walk for Life" is your opportunity to publicly demonstrate your belief in the sanctity of life. Let's challenge every person in Cooke County who is opposed to abortion to come out on Saturday for the walk. Let's make a statement for life," said Jeanne Greathouse, ABBA volunteer. For additional information and/or sponsor-registration forms, please call: ABBA, 668-6391; Stacie Miller, 759-4932; Jeanne Greathouse, 995-2716; Lorene Sandmann, 726-3582; Crangela Haverkamp, 665-

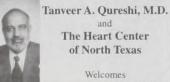
Lorene Sandmann, 726-3582 or Angela Haverkamp, 665 6447.

St. Peter's to hold book fair

The Divine Mercy Annual Book Fair will be held in Conrad Hall in Lindsay after all the Saint Peter's weekend Masses and from 1-5 p.m. on Sept. 16 and 17.

Ten percent of all proceeds will go toward a Confirmation retreat in the spring.

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Yvonne Ambrose, NP-C to our medical group practice.

Yvonne has 25 years of critical care experience caring for the critically ill medical and surgical patient. Practice included serving as the clinical educator and preceptor to staff as expert in her field. She is an Advanced Cardiac Life Support provider and instructor

Currently, her work in advanced practice includes the management of the patient with cardiac, respiratory, and medical conditions, including heart disease, heart failure, and heart rhythm disturbances

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Brunch recognizes grandparents

In celebration of National Grandparent Month and the 35th anniversary of the National Foster Grandparent Program, The Texoma Foster Grandparent Program will honor all grandparents for their contributions to family and community. A brunch will be held at Benjamin's, 5515 Hwy. 1417 in Sherman on Sept. 27 from 10:00 a.m. to non.

All grandparents are invited to attend and enjoy brunch, door prizes, and entertainment. A theme of "Creating Memories of a Lifetime" will be carried out with artwork, poetry, and

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Leonard and Emily Hartman

Trust Fund heroes honored at banquet last Sunday

More than 200 guests attended the Sacred Heart Teachers' Sustentation Fund Banquet last Sunday to celebrate the 24th year of the Fund's existence. The doors of the Sacred Heart Community Center opened at 11:30 a.m. and guests enjoyed a reception and reveled in the Fund's growth to over two and a quarter million dollars.

Master of Ceremonies Chuck Bartush introduced Pete Wall, the Fund's financial consultant from Smith Barney. Wall reviewed the investments of funds and tracked their progress over the past year.

Wall introduced Tom Kingsley, the featured speaker. Kingsley, an estate planning expert, shared ideas and thoughts on how the guests and other friends of the Trust Fund could make beneficial gifts to the Trust Fund while receiving tax advantages and guaranteed income from the gift.

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Investment vehicles such as charitable remainder trusts, lead trusts and annutities were mentioned as a means to benefit both the Trust Fund and the donor.

the Dinner with a prayer of thanks.

The freshman class of Sacred Heart High School served the word bleu which was catered by Rohmer's Restaurant.

The Sacred Heart Trust Fund is a tax exempt organization, separate from Sacred Heart Parish. Its purpose is to provide supplemental salary contributions to the teachers of Sacred Heart School.

Bartush mentioned all of the volunteers and friends who made the Dinner possible. A special tribute was made to Florence Grewing and Charlie Stelzer whose estates respectively made 70k and 20k contributions to the Fund in the past year.

All contributions, large and small, were recognized as heroes, just like Florence and Charlie, because through their generosity the Fund reached its \$1 million goal in 1995 and is now realized at over two and a quarter million dollars.

Father John Ohner, Sacred Heart pastor, marveled at the large attendance and closed the Dinner with a prayer of thanks.

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Monty Roberts Join Up Tour scheduled Oct. 23 in Fort Worth

Monty Roberts Join Up Tour is scheduled to appear in Fort Worth on Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Will Rogers Memorial Center.

Monty Roberts internationally renowned horse gentler and best-selling author of The Man Who Listens to Horses, will appear in a three hour equine presentation on Oct. 23 at the Will Rogers Memorial Center.

Roberts travels the world offering demonstrations of his non-violent Join Up™ technique based in the natural language of the horse. Using "Equus" the non-verbal communication method he learned from horses, Roberts travels the world offering demonstrations of his non-violent Join Up™ technique based in the natural language of the horse. Using "Equus" the non-verbal communication method he learned from horses, Roberts travels the world offering demonstrations of his non-violent Join Up™ technique based in the natural language of the horse. Using "Equus" the non-verbal communication method he learned from horses, Roberts achieves in 30 minutes what takes traditional horsemen on average over three weeks to accomplish.



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A special note of thanks to the Catholic Daughters for a bountiful table following the service, and to those who donated so generously. Appreciation is also expressed to the Knights of Columbus for the use of the hall.

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School News

Parents to lead "Prayer Journeys" at schools

Forty-three students and teachers have been murdered and 83 more have been wounded by fellow students on their school campuses during the last four school years. Parents concerned over the growing trends of school violence in American schools are planning to lead a nationwide effort to show their support for students and school teachers through simultaneous Campus Prayer Journeys, Tuesday evening, Sept. 19.

The prayer event, named "Campus Prayer Journey 2000" began in Arkansas in 1998 when more than 10,000 parents came together on the campuses where their children attended school to pray for their safety. Campus Prayer Journeys were born from a need parents had to show their support for students and school administrators after the Jonesboro, Arkansas school shootings in March of 1998.

The idea of Campus Prayer Journeys spread to other states like Tennessee, North Carolina, Mississippi, Missouri, Texas, and Oklahoma in 1999. Chad

Math and science teachers Danna Hess and Nancy Perryman spent Tuesday evening, Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 29-31, at the Texas Alliance Legislative Conference hosted by Lt. Gov. Rick Perry in Dallas. After an opening address by Texas Education Agency Commissioner Jim Nelson Tuesday night, the conference progressed to individual sessions.

Childress of the North American Mission Board's Student Evangelism office said, 'In light of recent acts of violence on campuses in Colorado and Georgia, we are inviting every Christian church across the United States and Canada to mobilize concerned parents from their area or parish to go to their children's school campuses on Tuesday evening, Sept. 19 and pray. Prayer is a pro-active and spiritual response to the alarming national problem of school violence." Chris Schofield, Manager of the Prayer Evangelism Unit of NAMB said, "Instead of twisting our hands with worry and fear, we must mobilize our adults to stand up and pray for the safety, salvation, and spiritual growth of our children and teenagers this coming school year."

Campus Prayer Journey is a companion event to See You At the Pole, a youth-led prayer meeting held each year the third Wednesday of September around middle school and high school flag-poles. The Sept. 19 Prayer Journey for adults has been strategically planned the

State wants more rigorous math and science courses

Tuesday evening before students participate in the annual See You At the Pole prayer event, he said, to provide prayer support for students gathering less than 12 hours later.

Locally the First Baptist Church and Sacred Heart Church are joining together to sponsor the first Campus Prayer Journey to pray for both Muenster Public and Sacred Heart Schools. Parents and interested adults are asked to gather at the Community Center parking lot at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 19. Then the participants will be divided into teams three or four and will journey around the perimeter of both campuses praying for our students, teachers, and staff in the coming school year.

The following Wednesday morning, at 7 a.m., Sept. 20, students of both schools are invited to gather at the flagpoles in front of the Muenster ISD High School for See You At the Pole to join in prayer for their schools, their community, and their nation.

Submitted by Barbara Fuhrmann Rohmer



Sacred Heart Homecoming Queen's Court, from left, Jackie Bartush, Diane Becker, Holly Hartman, Dana Miller, Audrey Barnhill, Jana Truebenbach, and Jayna Biffle. Photo by Janie Hartman

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fruit.

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Fri. - Pepperoni pizza, beans, salad, fruit.

MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Tacos, shredded lettuce and cheese, diced tomatoes, pinto beans, Spanish rice, pineapple tidbits, banana bread.

Tues. - Lasagna, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Wed. - Chicken patty on a bun, lettuce and tomatoes, chips, bananas, carrot sticks, cake.

cake.
Thurs. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, sliced pears, hot rolls.
Fri. - Barbecue sandwiches, onions and pickles, baked beans, French fries, applesauce, ice cream.

LINDSAY ISD
Chicken flauta,

Mon. - Chicken flauta, refried beans, Mexican rice, pineapple, bread.
Tues. - Barbecue sandwich, pinto beans, tator tots,

peaches.
Wed - Chicken fried steak,
mashed potatoes, mixed
veggies, pears, bread.
Thurs. - Fish, black-eyed
peas, fried okra, mixed fruit,
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peas, fried okra, mixed fruit, bread.

Fri. - Turkey and noodles, broccoli and cheese, salad, oranges, bread.

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Mon. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit mix, cornbread.

Tues. - Chicken spaghetti or steak fingers, green beans, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, chocolate chip cookie.

Wed. - Pizza: pepperoni or cheese, corn, pears, tossed salad, Missouri cookie.

Thurs. - Country fried pork steak or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, peaches, tossed salad, hot roll.

Fri. - Steak sandwich, sliced cheese, trimmings, tator tots, ice cream.

Muenster ISD National Honor Society meets September 5

discussed.
Oct. 3 was the date set for the traditional member induction banquet. It was agreed to wait for cooler weather before picking up trash on the section designated to the NHS through Adopt-a-Highway. Several members expressed interest in working

The eight members of Muenster High School's National Honor Society met Sept. 5 with sponsor Dana Hess During the meeting new business was addressed and discussed.

Oct. 3 was the date set for Current members include:

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A school library is typically a place where students can find vast amounts of information through various resources. Individual schools obviously have different books, periodicals, and ways to find additional information, but now public school libraries are receiving the opportunity to get connected. The Lindsay public school library is enhancing the way information can be gathered thanks to the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund (TIF) Board, a state agency in Austin. Lindsay campus libraries will receive \$63,000 in order to increase the technology infrastructure to support the Texas Library Connection (TLC).

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prayer for our students, and the schools in our community. We are asking

families and individuals to pray on the campuses where their children attend

school. Participants may walk, skate, jog, drive, or bike {journey} around

the campuses. Our goal is to have a prayer team on each of our campuses

praying for the salvation, the safety, and the spiritual growth of the students

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merged records of more than 44 million items from approximately 4200 campus libraries that are already online and subscribing. It also provides these school libraries with online resources such as Britannica Online, ProQuest Direct, and governmental documents.

"The grant funds will help immensely," said Marilyn Cox. "The school library should be able to accommodate a valuable resource such as the Texas Library Connection so that our students have access to the most information possible. This grant will allow us to purchase the equipment necessary to get connected and allow our students that very opportunity." necessary to allow our s opportunity

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Danna Hess and Nancy Perryman State Representative Jerry Madden, Senator David Cain, and State Board of Education Representative Judy Strickland. These goals can be reached, to an extent, at the local level with more training for teachers PK – 12, parental involvement, community and business involvement. These changes definitely come down to money and hopefully in January 2001, when the next legislative session begins, the issues will be dealt with and the goals will be closer to reality.

Fortunately Muenster ISD already requires integrated physics and chemistry and offers advanced placement courses in calculus and English. Students taking advanced placement courses can earn college credits if they score high enough on the advanced placement exam given by the College Board at the end of the year. MISD does hope to offer more AP courses in the future, but science AP courses are very costly due to the types of lab necessary.

over the shortage of applicants in the math and science fields. A major concern of all was how to keep qualified teachers in these areas when they can make more money going into industry themselves. The number of qualified teachers in all areas is at its lowest, with those in the science and math area at a critical point. Some recommendations to help fill both the need for qualified teachers and increase the number of graduating students in math and science included: • More rigorous courses in high school math and science. • Requirement by the state that all students take chemistry and physics courses. • End of course exam in integrated physics and chemistry • Extensive math and science departments. • More interdisciplinary teaching in the math and science departments. • Develop more AP classes in math and science • Utilize more programs in community colleges and technical schools • End social promotion The conference closed with legislative perspectives from Tuesday night, the conference progressed to individual sessions. These sessions focused on topics such as the shortage of teachers and the necessity of having qualified and certified teachers in the classroom. Deans of Education of several universities, including Texas A&M, Texas Tech, and the University of Texas reported on the low numbers of students entering the field of education. They also voiced a concern about keeping students interested in math and science fields. They shared with the teachers what they wanted from incoming students. Even though SAT scores in math are higher than ever before, the number of students graduating in the field of engineering is no higher than a decade ago. Members of industry present at the meeting also voiced a concern Refill your prescriptions on-line at www.nortexinfo.net/muensterpharmacy Ask about having your prescription transferred to us - \$2.00 off each transferred prescription MUENSTER PHARMACY "We Compound" Respiratory Medications and Diabetic Supplies | Monday - Friday 9 A.M. - 6 P.M. | Saturday 9 A.M. - 12 NOON and Diabetic Supplies Billed to Medicare or Your Insurance Company (940) 759-2833 • FAX (940) 759-4758 511 N. Maple • Muenster, Texas 76252 red - VISA

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Sports

Hornets scalped by Nocona 20-27

Muenster's varsity football team traveled to Nocona Friday night for their season opener against the Indians. The Indians scored first on a fumbled ball, then Muenster tied the score 7-7 the first quarter. Muenster then took the lead, the Indians tied it again before half-time. Nocona took a 14-27 lead in the fourth quarter of play, the Hornets fought back, but settled for a 20-27 defeat.

"It was a game like I expected, good and close," noted Coach Gordon Martin." I'm disappointed on our turnovers and the fact we had a chance to win and couldn't do it. If we took care of business earlier, we shouldn't have been in that position," Martin concluded.

Nocona took the opening kick, with 5 consecutive penalties assisting the Indians drive to midfield before the Hornet defense forced a punt.

Starting on their own 17 yard line, runs by Mitch Endres and Cody Cory and a pass to Derek Elliott moved the Hornets 29 yards, but a fumbled ball was picked up by Ryan Jones and returned 26 yards for a touchdown. The PAT kick gave Nocona a 7-0 lead with 5 minutes on the clock.

From the 31 yard line, Mitch Endres kept the ball for a 69 yard touchdown run. Endres added the point after and with 4-44 remaining in the first period, the game was tied 7-7.

On their own 24, Nocona fumbled and Chris Grewing

and Cory, assisted by a 15 yard penalty was followed by a 23 yard touchdown pass to Greg Johnson. The PAT kick was blocked and Muenster closed the gap to 20-27 with 1:13 remaining in the game.

An on-side kick was covered by Derek Elliott giving Muenster possession on the Nocona 47. Three incomplete passes and a quarterback sack ended the game for the Hornets.

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3/186 Rushes/yds. 32/134
87 Passing yds. 113
6/15/0Comp/att./int.7/14/1
3/39 Punts/avg. 6/30
3/3 Fumbles/lost 2/1
11/70 Penalties./yds. 9/65
1 ndividual Stats
RUSHING: M, Mitch Endres
16/113; Cody Cory 9/49; N
Michael Arnett 20/91
TURNOVERS: Chris Grewing,
Chisam Cain.

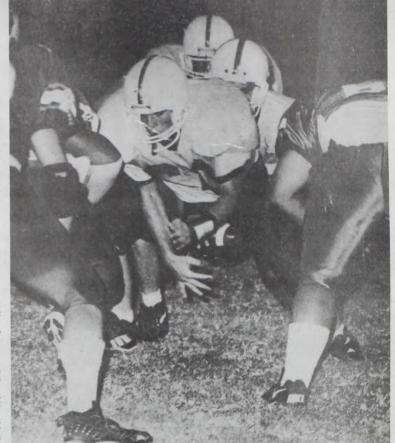
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Michael Aribett TURNOVERS: Chris Grewing, Chisam Cain.

Next Action
This Friday night, the Hornets will host the Millsap Bulldogs, a 2A play-off team.
"They're very quick. I expect another tough game," said Coach Martin.

The Bulldogs were 10-2 last season and have seven two-way veterans that took the field this season. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

NOTE
The Muenster junior high and junior varsity host Paradise Thursday evening, beginning at 5 p.m. with the seventh grade team.



Tiger center Thomas Whitecotton snaps the ball to quarterback Luke Endres, then clears a path the Calvary defensive line allowing Endres to reach the end zone for a Sacred Heart touchdown.

Tigers out-tackle Calvary

The Tigers of Sacred Heart got their first victory of the season last Friday, when they out-played the larger Conquerors of Calvary Academy to a final 20-0

"It was a good team effort," said Coach Kris Hogan. "I'm proud of the boys for playing hard for four quarters." Hogan noted the defense played a great game, allowing Calvary an average of less than two yards per carry. Offensively, the coach said the Tigers blocked decent, but he's not satisfied, that they can do better than what was shown.

The Tigers took the opening kick to their 38 yard line. Pounding against the Calvary line, Sacred Heart linemen opened a path for Keith Felderhoff, Chris Smith, and Luke Endres to move down field to the 15 yard line. Two holding flags delayed the Tiger attack, but on 3rd and 10, Felderhoff took a good run up the middle for six points. John Knabe booted the extra point for a 7-0 Tiger lead with 5:37 remaining on their 21 yard line. Tackles by Jeff Hartman and Kenneth Grewing forced a Calvary punt. Jonathan Yosten moved in, blocked the punt, then carried the ball into the second quarter, getting five yards from pay dirt. The threat of scoring was stopped when Michael Voth covered a fumbled ball on the Tiger 2 yard line. Two plays later Sacred Heart fumbled, giving the Conquerors possession on the 16. Calvary got to the 10, then fumbled Grewing covered the ball on the 14. Unable to get 10 yards, Endres punted from the end

Muenster Booster

Club meeting

new gym

Mon., 7:30 pm,

zone, putting Calvary at midfield. Defensive plays by Yosten, Travis Fuhrmann, and Grewing gave the ball back to the Tigers, only temporarily, as Calvary picked off a Tiger pass, playing out the remainder of the clock to half-time.

The teams exchanged possessions during the first half of the third quarter. Fuhrmann caused a fumble that Hartman covered on the Calvary 22 yard line, setting up the Tigers next score.

Three runs by Smith took the ball to the 10. An Endres keeper gained 9, then Endres went into the end zone from the one. Knabe kicked the extra point to extend the Tiger lead 14-0 with 4:12 on the clock.

The Calvary offense drove the ball from their 20 to the Tiger 3 as the final quarter began. Voth caught Calvary in the backfield for a 10 yard loss. On 4th and 16 Matt Donohue covered another loose ball giving Sacred Heart possession on the 50 yard line.

Runs by Felderhoff, Smith, and Endres, and a saved fumble by Yosten took the Tigers to the four. Felderhoff moved the ball to the 1/2 yard line, where Endres followed center Thomas Whitecotton into the end zone. The PAT run failed for a 20-0 score with 6:43 on the game clock.

Calvary again moved the ball steadily against the Tigers for 5 plays, but two incomplete passes and a Grewing quarterback sack gave the ball back to Sacred Heart, who allowed time to tick off the clock for a Tiger victory.

"The Tigers worked hard to execute what we practiced all week," commented Coach Hogan. "Our offensive coordinator Dale Schilling called a real good game.

TEAM STATS

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11 1st downs 14
37/164 Rushes/yds. 36/66
0 Passing yds. 151
3/0/1 Passing 21/12/0
3/31 Punts/avg. 0/0
2/1 Fumbles/lost 6/4
11/100 Penalties/yds. 4/25
Individual Stats:
RUSHERS Keith Felderhoff
10/79; Chris Smith 14/44; Luke
Endres 8/42: TACKLES: Jack
Biffle, Keith Felderhoff, Jeff
Hartman, Thomas
Whitecotton, Kenny Grewing,
FUMBLES RECOVERED:
Michael Voth, Kenny Grewing,
Jeff Hartman, Matt Donohue.

NEXT ACTION

Jeff Hartman, Matt Donohue."

NEXT ACTION

This Friday it will be a battle of the Tigers as Sacred Heart hosts the Waco Tigers for their annual homecoming event.

This independent Waco team is made up of students from several different private schools in Waco. They are 1-1 for the season.

With the exception of a couple of players, we should be relatively equal in size and athletic ability," noted Coach Hogan.

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

TIGER AWARDS

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

TIGER AWARDS
OF THE WEEK
Offensive back award,
Luke Endres. Ball Hog
Award (whoever causes or gets
a turnover) Thomas
Whitecotton, Luke Endres,
Kenneth Grewing, Johnny
Yosten, Michael Voth, Jeff
Hartman, and Matthew
Donohue. Big Hit Award,
Keith Felderhoff, Luke Endres,
Kenneth Grewing. Steam
Roller Award (highest graded
offensive lineman), John
Knabe. Fighting Heart
Award (players who give their
best effort every play) Jeff
Hartman, Matt Donohue,
Travis Fuhrmann for defensive
line play; Michael Voth and
Johnny Yosten - for blocking
efforts.

Football contest begins

The first week of the Muenter Enterprise Tackles, Turnovers, and Touchdown Football Contest had 26 entries.

Of the twenty games to pick winners, the lowest score was eight, while the high score was 16. Dustin Wimmer was this season's first weekly winner, missing only four games. His \$25 cash prize awaits him at the Enterprise office.

Jon LeBrasseur was a close second with 15, followed by Charles Edwards with 14, and Tim Bindel guessing 13.

Missing 8 were Noah Barnhill, Edgar Dyer, Ted Heers, Wayne Klement, Dave Reiter, Mike Stoffels, and Kim Walterscheid.

In the tie-breaker score, Edgar Dyer guessed the correct scores, but had the teams reversed, Muenster 27, Nocona 20.

Eightteen contestants went for Muenster, while only five picked Sacred Heart. Twenty-two missed Petrolia's 47-6 win over Archer City, with 19 missing Decatur over Boyd, and 17 not guessing Ambassadors win.

Only two entries missed Saint Jo, while two went with the State School. Six contestants missed Alvord's loss and five went with Era.

Join the fun and earn some extra cash. Enter the contest every week and be eligible for the \$100 season winnings.



et sophomore Cody Cory has the ball near the goal line crowded behind Derek Elliot and Chis Photo by Dave Fette

Cross country under way at Muenster High

Cross country season is well under way for athletes at Muenster High School. The girls are working out each day and are hoping to see cooler temperatures soon. The cross country team is led by seniors Kristie Lutkenhaus, Megan Hennigan, Malony Gieb, and Keri Felderhoff. Underclassmen participating at the cross country meets include: juniors, Pamela Lutkenhaus, Brittany Haverkamp, Krystal Hale, Lacy Endres; sophomores, Kami Klement, Jami Gerstberger, Lisa Felderhoff, and Fresh men, Melinda a Walterscheid, Robyn Hermes, and Chelsea Felderhoff. The first meet of the season was held Sept. 2 at North Park Lakes in Denton. the girls ran in temperatures over 100°. Running against 14 teams in Class 1A and 2A, the Muenster

The next cross country meet will be held Sept. 16 at Valley View.

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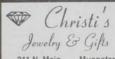
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TIEBREAKER: Sacred Heart



et back Greg Johnson pulls in a pass as he crosses the goal aster near the end of the Nocona game. Photo by Dave Fe

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Hornet JV knocks out Nocona's Tribe

The Muenster Junior Varsity
Hornets opened their 2000
season last Thursday night
with a big 36-0 shutout overthe Nocona Indians.

The Tribe's offense began the
battle, getting in six plays
before punting. Muenster's
first play from the line was
fumbled. Nocona covered, ran
another six plays, and fumbled
the ball back to the Hornets.
Michael Endres covered the
ball on the Muenster 21 yard
line. Two runs by Dustin Hiser
moved the Hornets to midfield,
but a fumbled pitch set the ball
back 11 yards to end the first
period of play.

Hiser gained back 10 yards,
but Muenster was forced to
punt after an incomplete pass.
Nocona's offense struggled. A
quarterback sack by Ricky
Endres forced another punt.
Jake Freeman ran for 13 yards,
but another fumbled play set
the Hornets back 10 yards. A
Dustin Walterscheid to Colby
Newton pass put the Hornets
in Indian territory, but
Muenster had to boot the ball
on 4th down. Jared Ledbetter's
punt set the Indians on the 14
yard line.

Two plays later, Muenster
covered a loose ball. The next
play Dustin Walterscheid
scored on a 22 yard
quarterback draw. The extra
point pass was picked off to
give Muenster a 6-0 lead with
1.04 remaining in the first
half.

Daniel Russell and Newton
popped the kick returner on

Daniel Russell and Newton popped the kick returner on the 25 yard line. The next play, Freeman picked off a Nocona pass and ran to the 20. Two plays later it was a Walterscheid to Tyler Walterscheid pass for another six. The extra points, Walterscheid to Walterscheid pass, gave Muenster a 14-0 lead with 25-9 seconds on the clock.

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D. Walterscheid's kick put the Indians on the 15 yard line where Russell and Joseph Dangelmayr stopped Nocona's return.

Tyler Walterscheid returned the third quarter kick to the Hornet 38. Unable to get the needed 10 yards, Muenster punted. Nocona fumbled the punt with Tyler covering the ball at the Nocona 25.

Again the Hornets couldn't get a first and punted. Again Nocona fumbled, this time Kyle Endres covered the ball for Muenster, 24 yards from pay dirt. Four plays later, Mitch Felderhoff scored on a 3 yard run. A Walterscheid to Walterscheid pass added 2 for a 22-0 score with 5:10 on the clock.

Reminder

The Lindsay Booster Club holds a meeting Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. at the field house to view the Friday night game film. Anyone is invited.

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Ashamed

The Indians moved the ball to midfield, then fumbled again. Cameron Walterscheid got the ball for Muenster. A Dustin to Tyler pass picked up a quick 24 going into the final quarter. Four Freeman runs later Muenster scored again.

Karl Fisher was alone in the end zone, to catch a Hiser pass for the extra points and a 30-0 Hornet lead with 8:56 remaining in the game. On Nocona's next play, Michael Endres stripped the ball. Nathan Sicking covered. The Hornets came up short on 4th down. The defense led by M. Endres forced another punt. Three plays later T. Walterscheid broke free for a 60 yard touchdown run. The PAT failed for a 36-0 game with 2:25 still on the clock.

The Indians ran a few plays, ending the contest caught in their backfield.





IV Tigers fall short to Cardinals

The Junior Varsity Tigers of Sacred Heart hosted Pottsboro last Thursday, allowing the Cardinals to fly away with a 14-0 victory. After a scoreless first

last Inursal, allowing the Cardinals to fly away with a 14-0 victory.

After a scoreless first quarter, Pottsboro scored with 4:48 on the second period clock. With the extra run, they had an 8-0 lead.

Sacred Heart punted away their next possession, but got the ball back three plays later when Mikey Bayer intercepted a pass at the Tiger 26.

Aaron Walterscheid and Clint Fuhrmann had some good runs before a fumbled ball gave the ball back to the Cardinals. The Tiger defense led by Nick Taylor and Matthew Fleitman held Pottsboro to a minus 5 as the first half of action concluded.

Pottsboro's offense opened the third quarter, taking three plays to score on a 48 yard touchdown run. The Tigers stopped the PAT for a 14-0 score with 6:17 on the clock.

Sacred Heart again got in a few runs, then fumbled and again the Tiger defense held to a 4th and 15.

Starting at midfield, the Tiger attack went airborne.

at the high reference to the day of the starting at midfield, the Tiger attack went airborne. Walterscheid connected with Chris Fuhrmann for a 19 yard gain. But four incomplete passes gave Pottsboro possession as action proceeded into the final quarter. The 6th Pottsboro run was fumbled, with Wes Wimmer

was arrested on the Trinity River below the Livingston dam. The angler had no boat registration, no personal flotation devices on board, no fishing license, no personal identification, and two undersized catfish.

• Another angler on the Trinity River was having more fishing success but an equally bad day after he was found in possession of 163 catfish. Charges were filed for exceeding the possession limit.

Game warden reports

covering the ball near midfield. Three passes later, the Cardinals picked off a Tiger pass. Pottsboro controlled the remaining time moving inside the 10 yard line before time

Other Tigers seeing action were Frank Klement, Adam Taylor, Jeremy Yosten, Jeff Reiter, and Jesse Coker.

Cubs get second win

The Sacred Heart Cubs took their second win of the season Thursday, hosting the Saint Mary's Mustangs in a 32-12 defeat.

Sacred Heart took the opening kick, mixing six runs by Chris Hoedebeck, Paul Bartush, and Aaron Krahl to reach the seven yard line. A fumbled play stopped the drive.

A sack by Casey Coker assisted in not allowing the Mustangs a first down and making them punt.

Hoedebeck gained 16 yards, then Bartush scored on a 15 yard keeper for the game's first score. Krahl ran in the extra points to give the Cubs a 8-0 lead with 1:02 on the clock.

Saint Mary's fought back, taking only four runs to score. With 6:17 on the second quarter clock, the score closed to 8-6.

After a good return by the

quarter clock, the score closed to 8-6.
After a good return by the Cubs, a fumbled ball returned possession to Saint Mary's. Three Mustang runs later, Andy Davis covered a loose ball 26 yards from the end zone. The Cubs took advantage of

the turnover, scoring on 3rd down on a Krahl run. Krahl added the extra run to give Sacred Heart a 16-6 lead with 2:49 left before the half-time

2.49 left before the half-time break.

Saint Mary's next drive ended when Coker stripped away the ball allowing Jacqueline Bauer to cover, setting up the next Cub score, a 10 yard run by Bartush, Krahl ran in the extra points for a 24-6 half-time score.

The Mustang offense controlled most of the third quarter, taking 9 plays to find the end zone. With 2.11 on the clock, the scoreboard read 24-12.

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That didn't stop the Cubs. Runs by Hoedebeck, Krahl and Bartush took Sacred Heart to the 2 yard line. Hoedebeck took the ball in for another 6 points, while Bartush ran in 2 more. With 4:16 remaining, Muenster led 32-12.

Saint Mary's air attack was shot down when Davis picked off a pass, allowing the Cubs to coast out the last remaining time, enjoying a 32-12 victory.



With blocking help from Aaron Krahl and Adam Dangelmayr, S. H. Cub quarterback Paul Bartush moved quickly to the outside, outrunning defenders and setting up a Cub touchdown against Saint Mary's Mustange.

Photo by Dave Fette

Gymnastics meet held in Plano

Plano

The gymnastic competition season at Gym-ette's Gymnastic in Thackerville, Oklahoma is underway. Coached by Joette Heim Duvall, the U.S.A. Competition Team participated in a meet in Plano on Aug. 25.

Caitlin Gilbreath competed Level 4, 9-year-old division and scored a 29.5 in All Around.

Madison Bond, Rashae Dangelmayr, and Morgan McKenzie competed Level 5, 8-year-old division. Madison scored a 28.9, Rashae scored a 33.7, and Morgan scored a 30.70 in All Around.

Lauren Romines, Karly Holder, and Karis Holder competed Level 5, 10-year-old division. Lauren scored a 33.6, Karly scored a 33.8, and Karis scored a 31.25 in All Around.

Heather Branscum competed Level 5, 11-year-old division and scored a 29.95 in All Around.

Anna Dement competed Level 6, 12-year-old division and scored a 30.7 in All Around.



Front row, from left, Morgan McKenzie, Rashae Dangelmayr; standing – Madison Bond; back row – Caitlin Gilbreath, Heather Branscum, Karly Holder, Lauren Romines, and Karis Holder, Courtesy photo

Releasing a gill-hooked fish

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through the gills, instead of the mouth. Gently grasp the hook and remove with as little damage as possible. Usually this "back-door" method minimizes the wound.

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The following were taken from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game warden field reports: • During one 48-hour period, a Moore County game warden responded to calls about a bird in an oil pit, a mule deer fawn in a residential backyard, an injured owl, mountain lion sightings, a white-tailed fawn in a bedroom closet, and an alligator reportedly roaming the streets of Spearman. The warden resolved some the calls immediately while others required further investigation. • An angler from Arkansas friends don't let friends **AWANA Clubs** Approved drive drunk Scavenger Hunt Workmen Where: Muenster Park Ad

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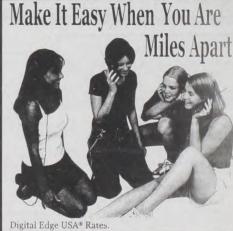
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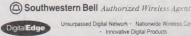
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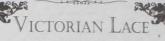
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Farmers and ranchers get double whammy: grasshoppers and drought

Texas farmers and ranchers are suffering a one-two punch with both drought and grasshoppers, according to an entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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"Drought is bad enough, but now grasshoppers threaten to finish off pastures and crops," said Dr. Carl Patrick, Texas A&M entomologist based in Amarillo. "Drought conditions for grasshoppers. Homeowners around the state haven't escaped these destructive pests either. Countless home gardens and landscapes have been destroyed or heavily damaged."

Texas A&M entomologists estimate pasture losses alona t \$190 million. Texas has 21.5 million acres of improved and native pasture in an area bounded by I-35 on the west and I-37 on the south, plus Central Texas counties of Hamilton, Comanche, Erath, Coryell, Hood, and Bosque. This figure represents the cost of replacing forage eaten by grasshoppers plus insecticide control costs.

Although there's nothing simple about forming a comprehensive policy concerning an industry as diverse as agriculture, the U.S. House Agriculture Committee should be commended for its efforts on working toward one, said Cooke County Farm Bureau President, Edwin Knight.

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Over the last six months, that committee has heard from more than 400 producers at hearings nationwide. National agriculture leaders and commodity organizations joined the discussion in July in Washington, D.C.

"There is no consensus on the next farm bill," Mr. Knight said. "But, the House Agriculture Committee should be commended for their efforts. There is no farm organization that can say they haven't had the chance to be heard."

As Congress considers a follow-up of the 1996 Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act (FAIR), which is in effect through the 2002 cropyear, Farm Bureau is urging lawmakers to continue allowing producers planting flexibility and the opportunity to respond to market signals, Knight said, adding that a countercyclical safety net should be considered as a

Agriculture committee

makes effort to assist farmers

"Not included in the \$190 million, and much more difficult to quantify, are losses to row crops," said Dr. Allen Knutson, Extension entomologist in Dallas. "In this same area of Texas, farmers have treated 85,000 acres of corn, cotton, sorghum, and soybeans. At an average \$8 per acre for chemical treatment, the cost of fighting off grasshoppers in row crops totals \$680,000.

While significant losses are widespread, there is more variance in damage to crops than pastures. Some fields are totally destroyed; and other farmers were forced to use multiple applications of insecticide to protect their crops, increasing their production costs. Overall, most infestations in crops were controlled before major damage occurred.

"Aerial spraying achieves the most effective control and, in the past, has been used successfully where grasshoppers are traditionally found, in the High and Rolling Plains on large expanses of crops and pastures. But it's not

supplement to Agricultural Market Transition payments.
"Congress must not throw away the market-based policies of the 1996 farm bill while working on ways to improve farm income," Knight said. "Congress gave farmers their word regarding access to additional foreign markets through trade policy reforms, relief from overburdensome regulations, additional and improved risk management tools, and tax reforms for their support of the FAIR Act."

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an option in East and Central Texas on smaller farms in more heavily-populated areas. Grasshoppers are still growing, getting bigger and hungrier. I fear the grasshopper invasion won't subside until we get heavy rainfall or winter weather arrives. With recent high temperatures, that seems a long way off."

More information is available through the Extension Service at http://entowww.tamu.edu/extension/lawn.html or through Extension publication 5201, Grasshoppers and Their Control.

Texoma CattleWomen announce winners of "2000 Beef Backer"

award

The Texoma CattleWomen are proud to announce the winner of the [2000 Beef Backer" Award to Clark's Outpost in Tioga. Owner Nancy Clark has been in business at the same location for the past 26 years. She has 29 employees, is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner.

Nancy purchases between 1200 and 1500 pounds of beef each month. Her #1 chef, Jeff Wells, has been with her since the beginning.

Winners of the 4-H Cooke County Food Show - Best Beef Dish held on Aug. 19. Jr. winner, Amber Norman of Lindsay, with Lasagna Soup; Intermediate winner, Sean Gutherie of Callisburg, with Corn Chip Delight; and Sr. winner Chelsea Laux of Lindsay, with Mexican Lasagna. Each was presented a plaque.

The Texoma CattleWomen have put together a cookbook of 850 beef recipes entitled, "Classic CattleWomen's Cuisine". It is \$20 a book. If you are interested, please contact Gloria Klement at 759-2912 for more information or any questions on where to purchase this cookbook.

Beef Gift Certificates are available from any CattleWomen's member. They are a certified check that can be used only to purchase beef. They can be cashed anywhere beef is sold. This isn't a profit making item. It is a beef promotion item only. It is one way to encourage consumers to include beef in their diet.

Ag Briefs

Researchers, with the help of new chemical analysis, proved that prehistoric humans were meat eaters with a diet of animals similar to wolves and lions.

greater than that of the check varieties. Dallas has a good level of tolerance to the virus that causes yellow dwarf. The forage production of Dallas has been good, most similar to the varieties 833, Ozark, and Harrison, but less than varieties such as Bob and Big Mac. Even though Dallas has improved winter hardiness over other oat varieties, it will winter kill under prolonged, sub-freezing temperature conditions.

The following Table 1. shows agronomic characteristics of oat varieties grown on the Blacklands in North Texas.

A grass fire Tuesday afternoon proved that the showers received earlier in the day were not sufficient to call off the County's burn ban. Muenster volunteer Fire Department moves along the edge of the blaze as thousands of grasshoppers make attempts to escape hot flames that would surely char the pests.

Photo by Janie Hartman

County Agent's Report

OAT VARIETY CHARACTERISTICS

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the best control methods or current
research. The imported red fire ant

by Craig Rosenbaum

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Table 1, 1999-2000 Agronomic Cha North Texas Blacklands racteristics & Barley Yellow Dwarf Virus; Winter Oat

Source	Variety	Maturity*	Winter Hardiness**	Height***	Barley Yellow Dwarf Virus
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Terral	Secretariat 495	М	Н	M	MS-MR
Univ of Florida	Chapman	Е	1	M	MS-MR
Texas A&M	TAMO 386	ML	Т	Т	MR-MS
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Due to limited seating availability, you are asked to contact either the Muenster office at 940-759-4052 or the Gainesville office at 940-665-1763 prior to Noon on Monday, Sept. 18th to confirm that you will be attending.



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Muenster ISD receives 8th exemplary rating

by Clyde W. Steelman Jr. Supt. Muenster ISD
The Texas Education Agency recently notified the Muenster ISD that the high school/junior high and elementary campuses received the highest academic rating the eighth year in a row. The district is in the process of meeting with teachers and students on how they would like to recognize this prestigious accomplishment. To be named Exemplary, each campus must average 90% or better on tests for reading, writing, and math and must involve all students groups (African American, Hispanic, White, and Economically Disadvantaged. Muenster ISD's overall score was 97% in Reading, 98.3% in Math, and 100% in Writing. The TAAS test has evolved into more than a test of minimum skills. It has become

Commissioners nix change in holiday schedule

by Janet Felderhoff
Cooke County employees who work late hours during this year's November election week will not receive their comp time at the usual full time and a half for their overtime. County employees receive a paid holiday on Nov. 10 in observance of Veteran's Day. This happens to fall in the same week as the election.
Employees of the County Clerk's office and the Tax Assessor's office will have to work long hours on Election Day, Nov. 7. County Clerk Evelyn Walterscheid said that by law the offices should be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. that day. Employees from those offices will have to work later than 7 p.m. to finish all of the day's work, she said. Walterscheid said the employees of those two offices hoped that Commissioners Court would move the holiday from Friday, Nov. 13 to allow them to receive the full time and a half comp time.

As explained by Commissioner Virgil Hess, "In order to get time and a half you've got to work 40 hours

and that doesn't count the holiday. So they've got to work Friday in order to do it is what they think. Actually Veteran's Day falls on Saturday which if we go by the state it wouldn't be holiday anyway. We gave that holiday this year to be observed on a Friday. None of the bank's are observing it."

Auditor Gloria Parrish remarked, "Doing the pay roll I feel I probably have more insight. It never fails that this affects some office. You'd be changing every holiday if you started doing that. You can't change a holiday to suit everybody. I want to thank you all for giving us the Friday holiday anyway because I understand it's not a federal holiday this year. Everybody doesn't understand what it entails, but there would not be a holiday around that it didn't affect some office. That's just the breaks of the game."

The employees will collect straight time for the extra hours worked. Extra hours worked are compensated with comp time.

Commissioner Bill Cox remarked that he'd hate to change it because next year

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you can be more secure? We have to run the hospital."
Another point was made that the hospital was still trying to recruit more physicians and who would come knowing the hospital was in trouble? The topic of physician recruitment spurred Pat Hennigan to inquire about Dr. Knight's son. Hennigan said that the surgeon had told him he'd told him that he'd called Endres trying to get on the MMH staff and that Endres had failed to answer his call. Endres asked if he were talking about Walter Knight or who.

Endres said that he and David Bright had talked with Walter's father, Dr. Marvin Knight, trying to get his son to come to Muenster on many occasions. His father had many conversations with him trying to get him to come to Muenster, said Endres. Endres said he'd even called Walter Knight at his apartment in Dallas hoping to get him to practice in Muenster. Walter knight's answer was always no, said Endres. "Walter never called me and I never failed to return his call," Endres declared. "If I could have Dr. Knight here tomorrow, I'd hire him in a heartbeat."

To clarify the matter a phone call was placed to Dr. Walter Knight in Rosston. He said he didn't know where the rumor had come from but it wasn't true that he'd placed a call to Endres seeking placement on somebody else would want to change something. The yote to

the MMH staff or that the call wasn't returned. It was true that he'd been approached by David Bright and Dr. Martin Kralicke to join MMH's staff.

Dr. Knight said he is still practicing part-time in Dallas and had no plans to change in the immediate future. He added that he thinks this is a wonderful community. He thinks the county hospital will be a blessing, at least he hopes it will be. Dr. Knight feels that combining the two districts would produce a facility about the right size to have a facility that can offer better care than either could on its own. Medical technology is so expensive now, he said.

Urgent Care Clinic (Muenster) — Do we know yet what exactly has been worked out guaranteeing Muenster an ADEQUATELY STAFFED URGENT CARE CENTER AND CLINIC after merger?

No was the Board's answer. You don't know if it's going to be staffed around the clock? Flusche stated that if Muenster had plenty of board members on the consolidated group with Gainesville they could probably get a lot more done than if they did a contract with them.

"What we're trying to get across is that we have a Letter of Intent with Gainesville." remarked Endres. "That's all we have. We're still working out the details. We're trying to get them to you."

somebody else would want to change something. The vote to leave the holiday as is was unanimous.

the ditch water runoff runs down to a culvert which runs right through my property. I had 40 trees there 10 years ago. I have eight left. I need something done about it."

County Judge Bill Harris asked Larry Lang, the environmental officer, to take possession of the photos and soil samples and to investigate the problem.

In other business conducted at the Sept. 11 Commissioners Court meeting:

Janice McConnell was appointment alternate election judge for Precinct #5 to replace Ron Melugin.

Voted to advertise for bids for two new ambulances

Approved minutes of last meeting, monthly bills and monthly reports as submitted.

This community is very interested in how do you guarantee the physician staff is going to be here once the ones we have are gone? How does this community get protected? For how long will we have a clinic and an urgent care center?

Flusche said that if the new Board decides that they don't need Muenster or their clinic, somebody in Muenster would build a clinic and seek doctors on their own. Bridgeport has done that, he said.

Stephen Fisher wondered if the Muenster Hospital District were to close, would Muenster become a part of the Gainesville District and pay Gainesville Hospital taxes. He was told we would

Fisher remarked, "What John has been trying to say, and I know you've been going around and around about it, is that he thinks the hospital is going to cost more and it's his opinion and yours is that you can do it in \$20 million. But he's saying that its going to cost more and the taxes are going to have to be more than what they're projecting."

Endres said that Gainesville taxes are currently at nine cents compared to Muenster's 27 cents, a third of ours. He said Gainesville wants to double its tax rate to pay their bonds. "They're going to go to 18 cents, two-thirds of our rate," Endres said. "However many years you want to look at Gainesville is always going to be cheaper than us because they have a larger tax base. They're looking at a billion plus of tax base. We're looking at \$136 million. Ten or 11 times our tax base."

Fisher asked why Muenster had to take the rest home to the new district. He was asked what the purpose of that would be. He said, "To keep it here. It continues to lose money why would they want it. They'll dispose of it."

Flusche said good board members from Muenster would help keep it. If it gets in good shape we could always buy it.

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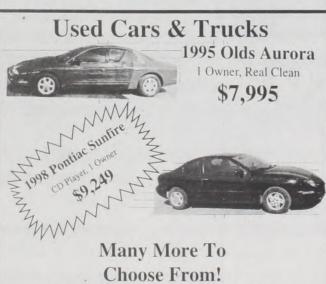
Before Aytes finished the above questions Flusche said. "Im going to call this back to order. We're going to go into Executive Session. We've got to have a motion that we recessinto Executive Session. We have a motion that we recessinto Executive Session. We have some real estate to discuss." He told those attending to come back nexmonth and to bring more questions. They'd try to answer them. Endres told them to let them know when the nexisceret meeting was going to be. Chas Bayer asked to see the membership. Flusche told. Aytes to tell the truth in the newspaper. Aytes asked if they were calling him a hiar Flusche responded that he wasn't but was just saying tell the truth in the newspaper.

Fisher said, "I'd just like to say that the Board, you people represent the people of out town. John is part of the town You're all business leaders..."

Flusche cut Fisher of saying, "We're closing now and going into Executive Session. don't want to hear it any more tonight. That's it."

Phil Endres asked that Fisher be allowed to finish Fisher remarked, "I just wanted to say that you coulch ave treated John more politely." Flusche responded "If we got a little more respectit would probably be yes, bulno." "He apologized quite anumber of times tonight and was very polite, I thought," Fisher said. Endres commented, "I haven't seen him apologize yet for anything he puts in the paper that's not true." Fisher said he didn't know that Aytes had actually written anything that way "He's just asking for answers," said Mary Kay Sicking. "It's gone past opinions." So it's gone past opinions."





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