

## Reminder~

Everyone welcome to meet at the park Saturday, 9 a.m. to pick up trash so we can Keep Muenster Beautiful

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## Rare white tiger visits Muenster schools

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Charley, a ten-week old white tiger cub, spent Tuesday morning in Muenster visiting the local schools. Charley charmed children and adults alike as he displayed his kitten-like behavior. He stretched, pounced on moving objects, checked out corners for a lace to snuggle up and nap, and nibbled on shoes and other objects. When upset he produces a deep growl of displeasure.

Tom and Brandy Lease of Roanoke own Charley. He is one of eight cats living in the couple's Zoo FARE facility. Four of the eight are white tigers, two are heterozygous tigers (gold tigers whose parents are white), one gold tiger and Jake the retired cougar. Zoo FARE is situated on five acres north of Fort Worth and has been licensed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture since 1995 to keep wild animals. It is the same type and class license as major zoos have. The compound consists of snug dens, a swimming pool, two story arenas, and is spacious and clean.

The visits to the schools had dual goals. One was to teach awareness of endangered species and protection and the other was to promote the Zoo FARE "White Tiger Experience" from March 31 to April 4 at the Prime Outlet Mall in Gainesville. Tom and Brandy will be at the Food Court with their rare Royal White Bengal Tigers, Charley and Mattie. The public is invited to visit them from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and during the Mall's regular business hours on Saturday and Sunday. Professional portraits will be available for those who wish to take advantage of purchasing a portrait made with one of these rare tiger cubs.

If you've always wanted to work with cats of the wild variety, your opportunity awaits. Zoo FARE needs volunteers to assist with their cats at the Gainesville Outlet Mall during the photo sessions. Just come to the Food Court and let Tom or Brandy know that you want to be one of the adult volunteers.

When the couple started in the '70s bringing cougar and tiger cubs to schools. Tom said it took about a month for them to realize that they would soon go

broke depending on the money that schools could pay. This was when they began providing cougars for commercials and ads for Lincoln Mercury. "Through that program we reached over a million kids a year," he said. "We went to every state in the United States, every province. The problem with Lincoln Mercury was they only wanted to sponsor cougars. It was a principal at one of the schools who suggested that they take portraits at schools to earn money to fund their program. "The response was astronomical," noted Tom. They are now expanding it to places like malls to reach more people.

Becoming an animal activist started to be a fad, said Tom. There wasn't a good way to find out how to go about being an animal activist or animal rescuer. The Internet sites are like PETA or Green Peace. He compared that to logging on Saddam Hussein to learn about a military school.

"By having ZooFARE we're trying to help people learn to be a smart activists, to learn the reality of what we need to do to keep these animals around," said Tom.

"Charley is a Texas tiger," said Brandy. She became Charley's surrogate mother when he was only two days old. He came from a wildlife refuge in Amarillo after the tigress, previously a good mother, refused to care for Charley and his brother. Unfortunately, Charley's brother didn't survive.

To feed the young feline, Brandy uses a milk formula for puppies. Now two and a half months old, Charley has about three and a half pounds of meat added to his daily diet of eight 8-ounce bottles of milk. Brandy said she also supplements his diet with vitamins.

A stuffed monkey is one of Charley's tiger toys. He also plays with towels and balls. As the cubs get bigger, they are only allowed to play with medicines balls or bowling balls.

Brandy is the animal trainer for Zoo FARE. She will take cubs to schools and portrait shoots up to six months of age. Adult tigers are used up to two or two and a half years of age. "It's all environmental," Brandy replies when asked how she prepares the tiger and lion cubs to be with people. "Basically you just take them out there and do the

educational forums and they just get used to it." The cubs are declawed since they only need the claws to hunt and kill for food and protection, something not necessary in the zoo. This is done when they are two or three weeks old and the paws are still small.

Tom remarked, "the best way to explain our zoo's concept or the driving force behind it is that idealism says that if we could get all of the countries in the world to agree to disarm our nuclear warheads and weapons, we'd have a safer world...If we could all agree to not infringe on the environments of the animals to stop the poaching of the endangered species, everything would be fine. Realism on each one of these says we have to have more nukes than anyone else so they don't attack us...No matter what, there are still a lot of things that hurt the environment of these animals. There are still old Asian beliefs that tiger bone, tiger genitals, all that stuff gives them humongous powers and that's what makes them worth so much money to poachers.

"These animals were captive born. Their existence wouldn't even be if it weren't for a captive breeding program. So we want to help the ones that are out in the wild, but this is where we change to the reality experience. The reality is that we can't change the world even though we try. There are certain things that are just going to keep happening no matter what we do. The only way these animals are going to survive for our great-great grandkids is through a captive environment."

Tigers normally range in color from tawny brown to bright orange, pale orange to yellow. Their stripes are usually black or brown and have white stomachs. A rare gene produces white tigers with black, brown, or cinnamon stripes. More rare is a white tiger with white stripes or a black tiger with black, orange, or brown stripes.

The striped felines live in a variety of habitats throughout Asia. Some regions inhabited by tigers are eastern Russia, China, India, Indonesia, Viet Nam, and Cambodia. Some are cold and sparsely populated while others are warm



Brandy Lease is playing with her 2 1/2 month old white tiger cub "Charley" at MISD during an informative presentation held there Tuesday. Deborah Wood photo

tropical jungles and forests. They are solitary creatures that live alone except a mother and her cubs. They are very strong, enjoy water, and are excellent swimmers.

White tigers are extremely rare, but Zoo FARE has had white tigers

for the past four years. There are only about 400 left in the world. "Researchers said there're about 12 white tigers in the wild. But there hasn't been any seen since 1959," said Tom. "To have a white tiger the male and female both have to have a white gene." Most tigers have

yellowish eyes, but white tigers have blue eyes. "All tigers when they are first born have blue eyes. White

tigers always keep their blue eyes although some will get a ring around the outside (of the iris) that will be a gold ring," Brandy explained.

## Muenster to participate in "Don't Mess With Texas" statewide clean-up

"Don't Mess With Texas" is the Texas Department of Transportation's message to teach Texans and tourist that littering is "not only illegal, it's an insult to the Lone Star State". More people take pride in Texas and their communities when they begin to notice the litter on the highway and participate in a community-wide clean-up. "I will never litter again!" is the most common response from a volunteer that has picked up litter.

Everyone in Muenster, including those participating in the Adopt-A-Highway, Adopt-A-County Road and Adopt-A-Street programs, is encouraged to meet in the Muenster City Park at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 3 for the DONT MESS WITH TEXAS Trash-off. Keep Muenster Beautiful organizes the local cleanups, registers participants, and takes photos of all participants. Information such as the number of participants, the number of bags of litter

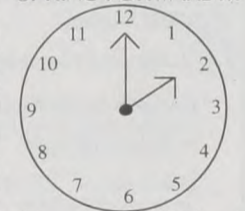
collected and the photographs are sent to Austin every year on the Governor's Community Achievement Award application. Muenster is blessed with caring volunteers who've helped Muenster win the Governor's Community Award of Excellence consecutively every year since 1998. The comedian Sheriff J. B. Smith, upon his recent visit to Muenster stated, "There wasn't a single cigarette butt on the sidewalk or parking lot of the local grocery store. "That speaks well of the towns residents." Cleanliness is typical of the German image and Muenster wants to ensure this is the image visitors will have when coming to Germanfest April 23, 24 & 25.

DONT MESS WITH TEXAS Trash-off activities will include award presentations to the kindergarten through 6th graders who won the Earth Day poster contest sponsored by Rumber

Material, Inc. All who register in the park at 9 a.m. will receive a ticket for a drawing for prizes. All youth participants will receive a commemorative patch. Prizes include a car vacuum, desktop air soccer, lantern with radio and fan, games, shower radio, Walkman headphones, calculators, Muenster Marks and more! Muenster Marks can be spent at any business in Muenster, same as cash. Prizes are donated

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**DON'T FORGET TO SPRING FORWARD!!!**



Set your clocks AHEAD 1 hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, April 5th

## Lindsay Independent School District considers gym changes

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Architect Chuck Freeman of the firm Callahan and Freeman Architects attended the March 22 meeting of the Lindsay ISD Board of Trustees. He brought new drawings showing what different elevations and the rigid frame turned the other way would look like. Bruce Bezner had suggested turning the rigid frame to give more space for bleachers. It would also require columns for support and carry an additional cost.

Freeman said that every two feet in height that the structure is dropped will save about \$7,500. He stressed that the facility will look better if built according to the original design. Bezner remarked that the gymnasium would not be the focal point of the campus. Freeman said that turning the rigid frame would look peculiar. Richard Connett noted that it would cost more and not look as good.

These were just discussion items since a decision doesn't have to be made unless the bond election passes on May 15.

The benefits of contract methods for the gym construction project were discussed. Freeman advised getting a construction manager on board as quickly as possible. Construction manager at risk is best as opposed to construction manager agent. Going out for bid proposals for a construction manager at risk was approved with a unanimous 7-0 vote.

Possible dates for public forums to discuss the gym construction bond issue were scheduled for April 26 and May 10 at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Superintendent Jerry Metzler reported that the roofing project was ongoing. Roofers moved onsite March 12. The K-3 buildings have been finished and the cafeteria was waiting for the arrival of more roofing material. As much work as

possible was done during Spring break while students were off campus.

Football schedules for 2004-05 are out. The first game is August 27 against Tom Bean in Lindsay.

Frank Hacker was the only person to submit a bid on the removal of the Bengfort house, said Metzler. He asked for \$1200 to remove the house. The contract is being based on one that Muenster ISD used recently.

The City of Lindsay has requested that this lot be used for a temporary parking lot to alleviate some of the overflow during times like basketball games. According to Superintendent Metzler there is a gas meter on the lot that would have to be moved. It services the Simmell house. TXU said it would cost \$1,361.95 to move the meter plus the cost of hookup to the house. He is looking into the cost of constructing a gravel parking lot. It will be

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Ranch Rodeo buckaroos Macie Pagel and Leah Knabe are all giggles when it comes to chasing chickens. See more rodeo pictures on page 10. Deborah Wood photo



Improvements continue at the Ben and Aggie Seyler Muenster Museum. Ted Hackett and Preston Smith of Hackett Custom Siding are covering the old wood on the house with metal siding. The Muenster Historical Commission is having a fundraiser bake sale this Saturday at Fischer's Meat Market to help cover the cost of the project. Janie Hartman photo

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by the Muenster Chamber of Commerce, Carl Alford, and Keep Muenster Beautiful. Christine Weinzapfel and RE/MAX Realty are providing a free lunch for all participants.

Citizens can help with a litter problem by properly containing their litter. City ordinances address the most common seven sources of litter which are pedestrians, uncovered trucks, construction sites, improperly handled residential waste, commercial waste containers, motor vehicles, and loading docks. Pedestrians may put their litter in the trashcans provided throughout the community and in the beautiful, new trashcans on Main Street. Many people who walk report to Keep Muenster Beautiful that they carry a plastic bag and pick up litter along the way. Tarp laws require those hauling loose items in the back of trucks to properly tarp their trucks. Those who drive pickups are encouraged to realize that wind blows garbage out of the back of pickups onto the highways and to put trash in containers that do not allow the trash to blow out of the back of trucks.

Construction sites can be a major problem, especially during this windy time of the year. Studies indicate that clean sites are safer sites for workers. Wind blowing debris from construction sites causes serious litter problems for all living and working

around the site. Builders are encouraged to provide large enough trash receptacles for construction debris.

Residents are required to keep their property free of litter. Before placing trash at the curb for pickup make sure the trash is secure. When people put loose trash in boxes and other topless containers it becomes illegal litter when it falls or blows out. Businesses are required to keep dumpsters or trash receptacles that are large enough to handle the amount of trash they generate. Dumpsters are to be covered or secured at all times. Businesses are also required to keep their establishments free of litter, which includes parking lots and loading docks.

Anyone witnessing a violation may report it to the City. The City first warns the owner, agent, occupant, or lessee that the litter needs to be picked up. If the litter is not picked up, the City may serve written notice. After written notice of noncompliance, the City may do such work and charge the owner for the work performed. The City may then file such charges as a privileged lien against the property, until the amount is paid.

A person witnessing someone littering may report the culprit to the Texas Department of Transportation (TX DOT) GOTCHA! program. Report the license plate number, location, date, time, color and make of vehicle, and was the culprit the driver, passenger, or did the litter blow out of the back of a truck. This can be reported via email at [www.dotmestwithtexas.org](mailto:www.dotmestwithtexas.org) (choose the feedback option), or fax 1-(512) 486-5909, or write: GOTCHA!, TXDOT-TRV., P.O. Box 149248, Austin, TX, 78714. You may remain anonymous. With this process the offender does not receive a fine but does receive a car litter bag and a nice reminder to contain his/her trash.

### Tornado safety

Occasionally, tornadoes develop so rapidly that advance warning is not possible. Remain alert for signs of an approaching tornado. Flying debris from tornadoes causes most deaths and injuries.

National Weather Service

### AGENDA

The following is the agenda for the regular meeting of the Muenster City Council to be held at 7:30 pm in the City Hall meeting room on Monday, April 5, 2004.

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
  2. Opening prayer.
  3. Approve Minutes of the regular meeting on March 1, 2004, and special meeting on March 15, 2004.
  4. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
  5. Consider any other business to come before the Council.
- OLD BUSINESS:**
1. Consider and act on Ordinance #272 - Annexation.
- NEW BUSINESS:**
1. Receive report from TOTALNET High-Speed Internet Access company.
  2. Consider and act on closing of South Maple Street for Germanfest.
  3. Consider and act on sale of alcohol in City Park for Germanfest.
  4. Consider and act on mixed beverage license for Doc's Bar & Grill to be located at 113 North Main Street.
  5. Consider and act on approval of lease renewal with HSD for use of Water Well #3.
  6. Receive Certification of Nominating Candidates regarding May 15, 2004 election. Consider and act on approving Ordinance #274 regarding cancellation of election.
  7. Consider and act on Park Board recommendation for hiring pool manager for 2004 season and authorizing pool manager to hire lifeguards with Park Board Commissioner's assistance as needed.
  8. Consider and act on Park Board recommendation regarding charges for pool party reservations.
  9. Receive police activities report from Chief Stovall.
  10. Consider and act on approving Resolution 03-05-04 opposing tax system reforms that would negatively affect city revenues and economic development efforts.
  11. Review and act upon monthly bills.
  12. Receive status report on city projects and activities.
  13. EXECUTIVE SESSION - The council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss the following: Texas Local Government Code 35i.07e - Personnel Matters - City Administrator position and pay amount for returning employee.
  14. Return to open session. Consider and act on matters discussed in executive session.
  15. Adjourn.

### AGENDA

1. The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this agenda.
2. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, when it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act.
3. People with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact Nicolas Matson at 759-2292 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

This is to certify that J. Nicolas Matson, posted this agenda on the outside bulletin board by the front door of City Hall at 2 pm on March 30, 2004.

*Nicolas Matson*  
Nicolas Matson, City Secretary

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addressed at the next meeting.

Budget planning for the next school year begins soon. Metzler gave each Board member a budget plan. He said in March they attempted to estimate revenue. The staff is preparing and submitting their budget needs for next year. The late election will cause some delay in the process as the Board waits to see if a new gymnasium will be in the picture. Some needs he sees in the near future are a 20-passenger bus, restroom facility, additional high school teacher, and new telephone system as the current voice mail system is about to go out.

The April meeting will be on the third Monday as usual. May's meeting will be May 24 to accommodate canvassing election results and the June meeting will be June 28 instead of June 21 for budget reasons.

Principal Larry Smith updated the Board on enrollment figures. For elementary the numbers are the same with two enrolling and two withdrawing. In high school the junior class has the largest class with 51 students. The senior class is the smallest. He also noted a full calendar of events for April.

Monica Parkhill,

elementary principal, distributed information to Board members on the No Child Left Behind program, including a booklet that is a parent's guide from the Department of Education. "The No Child Left Behind's main goal is that by 2013-14 all students pass the Math, Reading, and Science Assessment test," said Parkhill. "So we know we are working our way towards that goal, we have to meet AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). All schools must meet AYP. It is based on the TAKS test including performance, the number of students taking it, and the attendance rate of elementary students and the graduation rate of high school."

Parkhill then explained changes by the federal government in the rules, but said nobody is clear yet on what exactly is meant by the changes. Depending on what is meant, LISD may not meet AYP this year.

After an Executive Session, the Board voted 6-0-1 to renew Mary Reiter's probationary contract. Her husband is Board member Lloyd Reiter who abstained from the vote. All the term contracts for other teachers were renewed. The vote was 6-1 with Bruce Bezner voting against.

Evelyn Fuhrmann was approved as the election judge for the May 15 LISD Board and Bond elections. Early voting begins on April 28 and ends on May 11. Voting for Lindsay residents in the North Central Texas Election will be held in the same location that day.

In other business the LISD Board:

- Approved the Lindsay ISD Technology Plan for 2004-2005 school year as presented by Paula Garner, technology director.
- Approved Inter-Agency agreement for the 2004-2005 school year.
- Approved transfer requests for Vogel family with a child in 9<sup>th</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades.

## Area Happenings

### Trash pick up

On Saturday, April 3, people in Nocona will join with over 100,000 other Texans for the annual "Don't Mess With Texas Trash-Off". This Keep Nocona Beautiful (KNB) sponsored City and highway cleanup will begin at 9 a.m. at the Enid Justin City Park on Paris St. and end by 3 p.m.

Much of the community and area cleanup effort will continue until May 1 according to Linda Ritchie, president of KNB. The first Nocona Lake cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 10 and groups from Nocona Hills, Nocona Lake Estates, and Oakshores subdivision will be taking part in that effort.

## MUENSTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL & MMH FAMILY HEALTH CLINIC

### Health Fair 2004

Saturday, April 17, 2004: 8:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

- Free glucose and blood pressure checks
- Free Glucometers
- Blood Drive (free T-shirts to participants)

Participants include:

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| MMH Family Health Clinic           | MMH Home Care                 |
| Dr. Edd G. Advincula MD            | Dr. Elaine Schilling, DDS, MS |
| Dr. Karla Davidson-Cox MD          | MMH Physical Therapy          |
| Melissa Trubebach, FNP-C           | Cooke County EMS              |
| Muenster Volunteer Fire Department | Joan Walterscheid, RN, CDE    |
| MMH Auxiliary                      | Texoma Regional Blood Center  |

Laboratory Discounts on blood tests drawn the day of the fair only.

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| Complete Health Panel \$30.00<br>(Complete Blood Count, Complete Chemistry Profile including Lipids.) | Well Woman Exam \$40.00<br>(Screening PAP only) |
| Mammogram \$50.00<br>(Includes radiologist interpretation)  | PSA (Prostate) \$15.00                          |
| Acupuncture \$25.00<br>(Introductory Offer)   | TSH (Thyroid) \$10.00                           |

Prices good if scheduled day of fair only. Insurance will not be billed.

REGISTER AT FHC 509 North Maple \* 940-759-2226

Please drink water only after midnight for blood studies.

### Red Cross training classes

The Texoma Area Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold its quarterly instructors' training on April 12-14, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily at the Red Cross office at 2527 Highway 691, Denison.

Candidates should be currently certified in CPR and First Aid and will need to pass a pre-course skills evaluation. Pre-registration is required. For information, call (903) 465-1330.



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


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## 2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, April 4, 2004	Monday, April 5, 2004	Tuesday, April 6, 2004	Wednesday, April 7, 2004	Thursday, April 8, 2004	Friday, April 9, 2004	Saturday, April 10, 2004
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm Palm Sunday Sacred Heart Parish-Wide Assembly, 2pm, Community Center Daylight Saving Time Begins Turn clocks ahead 1 hour at 2am	City Council meeting, 7:30pm	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Home Hospice Grief Support meeting, 6-8pm, Home Hospice / Marketing Club meeting, 7pm, Farm Bureau MMH Auxiliary meeting, 7pm, Board Room at MMH SH Preschool Parent Group meeting, 7pm	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Chamber of Commerce Board meeting, 5:30pm Religious Ed Class, 7pm	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm Pipeline Group Contractors Awareness Program, 6:30pm Gainesville Civic Center	Muenster Museum CLOSED Good Friday - NO SCHOOL Muenster ISD - NO CLASSES AARP meeting & luncheon, 11:30am, Stanford House	
Tridium Services: Thursday, April 8, 7pm, Holy Thursday followed by Adoration until 11pm Friday, April 9, 3pm - Good Friday Service: Saturday, April 10, 8:30pm Easter Vigil						
Sunday, April 11, 2004 Muenster Museum CLOSED EASTER SUNDAY Masses at 8am and 10:30am	Monday, April 12, 2004 Muenster ISD - NO CLASSES Sacred Heart School - NO SCHOOL VFW meeting, 8pm	Tuesday, April 13, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Home Hospice Grief Support meeting, 6-8pm, Home Hospice	Wednesday, April 14, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center SH Alumni & Friends meeting, 7:30pm, SH Comm. Center MISD Board meeting, 7:30pm C of C Breakfast, 7:30am, Rohmer's Restaurant Religious Ed Class, 7pm	Thursday, April 15, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm	Friday, April 16, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	Saturday, April 17, 2004 MMH Health Fair

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# Obituaries

## Katherine "Katie" Martha Atikian 1969 - 2004



Katie Atikian

Katherine "Katie" Martha Atikian, daughter of Martha McCool, a contributing writer for the *Muenster Enterprise* and stepdaughter of Kenneth McCool, died on Friday, March 12, 2004 at 5:47 p.m. at age 35. She was born on March 18, 1969. After bravely battling pancreatic cancer since her diagnosis in September 2003, she passed away surrounded by family and loved ones. Survivors are her mother and stepfather; her two sisters Caroline O'Malley and Alison Sykes, and a host of relatives and innumerable friends. She touched so many lives, and her memory and joyous smile will live on forever.

Katie loved nature; she cherished her friendships and had a sincere desire to help people. Because Katie, (at the age of 15) was accepted into an accelerated College/Medical School program offered by The University of California, she left high school (after the tenth grade) going straight to college where she received her Bachelor's Degree, and then continued on to Medical School at U.C.L.A.

Having an inquisitive mind, Katie then decided to become a lawyer; three years later, she graduated

from law school at Loyola University where she was on Law Review, and immediately passed the California Bar exam with flying colors.

Katie, all during this time, was a prolific writer of children's short stories and a novel. She had also written several magazine articles about antique jewelry. Because of Katie's love of antiques and antique jewelry, she also built a very successful business involving the appraisal of antiques, and the sale of antique jewelry.

For those who have asked about memorials, her family has set up a (tax deductible) scholarship fund for donations in lieu of flowers. Memorials may be sent to UACC/The Katie Atikian Memorial Scholarship Fund, 3480 Cahuenga Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90068.

James Alton Hendricks, age 73 of Saint Jo, died on March 30, 2004 at 2:15 a.m. in a Nocona nursing home after a lengthy illness. He was born in Saint Jo on Sept. 1, 1930, one of eight children of Starling and Minnie Hoffman Hendricks. The family lived in the Dye Mound area where he attended school and later graduated from Saint Jo High School.

James served 10 years in the U.S. Army, a part of which was served in Korea during the conflict. He was a recipient of the Good Conduct Medal. He operated a service station in Saint Jo during the 1950s, and then worked on a ranch near Anson, Texas.

James married Cynthia Miller on Feb. 18, 1979 in Saint Jo. She preceded him in death on July 3, 1997.

Survivors are five stepdaughters Joye Biery of Haltom City, Vicki Epting of Denton, Becky Starr of Gainesville, Nola Hammons

of Denton, and Paula Walterscheid of Denton; one brother Jasper Hendricks of California; three sisters Loraine Werts-Hulke of Missouri, Rachael Bell, and Dorothy Rubottom of Iowa; mother-in-law Metta Miller of Saint Jo; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; and three brothers Lester, Weldon (Peck), and J.B. Hendricks.

Funeral services were set for Friday, April 2 at the First Baptist Church in Saint Jo at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Keith Rogers officiating. A family visitation was held Thursday evening from 7 to 8 p.m. at McCoy Funeral Home in Saint Jo.

Pallbearers are Jim Barnett, Weldon Martin, Johnny Sewell, Lonnie Sewell, Ronnie Starr, and Joseph Coffey. Serving as honorary pallbearers are Clyde Yetter and Cherokee Brewer.

## From My Side of the Fence by Ed Cier

Seventy-seven years ago I attended the wedding of Joe Vogel and Frances Hartman. The wedding ceremony was in Sacred Heart Church, and was officiated by Fr. Frowin Koerdert at 8:00 in the morning.

In those times, just about all weddings moved from the church to the home of the bride, where an all-day celebration was held with a big dinner at noon, followed by much visiting through the afternoon, many snapshots being taken, a lot of people getting reacquainted, and a scrumptious supper later.

I think my sole purpose in going to the wedding was to wish them well, and play

with other kids. Joe was my godfather, and always was a favorite cousin.

Joe, as far as I know, did not own a car at the time and left his horse and buggy in his brother Alphon's care for the day. Alphon and I are approximately the same age, and he and I rode around some of the countryside in the buggy.

This is the part that prompted me to write this article. I always enjoyed riding in a buggy. Alphon hauled water to the threshers with a horse and buggy, and I sometimes got to ride around with him through the fields and pastures as he delivered drinking water to the bundle pitchers and other



Muenster Memorial Hospital is celebrating. Happy to again deliver infants, MMH places a sign (with permission) announcing the birth on its front entry wall. Keila Saral González, at right, was born to Norma and Reynold González of Gainesville on March 18. The couple is shown taking their daughter home. Dr. Karla Cox delivered her.

## Prescription medication bill to be featured

The Cooke County AARP Chapter 1049 will be meeting this Friday, April 2 at 11:30 a.m. in the Stanford House. A portion of the meeting will include a video presentation (about 24 minutes in length) from the State AARP office covering the position on the prescription medication bill. Also, Texas Silver Haired Legislator Imelda Rausburger is expected to give a summary of the TSHL and how they work to present to the State Legislature.

Persons aged 50 and over in Cooke County are invited to attend. Contact Shirley Rector at 940-665-2826.

## Ken Heilman 1947 - 2004

Ken Heilman, age 57, of Collinsville died on Monday, March 29, 2004 at the Renaissance Care Center in Gainesville. A visitation was held Wednesday at Clement-Keel. Services were held on Thursday at 10 a.m. at Clement-Keel Chapel with Larry Eberhart pastor of Family Life Church, officiating. Interment followed in Collinsville Cemetery.

Heilman was born on March 13, 1947 in Vernon, Texas to Cecil Timms and Marie McCulley. On Sept. 18, 1971 he married Vella Lou Branch. He was a diagnostician for the Cooke County Special Ed Co-Op and a member of the Family Life Church in Gainesville.

Survivors are his wife, his mother Marie Watkins of Arkansas; two daughters Emily Mann and Amber Heilman, both of Collinsville; two

grandchildren; sisters Rene Hellinger, Tina Nissen, and Edna McCauley, all of Myra; June Mitchell, Cindy Stalmer, and Tammy Basquel, all of Arkansas; and brothers Kan Heilman of Lindsay, Lee Horton and Manuel Horton of Tennessee.

Preceding Heilman in death were his adoptive parents Ted and Pauline Heilman and sister June Smith.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Family Life Church Building Fund, 905 Cloud Street, Gainesville, TX 76240.

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We'd like to take this opportunity to thank the many people in Muenster who remembered Ricky in their thoughts and prayers following his accident on March 19. It goes without saying that you never know who your real friends are until a crisis happens, and our family found that ALL in Muenster are our real friends. The phone calls of concern, offers of assistance, prayers offered, encouraging cards, upbeat gifts, comforting food, and genuine love and friendship were all so greatly appreciated.

We are also indebted to the Muenster Memorial Hospital Staff for being here when we needed them. Thanks to Dr. Devaneseon, M.M.H.'s satellite E.R. doctor, and X-Ray tech Jason Endres. And a special thank you to nurses Cindy Gehrig, Doreen Taylor, Shelly Trubench, Rhonda Rohmer, Patti Land, and Scarlett Magee, who knew exactly what to do to expedite Ricky's emergency treatment. You professionally treated not only Ricky's physical pain, but our emotional need as well. A pat on the back for support, an arm around our shoulder, a reassuring hug, a squeeze of our hand, and the genuine wish for good luck from you girls empowered us to be positive as our 14 year old son was Care-Flighted away to a trauma center. Your actions will not be forgotten.

And a big thank you to our family members who sat up all night long with us as the surgeons worked on Ricky. We love you guys!

Ricky's recovery is presently on target (he's been a real trooper) so please keep him in your continued prayers as he faces another eye surgery in April.

Finally, we are once again reminded why Muenster is such a great community. With a 1500-strong support system, how can we go wrong?!

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# Lifestyle

## Klement, Pagel exchange vows in Sacred Heart Church

By Elfreda Fette

The wedding of Marcie Wimmer Klement and Jerome Pagel was held in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster on Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004 at 12:30 p.m. Officiating for the Nuptial Mass was Father John Alphonso, Catholic Chaplain of St. Paul's Hospital of Dallas, a good friend of the groom.

The bride is the daughter of Joe J. Wimmer and the late LaVerna Wimmer. The groom is the son of the late Jacob and Celia Pagel. Both are graduates of Muenster High School. He is a prominent business man in Muenster, has been extremely active in civic affairs and community improvement.

The bride wore an ivory crepe suit, with satin collar and cuffs, and matching slippers. She carried a single ivory rose, tied with ivory ribbon.

### ATTENDANTS

Matron of honor was Brenda Klement, the bride's daughter-in-law, attired in an orchid suit. She carried a single ivory rose, tied with orchid ribbon.

Best man was Cory Klement, the bride's son.

Participating in the liturgy of the Nuptial Mass with Father Alphonso were Jean Yeager, groom's granddaughter, with the First Reading; Courtney Reilly, bride's granddaughter, with the Second Reading; and groom's great-grandchildren Katie Porter, Abby Pagel, Sarah Porter, and Claire Schneider carrying the Offertory gifts.

Wedding music was presented by Christy Hesse, vocalist, and Ruth Felderhoff, pianist, including "Ave Maria," "On Eagles Wings," "Father, Make Us One," "God Who Created Hearts To Love," "I Offer Thee," "One Bread, One Body," "Take My Hand," "Wedding Song" and the closing "Always" for the recessional.

Church decorations included arrangements of white and ivory flowers, and lighted candles in candelabra.

### RECEPTION

A reception with seated dinner followed at The

Center Restaurant, for about 150 guests, hosted by the bride and groom.

Presiding at the guest book were Allison Pagel and Chloe Schneider, groom's great-grandchildren, and Kate Powel, bride's niece.

The wedding cake, frosted in soft ivory, was three tiered, with no separation between layers. An arrangement of fresh flowers rested on top, with mixed roses, larkspur, mini-carnations, alstromeria, and wax flower in soft ivory. The cake was placed on a round, ivory skirted table, matching the head table, also skirted in ivory, with a lace overlay.

The head table and family guest tables held arrangements of roses, larkspur, mini carnations, and wax flower. Cakes were made, cut, and served by Betty Rose Walterscheid. Flowers and arrangements were by Lora's Flowers and Gifts.

The couple's children and married grandchildren presented a week's Caribbean Cruise as a wedding gift.

The rehearsal dinner was



Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Pagel ... 'nee Marcie Klement ...

held in the groom's home, catered by Ginny and Ed Schneider. Pictures were made by Tim and Ed Schneider.

Among guests attending from out-of-town were those from Grapevine, North Richland Hills, Dallas, Lindsay, Gainesville, Valley View, Midland, Fort Worth, Houston, and Sherman, Texas, and Oklahoma City and Michigan.

## SAME honors Sacred Heart graduate Sepanski with scholarship

Sara Sepanski, a 2002 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and currently a sophomore student in the School of Architecture and Planning at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). SAME is a professional society, one of the oldest and most respected in the nation, that maintains the highest standards of professionalism, fosters the exchange of ideas, and encourages teamwork between military and civilian engineers and architects.

Made up of over 1,400 individual members and 185 corporate members, the Washington D.C. Post of SAME offers scholarships annually to architectural and engineering college students, with an emphasis on those in the Washington, D.C. area.

Sara, one of eight scholarship recipients, was honored and awarded her scholarship at the Annual Scholarship Dinner held the evening of March 18 at the prestigious Army Navy Club in Washington, D.C. In presenting the scholarship, Mr. Al O'Konski, AIA, SAME Scholarship Chairman, recognized Sara's outstanding academic performance, reflected by a GPA of 3.8, her involvement in a variety of extracurricular activities and organizations, and her impressive academic and professional goals, always striving for perfection and

See Sepanski pg. 10

## Ed Knauf celebrates 90th birthday with two parties

Ed Knauf was honored with two parties to celebrate his 90th birthday. On Saturday, March 13, Ed's birth date, his family gathered for dinner in the Bob and Michele Knauf home.

Attending were his wife Louise Knauf; daughter Janie and Buster Wilkes, Andy and his fiancée Tiffany, Nick and Matt Wilkes from Round Rock and College Station; son Don and Rene Knauf, Diane and Greg from Lindsay and Genevieve Knauf from University of Texas at

Austin; son Bob and Michelle Knauf, Tanya and Jody Fleitman of Muenster; and Anne and Waylon Poole of Muenster. Kristen Knauf of College Station could not be present because of a class commitment in Florida.

On Sunday, March 14, nieces, nephews, and close friends came from Denton, Bowie, Austin, Lindsay, Gainesville, and Muenster for an afternoon reception in the Knauf home. Some 30 relatives and friends were on hand to wish Ed a happy birthday.

## Bake sale at Fischer's to benefit Muenster Museum

Members of the Muenster Historical Commission will be sponsoring a bake sale at Fischer's Meat Market this Saturday, April 3. Proceeds will go towards improvements to the Ben and Aggie Seyler Muenster Museum. Items for sale include homemade cakes, pies, bread, rolls, and cookies. Sale begins at 8 a.m. and lasts until items are sold out or 6 p.m.

Also available are the collectable cloisonné bells, including the new, just in,

2004 bells. A few 2002 quilt designs and 2003 lilly bells are still available for purchase. For 2004, two new bells are available, the Jingle Bells Christmas and another flower series, the Trumpet Bells. Each style has 12 designs to choose

from. Cloisonné is an Oriental type of painting where the surface decoration is set in hollows formed by thin strips of gold wire. All sales benefit the Museum.

### New Arrival

#### Richardson

Brandi Grewing and John "Rusty" Richardson of Nocona announce with joy the birth of their daughter Landri Nicole Richardson. She was born on Thursday, March 25, 2004 at 11:50 p.m. in Denton Community Hospital with Dr. Frederick Cummings in attendance. Landri weighed 6 lb. 7 oz. and measured 19 inches long. Grandparents are Herman and Shirley Grewing of Muenster and Johnny and Frances Richardson of Nocona.

### Did You Know

The makers of M&M candies has teamed up with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation to raise funds through the sale of their new pink and white M&M candies. For each 8 ounce bag of the special candies sold, the makers of M&Ms will donate 50 cents to the Breast Cancer Foundation. The pink and whites are now sold in stores nationwide.

Texas produced 5.5 million pounds of wool in 2002, more than any other state.

The Friends of Muenster FFA, FCCLA, and 4H would like to thank the patrons listed below for their generosity and support of our youth at the Cooke County Youth Fair. This year a total of \$9,058.00 was spent on the students of our community who participated in the Youth Fair. This money is spent completely on premiums for their projects.

We hope you had an opportunity to attend the Youth Fair this year and see the hard work and dedication these students have for their animals and their projects. You would know that the money you contributed went to a very great cause - the youth of our community.

Thank you, again, for your contributions. It is people like you who make this a success!

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## Grant Hartman named to Deans List at West Point

Cadet Grant Andrew Hartman, son of Roy and Irene Hartman of Muenster, was named to the Dean's List and received the Silver Star for excellence in the Academic Program at the U.S. Military Academy. To qualify for the Dean's List, a cadet must maintain a 3.0 grade point average.

Hartman graduated from Muenster High School in 2002. He is concentrating his studies in Operations Research and plans to graduate in 2006 from West Point and be commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.



Cadet Grant Hartman

## Issabella celebrates her second birthday like royalty

Issabella Mabel Roller celebrated her second birthday with a Disney Princess theme. Her actual birthday was Tuesday, March 9. Issabella's party

was held on Saturday, March 13, at her home in Muenster. She was given the royal treatment by her parents, Greg & Cindy Roller and her big brothers, Alex & Garrison Roller.

Other honorary guests at her celebration were Issabella's great-grandparents: Lloyd & Juanita Roller, Wilma Richardson, Marie Reiter, Augusta Walterscheid; grandparents: Grady & Linda Roller, Johnny & Jeanette Reiter, and Tony & Karyn Smith; great-aunt Susan Richardson, uncles: Chad Roller, John Roller, Steven Reiter, Aaryn Smith, Matt Artho & aunt Leigh Ann Artho; and friend Melanie Bartush.

Her party guests were served with a Disney Princess themed cake and drinks. Issabella enjoyed making her birthday wishes followed by opening many special gifts.



Issabella Roller



Don and Donna Schad of Lindsay announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Diana Schad to Jeremy Bayer of Muenster. The future-groom is the son of Paul and Donna Bayer of Muenster. Saturday, May 15, 2004 is the date the couple has chosen for their wedding day. The ceremony will take place at 5 p.m. in St. Peter's Church of Lindsay.

## Baptism

### Ward

Cy Wesley, son of Crista and Todd Ward of Little Elm, Texas was baptized in Sacred Heart Church on March 21, 2004 by Father John Ohner OSA, with his cousin Kimberly Hesse and an uncle, Robert Fisch as godparents.

Attending the ceremony, along with parents and godparents were grandparents Judy and Hal Ward of Vega, Texas and Cathy and Steve Fisch of Iowa Park, Texas. Grandfather Steve Fisch acted as proxy for Robert Fisch who was stationed in Florida with the United States Air Force, and unable to get leave.

A reception was held at

the home of great-grandmother, Henrietta Fisch, in honor of Cy Wesley. In attendance were Holly, Roger, and Lauren Helzer of Oklahoma City; Susan Bullion and Debbie Bradford of Austin. Also relatives from Muenster, Spike and Frances Yosten, Evelyn Koesler, Diane and Jim Grewing, Rick Stewart and Alyssa, Sabrina Truebenbach and Jaxon, Mike Hesse and Jacob, and Doris, Chuck and Kristina Koesler.

A brisket and sausage dinner with all the trimmings was served, with a special cake and ice cream for dessert. Visiting and reminiscing were enjoyed and opening of gifts for the honoree.

## Klement turns three years old

Cade Justin Klement, son of Cory and Brenda Klement of Valley View, celebrated his third birthday on Sunday, Feb. 22 at his home. His actual birthday is Feb. 19.

The theme of the party centered on "farm." Guests were served ice cream and soft drinks. Cade opened his presents and then rode around the yard on his new tractor.

Those attending the party included his parents; grandparents Wallace and Doris Stephenson, Marcie Klement and fiancé Jerome Pagel; great-grandfather Joe Wimmer and friend Dorothy Zimmerer; uncle and aunts, Daniel and Dana Aranda and Melinda Reed; and cousins, Matthew, Hannah, and Susanna Hagemann, and Isaac and Camille Aranda.



Cade Klement

## Venders needed for Home, Lawn & Garden Show

The weekend of April 24-25 marks the date for the Home, Lawn, and Garden Show. This show promises to be an excellent opportunity for homeowners to view the exhibits of vendors promoting some exciting ideas for improving backyard care and enjoyment.

Businesses from the entire North Texas and Southern Oklahoma area will be included.

The Home, Lawn, and Garden Show will be held on the North end of the Gainesville Factory Shops parking lot, which are located at exit 501, Interstate 35. The activities will begin with the opening of the outlet mall at 10:00 A.M. each day. This show is a cooperative effort between the Gainesville Factory Shops, Texas Cooperative Extension, the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, and area businesses. The weekend will feature many chances to receive door prizes and to see demonstrations, which will explain methods for improving backyard landscaping or gardening.

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**Promises of our Lord told to Sister Faustina.**  
PROMISES: "I will pour out a whole ocean of grace upon souls who will approach the fount of My mercy ... The soul that will go to Confession, and [on the Feast of Mercy] receive Holy Communion, shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment ... Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet."

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2. The reception of the Sacrament of Penance [within several days before or after the Sunday].

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1. Novena and the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for nine days preceding the Feast (beginning on Good Friday).
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Novenas may be obtained at Sacred Heart Church in Muenster and nearby churches in this area along with instructions on the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

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Marjorie Archer, Vocational Nursing Program Coordinator, receives the "2004 Excellence in Teaching" Award from Lisa Bellows, 2003 recipient. Joining in the presentation are Dr. Eddie Hadlock, Vice President of Instruction, and Linda Ritcherson, Vice President of the Trust department of First State Bank. A cash award is sponsored each year by First State Bank and Guaranty National Bank.



Denise Cason, Administrative Systems Analyst, is awarded the "2004 Employee of the Year" Award, the first year this award has been given. Joining Mrs. Cason are members of the NCTC Board of Regents: Troy Idom, member; Neil Tibbets, secretary; Karon Sullivan, vice chairman; Claude Walter, member; Ann Kemplin, member; and Dr. Milton Dickson, chairman. A cash award was given by the North Central Texas College Foundation and presented by Ed Wright, Foundation president.



Dr. Eddie Hadlock is awarded a triple-diamond pin for his 30 years of service by Dr. Ronnie Glasscock, president, and Dr. Milton Dickson.



Dr. Milton Dickson is awarded a diamond pin for his 20 years of service on the NCTC Board of Regents by Dr. Ronnie Glasscock.



Dona Taylor is awarded a sapphire pin for her 15 years of service by Dr. Ronnie Glasscock.



Honorees receiving their emerald pins for 10 years of service are: (front row) Janine Fuller and Inice Lee Daniel; (2nd row) Robert Adams and Dr. Scott Delys; (back row) Van Hedrick, Debbie Huffman, and Kerry Vaughan.



Honorees receiving their ruby pins for 5 years of service are: (front row) Mary Ann Sheaff, Tammy Terrell, Steve Rigler, and Suzanne Stiles; (2nd row) Debbie Frost, Theresa Benton, and Dr. Lee Ann Nutt; (3rd row) Deirdre Longenecker, Djuna Forrester, and Arvona Mills; (back row) Mona Phillips, Eva Beck, Mary Martinson, and Pam Livingston.



Special Achievement certificates for their degree completions were awarded to Suzanne Stiles, Ashley Tatum, Ozro Henderson and Molly Showalter.



Special Achievement certificates for Online Course Development were awarded to: (left to right) Lisa Bellows, Dr. Ron Bost, Christine Bishop, Debbie Huffman, Donna Ritchey, Cheryl McGrath, Scott Harp, and Richard Huckaby. (Not pictured: Kathy Bauer, Jim Innis, Robert Burton, Misty Hamner, Cindy Rogers, Kevin Eubanks, and Robert Woods).



Inice Lee Daniel, Tech Prep department assistant, retires with 10 years of service. Donna King, executive director of Tech Prep, presents her with an engraved clock.



Paul Hutchins, Speech instructor, retires after 30 years of service. Doug Robison, Farm and Ranch instructor, retires after 32 years of services. Both retirees are seated in their individually engraved rocking chairs.

# THE GEMS OF NCTC

## Annual Employee Recognition Reception

Friday, March 26, 2004

Thanks to First State Bank and Guaranty National Bank for their support in the excellence of teaching at NCTC



## Sacred Heart academic team captures district championship

The Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) District Academic Meet was held at West Texas State University in Canyon on March 5 and 6. Thirteen schools participated, with 34 Sacred Heart students competing, winning District with 177.6 points. El Paso Jesus Chapel came in second place with 157 points, and Amarillo Ascension Academy was third with 145.6 points.

Debbie Endres, Sacred Heart academic director, noted that she was very proud of the Sacred Heart students and they were looking forward to the State academic competition in Austin Apr. 2 and 3.

Sacred Heart District results were as follows:  
**Persuasive Speaking:** 1, Paige White; 2, Jessica

Knabe.  
**Prose Interpretation:** 1, Andrea Bonin; 2, Jacqueline Flusche.

**Ready Writing:** 2, Kate Sepanski.

**Science:** 4, Joelle Fuhrmann.

**Number Sense:** 2, Lisa Endres; 5, Cindy Hartman.

**Calculator:** 1, Karen Gehrig; 3, David Walterscheid; 4, Wes Wimmer.

**Advance Math:** 4, Wes Wimmer; 5, Lisa Endres; 6, Kevin Walterscheid.

**Current Events:** 4, Travis Hess; 6, Andy Davis.

**Solo Acting:** 1, Jacqueline Flusche.

**Literary Criticism:** 1, Joelle Fuhrmann; 3, Brittany White; 5, Kate Sepanski.

**Mathematics:** 5, Karen Gehrig; 6, Cindy Hartman; 9, Angela Schad.

**Poetry:** 1, Amy Trevino; 3, Andrea Bonin.

**Spelling:** 1, Sarah Whitecotton; 2, Melissa Thomas.

**History:** 4, Cindy Hartman.

**Original Oratory:** 1, Kate Sepanski; 2, Laura Taylor; 5, Christine Fetsch.

**ART**

**Relief Sculpture:** 2, Clayton Truelsenbach.

**Thematic Diversity:** 2, Andrea Bonin.

**Mixed Media 2-D:** 3, Andrea Bonin.

**Sculpture:** 3, Tony Moster; 5, Shannon Hartman.

**Metals:** 1, Tony Moster.

**Crafts:** 4, Mark Fleitman; 6, Kristen Miller.

**On-Site Drawing:** 1, Angela Schad.

**Art History/Picture Memory:** 1, Angela Schad.



Sacred Heart High School Academic Meet participants. Courtesy photo

## New school nutrition policy to take effect August 1, 2004

In an effort to give a healthy edge to Texas kids, we've lightened lunch loads and cut back on the fat in school meals with a new policy released by the Texas Department of Agriculture in March.

This far-reaching policy helps promote a healthier food environment in our public schools by limiting the number of grams of fat and sugar Texas schoolchildren are served each week. We also restricted portion sizes for chips, cookies, bakery items and frozen desserts, and are phasing out deep-fat frying as a means of on-site food preparation.

This policy also targets French fries, which typically pack a lot of fat. Some kids were having fries and a drink for lunch, rather than a well-rounded meal offered by the school, and this just doesn't cut it for good health. Servings of fries are

now limited to three ounces each, and students may only purchase one serving at a time. In elementary schools, French fries can only be served once a week, and in junior high and middle schools, three times a week.

In developing this policy, we consulted parents, teachers, school administrators, healthcare professionals, and members of the food industry. We all have a stake in the issue because we all want to ensure that our children lead healthy lives. The new policy encourages schoolchildren to eat a wide variety of foods to help with both their mental and physical development.

The policy becomes effective Aug. 1, 2004, for all schools participating in the federal child nutrition programs, but there are phase-in periods for certain parts of the policy.

Submitted by Susan Combs  
Texas Agriculture Commissioner



Sacred Heart Pre-School recently held a "Healthy Hearts" presentation given by Kim Walterscheid R.N. She is showing her son Dean, who is a student, how to listen to his heartbeat. She also covered heart-healthy eating habits and exercise.

Courtesy photo

## National Weather Service language

For more information on winter weather and the National Weather Service...visit its web site at [www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd).

## Lunch Menus

### WEEK OF APR. 5 - 9

#### SACRED HEART

Mon. - Chili dogs, ranch style beans, chips, apples.

Tues. - Chicken nuggets, carrots, potatoes w/gravy, peach cobbler, bread.

Wed. - Ham, macaroni and cheese, black-eyed peas, apricots, bread.

Thurs. - No lunch served.

Fri. - No school.

#### MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Corny dogs, potato wedges, beans, mixed fruit, brownies w/walnuts.

Tues. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, pears, hot rolls.

Wed. - Ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, chips and salsa, applesauce, cookies.

Thurs. - No school.

Fri. - No school.

#### LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Crispito, cheese sticks, Mexican rice, lettuce

salad, beans, peaches, bread.

Tues. - Vegetable beef soup, sandwich, pickles, lettuce pineapple.

Wed. - Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes, green beans, apple crisp, bread.

Thurs. - Hamburger w/trimmings, French fries, ice cream.

Fri. - No school.

ERA ISD  
Mon. - Chicken fried steak or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, peaches, hot roll.

Tues. - Chicken spaghetti or mini corn dogs, green beans, tossed salad, sliced pears, breadstick.

Wed. - Lasagna or fish sticks, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, apple brown Betty.

Thurs. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, chocolate chip cookie.

Fri. - No school.



Lindsay Royal Knights, from left, back - Greg Luttmer, Jill Magee, Kailyn Gum, Chelsie Morrison, Mandy Hess, Katie Dieter; middle - Dillon Case, Caitlin Corcoran, Mariah Noggler, Courtney Neu, Freddy Shasteen, Caylee Turner, Kristy Neu; front - Bailey Murrill, Colton Rains. Not pictured is Shannah Daymude. Courtesy photo

## LISD Science Fair winners

The Lindsay Science Club hosted a Science Fair on March 23 for students in third through eighth grade. There were more than 100 participants in the fair from these grade levels.

The following students received awards on Tuesday, March 23:

Division 3rd and 4th grade - 1st place Brienne Sandmann: How Do Drinks Affect Our Teeth?; 2nd place - Claire Williams: The Benefit of Blubber; 3rd place - Amelia Haverkamp: Dancing Densities.

Division 5th and 6th grade - 1st place Madison Parkhill: Demagnetized!; 2nd place - Greg Knauf: Which Consumable Liquid Has The Most Acid?; 3rd place - Tyler Hundt: The Bouncing Ball.

From the 7th and 8th grade Division - 1st place Rhiannon Robinson: Mythbusters: Carrots Are High in Sugar; 2nd place - Mary Bayer: Why is the Sky Blue?; 3rd place - Rose Hermes: Something Sticky's Going On...Which Glue Works Best?

The overall winner was Ryan Haverkamp, a 6th grade student who did a project entitled "Which Color Absorbs Heat the Fastest?"

High School Science Club Members, Allison Conaway and Amy Polk both enjoyed the science fair. "There were many original projects and not just the same ones from previous years. The younger students put a lot of time and effort into their projects."

The Lindsay Science Club is sponsored by Brenda Clark and consists of approximately 27 students. In addition to the science fair, the Science Club also assists elementary science classes by providing hands-on experience that extends beyond the usual classroom curriculum. The Science Club also participated in job shadowing with a trauma surgeon from Fort Worth Harris Methodist Hospital and visited the UNT Health Science Center in Fort Worth.



Winners at the Lindsay ISD Science Fair included, from left, back - Rose Hermes, Mary Bayer, Rhiannon Robinson, Ryan Haverkamp; third row - Madison Parkhill, Tyler Hundt, Greg Knauf; second row - Amelia Haverkamp, Brienne Sandmann; front - Claire Williams. Courtesy photo

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Pre-Kindergarten registration for Muenster ISD will be April 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Registration folders may be picked up at the elementary office. Children must be four years old by September 1, 2004. A copy of the child's immunization records, social security card and birth certificate must be filed with the school secretary, Patsy Fleitman.

El Registro de Pre-Kindergarten para Muenster ISD sera abril 13<sup>o</sup>-16<sup>o</sup>, 2004. Las carpetas del registro se pueden recoger en la oficina elemental. Los niños deben cumplir cuatro años antes de septiembre 1, 2004. Una copia de los registros de la inmunización; tarjeta social de seguro y certificado de nacimiento oficial se deben presentar a la secretaria de la escuela, Patsy Fleitman.

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for MISD will be held on Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the PreK-3 building.

Parents registering children for the 2004-2005 school year must complete a registration card. A copy of the child's immunization records, social security card and birth certificate must be filed with the school secretary, Patsy Fleitman, or the kindergarten teachers.

Parents who wish to transfer their children into the Muenster Independent School District must complete a transfer request in addition to the registration card. The MISD School Board must approve all transfer requests. For more information about transfer requests call Gwen Truelsenbach, Principal, at 759-2281, extension 620.

Muenster Elementary's full day kindergarten, a child centered program, develops pre-academic skills. The kindergarten teachers use a combination of centers, discovery and direct instruction to create a language-rich environment to maximize each child's potential. Students discover the fun of learning as they prepare for future academic and social success. The teachers will be on hand at registration to answer questions.

We look forward to seeing you. If you are unable to attend on April 14<sup>th</sup> please contact the school for a convenient time to register.

## La MATRICULA del JARDIN DE LA INFANCIA MISD

La matricula del jardín de la infancia kinder para MISD sera martes, el 14 de abril a las 4:00 p.m. hasta las 5:30 p.m. en el PreK-2 edificio elemental.

Los padres que registran sus niños para el 2004-2005 año escolar deben completar una tarjeta de matricula y una copia de los registros de la inmunización; tarjeta social de seguro y certificado de nacimiento oficial se deben presentar a la secretaria de la escuela, Patsy Fleitman, o con los maestros del Kinder.

Los padres que desean transferir sus niños en el Muenster Distrito Independiente de Escuela debe completar una petición de la transferencia además de la tarjeta de matricula. El Comité Ejecutivo de la Escuela de MISD debe aprobar todas transferencias solicitadas. Para mas información acerca de la transferencia solicitada llame Gwen Truelsenbach, la Directora en 759-2281, la Extension 620.

El Kinder de Muenster Elemental es para el día entero para desarrollar las destrezas necesarias para entrar en el primer grado. Las maestras de Kinder usan muchas diferentes estrategias para sacar el maximo desarrollo del niño. Los niños desubren el gozo de aprendizaje mientras preparan para su futuro educacional. Las maestras de Kinder estaran dispuestos a contestar cualquiera pregunta.

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# Sports

## Sacred Heart, Muenster compete in tournaments at Turtle Hill Golf Course

Sacred Heart and Muenster High School golfers competed in Sacred Heart's annual invitational golf tournament last week at Turtle Hill Golf Course. The boys played Tuesday with 20 teams competing and the girls on Wednesday with 13 teams.

Jacksboro won the boys division of the tournament with a score of 308, followed by Turner with 312, Nocona 327, Holliday 353, Muenster finishing 5th overall with a team score of 355, and Sacred Heart with 419.

Hornet individual scores were Jared Ledbetter 79, Jordan Walterscheid 88, Kyle Endres 89, Derek Endres 99, and Zach Swirczynski 103. Noah Barnhill and Brad Endres competed in their first tournament of the year and posted 111 and 109 respectively. Ledbetter medaled for having the 8th best score of the day.

The Tiger team was led by Chad Hess with a score of 99. David Walterscheid finished with 103, Travis Forshee 104, Arlie Bayer 113, and Mark Fleitman 115. Mitch Sellers competed as an individual and medaled in 10th place with an 84 score.

The Lady Hornets also finished in 5th place with a score of 414. Callisburg took top honors with 390, followed by Nocona 395 and Jacksboro 398. Sacred Heart finished with a score of 444.

Muenster golfers and their scores were Robyn Hermes 95, Deann Dangelmayr, and Kristi McAden with a pair of 106s, Megan Dangelmayr 107, and Kristian Koessler 111. Stevie Klement played as an individual and shot 119. Hermes' score was good enough for a 6th place medal.

Kim Hess led the Tigerettes with a score of 106. Diana Knabe followed with 111, Jessica Bartel

112, Shannon Hartman 115, Joelle Fuhrman 117, and Hannah Hess 118.

Sacred Heart hosted a boys invitational meet on Monday, March 29 at Turtle Hill. Callisburg won the meet with a score 331, followed by The Hill School "white" team 339 and The Hill School "red" team with a score of 348.

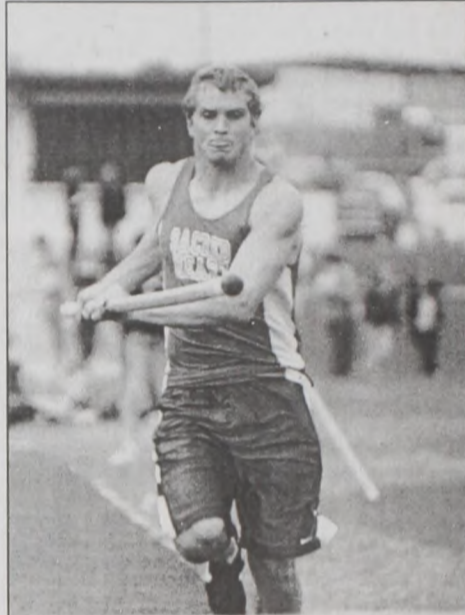
The Sacred Heart Tigers finished with a score of 373. Mitch Sellers posted an 86 score, Zach Barnhill 87, David Walterscheid 99, Travis Forshee 101, and Tony Koessler 106. Competing individually were Mark Fleitman scoring 93, Adam Taylor 111, and Adam Krahl 107.



Brooke Endres took second place in the pole vault. Janie Hartman photo



Keith Walterscheid takes the stick from Patrick Lutkenhaus in the junior varsity sprint relay. Janie Hartman photo



Paige White comes around the track in the 400m race. Janie Hartman photo

Talent gives us gifts to share. Ben Franklin

Kevin Walterscheid cleared 10'6" in the pole vault at last weekends Hornet Relays. Janie Hartman photo

## Muenster Hornet Relays

### VARSITY GIRLS

**Long Jump:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 16' 8.5"; 2, Brooke Endres, M, 16'; 3, Brittany White, SH, 15' 10.5"; 4, Brittany Anderle, L, 15' 6.5".

**Triple Jump:** 2, Brittany Anderle, L, 31' 9.25"; 4, Kate Sepanski, SH, 31' 1.5"; 5, Cheryl Knabe, L, 30' 6.25".

**High Jump:** 2, JoAnna Felderhoff, M, 4' 8"; 3, Cheryl Knabe, L, 4' 8"; 5, Jacé Koelzer, M, 4' 6".

**Shot Put:** 4, Katie Carpenter, L, 32' 7.5"; 5, Heidi Hess, L, 31' 25".

**Discus:** 3, Sarah Whitecotton, SH, 98' 4"; 4, Melinda Walterscheid, M, 88'; 6, Allison Hundt, L, 84' 2".

**Pole Vault:** 2, Brooke Endres, M, 7' 6"; 4, Abby Endres, M, 6' 0".

**400m Dash:** 1, JoAnna Felderhoff, M, 1:04.3; 3, Stevie Klement, M, 1:05.4; 5, Kate Sepanski, SH, 1:06.3; 6, Kristen Hess, M, 1:08.1.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 48.7; 3, Brooke Endres, M, 50.6; 4, Allison Hundt, L, 51.9; 6, Whitney Watson, M, 52.5.

**200m Dash:** 5, Karissa Reiter, L, 28.7.

**1600m Run:** 2, Kallie Gerstberger, M, 5:53.9; 3, Paige White, SH, 5:58.0.

**1600m Relay:** 4, L, Allison Hundt, Joni Erwin, Alli Copeland, Autumn Murrill, 4:39.6.

**3200m Run:** 3, Kallie Gerstberger, M, 13:04.2; 4, Paige White, SH, 13:11.1; 6, Laura Zimmerer, L, 13:55.5.

**400m Relay:** 2, L, Mallory Block, Brittany Anderle, Joni Erwin, Allison Hundt, 54.4.

**800m Run:** 2, JoAnna Felderhoff, M, 2:32.7; 4, Alli Copeland, L, 2:33.3; 6, Kristen Hess, M, 2:45.1.

**100m Hurdles:** 1, Jacé Koelzer, M, 15.0; 2, Brittany White, SH, 15.5; 3, Brooke Endres, M, 15.8.

**100m Dash:** 2, Jacé Koelzer, M, 12.7; 4, Mallory Block, L, 13.2; 5, Kate Sepanski, SH, 13.2; 6, Sandy Endres, M, 13.5.

**800m Relay:** 5, L, Mallory Block, Karissa Reiter, Joni Erwin, Cheryl Knabe, 1:59.0.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1, Muenster 124.5; 2, Era, 74; 3, Lindsay, 70; 4, Callisburg, 69; 5, Pottsboro, 64.5; 6, Alvord, 64; 7, Chico, 40; 8, Sacred Heart, 38; 9, Celeste, 26; 9, McKinney Christian, 26; 11, Forestburg, 18; 12, Grapevine Faith, 3; 13, Pottsboro JV, 2; 14, Krum, 1.

### VARSITY BOYS

**Long Jump:** 1, Bradley

At the sprint relay exchange are Lady Knights Joni Erwin and Allison Hundt.

**Triple Jump:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L, 41' 5"; 3, Clint Miller, M, 39' 10".

**High Jump:** 2, Trinity Otto, L, 6'; 3, Brandon Huckaby, L, 6'; 4, Clinton Kyle, L, 5' 8".

**Shot Put:** 1, John Sturm, M, 45'; 3, Garret Jones, L, 42' 11"; 4, Adam Krahl, SH, 42' 10"; 5, Gary Anderle, L, 40' 7".

**Discus:** 1, Clayton Trubench, SH, 150' 3.5".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Chad Dieter, L, 10' 6"; 2, Kevin Walterscheid, SH, 10' 6".

**400m Dash:** 1, Justin Ferguson, M, 52.55; 2, Alan Trammell, L, 52.76.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Matt Brennan, L, 41.60; 2, Bradley Anderle, L, 45.17.

**200m Dash:** 1, Trinity Otto, L, 22.71; 4, Jordan Walterscheid, M, 24.56.

**1600m Run:** 4, Josey Kyle, L, 5:10.21; 5, Kristopher Creed, L, 5:10.56.

**1600m Relay:** 1, L, Alan Trammell, Sam Hellinger, Trinity Otto, Matt Brennan, 3:36.48; 2, M, Derek Endres, Clint Miller, Nathan Privett, Justin Ferguson, 3:46.22.

**3200m Run:** 2, Josey Kyle, L, 11:41.51; 6, Mark Fleitman, SH, 12:38.83.

**400m Relay:** 1, L, Brandon Huckaby, Trinity Otto, Bradley Anderle, Alan Trammell, 2, SH, Paul Bartush, Aaron Krahl, Chris Hoedebeck, Kevin Walterscheid, 45.75; 5, M, Nathan Privett, John Fredrick, Justin Ferguson, Derek Endres, 47.03.

**800m Run:** 2, Sam Hellinger, L, 2:06.13.

**110m Hurdles:** 1, Bradley Anderle, L, 15.55; 3, Dustin Hughes, L, 18.02; 6, Chad Dieter, L, 19.45.

**100m Dash:** 1, Aaron Krahl, SH, 11.06; 4, Paul Bartush, SH, 11.49.

**800m Relay:** 1, SH, Paul Bartush, Aaron Krahl, Chris Hoedebeck, Kevin Walterscheid, 1:37.07; 2, L, Sam Hellinger, Brandon Huckaby, Adam Kasperek, Matt Brennan, 1:38.06; 4, M, Jordan Walterscheid,

Clint Miller, John Fredrick, Nathan Privett, 1:40.48.

**TEAM TOTALS:** 1, Lindsay, 131; 2, Krum, 44; 3, Muenster, 42; 4, Callisburg, 40; 5, Era, 36; 6, Alvord, 29; 7, Pottsboro, 18; 8, Metro, 16; 9, Grapevine, 10; 10, Harvest, 8; 10, Plano, 8.

### JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS

**Long Jump:** 5, Walterscheid, M, 17' 3.75".

**Triple Jump:** 2, Jones, L, 35' 1.75"; 4, Lutkenhaus, M, 34' 8.5"; 6, Hess, SH, 34' 3.25".

**High Jump:** 2, Sandmann, L, 5'; 6, Hess, SH, 5'.

**Shot Put:** 1, Neu, L, 38' 4.75"; 2, Hennigan, M, 37' 9".

**Discus:** 1, Cain, M, 105' 3.5"; 2, Dieter, L, 99' 4.5"; 5, Walterscheid, SH, 85' 8".

**Pole Vault:** 1, Wimmer, M, 8' 6".

**400m Dash:** 1, Jones, L, 56.53; 3, Otto, SH, 1:00.15.

**300m Hurdles:** 4, Martin, L, 51.21.

**1600m Run:** 2, Felderhoff, M, 5:36.68; 4, Felderhoff, M, 5:54.07; 5, Jones, L, 5:54.57.

**1600m Relay:** 2, Lindsay, 3:58.09; 3, Muenster, 4:00.21.

**3200m Run:** 2, Felderhoff, M, 13:02.57; 3, Gehrig, SH, 13:13.01; 4, Jones, L, 13:18.24; 5, Conaway, L, 13:22.82.

**400m Relay:** 1, Lindsay, 47.73; 6, Muenster, 51.52.

**800m Run:** 2, Hermes, L, 2:21.87; 3, Endres, M, 2:28.32; 4, Lutkenhaus, M, 2:32.37; 6, Flusche, M, 2:41.70.

**100m Hurdles:** 3, Martin, L, 17.88; 4, Hess, SH, 18.11; 5, Walterscheid, M, 18.26.

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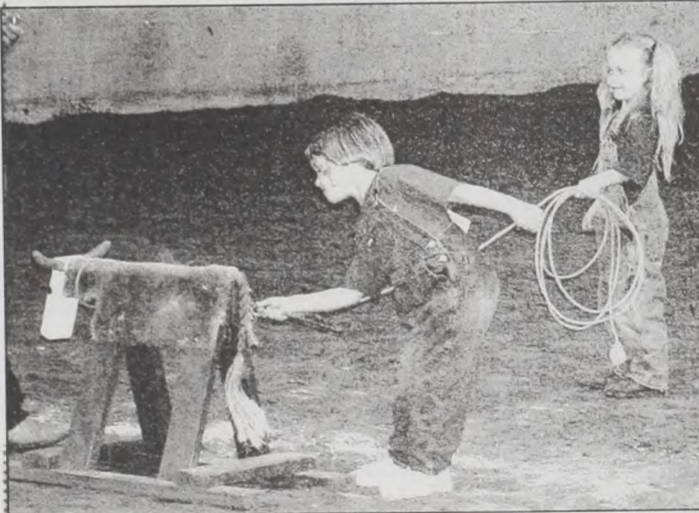
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Rylee Reiter holds down the wooden calf while her teammate Katy Bezner whacks it with her branding iron at Sundays Ranch Rodeo. Scott Wood photo

### TRACK from pg. 9

1.75"; 2, Hermes, L, 34' 6.75"; 3,  
Yosten, SH, 32' 11.75".  
900m Relay: 3, Martin, L, 5' 2".  
Pole Vault: 1, Martin, L, 7' 6".  
2, Hennigan, M, 6' 6"; 3, Serna, M,  
6'.  
400m Dash: 1, Hermes, L,  
58.12; 6, Yosten, SH, 1:04.17.  
300m Hurdles: 1, Martin, L,  
47.81; 3, Block, L, 48.87.  
200m Dash: 1, Mendez, L,  
25.35.  
3200m Run: 2, Martin, L,  
9:22.08.  
400m Relay: 3, Muenster,  
53.60; 6, Sacred Heart, 54.45.  
800m Run: 2, Ward, L, 2:33.82;  
4, Serna, M, 2:37.83.  
110m Hurdles: 4, Richey, SH,  
19.25.  
100m Dash: 1, Mendez, L,  
11.72; 3, Hermes, L, 12.11.  
900m Relay: 3, Sacred Heart,  
1:54.42; 4, Muenster, 1:55.42; 6,  
Lindsay, 1:58.21.  
TEAM TOTALS: 1, Lindsay,  
102; 2, Gunter, 88; 3, Callisburg,  
69; 4, Krum, 62; 5, Muenster, 38; 6,  
Metro, 20; 7, Sacred Heart, 19; 7,  
Saint Jo, 19; 9, Chico, 10; 10,  
McKinney, 5; 11, Alford, 2.



Claude Bayer holds down the wild wooden calf for Ethan Henry to lasso and Michael Fleitman to brand. Scott Wood photo



Goat Milk? Bailey Walterscheid is milking a goat at the Ranch Rodeo with the help of Neil Bayer and his dad Bill. Scott Wood photo

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### SEPANSKI from pg. 4

seeking to push the envelope in any project she undertakes. The evening's program also featured Mr. James Crum, Director of the Iraqi Reconstruction Program Management Office in the Pentagon, who presented a timely and interesting Iraq Program Management Overview and Progress Update.

"It was a most enjoyable evening, truly a pleasure meeting so many wonderful people, who made me feel right at home. It is an honor and a great privilege to be awarded a scholarship by such an important and outstanding organization as the Society of American Military Engineers," remarked Sara, adding, "It's been a very busy and intense semester, but a very rewarding one. Returning from the Honors Program trip to Rome over Spring Break and then learning that I had won the SAME scholarship put all the long days and the many "all-nighters" working in the studio into perspective."

Sara will be honored again on April 15, this time at the Annual Student Employee Reception at the university's Pryzbyla Center, as a finalist for CUA's Undergraduate Student Employee of the Year. Sara was nominated for the award by Polly Berry, Assistant to the Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning, and recognized for her impressive work and having "played an important role in the operation of the School of Architecture."

# Farm & Ranch

## County Agent's Report

**Wayne Becker**  
CEA - AGNR

### Energy costs hit farmers, fertilizer industry

Comprehensive energy legislation now in Congress would ease high energy prices pinching all Americans and, in particular, America's farm families, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation.

In testimony today before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, Bob Drake, vice president of the Oklahoma Farm Bureau, called for the passage of energy legislation that would create a diversified energy portfolio and help restore calm to the energy marketplace.

Testifying on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation and the Oklahoma Farm Bureau, Drake said the comprehensive energy bill would boost domestic energy supplies by focusing on further development of renewable sources, such as ethanol, bio-diesel and wind, while at the same time increasing supplies of domestic traditional energy sources such as natural gas, oil and coal.

Drake said that natural gas is perhaps the most important energy source to production agriculture, since it is used to power

traditional farm equipment and is the primary raw material for the production of virtually all commercial nitrogen fertilizers in the United States. He said the current price volatility for natural gas threatens the

growing season. Drake said that farmers in Oklahoma's Panhandle region report the cost of operating their natural-gas-powered irrigation pumps increased more than 70 percent in 2003. One

"USDA estimates that it cost U.S. farmers and ranchers an extra \$2.6 billion to produce the same amount of food and fiber in 2003 when compared to the 2002 growing season."

Bob Drake, Oklahoma Farm Bureau

existence of what remains of the U.S. fertilizer industry "and will exacerbate America's dependence on foreign sources of energy and fertilizer."

Drake said that during the 2000 planting season, ammonia fertilizer cost around \$100 per ton. During the 2003 growing season, however, farmers faced ammonia prices of \$350 or more per ton. The Agriculture Department estimates that it cost U.S. farmers and ranchers an extra \$2.6 billion to produce the same amount of food and fiber in 2003 when compared to the 2002

producer, in Beaver County, Okla., reported to Drake that those costs alone resulted in a \$26,000 drop in net income.

"In addition, farmers and ranchers have experienced diesel fuel price increases 40 percent above historical averages," Drake said. "With thin margins already being experienced in agriculture and the prospect of high energy prices in the foreseeable future, this added expense, which cannot be passed on in the price of agricultural commodities, will erode the financial positions of many farm and ranch families."

### Forage Fertility

Fertility is a basic requirement for the higher production expected of improved pastures. For each ton of forage removed from a pasture or hay field, 50 pounds of nitrogen, 12 pounds of phosphorus, and 40 pounds of potassium are removed in the forage.

Soil fertility management for forage crops is a continuous process that begins well before the forage crop is established. In the pre-establishment phase the soil conditions are adjusted to provide optimum soil fertility when the crop is established. At establishment the fertility program should deal with any last minute small adjustments in soil fertility and any requirements for getting the plants established such as starter fertilizer. Finally, once the crop is established, the fertility program will focus on maintenance of good fertility levels in the soil for the life of the forage stand.

Weed control is highly important in both establishment and production.

Control of the weed at an early stage allows for the growth of the forage. Most studies have shown that weeds displace forages. Weed control provides at least one pound of grass for each pound of weed controlled.

turned the crop around. According to the crop weather report (3-21-2004), the wheat crop is 4% excellent, 19% good, 38 fair, 27 poor, and 12% very poor.

Powdery mildew has plagued most of the Blacklands and Northeast Texas since early February and continues to persist and many fields. From my conversation with CEAs and IPM agents, this is probably one of the worst incidence of Powdery mildew in a long time. The HRW wheat varieties are more susceptible to Powdery mildew than SRW wheat. Some of the varieties that appear the most susceptible include Jagalene, Thunderbolt, Cutter, Stanton, and Ogallala. Typically, the wheat plants can withstand higher infestation of Powdery mildew than of Leaf or Stripe rust; however, weak wheat stems and lodging may result from heavy Powdery mildew infestations. Management of Powdery mildew is seldom justified if a variety has moderate resistance; however, fungicide applications to susceptible varieties may be economically justified and numerous fields have been treated in Central Texas. Numerous fungicides are labeled to control Powdery mildew and include, Headline (6-9 oz/A), Quadris (6.2 oz/A), Quilt (14 oz/A), Propimax (4 oz/A), Stratego (10oz/A), and Tilt (4 oz/A).

**Rusts:** Very little Stripe rust has been observed within the last few weeks; however, the Stripe rust pressure on susceptible varieties (Coronado and 2174) have approached a concerning level in McGregor. Based on reports from South Texas and the current weather patterns, Leaf rust will likely be a much bigger problem in 2004 than 2003. South Texas is experiencing very heavy Leaf rust

pressure and the inoculum will likely be moving northward into the Northern Blacklands and Rolling Plains of Texas. It appears that a different race of Leaf rust may be present this year, in addition to old races of Leaf rust. In the South Texas wheat nursery, wheat varieties that were rated as totally resistant in 2003 have been infected with Leaf rust, including AgriPro Cutter and Jagalene. Moderate Leaf rust infection was also observed in McGregor on the AgriPro-Cutter field. Trace levels of Leaf rust were observed in the Abilene wheat nursery on susceptible varieties.

**Closer to home,** specialists say that we a probably not in for a severe outbreak of stripe rust this year, because of the rapidly warming temperatures. However, they do caution about leaf rust, advising farmers to watch fields closely and consider treatment if necessary. They remind us that it is extremely important to protect the flagleaf from leaf rust.

### Small Grains Field Day Set

May 11 will be the date for the small grains tour in Cooke County. The tour will begin at 8:30 in the morning and continue through lunch. 3 CEUs will be available to those individuals needing them for their pesticide license. More detail will be made available soon.

Also May 6, will be the date of the small grain field day at the experiment station in Prosper. For more detail, call the Cooke County Extension office at (940)668-5412.

**Dates to Remember:**  
4/06 - Marketing Club Meeting; Gainesville Farm Bureau Building, 7pm

4/21 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting; Cooke County Fairgrounds, 7pm

4/23 - Pecan Grafting Workshop; 1pm

4/24-25 - Home, Lawn and Garden, Show, Gainesville Factory Shops, 10am

5/11 - Small Grain Field Day; 8:30am - 3 CEUs

## Ag Briefs

Move hay feeders about the pasture to keep bacteria from forming in large concentrations. Most bacteria die within 60 days after a feeder is moved to a new location.

Bull testing pays. Based on Colorado State University studies, every \$1.00 invested in testing yields a return of \$17.00.

Protect cattle during cold wet weather. The easiest protection is a wind block. Round bales and farm equipment can be used in pastures with cattle. Bedding of straw hay also prevents frostbite.

Forty drugs and pharmaceuticals on the market are estimated to come from hogs.

55.6 thousand pounds of milk is the record milk production for a single cow in a year.

"Milk substitutes are no substitute," according to a study by *Slate* magazine. In Los Angeles, three soy brands, one rice, two lactose-free, and one regular milk were taste tested. All were low-fat products. Overall, the conclusion was that "the non-milk products didn't taste like milk and they didn't taste good... In the end, milk substitutes are no substitute at all."

A Taiwanese research team has produced low-cholesterol eggs. By feeding hens corn with red-yeast rice, eggs contained up to 15% less cholesterol than normal eggs.

The projected yield for 2003 soybean production has been lowered to 34 bushels per acre. The 2002 crop average was 38 bushels per acre. Ending stocks for 2003-04 are projected at 130 million bushels, the lowest in more than 20 years.

It is predicted that milk prices should average 3% higher than last year for the next several months. This will not last unless there is a significant drop in milk supply.

Decibel sound ratings for noise around the farm: 60 - normal conversation; 85 - tractor or combine idling (hearing loss after eight hours a day); 90 - full throttle mower (damage after four hours a day); 100 - portable music with headphones, volume set halfway (15 minutes to cause damage); 120 - old chain saw, bad muffler (immediate danger); 140 - gunshot or engine backfire (ear pain and damage).

Wattage required to run electrical items around the farm: 1 hp air compressor - 1500; electric welder - 9000; heater, 150,000 BTU - 625; coffee maker - 1750; microwave - 625; refrigerator - 700; desktop computer - 600 to 800; monitor - 200 to 250; fax - 600 to 800; printer - 400 to 600; 25 miles of electric fence - 250.

The average family spends \$91 per week on groceries.

### Small Grains Update

Within the last two weeks Rex Herrington and Gaylon Morgan, Extension Small Grain Specialist, have traveled most of the state and have looked at a considerable amount of wheat. According to them, most of the state the wheat crop has thinner than normal stands, which can be mostly attributed to a very dry fall and late emergence in many fields. Fortunately, rainfall across most of the state within the past 4-6 weeks has really

### Consumption of beef increases

"That's the most in any single year for beef," said Dr. Ernie Davis, Texas Cooperative Extension livestock marketing economist. Meanwhile, U.S. cattle numbers continue to decrease. "This has been a 14-year cattle cycle, the longest we've ever had," Davis said. "In 1995, cattle and calves peaked at 113 million and went down to 103.9 million in 2003. There has been continued liquidation. We don't have any indication yet that producers are planning to expand their herds."

Texas A&M Agriculture News

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300-400 lb. \$115 to \$126;  
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<b>Feeder Steers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.20-1.45; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.20; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.25-1.43; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.25; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.12-1.35; Nos. 2 & 3, .90-1.12; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.07-1.19; Nos. 2 & 3, .85-1.07; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, .97-1.07; Nos. 2 & 3, .80-97; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, .86-.95; Nos. 2 & 3, .73-.86	<b>Stocker Cows (per head)</b> Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame, \$750-\$910, Medium Frame, \$550-\$750. Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame, \$850-\$1070; Medium Frame, \$700-\$850. Holstein Baby Calves, \$55-\$105; Crossbreds, \$135-\$225 Barrows & Gilts (per lb.) US #1, 230-270, 39-45; US #2, 220-280, 39-45; US #3, 210-270, 39-45	<b>Ewes (per lb.)</b> 3 to 5; Thin, 20-35; Fat, 40-45
<b>Feeder Heifers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.25-1.45; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.25; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.12-1.40; Nos. 2 & 3, .95-1.12; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.05-1.24; Nos. 2 & 3, .90-1.05; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, .95-1.06; Nos. 2 & 3, .75-.95; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, .88-.98; Nos. 2 & 3, .75-.88; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, .80-.91; Nos. 2 & 3, .65-.80	<b>Feeders (per head)</b> 100-175 lbs. \$50-\$75; 25-90 lbs. \$20-\$45 Sows (per lb.) Feeder, 400 or less, 22-30; Light wt., 400-500, 25-30; Med. wt., 500-600, 25-30; Heavy wt., 600+, 25-30	<b>Bucks (per lb.)</b> Thin, 30-40; Fat, 40-45 Barbados (per head) Lambs \$17.50-\$55; Ewes: \$30-\$65; Bucks: \$70-\$110
<b>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)</b> Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2, 1.200-2.050 lbs.; 57-7250; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 47-5350; Cutter, 30-47	<b>Boers (per lb.)</b> 300 lb. up, .02 200-300 lbs., .15-.22; Light wt., NT Sheep (per lb.) Feeder lambs 40-60 lbs., 1.20-1.35; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 1.10-1.25; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., .90-1.00	<b>Nannies (per head)</b> Stocker, \$50-\$220; Milk Type, \$50-\$135; Slaughter: Thin, \$25-\$50; Fat, \$60-\$85
		<b>Boer Goats (per head)</b> 1/2 Nanny, \$75-\$90; 3/4 Nanny, \$95-\$125; Full Nanny, \$50-\$165
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Spiral Sliced Bone-in Ham Hormel Cure #1 **\$1.99** lb.

Boneless Ham Hormel Cure #1 **\$2.79** lb.

Life Saver Hot Dog Regular or hot 12 oz. pkg. **99¢**

Back Label Slice Bacon **\$2.99** 1 lb. pkg.

WRIGHT WHOLE OR 1/2 Mini Pit Hams **\$2.39** LB.

WRIGHT MARKET WRAPPED Bacon **\$2.29** LB.

OSCAR MAYER REG OR BUN LENGTH Hot Dogs **\$1.99** LB.

**Miller Lite** or **Miller Genuine Draft**

**\$11.99** 18 PACK

25 CT. HEFTY 8 7/8 Flat Foam Plates **99¢**

50 CT. HEFTY Bowls **\$1.19**

15 CT. 10 1/2 IN. Compartment Plates **\$1.69**

4 ROLL SURFINE Tissue **79¢**

**DAIRY SPECIALS**

**Natural Light Beer**

**\$11.49** 24 CT.

**NON-FOOD ITEMS**

Western Family Film 130' 34 exposure 35mm or 35mm 24 exp. **2\$3** for

Western Family Camera 3.5 inch lens 35mm **\$3.99**

Western Family Abalone Batteries AA, AAA, C, D or 9 Volt **99¢**

Western Family Camera 35mm **\$2.99**

Shurline Ultra Whipping Cream half pint **69¢**

Shurline Cream Cheese original or 1/3 less fat 8 oz. **99¢**

**FROZEN FOODS**

Blue Bunny Ice Cream or Frozen Yogurt select varieties half gallon round **2\$6** for

Sara Lee Pies select varieties 9 inch 37-40 oz. **\$2.99**

**Natural Light Beer \$11.49** 24 CT.

Sara Lee Pies select varieties 9 inch 37-40 oz. **\$2.99**

**Dr. Pepper**

12 OZ.-12 PK. **\$2.99**

Kraft Neufchâtel Cheese **99¢**

Kraft Cream Cheese **99¢**

Kraft Whipped Cream **\$1.99**

Parkay **\$1.19**

Shurline Pie Crusts deep dish 12 oz. **2\$3** for

Rhodes **\$2.99**

Stowell Breaded Cut Okra 24 oz. **\$1.69**

Cream Cakes **\$3.99**

Cool Whip Topping select varieties 8 oz. **99¢**

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We will be **CLOSED** on Easter Sunday, April 11, so our Employees can spend time with their families.

**Happy Easter**

Johnny & Louise, Butch & Eileen, The Employees of Fischer's

Baking Potatoes Colorado **\$1.69** ea.

Sweet Potatoes **99¢** lb.

Sno-White Cauliflower large **79¢** lb.

Texas 1015 Sweet Onions **4\$1** for

Tangy Lemons or Juicy Limes **4\$1** for

Tropical Kiwifruit **3\$1** for

Breakfast Size Grapefruit **3\$1** for

D'Anjou Pears **79¢** lb.

Braeburn Apples Washington Extra Fancy **1.29** lb.

New Red Potatoes **2\$1** lbs.

Red Ripe Strawberries **99¢** 1 lb. pkg.

Fresh Green Beans **\$1.29** lb.

Cherry Tomatoes **\$1.99**

Marie's Dip **\$2.99**

Mini Peeled Carrots **99¢**

Vanilla Wafers **99¢**

Chocolate Dip **\$2.99**

Iceberg Salad **\$1.99**

Dole Salad **2.55**

Radishes **2.51**

Tomatoes **2.53**

Produce **79¢** ea.

Crisp Celery **2\$1** for

Green Onions **2\$1** for

**GROCERY SPECIALS**

TOWNTALK Wheat Bread **79¢**

Countess Angel Food Bar 10.5 oz. **\$1.99**

Lays Wavy Lay's Potato Chips **3\$5** for

Wesson Cooking Oil select varieties 48 oz. **2\$4** for

Claude's Sauce 16 oz. barbecue braisid 12 oz. fajita marinade **\$1.99**

Betty Crocker Cake Mixes select varieties 16-18.25 oz. **99¢**

Betty Crocker Frosting select varieties 12-16 oz. **\$1.79**

Kraft Salad Dressing select varieties 16 oz. **2\$4** for

Mccormick Food Coloring assorted 4 ct. **\$2.99**

Shurline Vinegar White Distilled 32 oz. **69¢**

Kleenex Dinner Napkins white 50 ct. **2\$3** for

Alka-Schizer Plus select varieties 30 ct. **\$3.79**

Visine Eye Drops select varieties 5 oz. **\$2.99**

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