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## Commissioners hear of extension service involvement in county

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Cooke County is fortunate to have all three of its Extension Service positions filled. Serving in the County are Phyllis Griffin with 4-H and Youth Development; Wayne Becker with Agriculture and Natural Resources; and Angel Walls with Family & Consumer Sciences.

Griffin stated that the mission of the Texas Cooperative Extension Service (CES) is to provide quality relevant outreach and continuing education programs and services to the people of Texas.

Priorities of the CES are quality of life in the community; economic viability and growth; accessible quality education for all; water and the environment; strengthening

we never they start thinking about purchasing for their herds."

Training for private applicators licenses and CEU updates for those with them is done by the County Agent.

Becker said that Horticulture takes a lot of his time, especially in the spring when people are calling about their yards, vegetables, etc. There is a Master Gardener's Program in the County. After training, the participants dedicate a certain number of volunteer hours to the County to help get educational information to area gardeners.

Becker said that they hope to get demonstrations for things like composting being done by the Master Gardeners.

working on during 2004, in total office effort is addressing the childhood obesity issue." Educating parents and children on nutrition will be a main focus in 2004.

Texas Extension Education Association (TEEA) clubs in Cooke County are one of the largest and most active TEEA groups in the nation. Currently there are eight clubs in the County. The purpose of TEA is to participate in educational programs, community service programs, and fundraising efforts to provide 4-H scholarships. Walls conducts some of the programs and the clubs do some of their own.

County Judge Bill Freeman appraised Commissioners Court of the



The Sacred Heart Tigers State Championship Football Team was honored at the Cooke County Commissioners Court meeting Monday morning. Photo by Janet Felderhoff

families and developing youth, and health care and facilities.

During the past year in Cooke County the CES has conducted 370 educational programs and events that included 7,265 participants. There were 15,153 educational contacts made by either telephone, office or site visits, or e-mail. Volunteers made 14,742 contacts.

Griffin displayed a calendar demonstrating that 4-H has something going on year round. She explained many of the programs and events. There are 10 4-H clubs in the County that encompass 350 members and 476 adult volunteers.

Becker has been with Cooke County as the County Agent since February and said he's really enjoyed it. His priorities may change as the need arises.

"The Marketing Club is one of the premier clubs in the State," noted Becker. "We actually traded futures just to get everybody's feet wet and to let everybody see how things go in the Future's Market. It was quite an experience."

Result Demonstrations are another important part of the County Agent's job. He said that there will be changes in this area at the request of District. "They want it to be more scientific, not just to prove that this variety works or prove this product works," remarked Becker.

Becker said he is working with the equine industry as much as possible. Last summer there was a farm tour at the Babcock Ranch. A services directory for the industry is being printed and will be available soon.

The Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association has been reinstated. A membership directory is also being developed and contains about 75 member names.

The group is working to promote the industry. "One of the immediate goals is to try to bring high dollars purchases in for your show calves, bulls, or replacement females," Becker stated. "We want to get our name out there so people think of Cooke County first

Angel Walls has been with Family & Consumer Services (FCS) in Cooke County since August. "They told me when I came here to be ready to run," Walls reflected. "They weren't lying. In the first four months I've been here I've have already done more projects and reached more people than the seven months I was in Crane County."

FCS tries to strengthen individuals and families, improve health, and increase economic stability. They present programs related to the home, the family, nutrition, health, water conservation, and financial management.

During 2003, FCS conducted 148 programs with 1526 participants. "Nutrition education is the cornerstone of FCS education in Cooke County and probably will continue to be that way," Walls reported. "One of the big programs that we will be

inmate situation in the Cooke County Jail. "We've got 100 prisoners in the County Jail," said Judge Freeman. "We have 26 out of county and 74 in county." Commissioners have meetings scheduled with several architectural firms to discuss either a new jail or an addition to the present facility.

Commissioners Court honored the Muenster Sacred Heart Tigers football team and its coaches at the Monday, Dec. 8 meeting. A proclamation was signed declaring, "Each year thousands of athletes compete statewide with the ultimate goal of being a State champion. It takes teamwork, dedication, discipline, sacrifice, coaching, and community support and school spirit to become a State champion. Commissioners Court of Cooke County, Texas takes great pride in honoring Muenster Sacred Heart See COMM. COURT, PG. 2



Improving the safety on Interstate 35 was one topic Craig Estes discussed at Wednesday's Muenster Kiwanis Club meeting. Estes is seeking re-election to the Texas Senate. Also pictures is Don Rohmer, Muenster Kiwanis president. Photo by Scott Wood

## Muesnter ISD School Board discusses project cost at Nov. 24 called meeting

**By Janie Hartman**  
The Muenster ISD Board of Trustees met Nov. 24 in a called meeting to discuss and take any action regarding the District's construction projects.

Superintendent Clyde Steelman distributed updated financial reports to Board members. The report noted that the junior high gymnasium roof replacement for \$68,000, was 46.55% more than the estimated amount of \$46,400.

The junior high renovation project near final expenses were \$404,853, up 13.39% from the estimated amount used for the bond election, \$357,048. An additional \$64,556 was spent on patch and repair, band hall roof repair, and new light fixtures.

The drainage repair is on

hold until the City and District agree on the financial responsibility of Walnut Street. The estimated cost is now \$50,000 instead of \$150,000. The Board changed the original plan to reduce the cost.

Steelman also noted that the bonding fees were \$7,250.90 instead of an estimated \$35,000 because of refinancing the debt payment. Miscellaneous fees are \$81,044, up from the estimated \$75,000. Steelman told the Board that additional fees to complete the project may run an additional \$10,000 - \$15,000.

In undersigned funds, the additional expenses to the junior high and junior high gym were \$133,961, under the estimated \$136,552. The summer maintenance

"How many more surprises will there be?" questioned Rudy Koesler, Board member.

The Board questioned if an oversight was made, should the financial burden be the responsibility of the company that conducted the bore samples, rather than the District? Steelman also needs to find out what guarantee the District has that the building will not shift or receive structural damage due to the depth of the additional fill.

The Board was also informed by Steelman that work on the new track should begin after the Thanksgiving holiday. The Board approved the location of a new long jump pit, south on the visitors (east) side. The Board approved that the color of the field house will match the gym.



Work has begun on a Muenster ISD track. Workers are building a new curb, then will resurface the track. Photo by Janie Hartman



Members of the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary decorated the Hospital hallways, waiting rooms, and more for the holidays. Shown putting up the Nativity are, from left, Janie Weinzapfel, Darlene Williams, and Janet Felderhoff. Photo by Janie Hartman

projects in the band hall (storage), vocational wing (carpet and paint), junior high (new paint in hallway) and elementary building (carpet, tile, and paint) totaled \$19,176."

To get this much done on this amount, we did a good job," Steelman noted, adding the District saved money on labor.

Current expenditures to date were \$778,841.81. A total of \$365,852.19 remains in the construction fund account.

Discussion then turned to the field house project which is now estimated at \$213,997, which is \$1,677 more than the estimate received Feb. 12. The additional "adds" to the building totaled \$73,336. The Board discussed doing some of the adds, masonry, painting, etc., in house (by school employees) to reduce the construction cost.

The Board requested that Steelman write a letter to the architect requesting an explanation regarding the additional dirt work required on the field house. "I think they flat messed up," said Board Member Ronnie Felderhoff. "I'm disappointed in the fact that we have a surprise here."

In other business, Steelman informed the Board of classroom overcrowding in the next few years. "Classroom space is at a critical stage.

See MISD PROJECTS, PG. 2

## The Social Concerns Committee seeks donations

Accounts are open at all three Muenster banks for the Social Concerns Committee's Christmas and General Funds. During Christmas the fund will be used to purchase Christmas items for any local persons reported in need.

The general fund is used throughout the year to assist those with short-term needs such as paying a utility bill or the elderly who need medications that they can't afford.

To contribute to these causes, stop by either the Muenster State Bank, First National Bank of Saint Jo - Muenster branch, or GNB - Muenster Banking Center.

**Letters to the Editor**

Dear Readers of the Muenster Enterprise,

Last week's edition of the Muenster Enterprise included a congratulatory ad directed to the Sacred Heart Tiger Football Team from the Muenster High School Cheerleaders. I appreciate the ad very much because positive gestures of this nature between the two schools in our community are what help to promote unity among our students and residents and help to dispel the negativity of division. Unity helps guide us closer to God.

Unity is the will of Jesus Christ and it should be our will too. Pope John Paul II's priority for the new millennium is unity among all of God's people. I have lived in Muenster all of my life and I hope to live the rest of my life here. I have witnessed first hand the unhappiness that results from division and I hope that all of us can witness and enjoy the positive effects that Unity

can and will bring about.

I strongly regard both Sacred Heart School and Muenster Independent School District as being very vital and important parts of our community and both deserving of strong support.

I wish to express my sincere congratulations to the Sacred Tiger Football Team, Cheerleaders, Dance Team, the Coaches and the Coaches' wives for their accomplishments this past season.

I also wish to express a sincere Thank You to the Muenster High School Cheerleaders for your example of unity.

Congratulations also to the Muenster High School Football Team on your undefeated regular season.

May the Love of God, the Joy and Peace of Jesus Christ, and the Fellowship and Unity of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Sincerely,  
Bill Bayer  
1487 CR 428  
Muenster, TX 76252

**Estes seeks re-election to the Texas Senate**

State Senator Craig Estes (R-Wichita Falls) filed Wednesday, Dec. 3 for re-election to the 30th Senate District of Texas serving 18 counties in North Texas.

"I have enjoyed representing the people of North Texas, and I look forward to many more years of service," Estes said.

His district includes Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Grayson, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Shackelford, Stephens, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Wise and Young counties and parts of Collin and Denton counties.

Estes pointed out that the 78th Legislative Session and the subsequent special sessions undoubtedly will be considered among the toughest in recent memory. The Legislature was faced with a \$1.8 billion deficit for 2003, and a \$9.9 billion shortfall for 2004-2005. In addition, the state was wrestling with a homeowners' insurance crisis and continually rising health care costs resulting from escalating liability insurance premiums for doctors. Last but not least, legislators struggled through three special sessions before finally adopting a fair and balanced congressional redistricting map for Texas, Estes observed.

"Despite the trials and tribulations, I am very proud of our accomplishments," Estes said. "We balanced the

budget without raising taxes on hardworking Texans and without eliminating essential services for those who need them most. We passed legislation to reduce the cost of homeowners' insurance by increasing competition and giving the Texas Department of Insurance more oversight authority. And we passed meaningful lawsuit reform that will increase access to health care, protect doctors from frivolous lawsuits and allow small businesses to flourish."

Estes said there are many challenges ahead for Texas. Governor Rick Perry said he may call a special session in the spring to address public school finance and tax reform, if the Legislature devises a workable plan by that time. Estes said he hopes legislators can restructure the system to ensure adequate funding for public schools, increase pay for teachers and lower property taxes for homeowners and businesses.

"We live in the greatest country and the greatest state," Estes said. "As such, I am confident we can overcome any challenge that comes our way and ensure prosperity for future generations of Texans. I promise as long as I serve in the Texas Senate, I will remain a steadfast voice for limited government and increased liberty."



Kiwanis President Don Rohmer presented donations of \$1,000 each to the Muenster Museum and ABBA. Above, Juanita Bright accepts the contribution for the Museum and below Melanie Hesse for ABBA. A portion of the funds were raised at the Kiwanis Pancake Supper. Scott Wood photo



**Capitol Facts**

The state Capitol in Austin is 585 feet 10 inches long, 299 feet ten inches wide and at 302.64 feet high is approximately 14 feet taller than the national capitol in Washington, D.C.

The Texas Capitol is not the tallest state capitol though. The tower style Louisiana Capitol is the tallest.

Sources: Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn and Texas Senate Media services.

**From My Side of the Fence** by Ed Cier

The months, the weeks, the days go by so fast, one is hardly able to keep up with the times. Thanksgiving Day seems like only a week ago, and before we know it Christmas will have come and gone, and 2004 will wait for no one.

Aileen is busy, as she has been all day, putting up the Crib, changing things around, and working on the tree. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in our home. Cards are arriving daily in the mail, and soon the kitchen will be putting odors in the air.

There are packages to wrap in pretty paper, and one hopes to surprise someone. The homes in our neighborhood are showing

the people's love of decorations, in and on the houses, and some of the yards are filled with signs of the season.

Tony's tomatoes were showing the effects of cooler weather, so he put them in the garage. Believe it or not, they are putting on fresh green leaves, and one tomato is turning red. And that "stupid peach tree"? Well, it shed all its leaves after the freeze, and is now putting on new ones. I'll never be able to predict what that tree will do next.

Well, I still have some shopping to do, so I am going to quit writing and wish you all a Very Merry and Blessed Christmas, and a great New Year.

**Judge Freeman describes Optimist goals, projects**

By Martha McCool  
"A positive approach can make all the difference in the world," said Optimist Club member Judge Bill Freeman during his recent presentation to the Gainesville Lions Club.

Freeman, originally from Oklahoma, has been a long-time resident of Gainesville. He attended NCTC (before it was re-named NCTO), and Southwest Texas in San Marcos. After his military experience, Freeman became a policeman in Gainesville; he also worked for the Sheriff's office and at Babcock's. In 1979, Freeman served as Justice of the Peace and remained in this position for the next 23 years; he was then appointed and later elected County Judge (his present position).

Committed to creating a more optimistic future for young people through innovative programs, Optimist Past-President Freeman said that Optimist volunteers serve as leaders, mentors, and friends to help kids achieve a more positive and productive life.

Freeman said that the Optimists have supported the Cooke County Youth Center since 1979; all of their fund-raising efforts go to support youth-related activities (scholarships, camp, etc.). And he stated that their two major fund-raisers are the bell-ringing platform at Germanfest and the Annual Optimist Golf Tournament.

When Judge Freeman was asked about some of the current projects that the

County is involved with, he mentioned the restoration of the 1911 Cooke County Court House, stating that a grant for \$341,000 has already been approved, and he added that applications for additional funds have also been made.

The other project he mentioned was the need for a new County Jail. Back in 1981, Freeman said that the Jail only had 17 beds, but that number was increased in 1992, resulting in the ability of the Jail to house 73 prisoners. Based on projected studies, Freeman said that at least 110 beds will be needed by the year 2010.

Although the County currently has zero debt, Judge Freeman feels that some debt will be necessary to build a new jail (desirably on 10-12 acres, so that Emergency Medical Services can also be close).

He stated that some of the debt/money should be recovered by the housing of out-of-county prisoners, adding that there are nearby counties that would be happy to house some prisoners in a new Cooke County Jail Facility. Currently, due to lack of space, Cooke County has to house some of its prisoners in other counties, he noted.

The Lions Club expressed its appreciation to Judge Freeman for his presentation and for his and all Optimists' care, concern, and involvement in the community. A positive approach can indeed make all the difference in the world!

**Comm. court.....cont. from pg. 1**

Football Team and its coach, Charles Boles for winning the TAPPS 2A State Football Championship in the year 2003." Dec. 8, 2003 was declared Tiger Day in Cooke County in honor of the team's accomplishment.

Commissioners discussed the local project advance funding agreements submitted by the Texas Department of Transportation for equivalent match projects for County bridges. This year funding was offered for three bridges in Precinct #1, two in Precinct #2, none in Precinct #3, and one in Precinct #4. Precinct #2 Commissioner Bill Cox noted that due to a typo only one was listed on the agenda for Precinct #2. Judge Freeman said it would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Roads that bridge replacements are offered for include bridges located on CR 127, CR 140, CR 144 CR 247, CR 2117, and CR 411.

Virgil Hess requested that a decision on the bridge in his precinct be tabled until he could clarify which bridge on CR 411 was intended, since there is no bridge at the location given by TxDOT.

All were approved except CR 411 and CR 247 for the reasons already stated. Those two will be considered Dec. 22.

In other business Commissioners Court unanimously approved:

- Request by Woodbine Water to install a four-inch water main in a six-inch conduit across CR 154, approximately 250 feet west of FM 371 in Precinct #1.
- Retainer agreement with Allison, Bass, & Associates, L.L.P. and Cooke County for legal services regarding Legislative Redistricting of Congressional District boundaries within Cooke County. The agreed price is \$3,500.00.
- Indigent burial of Paul Manuel Vargas.

**MISD Projects.....cont. from pg. 1**

Currently there are no rooms available and the student population continues to climb," Steelman told the Board. "We may have to cut back classes or put in a zero hour class," Steelman also noted

that some AP classes have only five to six students - the few using a classroom.

The Board plans to review the District's transfer policy and capital improvements at the December meeting, to be held Dec. 17.

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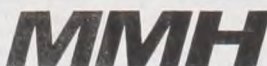
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**2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR**

<b>Sunday, December 14, 2003</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Fr. John Corapi video series, SHHS, Rm #5, 9:10-10:15AM, Topic: 4th Commandment SHS Annual Shopping Spree, Raffle & Dinner, 11-30AM Angelic A cappella Christmas Concert, SH Church, 7PM Muenster Historical Commission Bake Sale at Fischer's KC Kids Christmas Party with SANTA!, 7PM, KC Hall Muenster Hornet Band Concert, 6th & 7th Grades, 4PM, HS Auditorium, Chili Supper, HS Cafeteria, 5-7PM	<b>Monday, December 15, 2003</b> In Lieu of Christmas Cards Deadline	<b>Tuesday, December 16, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center SHS Advisory Council meeting, 7:30PM MMH Board meeting Diabetes Support Group meeting, 7PM, GMH Culwell Conference Center SANTA visits Muenster Public Library, 5:30-6PM	<b>Wednesday, December 17, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center NO Religious Ed Class SHS Elementary Christmas Play, 7:15PM	<b>Thursday, December 18, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	<b>Friday, December 19, 2003</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	<b>Saturday, December 20, 2003</b> SHS Exes' Mens' & Ladies' Basketball Championship, SH Gym, 6PM
<b>Sunday, December 21, 2003</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Fr. John Corapi video series, SHHS, Rm #5, 9:10-10:15AM, Topic: Fifth Commandment	<b>Monday, December 22, 2003</b>	<b>Tuesday, December 23, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	<b>Wednesday, December 24, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center NO Religious Ed Class CHRISTMAS EVE	<b>Thursday, December 25, 2003</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY	<b>Friday, December 26, 2003</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	<b>Saturday, December 27, 2003</b>

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# Obituaries

## Earle Otto 1926-2003

By Elfreda Fette

Earle David Otto, 77, of Muenster died unexpectedly after a short illness on Dec. 4, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in Muenster Memorial Hospital. He was the respected and admired friend of hundreds, and a leading businessman of the community and wide surrounding area.

Earle Otto was born on Jan. 4, 1926 in Muenster to Anthony "Tony" Otto and Clara Martin Otto. On Nov. 9, 1948 he married Jewel Marie Hoffman in Sacred Heart Church. He was a lifelong resident of Muenster and a member of Sacred Heart Parish, and a graduate of Sacred Heart High School.

He was owner/operator of the Otto Dozer Service for 50 years. Extremely fond of his ranch, since retirement he spent much of his time engaged in its activities. Earle Otto loved hunting, fishing, and being with friends. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Earle Otto loved life in general and delighted in giving people a "hard time." He never met a stranger.

Survivors are his beloved wife, Jewel Otto of Muenster; daughter and son-in-law Elaine and Bob Bruns of Dallas; two grandchildren, Dr. Brandon Bruns of Dallas and Blake Bruns who is attending graduate school in Los Angeles. Also two sisters Hazel Flusche and Aileen Hoenig, both of Muenster.

Preceding him in death were his parents; and four brothers, Sid, John, Ray, and Tom Otto.

Rosary Service was held at McCoy Funeral Home Friday at 4:00 p.m. led by Imelda Rohmer. Wake Service was held at 7:00 p.m. led by Dan Hamric.

Mass of Christian Burial on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church was officiated by Father John Ohner OSA.

Participating in the special liturgy of the funeral Mass were altar servers, Butch Fisher, Chuck Bartush, and Alvin Hartman.

First Reading was given by Stacie Mayer. Second Reading was given by Amy Hermes. Offertory gifts of bread and wine were presented at the altar by Marco Cerilli, Jr. and Earlene Denington.

Eucharistic ministers were Darla Bindel, Annette Anderle, Judy Flusche, Peggy Walterscheid, and Agnes Rohmer.

MUSIC ministers were Christy Hesse and Linda Flusche, singers, and Ruth Felderhoff, pianist. Sacred songs included "I Am The Resurrection", "The Lord Is My Light And My Salvation", "Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled", "I Am The Bread Of Life", "You Are Near", and "On Eagles Wings".

At Meditation, remarks of remembrance were given by Earle's son-in-law, Bob Bruns and Earle's grandson Blake Bruns. A song just for his Grandpa Otto was written and presented by Lauren Hedgpeath of Los Angeles, a friend of Blake.

Bob Bruns, son-in-law, told several anecdotes about the last few weeks of Earle's



Earle Otto

this world. Not only was this man my grandfather, he was a teacher to whomever was smart enough to truly listen. He was a friend to everyone that had the esteemed privilege of meeting him, and for me, he was a role model.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Tom Flusche, Wayne Hoffman, Alvin Hoenig, Ed Otto, Greg Otto, Doug Otto, Jim Bussey, and Marco Cerilli.

For those who have asked, the family has suggested memorials may be made to the Muenster Museum, or the Muenster Public Library, P.O. Box 221, Muenster, TX 76252.

Relatives from out of town included T.J. and Bertha Hoffman of Cleveland, Ohio; Bill and Gladys Mayer of Pilot Point; Doris Hoffman and son Greg of Venus; Wayne and Laura Hoffman of Benbrook; Jim and Stacie Bussey and Marco and LeeAnn Cerilli and children of Flower Mound; Charles Ingram of Denison; and Ronnie Ingram of Los Angeles, California. Also numerous other relatives and friends from Dallas, Fort Worth, Garland, Flower Mound, Lewisville, Denton, Wichita Falls, Windthorst, Scotland, Rockwall, Rowlett, Nocona, Saint Jo, Gainesville, Lindsay, Muenster.

life around the themes of "caring," "never knew a stranger," "family" and "friendship." Bob stated "I know we have all attended funeral services where the theme was to celebrate the individual's life and that theme could not be more appropriate today. There is no one that I know that celebrated every day of life more than Earle Otto. He celebrated life through his loving relationship with Jewel, with his many friends he visited every day, and through anyone he met along the way."

His grandson Blake added "This is a story, in my opinion, about an individual that encompasses all that is righteous and worthwhile in

## Johnny Hair 1931-2003

Graveside service was held Sunday, Dec. 7, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at Mountain Creek Cemetery in Montague County for Johnny David "Whop" Hair of Saint Jo, Texas. He died on Dec. 4, 2003 at 10:15 p.m. in Muenster Memorial Hospital at age 72. C.E. Cole officiated at the service. Burial was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo. Visitation was held at the funeral home on Saturday, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Johnny Hair was born on Feb. 18, 1931 in Cooke County to William Lowell Hair and Edna Mae (King) Whitson. On Sept. 28, 1949 he married Ruby Uza Tucker in Saint Jo, and lived most of his life in Saint Jo.

Survivors are his wife,

Uza Hair of Saint Jo; daughter and son-in-law, Laura and Doug Martin of Myra; sons and daughters-in-law Danny and Judith Hair of Vancouver, Washington, and David and Linda Hair of Saint Jo, and son Kevin Hair of Denton. There are 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Also sisters Juanita Bumgardner of Arlington, Aleta Wolfenbarger of Saint Jo, Sarah Mueller of Saint Jo, Sandy Brewer of Saint Jo, and one brother, Bruce Hair of Wichita Falls.

Preceding him in death were his parents; three sisters, Minnie Talley, Francis Maxwell, and Florence Ball; and two brothers Robert "Si" and William Lowell "Dude" Hair.

## Card of Thanks

We did not realize that Gene had touched the hearts and lives of so many people in our community and in the communications world.

The outpouring of flowers, cards, Masses, food and telephone calls, etc. was tremendous. All of this has given us much strength. We want to thank Msgr. Charles King for the very inspiring Mass and burial services and the 10:30 Mass Choir. We wish to thank the Catholic Daughters for preparing the meal.

We wish to thank all of the Nortex Employees for carrying on the daily operations. Gene will be greatly missed by his wife of three years, his unborn child, Alvin & Gracie and leaves a void in all of our hearts.

His loss will be felt throughout the telephone industry in Texas, the nation and especially our company.

Many of you have asked if a trust fund or memorial has been set up. A trust fund has been set up and it is titled The Gene Fuhrman Baby Trust, Box 331, Muenster, Texas 76252.

Our sincere thanks to everyone,  
Kaylynn Fuhrman, Alvin & Gracie Fuhrman

## KAB promotes the value of having a clean and beautiful community

Imagine the value economically, and socially, if you could have the broken windows in your town repaired, in addition to having flowers and trees planted, streets and parks cleaned, and illegal dumpsites removed. Now imagine that most of this work to improve your community environment was completed by volunteer labor.

This scenario is played out in hundreds of Texas communities each spring as tens of thousands of Texans volunteer for Keep America Beautiful's (KAB) Great American Cleanup™ (GAC). The GAC encouraged Americans to volunteer to clean up, beautify, and improve their communities. More than two million volunteers participate in the nation's largest annual community improvement program, which occurs March 1 through May 31. Almost 100,000 Texans participated in the event in 2003.

"Community improvement and economic development are directly linked. I believe that clean, beautiful communities are safer, better for business and tourism, and are nicer places to live," says Kyle Frazier, President of Keep Texas Beautiful. "Cleaning up a community has incalculable value."

Another value returned to a city during the Great American Cleanup™ is allowing citizens to feel involved and empowered. According to Stacy Cantu, Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB) Executive Director, "Volunteering to clean up one's own community

creates a buy-in and gives you a feeling of empowerment — that you can impact the economy and environment at the same time."

Though cleanup and improvement events go on throughout the months of March, April, and May, Texans will focus our efforts Saturday, April 3 for the Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off. The Trash-Off, sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation and KTB, is the largest one-day cleanup effort in the state. Adopt-a-Highway groups will clean

the state's highways while KTB affiliates, (which are Keep Muenster, Gainesville and Callisburg Beautiful in Cooke County), businesses, civic groups, and individuals will clean city streets, parks, and neighborhoods. Anyone can register to participate in the Great American Cleanup™ and Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off. To find out how to get involved, call Keep Texas Beautiful at 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

By Keep Texas Beautiful  
Submitted by Keep Muenster Beautiful



Muenster VFW Post #6205 gets a head start on the Great American Cleanup. G & H Backhoe donated crushed rock, equipment, and manpower to help VFW volunteers landscape and beautify the VFW Post on Main Street in Muenster. Volunteers shown are Bernard Hesse, Leonard Vogel, Herman Grewing, Joe Bright, and Johnny Rohmer.

Courtesy photo

## Electrolux Energy savings tip

Check that your faucets and connections to the water supply are in good order. This reduces waste and other potential problems from leaks.

## Nocona festival of trees

entree dedicated to U.S. servicemen and women

During the 2003 Festival of Trees, the Nocona Chamber of Commerce sponsored a tree dedicated to U.S. Armed Services. The White Christmas tree is decorated with flags, and red and blue decorations, however it still needs some help from the community.

The balance of the tree will be covered with photos of those servicemen currently serving our country. Please bring by a photo of a friend or family member who is currently serving our country. The photo will be displayed on the tree for the remainder of the season. Please drop your photo off at the Nocona Chamber of Commerce or bring it by the event location at 317 Clay Street (formerly Bill's Dollar).

The event opened Friday, Dec. 5. During the event, the Saint Jo Community Chorus performed several holiday songs while event attendees began the selection process of their favorite tree. Fifteen trees have been decorated by the following sponsors: Nocona

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The remaining hours are as follows: W-F 11:30-1:30, Sat 10-2, Sun 12-3, through Dec. 21. Admission: Adults - \$2; Children 3-8 Years - \$1; under 3 Years - free. Children through the age of 18 may color a tree provided by the event and may have the tree displayed and entrance is half-price. In lieu of paying an entry fee, a family of four may enter with the donation of a new, unwrapped toy, which will be donated to the Nocona Volunteer Fire Department's Fireman's Toy Box campaign.

## NTRN-CTC program to offer spring computer courses

The North Texas Rural Network - Community Technology Centers (NTRN-CTC) program has been funded by a grant from the Department of Education for the past three and a half years. The program serves both Cooke and Montague Counties by bringing technology to rural and low-income areas. Although the grant officially ended on Oct. 31, 2003, the program will continue. North Central Texas College has agreed to provide institutional resources for the program that was previously funded in full by the Department of Education. This will enable the NTRN-CTC program to continue to bridge the "Digital Divide" in north Texas.

The focus of the program has changed somewhat and fee based classes will be implemented to help offset the costs associated with operating and maintaining the Community Technology Centers (CTCs). The success of the computer classes can be measured by the long waiting lists of students wanting to get enrolled. Although there will be a fee for the classes, the goal is to keep the fees minimal so that the CTCs may continue to serve low-income and rural individuals. Public computer access at the centers will remain FREE for all residents. The program will continue to offer basic computer classes taught by competent and friendly instructors that Cooke County residents have come to expect. New classes have been added to the schedule for those looking for intermediate and advanced courses. Spring classes will start at the end of January and subsequent classes will begin throughout the months of February, March, and April. The course fees will range from \$25-\$35 per course. All classes will be held at the NCTC Gainesville campus and Gainesville Housing Authority. There will be morning, afternoon, and evening class times. To enroll in classes, or for more information, call (940) 668-4272. For detailed class information, please visit our website at: www.nctc.edu

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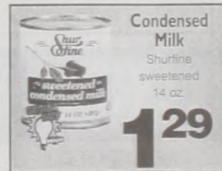


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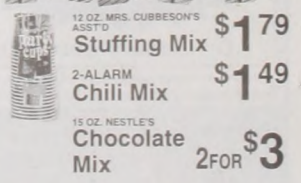
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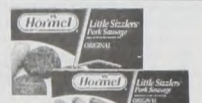


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# Lifestyle

## Erwin Fuhrmann turns 80!

Erwin Fuhrmann celebrated his 80th birthday on Sunday, Nov. 30, with about 175 relatives and friends who gathered for Mass, a meal, and open house. His actual birthday was Friday, Nov. 28. The celebration began with the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Peter's in Lindsay. His daughter, Barbara Rohmer, did the readings. His sons, Arnold, Alex, and Ted Fuhrmann, brought up the gifts. His grandchildren, Abe Fuhrmann, Rose Hermes, Stephen Davis, and Quinn Sicking, were servers.

The Mass was followed by a meal of barbecue brisket and sausage at Conrad Hall. During the meal his children and others recounted their favorite memories of Erwin. His sister, Regina Lewis of Memphis, Tennessee, told what she remembered of growing up with Erwin and his brothers and their favorite pastime of hunting minks and skunks for their skins. His brother, Val Fuhrmann of Muenster, sang a German song with Erwin's daughter Martha

Sicking. Then his children introduced their families and shared their favorite memories of their dad. Other relatives shared what they recalled about Erwin and visiting the dairy farm. They also spoke about Erwin's faith, generosity, and devotion to family.

All of his children and their spouses and children were present. They are Barbara and Don Rohmer of Muenster; Joan Fuhrmann of Muenster; Elizabeth and



Erwin Fuhrmann

Philip Baker, John and Mary of Denton, Arnold and Cecilia Fuhrmann, Crystal, Amber, Cletus, and Abe of Lindsay; Diane and John Hermes, Leah, Kimberly, Nathan, and Rose of Lindsay; Martha and Allen Sicking, Quinn, Devin, and Shane of Muenster; Karen and Kelly Davis, Joseph, Andy, Stephen, Isaac, Michael, Aaron, Mark, Thomas, and Sarah of Saint Jo; Denise and Jack Dangelmayr and Jessica of Muenster; Alex and Kathleen Fuhrmann, Heather and Kyle of Houston; Laura and James Neusch, Jacob, Patricia, and Shawna of Lindsay; and Ted Fuhrmann of Lindsay.

Other out of town guests were Hugo and Alyce Mosser of Slaton, Texas; George Hartmann of Green Bay, Wisconsin; Mariana White of Surprise, Arizona; Fred and Bradley Fuhrmann of Tyler; Nancy Dye of the Colony; Anita and Cletus Bauer of Atlanta, Texas; Eileen and David Endres of Garland; and Jerome and Phyllis Fuhrmann of Oklahoma.



Juanita Bright, member of the Muenster Historical Commission, gives a tour of the Muenster Museum, part of the organization's Annual Tour of Homes last Sunday. Enjoying the tour are Melanie Hesse, Terri Klement, and Judy Trubenbach. Janie Hartman photo

## Jacob celebrates third

Jacob Hesse celebrated his third birthday with a party at his home. Jacob picked his "Finding Nemo" birthday theme. Everyone enjoyed fried chicken and birthday cake. His birthday celebration was held on Nov. 14 with his parents, Mike and Kim Hesse; grandparents Tom and Lucille Hesse, Rick and Darlene Stewart, and Laura and George Gould; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

On Nov. 15 Jacob continued celebrating his birthday at Chuck E. Cheese's with his parents, aunts and uncles, cousins, and friends. Jacob's actual birthday is Nov. 16.



Jacob Hesse

## Blood drive set for Dec. 17

Give the "Gift of Life". Donate Blood. During the hectic rush of the holidays, the last thing most people want to do is add another "chore" to their "To Do" lists. However, there is one very important task that can be accomplished in less than 30 minutes that could mean the difference between life and death to another human being.

"The need for blood is not put on hold for the holidays," said Dee Dee Morehead, director of donor resources for the Texoma Regional Blood Center. "As a matter of fact, the need for blood at area hospitals traditionally increases during this time of year."

Healthy Cooke County residents can do their part by participating in a holiday blood drive planned for Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Gainesville Memorial Hospital. The Texoma Regional Blood Center mobile unit team will be set up for blood donations in the Gerald Culwell Conference Center at GMH.

## Lutkenhaus brothers celebrate birthdays

Derek Lutkenhaus, son of Duane and Dayna Lutkenhaus, turned three on Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Day. For his birthday party he joined his brother Daniel who turned 10 on Nov. 25 for a party at Chuck E. Cheese's. The kids enjoyed pizza, drinks, and lots of games. Derek especially loved riding on the toy Bob the Builder.

Guests included Daniel's classmates Tommy Harrison, Travis Sicking, Clayton Rohmer, Trevor Hess, and Hunter Klement.

Derek had a separate party Nov. 29 at Burger



Derek Lutkenhaus

King with the theme "Cat in the Hat". The kids had a great time playing in the Burger King play center. All enjoyed hamburger happy meals, cake, shakes and drinks. Presents were opened.

Guests included Duane, Dayna, Daniel, and Denver Lutkenhaus; grandmother Rose Stoffels; Missy, Jeremy, and Hayden Hinkle; Vonnie, Buck, and Arvonna Wolfenburger; Amanda, Bennigan, and Michael McCoy; Thresea and Treston Lutkenhaus. Birthday wishes were sent from grandparents Angie and Bobby Lutkenhaus; Troy, Tina, and Matt Lutkenhaus; and Janel Harding.



Daniel Lutkenhaus

## Winter Weather History Briefs

Dec. 18-30, 1983 - the observation site at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport spent a record 295 consecutive hours below freezing. The cold temperatures strained power supplies and made travel difficult. Many water pipes in the area burst damaging homes and causing icy roads. Over 1.5 million dollars in damage was done in Tarrant County alone.

## Saint Jo Opry to present 16th annual Christmas show

Sponsors of the Saint Jo Opry, the Country Cut Ups, announce their 16th Anniversary/Christmas show set for Saturday, Dec. 13. The show will be held in the Saint Jo school auditorium at 7 p.m.

"We look forward to this special show recognizing the 16 years the Opry has been going. We encourage everyone to take in the special Holiday event planned on the square earlier, then invite everyone to come on down to the school and enjoy some fun and music with us," the sponsors say.

Guests scheduled to appear on the December show are Vicki Lyons of Graham, Dan Webb of Bellevue, and Robert David of Wichita Falls. The Country Cut Ups will be entertaining on stage with guest musicians Gene Brown of Bowie and Mark McCall of Nocona.

The Opry continues to make donations to area volunteer fire/EMS departments, hospice, youth organizations, and other needy situations.

Groups are welcome. Reserved seating is available by calling 995-2443 or 995-2586. Concessions will be available.

## Santa to visit the Muenster Public Library

On Tuesday, Dec. 16, Santa Claus will be visiting the Muenster Public Library at 418 N. Elm Street from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come sit on his lap, discuss their Christmas Eve wishes, and check out a book or two for the holidays.

## Fish Creek Scouts entertain Convalescent Center residents

Residents of Gainesville Convalescent Center enjoyed the special Christmas Program presented by the Fish Creek Ranch Boy Scout Troop. On Dec. 10, several of the Boy Scouts from Fish Creek Ranch again gave of their talents and caring to the residents of Gainesville Convalescent Center, 1900 O'Neal. The residents enjoyed the special passages read and music provided, while some joined in the singing. Such groups add to the quality of living for nursing center residents and are a welcome addition to the holidays.

## A call for poems

Write a poem and win the \$1,000 grand prize! Hollywood's Famous Poets Society is sponsoring a new poetry contest, open to everyone. There is no entry fee.

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## MMH Auxiliary officers elected

After reviewing a slate of officers suggested by its nominating committee, members of the Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary unanimously approved the slate as suggested. These officers will be installed at the Jan. 6 meeting. Serving on the Nominating Committee were Janie Weinzapfel, Theresa Walterscheid, and Danna Hess.

Darlene Williams will take over the duties of president from Fay Hamric; Christine Weinzapfel accepted a second term as vice-president; Deb Klement accepted a second term as secretary; Danna Hess will replace Rosalee Bayer as treasurer.

The positions of Chairman of the Scrapbook and Publicity Committees will now hold the offices of historian and reporter. Serving in those positions will be Theresa Walterscheid, historian, and Janet Felderhoff, reporter.

Patients at St. Richard's Villa (SRV) will soon be dining on new dishes. The Auxiliary approved the

purchase of "Duchess" dishes. This was one of two styles suggested by SRV Administrator Zula Lawyer. The style was selected and the purchase approved by the Finance Committee before getting a final approval from Auxiliary members. Serving on the Finance Committee are Deb Klement, Christine Weinzapfel, and Imelda Rohmer.

Fay Hamric was asked to look for pictures to hang in patients' rooms. A purchase of up to \$250 was approved in advance.

Discussion was held on recruiting new members in January. Invitations will be mailed to potential members. There are active and non-active members. Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend a meeting. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the administration suite of the hospital.

Auxiliary members met an hour before the meeting to decorate the lobbies in the hospital.



Muenster Memorial Hospital took on a holiday glow as members of the Muenster Hospital Auxiliary put up decorations to cheer staff, visitors, and patients who spend holiday time there. Charlotte Klement, left, and Fay Hamric, assisted by Erin Hess, string lights in the front lobby Christmas tree. Janie Hartman photo

## Sacred Heart School to hold Christmas concert

On Sunday, Dec. 14 you are invited to Sacred Heart Church at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of Christmas music. The Junior High Choir from Sacred Heart will begin the concert with five of their songs.

Angelic Acappella will provide a variety of Christmas songs for which they have been preparing since October. Among the

choir's selections for the evening are traditional Christmas hymns, a medieval Gloria, an African Noel, songs in French and Latin, and a few favorites of their own. Also featured will be a duet, sextet, and a special song sung by all the Senior girls. Everyone is invited to attend. Admission is free, but donations will be gratefully accepted.

## Hornet Band Concert to be held on Dec. 14

The Muenster Hornet Band Christmas Concert is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 14, along with a chili supper fundraiser.

Activities begin at 4 p.m. in the school auditorium with the 6th and 7th grade bands performing. An all-you-can-eat chili supper will

follow in the school cafeteria. For a \$5 donation, the meal includes chili and trimmings, drink and dessert.

At 7 p.m. the High School Hornet Band will perform their annual Christmas concert at the auditorium.



Holly Ann Harris and Brandon Joel Bayer have chosen Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004 as their wedding day. The couple chose this special day because it will commemorate the five-year anniversary of their first date. The wedding will be held in Sacred Heart Church in Muenster at 7:00 p.m. with Father Jeremy Myers O.S.B. and Brother Duane McClure officiating. The bride-elect is the daughter of Rebecca Harris of Saint Jo and the late Prentis L. "Van" Harris. She is the granddaughter of Coy and Mary Nell Mosley of Saint Jo and the late Prentis C. and Wilda Harris. Parents of the groom are Janice Bayer of Muenster and David Bayer of Whitesboro. He is the grandson of Louise Bayer of Muenster and the late Martin Bayer, and the late Richard and Florence Grewing. Miss Harris is a 1999 graduate of Saint Jo High School and a 2003 summa cum laude graduate of Texas Christian University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Electronic Business and Finance. She is employed as an energy accountant with Tenaska Power Services Company in Arlington. She is also co-owner of Red River Motorcycle Trails, Inc. in Bulcher. Mr. Bayer is a 1996 graduate of Sacred Heart High School and a 2001 cum laude graduate of Midwestern State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Management. He is a branch manager for Wells Fargo Financial in Sherman. Following their wedding, the couple will reside in Lewisville.

## VFW Ladies Auxiliary hold regular meeting

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post #6205 held their regular meeting Dec. 8 in the Post Home with Frances Bayer presiding. Members were reminded to have their reports in by Dec. 15. The Mid-Winter round up meeting will be in Austin beginning Jan. 22.

Jake Schilling won the door prize. The ladies all brought covered dishes to share with the VFW members who furnished the meat of frog legs and quail. This was the annual Christmas get together.

"In Lieu of Christmas Cards" means that for a donation of \$10 or more, participants' names will be placed on the Happy Holidays ad which the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post #6205 purchases in the Christmas edition of the *Muenster Enterprise*. The moneys help pay for the ad and the remaining proceeds are put in the Auxiliary local relief fund to help those in a distressed time. Call Juanita Knabe at 759-4284 or Frances Bayer at 759-4362.

## Golden Key International Honour Society gets new member from Aubrey

Mary Elaine Skinner of Aubrey has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was individually honored during a recent campus ceremony.

"It is only fitting that a high academic achiever like Mary be recognized by Golden Key," said Alexander D. Perwich II, Golden Key's Chief Executive Officer. "Our members are inspired and motivated by the challenge not only to be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society's commitment to service."



Mary Skinner

Some of Mary's accomplishments include: Dean's List every semester since Fall 2001, member of Concert Band for three semesters; member of the Math Club and the Equestrian Club and served as treasurer of both; was an Island Ambassador and is now a Senior Island Ambassador; has been Research Assistant TA in Intermediate Algebra; and on the Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Miss Skinner is the daughter of Nelson Skinner and LeAnn Rodgers Currier. She was a 2001 graduate of Muenster High School.

Miss Skinner plans to graduate May 15, 2004 from Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi with a degree in Mathematics.

## National Weather Service language

Heavy snow - a snowfall, which accumulates to a depth of at least 4 inches in 12 hours or 6 inches in 24 hours.



Lisa Clegg and Jo Sparkman

## Nov. 23 Bridal shower honors Jo Sparkman

Jo Sparkman, bride-elect of Michael Schilling, was honored with a display bridal shower at the home of Great-Aunt Mary Jo Graham on Sunday, Nov. 23, 2003. Co-hostesses along with Mrs. Graham were an aunt, Dianne LeClair, and an honor attendant and cousin, Lisa Clegg.

Azure coconut punch centered the refreshment table, which was decorated in the chosen colors of silver and blue. Various cakes were served, along with blue and white jelly beans, fruit salad, and white-coated nuts. Another aunt, Retha Sparkman, provided banana nut bread and chocolate chip pumpkin cookies. Special guests included

the bride's mother, Peggy Sparkman and the groom's mother, Eileen Schilling. Both received dainty corsages of blue and white flower buds, while the bride-to-be wore a corsage of white flowers tied with blue ribbon. Among the many guests, which included aunts, great-aunts, cousins, future sisters-in-law and friends of both the future bride and future groom were Kristen Kortlang, Diana Schad, and Krystle Greer. They will also be attending the bride on her wedding day. Pamela Clegg, another bridesmaid, was in Spain and could not be present.

The shower was held from 2-4 p.m.



Representing VFW Auxiliary #6205, President Frances Bayer presents a Texas flag as a gift to the Muenster Museum. Celine Dittfurth, president of the Muenster Historical Commission, accepts it. Americanism is just one of the many programs of the Auxiliary. The flag will fly outdoors with the American flag in the front of the Museum. Janie Hartman photo

### Remember!!

*Christmas Caroling*  
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*Adult Christmas Party and  
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# School

## Münster JH places 2nd at District UIL meet

Münster Junior High students traveled to Era on Nov. 20 to compete in the District Academic Meet. The students' hard work paid off as they placed second overall and also placed in every event. The students had been working hard since the beginning of school to get ready for the big meet.

Final team results were: 1. Lindsay, 892 points; 2. Münster, 592.6 points; 3. Era, 260.6 points; 4. Collinsville, 103 points; 5. Slidell, 6.9 points.

Münster students placed in the following categories:

**Art (7th):** 2nd.  
**Art (8th):** 2nd.

**Calculator Applications (7th):** 5th, Noel Barnhill; 3rd, Team.

**Calculator Applications (8th):** 5th, Alison Miller; 6th, Rebecca Grewing; 2nd, Team.

**Dictionary Skills (7th):** 1st, tie, Jordanne Hellman; 6th, Stacie Knabe; 2nd, Team.

**Dictionary Skills (8th):** 1st, Kim Patel; 3rd, Dillena Hundt; 1st, Team.

**Editorial Writing (7th):** 6th, Jordanne Hellman.

**Editorial Writing (8th):** 1st, Laura Heers; 2nd, Alison Miller.

**Impromptu Speaking (7th):** 3rd, Joshua Sicking; 5th, Brandy Dangelmayr; 6th, Shelby Hess.

**Impromptu Speaking (8th):** 1st, Cletus Fuhrmann; 5th, Jessica Fisher; 6th, Rebecca Grewing.

**Listening Skills (7th):** 3rd, John Rohmer.

**Listening Skills (8th):**

1st, tie, Cletus Fuhrmann, Laura Heers.

**Maps, Graphs & Charts (7th):** 3rd, Jordanne Hellman; 6th, John Rohmer; 2nd, Team.

**Maps, Graphs & Charts (8th):** 1st, tie, Cletus Fuhrmann; 5th, Dillena Hundt; 2nd, Team.

**Mathematics (7th):** 4th, Noel Barnhill; 5th, Brandon Bindel; 2nd, Team.

**Mathematics (8th):** 5th, Laura Heers; 3rd, Team.

**Modern Oratory (7th):** 3rd, Jared Flusche; 5th, Shelby Hess.

**Modern Oratory (8th):** 3rd, Cletus Fuhrmann; 5th, Dillena Hundt.

**Number Sense (7th):** 4th, Noel Barnhill; 5th, Brandon Bindel; 6th, Madchen Moseley; 2nd, Team.

**Number Sense (8th):** 5th, Laura Heers; 6th, Allison Teafatiller; 2nd, Team.

**Oral Reading (7th):** 6th, Jennifer Luke.

**Oral Reading (8th):** 4th, Allison Teafatiller; 6th, Allison Miller.

**Ready Writing (7th):** 2nd, Jordanne Hellman; 3rd, Samantha Endres.

**Ready Writing (8th):** 1st, Cletus Fuhrmann; 2nd, Laura Heers; 4th, Dillena Hundt.

**Science (7th):** 1st, John Rohmer; 3rd, Team.

**Science (8th):** 1st, Cletus Fuhrmann; 5th, John Crabtree; 1st, Team.

**Spelling (7th):** 2nd, Paul Crabtree; 5th, Matthew McAden; 6th, Brandon Bindel; 2nd, Team.

**Spelling (8th):** 1st, Kim Patel; 2nd, Allison Teafatiller; 1st, Team.

Not only did the students put in many hours of hard work and lots of studying, but the academic coaches also worked very hard to get the students ready to compete. The coaches for junior high are: Amy Binder - number sense, math, calculator; Deanna Hellman - ready writing, dictionary skills, maps, graphs & charts; Lou Heers - art; Lisa Hettler - spelling; Kyra Mann - oral reading, listening; Irene Hartman - modern oratory, impromptu; Mary Dangelmayr - editorial writing; Stephanie Bierschenk - one act play; Molly Sicking - science.



Deb Klement was selected by Münster ISD teachers to represent the District in the prestigious Jack Harvey Academy of Exemplary Teachers. The criteria for an exemplary teacher is one who is worthy of imitation - a model; one that is typical or representative - an example, ideal, admirable, commendable, and praiseworthy. Other teachers nominated and pictured were, from left, Jim VanVleet, Kara Mann (last year's winner), Deb Klement, Mary Galloway, and Donna Hess. The Jack Harvey Exemplary Teacher Academy was named after one of Weatherford College's most respected professors, Jack Harvey. He was characterized as a master teacher who was dedicated to his profession. Photo by Janie Hartman



Attending a meeting with officials from the Fort Worth Diocese and Sacred Heart School included, from left - standing Peter Flynn, Gary Fraggoso, Jon LeBrasseur; seated - SHS Director of Development Lydia Springer and Advisory Council President Debbie Hess. Absent from picture: Fr. John Ohner, O.S.A. Courtesy photo

## SHS development meeting notes Münster's 114th birthday

On Monday, Dec. 8, the SH Preschool, and the German Sweet Chocolate and Cake celebrating the 114th birthday of the City of Münster highlighted a coffee break during a daylong meeting of Sacred Heart School officials and pastor Father John Ohner, O.S.A., with Diocese of Fort Worth Chief Financial Officer Peter Flynn and Gary Fraggoso, Coordinator of Construction and Property Management. SHS Principal Jon LeBrasseur provided an update on the development of the school's master plan. Particular attention was given to immediate short-term projects, such as the update of the parish fire alarm system, expansion of

roofing, power, and technology improvements for the SH Grade School building. Coordination of Diocesan SPACE (Schools and Parishes Anticipating Capital Expansion) team members who will be assisting Sacred Heart Parish and Development staff members with the final master plan, fundraising, construction budgets, the land usage/acquisition master plan, architect hiring, and finance was formulated. The next Münster community Town Hall meeting for stakeholder input is tentatively planned for late January 2004.

## Contest fundraiser by Münster Junior High

The Münster Junior High Student Council is raising money for the Münster Volunteer Fire Department through the Mr. and Mrs. Claus contest. If you would like to donate,

please see Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Binder, or any Junior High Student Council member. The money will be presented and the winners announced on Friday, Dec. 19.

## MISD National Honor Society goes to Dallas

Wednesday, Dec. 3 the Münster High School National Honor Society (NHS) went on a trip to the Sixth Floor Museum in the West End of Dallas. This November was the 40th anniversary of the assassination of former President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. The Museum was dedicated to the life of the President, his foreign affairs, and his grave assassination in Dallas. The Museum, on the sixth

floor of the Dallas Schoolbook Depository, directly overlooks the grassy knoll and the roadway where the President was fatally wounded. The day was spent reflecting upon Kennedy's successes during the Cold War up until the time of his death. It was a wonderful learning experience and a memory not ever to be forgotten.

Submitted: Adam Vinson, NHS Reporter



The Münster Branch of the Knights of Columbus donated 39 Bibles and 30 videos to be used by Sacred Heart School and Religious Education Program. Pictured are, from left, Gary Endres, Grand Knight; Barbara Rohmer, director of Religious Education; Sister Lillian Marie Reiter, religion teacher at Sacred Heart; and Jon LeBrasseur, principal.

## Lunch Menus

**WEEK OF DEC. 15 - 19 MÜNSTER ISD**

**Mon. - Tacos, Spanish rice, beans, pineapple, brownies w/walnuts.**

**Tues. - Chicken nuggets, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, pears, hot rolls.**

**Wed. - Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, chips w/salsa, mixed fruit, cookies.**

**Thurs. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.**

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

**SACRED HEART**

**Mon. - Cook's choice, bread.**

**Tues. - Salisbury steak, brown gravy, potatoes, carrots, peaches, biscuits.**

**Wed. - Smoked turkey, baked beans, slaw, apricots, bread.**

**Thurs. - Sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, corn, cinnamon rolls.**

**Fri. - No lunch served.**

**LINDSAY ISD**

**Mon. - Corny dog, baked beans, lettuce salad, pears, bread.**

**Tues. - Vegetable beef soup, sandwich, lettuce, pickle, oranges.**

**Wed. - Turkey and dressing, green beans, cranberry sauce, mixed fruit, bread.**

**Thurs. - Spaghetti and meat sauce, peas, salad, peanut butter brownie, bread.**

**Fri. - Hamburger w/trimmings, French fries, ice cream.**

**ERA ISD**

**Mon. - Vegetable beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, tossed salad, peaches, rice krispy treat.**

**Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce or steak fingers, green beans, sliced peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.**

**Wed. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed**

salad, pear halves, Wacky cake.

**Thurs. - Pepperoni pizza or cheese pizza, corn, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, sugar cookie.**

**Fri. - Sub sandwich, trimmings, potato chips, pickle spears, ice cream.**



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## The April Perennial

A Journal of Arts and Letters for North Central Texas College

Number 23 Spring 2003



At right, Shanelle Spakes, former Münster ISD student, has had one of her drawings published on the cover of "The Perennial, A Journal of Arts and Letters for North Central Texas College". Shanelle is a sophomore Science major at NCTC. She participated in Art at Münster High School for three years. She is taking Art at the college and hopes to keep drawing after she pursues a career in Marine Biology. The drawing is of a pot of flowers, done in ink with just a stick off a tree. Anyone wishing to get a copy of "The Perennial" can contact the college.



# Lindsay Elementary compete in UIL

The elementary UIL academic meet for area schools was hosted by Muenster Elementary on Nov. 17. Schools attending the meet were Collinsville, Era, Lindsay, Muenster, and Slidell. Lindsay Elementary won 2nd place with a total of 688 team points.

The following Lindsay teams and their members contributed to the win:

**CREATIVE WRITING: 2nd Grade** - Sabrina Stoffels, 4th; Elizabeth Zwingsgi; Hannah Erwin; ALT, Maisoun Hweidi.

**ORAL READING: 4th Grade** - Caitlin Huston; Megan Caillier; Caroline Dieter; ALT, Jordan Fleitman. **5th Grade** - Kelsey Hermes; Carol Ann Dickerson; Emily Conaway, 3rd; ALT, Sean Willard. **6th Grade** - Haley Haverkamp, 6th; Dax Fleitman, 1st; Cammi Neu, 2nd; ALT, Katie Neu.

**MATHEMATICS: 6th Grade** - 1st place team; Dillon Hanson, 1st; Colton Hermes, 2nd; Austin Reiter, 3rd; ALT, Shirley Hess.

**READY WRITING: 3rd Grade** - Shannah Daymude; Chisam Reiter, 6th; Megan Schumacher, 4th; ALT, Cade Early. **4th Grade** - Dean Fleitman; Lucinda Krahl; McKenzie Neu; ALT, Ranece Morrison. **5th Grade** - Katie Nortman, 1st; Jessica Block; Kailyn Gum, 3rd; ALT, Amelia Wyrick. **6th Grade** - Alex Cooney, 5th; Dianne Brown, 6th; John Block; ALT, Andie Faulkner.

**MAPS, GRAPHS AND CHARTS: 5th Grade** - 2nd place team; Austin Hermes, 2nd; Christopher Klement; Madison Parkhill, 5th; ALT, Todd Bezner. **6th Grade** - 2nd place team; Dillon

Hanson, 5th; Colton Hermes, 3rd; Austin Reiter; ALT, Adam Krebs. **STORYTELLING: 2nd Grade** - Lauren Gibbs, 4th; Shea Garner; Nicole Popp; ALT, Conner Polk. **3rd**

**Grade** - Chisam Reiter, 1st; Kassidy Gum, 5th; Cade Early; ALT, Brianne Sandmann.

**DICTIONARY SKILLS: 5th Grade** - 1st place team; Jessica Block, 6th; Amelia Wyrick, 2nd; ALT, Katie Nortman. **6th Grade** - 2nd place team; Haley Hughes, 5th; Alex Cooney, 1st; Kristin Martin; ALT, Ryan Haverkamp.

**CALCULATOR: 6th Grade** - 1st place team; Dax Fleitman, 4th; Colton Hermes, 2nd; Dillon Hanson, 1st; ALT, Wes Morrison.

**NUMBER SENSE: 4th Grade** - 1st place team; Lucinda Krahl, 2nd; Drew Cooney, 1st; Dean Fleitman; ALT, Taylor Krebs. **5th Grade** - 1st place team; Madison Parkhill, 2nd; Todd Bezner, 3rd; Allison Metzler, 5th; ALT, Greg Knauf. **6th Grade** - 1st place team; Dillon Hanson, 1st; Colton Hermes, 2nd; Austin Reiter, 3rd; ALT, Shirley Hess.

**SPELLING: 3rd Grade** - 2nd place team; Megan Schumacher, 1st; Shannah Daymude; Claire Williams; ALT, Emily Tamplin. **4th Grade** - 2nd place team; Drew Cooney; Lucinda Krahl, 4th; Amelia Haverkamp, 5th; ALT, Katie Arendt. **5th Grade** - 2nd place team; Todd Bezner; Madison Parkhill, 2nd; Allison Metzler; ALT, Austin Hermes. **6th Grade** - 2nd place team; Zohaib Anwar, 2nd; Alex Cooney, 5th; Shirley Hess; ALT, Cammi Neu.

**ART: 4th Grade** - 2nd place team; McKenzie Neu; Lucinda Krahl; Alie Fogle; Dean Fleitman. **5th Grade** - Tied for 1st place; Katie Nortman; Jessica Block; Amelia Haverkamp; ALT, Kelsey Hermes. **6th Grade** - 2nd place team; John Block; Alex Cooney; Dillon Hanson; Haley Hughes; Kristin Martin; ALT, Haley Haverkamp.

**MUSIC MEMORY: 3rd Grade** - 2nd place team; Megan Schumacher; Chisam Reiter; Kassidy Gum; ALT, Travis Block and Cade Early. **4th Grade** - 2nd place team; Caitlin Huston; Dean Fleitman; Lucinda Krahl; McKenzie Neu; Alie Fogle. **5th Grade** - 1st place team; Ranece Morrison; Jordan Fleitman; Christopher Klement; ALT, Amber Hess. **6th Grade** - 1st place team; Zohaib Anwar; Austin Reiter; Adam Krebs; ALT, Colton Hermes and Wes Morrison.

**LISTENING: 5th Grade** - 2nd place team; Sean Willard; Madison Parkhill, tied for 4th; Carol Ann Dickerson, 3rd; ALT, Jason Schumacher. **6th Grade** - 3rd place team; Dillon Hanson; Colton Hermes, tied for 4th; Austin Reiter, tied for 4th; ALT, Cammi Neu.



Lindsay 5th grade UIL participants. Courtesy photo



Lindsay 6th grade UIL participants. Courtesy photo



Lindsay 4th grade UIL participants. Courtesy photo



Lindsay 2nd and 3rd grade UIL participants.

## Family, Career and Community Leaders of America at Muenster High keep busy

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is a national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through family and consumer sciences education. FCCLA is the only in-school student organization that functions as an integral part of the family and consumer sciences education curriculum and operates within the school system. FCCLA provides opportunities for active student participation at local, state, and national levels.

Muenster FCCLA members are affiliated with the regional, state and national organization. To become a member of FCCLA, a student must be enrolled in or previously enrolled in a family and consumer sciences class. At Muenster High School, officers are elected by members. Officers must be presently enrolled in a family and consumer science class and a member at least one year. Muenster FCCLA officers for 2003-04 are president, Kristian Koessler; vice president, Shivaun Beason; vice president of membership, Chelsea Felderhoff; secretary, Tara Swirczynski; treasurer, Kristen Hess; parliamentarian, Robyn Hermes; reporter, Shannon Grewing; historian, Bridgette Klement.

This year something new was added to give more members leadership opportunities. Class officers for president, secretary, and treasurer were voted on in each family and consumer science class. They perform various tasks such as checking roll, collecting money, or helping support

implementation of a project. The president of each class attends the executive council meetings and reports back to the class members about upcoming events in FCCLA. This "in-class" method of FCCLA leadership encourages more participation of members that would find it difficult to attend meetings and other activities after school. Each class then develops their own projects to carry out during the school year.

One of the projects being carried out this year by the child development class is the FCCLA Program, "Ready, Set, Read!" This program helps to encourage reading literacy in young children. Students have been reading to the elementary students and pre-school at Muenster ISD and Tender Loving Care. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to role model the importance and enjoyment of reading, and also for them to have the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills developed in the child development classroom.

Another project FCCLA has carried out this

semester is participation in The American Cancer Society's Great American

Smokeout. The officers made a bulletin board display in the commons and announcements over the school intercom of consequences of tobacco usage. Goodie bags were distributed to those wanting to sponsor a tobacco user on the actual "smokeout" day to give encouragement to them to go at least one day without it. Locker decorations were made and decorated with the theme chosen for this year, "You're Too Smart To Start."

Other community service projects members have the opportunity to participate in this semester are decorating the doors of residents at Saint Richard's Villa, canned food drive for Cooke County VISTO, and Christmas caroling to the elderly and ill.

After the holidays, members will be gearing up to participate in the Cooke County Youth Fair, FCCLA Week activities, Regional and State FCCLA Leadership meeting, and the annual banquet for parents and members.



Carrie Grewing, Muenster FCCLA member, reads a story to an Elementary class. Courtesy photo



Robyn Hermes and Bridgette Klement read to Muenster pre-school students as part of the FCCLA's child development class "Ready Set Read Program". Courtesy photo

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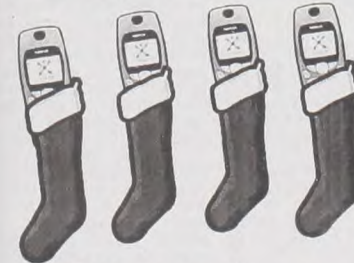
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# Sports

## Lady Hornets win annual Red River Shootout hosted by the Muenster KCs

The Annual Knights of Columbus Red River Shootout was held last week in Muenster. The event is hosted by Sacred Heart and Muenster High Schools with action taking place at both locations.

Teams taking part in the tournament included boys and girls teams from Muenster, Sacred Heart, Lindsay, Trinity Valley, Henrietta, and Chico. Also boys from Ovilla Christian, Episcopal School of Dallas, Jacksboro, and Paradise, and girls teams from Diamond Hill-Jarvis and Carrollton Christian.

Action began Thursday afternoon and concluded Saturday night with the championship games.

In girls action, the Muenster Lady Hornets defeated the Tigerettes of Sacred Heart for the championship. Henrietta placed 3rd and the Lindsay Lady Knights won the consolation.

Trinity Valley won the boys championship after defeating Henrietta. The Lindsay Knights took home 3rd place and the Muenster Hornets consolation.

**ALL-TOURNAMENT**  
Brooke Endres, of Muenster was awarded MVP, All-Tournament, with Eli Ringel of Trinity Valley named on the boys side.

All-Tournament girls were Karen Gehrig and Jayna Biffle, Sacred Heart; Alisha Walterscheid and JoAnna Felderhoff, Muenster; Mallory Block, Lindsay; Bethany Richards, Henrietta; and Anji Ribadi, CCA.

The boys team included Russell Endres, Muenster; Zach Barnhill, Sacred Heart; Cory Anderle, Lindsay; Jason Shaw and Marco Cuevas, Henrietta; and Ryan Ringald and John Dao, Trinity Valley.

Metroplex couldn't keep up with the 2A Lady Cats.

**CCA 51 Lindsay 33**  
Carrollton Christian Academy took advantage of Lindsay's cold shooting to get ahead and take a win. Cheryl Knabe led Lindsay on the scoreboard with 11 points. Mallory Block and Brittany Anderle each added 6. Whitney Neu put in 5, Lori Kasparek 3, and Joni Erwin 2.

**L 8 5 12 8 33**  
**CA 16 12 12 11 51**  
**Chico 36 Episcopal 24**  
Only 7 points were scored the first period in this low scoring game.

**Ovilla 41 Henrietta 54**  
Fifty free throws were attempted in this game, putting 27 points on the board.

**Muenster 89 Jarvis 27**  
The Lady Hornets took a one-sided victory from the 3A Fort Worth's Diamond-Hill-Jarvis team. Muenster took a commanding lead in the first quarter, then continued to build the point spread. Brooke Endres was high scorer with 24 points. Melinda Walterscheid added 18, JoAnna Felderhoff 16, and Whitney Watson 11. Others scoring were Kristen Hess 6, Robyn Hermes 5, Tara Swirczynski 4, Alisha Walterscheid 3, and Deann Dangelmayr 2. All members of the team put points on the board.

**M 20 25 22 22 89**  
**J 4 16 0 7 27**

**Sacred Heart 1 Chico 0**  
Chico forfeited this game, moving the Tigerettes into the winners' side of the bracket.

**Muenster 53 T Valley 69**  
Over 40 points against the Hornets the first half put Muenster behind enough for them to be unable to catch up. Wolf was high scorer with 16 points, R. Endres added 11, and Fuhrmann 10 to lead

Paradise N/A  
Episcopal N/A

**Jarvis 52 T Valley 82**  
Friday afternoon action continued with the two Fort Worth girls teams competing.

**Ovilla N/A Jacksboro N/A**  
**Lindsay 29 Chico 24**  
The Lady Knights won a low scoring match against the Lady Dragons Friday afternoon. Mallory Block put in 9 points, with Brittany Anderle and Lori Kasparek each adding 8. Allison Hundt and Christy Hess put in 2 points apiece.

**L 4 12 7 6 29**  
**C 3 8 5 8 24**

**T Valley 69 Chico 53**  
Trinity Valley boys continued their way to the final round.

**Lindsay 47 Henrietta 56**  
The Knights had a cold first quarter (22-8) and couldn't get the extra points to make up the difference. Cody Anderle and Clinton Kyle led Lindsay on the scoreboard with 12 and 10 points. Brandon Huckaby and Trinity Otto each added 8, with Kris Creed scoring 3. Cody Hess, Bradley Anderle, and Josey Kyle each scored 2 points.

**L 8 13 11 15 47**  
**H 22 12 8 14 56**

**Muenster 68 Henrietta 34**  
The Lady Cats were put in their place Friday night after Muenster outscored them 22-5 in the third period to take a commanding victory. Alisha Walterscheid was high scorer with 23 points, including seven 3-pointers. Melinda Walterscheid added 18 and JoAnna Felderhoff 13 to lead the Lady Hornets on the scoreboard. Brooke Endres added 9, Robyn Hermes 3, and Whitney Watson 2 to round out the score.

**M 24 9 22 13 68**  
**H 11 9 5 9 34**



Dustin Felderhoff, Chase Cain, and Sean Fuhrmann block out a Jacksboro ball carrier. Also pictured is Justin Wolf. The Hornets won consolation in the Shoot Out Tournament.  
Photo by Janie Hartman

Truebenbach and Zach Barnhill led the Tigers on the board with 15 and 14 points. Chris Hoedebeck and Jared Zimmerer each added 10, with Thomas Otto and Andy Davis scoring 4 apiece. Adam Taylor and Wes Wimmer rounded out the score with 2 and 1 point.

**SH 10 14 18 18 60**  
**P 7 9 10 16 42**

**Muenster 63 Jacksboro 61**  
The Hornets pulled out a come-from-behind victory Friday night after being behind an average of 10 points the first half of the game. Muenster closed to within 3 going into the final quarter. With one minute on the clock, Muenster had a 59-56 lead. Jacksboro hit two free throws to close to one point. Cain was fouled, made one shot for a 60-58 score with 40.9 remaining in the game. Jacksboro tied the game 60-60 at 32.3, then Cain hit a basket with 16 seconds to give Muenster a 2 point lead. With 6.3 seconds to go Jacksboro hit one free throw and missed the second. R. Endres rebounded and was fouled with 4.3 still on the clock. Endres hit the second shot for a 63-61 score. With one second on the clock Jacksboro went to the line. With a miss on the first and a line violation on the 2nd



Brooke Endres shoots over a Henrietta Defender. Endres was named Tournament MVP.  
Janie Hartman photo

Shootout.....



The Tigerettes take a time out with 7 seconds remaining in their tournament game with CCA. Sacred Heart won the game 54-52.  
Photo by Janie Hartman

### GAME RESULTS

**Muenster 53 Paradise 37**  
The Hornets won their opening game Thursday afternoon. Justin Wolf and Russell Endres were high scorers with 16 points each. Chase Cain added 8, Sean Fuhrmann 7, and 3 each by Clint Miller and Derek Endres. The Hornets were six of eight from the free throw line.

**M 17 15 11 10 53**  
**P 9 12 11 5 37**

**Lindsay 49 Jacksboro 47**  
A 45 point tie in regular play time put the Knights' opening game into overtime. Two baskets by Cody Anderle outscored Jacksboro's two free throws for a Lindsay win. Anderle led the Knights with 14 points. Trinity Otto added 9, Brandon Huckaby 8, Clinton Kyle 6, Bradley Anderle 5, Kristopher Creed 3, and 2 each by Cody Hess and Josey Kyle.

**L 10 10 11 14 49**  
**J 10 11 17 7 2 47**  
**T Valley 49 Henrietta 72**  
The SPC team from the

Muenster's point makers. Miller dropped in 7, Cain 6, D. Endres 2, and Dustin Felderhoff 1.

**M 13 6 17 17 53**  
**TV 19 22 17 11 69**

**Lindsay 60 Sacred Heart 55**  
The Knights pulled out a victory over the Tigers in round two action Thursday night. Sacred Heart got a bye in round one. The score was close all four quarters, with the Knights having the edge the majority of the time. Three Tigers scored double digit points, led by Zach Barnhill with 18. Jared Zimmerer added 11, and Chris Hoedebeck 10. Clayton Truebenbach put in 8 points, Wes Wimmer 7, and Andy Davis 1. Brandon Huckaby was the high scorer of the game, scoring 30 points for the Knights. Cody Anderle added 14, with Trinity Otto and Bradley Anderle each getting 5. Clinton Kyle scored 4, and Cody Hess 2.

**SH 12 17 10 16 55**  
**L 15 15 17 13 60**

**Sacred Heart 54 CCA 52**  
The Tigerettes pulled out a win Friday night in a fast paced game. CCA took the lead in the final quarter, but with 59 seconds on the clock, a Karen Gehrig basket tied the game 52-52 and was fouled on the shot. She then hit the extra point for a 53-52 Sacred Heart lead. The Tigerettes killed 52 seconds off the clock before Gehrig was fouled again. The second throw was good for the 54-52 score. Gehrig scored 16 points, pulled down nine rebounds, got seven steals, and four assists. Jayna Biffle also scored 16, Courtney Hartman 8, Whitney Wimmer 5, Jacqueline Bauer 4, Maggie Farrell 3, and Stephanie Henscheid 2.

**SH 16 13 13 12 54**  
**CA 12 14 15 11 52**

**Sacred Heart 60 Paradise 42**  
The Tigers hit only four free throws and still took a victory to stay in the tournament. Clayton

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## Shootout.....

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try, the ball went to Muenster to end the game. Russell Endres scored 18 points, with Chase Cain adding 16 and Wolf 14 (10 in the 4th quarter). Sean Fuhrmann put in 8 points, Clint Miller 5, and John Sturm 2.

M	13	16	16	18	63
J	23	16	9	13	61
<b>Lindsay 54 T Valley 37</b>					
The Lady Knights were challenged by Trinity Valley for the consolation prize Saturday morning. Twenty-one points each from Brittany Anderle and Mallory Block gave Lindsay the consolation prize. Cheryl Knabe added 7 points, with Joni Erwin and Allison Hundt each scoring 2. Tiffany Martin put in a free throw. The Lady Knights hit 16 of 21 free throws.					
L	17	15	12	10	54
TV	8	8	10	11	37

### Muenster 65 Sacred Heart 54

Saturday afternoon action began with the Hornets and Tigers battling it out for consolation. Russell Endres scored 32 points, including four 3-pointers, and eight of nine free throws, to lead the Hornets to victory. Sean Fuhrmann and Justin Wolf each added 9, Chase Cain 5, Derek Endres 4, and 2 apiece from John Sturm, Clint Miller, and Dustin Felderhoff.

Zach Barnhill was high scorer for the Tigers, dropping in 18 points, which included four 3-pointers. Jared Zimmerer added 13 and Clayton Truebenbach 7. Chris Hoedebeck and Andy Davis both put in 6 points, and Adam Taylor 4.

M	16	25	9	15	65
SH	19	19	6	10	54

### Henrietta 50 CCA 40

The girls 3rd place trophy was awarded to Henrietta after they defeated Carrollton Christian Academy.

### Lindsay 45 Chico 35

Third place on the boys bracket went to the Lindsay Knights. Every member of the Lindsay team put points on the board. Brandon Huckaby scored 15, Cody Anderle 10, and Cody Hess 7. Josey Kyle dropped in 4, Bradley Anderle and Trinity Otto 3 each, Kristopher Creed 2, and Clinton Kyle 1.

L	10	14	10	11	45
C	7	12	10	6	35

### Muenster 53 Sacred Heart 40

A battle of the undefeated rocked the Muenster gym Saturday night as the Tigerettes and the Lady Hornets fought for the first place victory in the shoot-out.

Brooke Endres was the game's high scorer, hitting 11 of 15 free throws and getting a total of 23 points. JoAnna Felderhoff added 15 for Muenster, Melinda Walterscheid 8, and Robyn Hermes 3. Alisha Walterscheid and Whitney Watson each added 2 points.

The Tigerettes were led by Jayna Biffle and Maggie Farrell with 17 and 11 points and a combined 23 rebounds. Karen Gehrig and Whitney Wimmer each added 5 and Jacqueline Bauer 2 for Sacred Heart.

Muenster hit 21 of 26 free throws, with the Tigerettes getting 12 of 19.

"Muenster is a very well coached team. I failed to make the correct adjustments," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Hats off to Coach Prensall and the Lady Hornets. We cut the 12 point lead to 6 and missed a lay-up, then MHS regrouped and took control. This type of pressure game early in the year allows us to correct our mistakes before district," concluded Coach LeBrasseur.

M	17	15	9	12	53
SH	11	13	5	11	40

### Henrietta 53 T Valley 69

The boys championship game ended the tournament Saturday night with Trinity Valley taking home the championship trophy.



Flying Tiger Zach Barnhill goes to the basket for 2 points. Barnhill was named to the Shoot Out All-Tournament Team and was the Tigers' high scorer.

Photo by Janie Hartman

## Muenster splits with Callisburg at home

The Lady Hornets improved their record to 8-0 Tuesday night as the Hornets fell to the Wildcats for a 7-2 record. The Callisburg teams were challenged in the Hornet gym with the Muenster girls winning 53-24 and the Hornets coming up short 57-43.

In girls action, Muenster took early control of the game with 20 first quarter points, while allowing the Lady Cats only 4. The Lady Hornets built up a 51-15 lead going into the final quarter.

Melinda Walterscheid and Brooke Endres were high scorers with 13 and 10 points. Alisha Walterscheid added 9, JoAnna Felderhoff 6, Tara Swirczynski 5, and 4 each by Whitney Watson and Robyn Hermes.

## Tigerettes ring Bells

"It's good to bounce back with a win. We showed signs of good basketball tonight," commented Sacred Heart Coach Jon LeBrasseur on the Tigerette 62-41 victory over Bells Tuesday night. "Karen Gehrig got us off to a good start with 7 points in the first frame," the coach added.

Jayna Biffle was high scorer with 17 points. Jacqueline Bauer added 11, and Maggie Farrell 10 with eight steals. Stephanie Henscheid and Gehrig each added 7 points, with Gehrig also pulling down six rebounds. Whitney Wimmer put in 5, Shannon Hartman 4, and Hannah Hess 1.

SH	14	19	15	14	62
B	4	16	15	6	41

The Tigers also saw action against Bells, but a slow starting first half by Sacred Heart gave the visitors the edge they needed to take home a 59-43 win.

Zach Barnhill dropped in 10 points to lead the Tigers on the scoreboard. Jared Zimmerer added 9, Wes Wimmer 7, Clayton Truebenbach 6, with Paul Bartush and Adam Taylor each getting 4. Chris Hoedebeck scored 2, and Andy Davis 1 for the Tigers.

SH	6	6	16	15	43
B	16	13	15	15	59

Muenster hit only seven of 16 free throws.

M	20	17	14	2	53
C	4	4	7	9	24

A weak shooting first half put the Hornets behind 12 points, making a comeback the second half difficult. Russell Endres and Justin Wolf were the Hornets' leading point makers with 16 and 10 points. Derek Endres added 8, Chase Cain 5, and Sean Fuhrmann 4.

Muenster was six of nine at the line.

M	8	4	17	14	43
C	13	11	15	18	57

## Sacred Heart in tourney

The Sacred Heart basketball teams will compete in tournaments this weekend. The varsity teams will travel to Nocona for the 2003 Flames Out Tournament.

The Tigerettes drew a bye the opening round and will play their first game Friday at 11:00 a.m. They will play the winner of the Henrietta-Saint Jo game. Other girl teams competing are Bowie, Boswell, Rider, Iowa Park, Archer City, and Nocona.

The Tigers begin the tournament on Thursday against Henrietta at 3:30. Teams they may play include Rider JV, Boswell, Burkburnett JV, Bowie, Saint Jo, Paradise, Archer City, and Nocona.

The junior varsity teams from Sacred Heart will compete in the Forestburg basketball tournament Dec. 11-13. The Tigerettes open the tournament on Thursday at 9 a.m. against Decatur JV. The JV Tigers will follow at 10:30 against Paradise JV.

Other JV teams in the tournament are Gunter, Slidell, Saint Jo, Alvord, Bowie, and Callisburg, along with Prairie Valley and Forestburg varsities.



Robyn Hermes puts pressure on the Henrietta defense during the Red River Shoot Out this past weekend. The Lady Hornets took first place after winning all their games.

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## Sacred Heart exes to play basketball

The annual Sacred Heart Alumni and Supporter basketball games have been set for Saturday, Dec. 20 at the Tiger gym. Any alumnus or Sacred Heart Supporter may join the fun. The ladies will play at 6:00 p.m. and the men will tip off around 7:30 p.m. There will be a \$5

entry fee per player to cover the costs of referees. Contact Neil and Anne Hesse at 759-4821 with any questions. Vickie and Doug Fleitman will host a social immediately following the men's game. Admission is free to the games.

## Junior Varsity Action

**Muenster 66**  
**Callisburg 16**  
 The Junior Varsity Lady Hornets blew away the Lady Cats Tuesday evening. Four Muenster players hit double digit scores. Megan Felderhoff led with 15, Danielle Bindel 12, and 10 apiece from Stevie Klement and Sandy Endres. Jacé Koelzer put in 9 points, Jordan Ledbetter and Jenna Felderhoff 4 each, and Abby Endres 2.

M	21	14	10	21	66
C	4	4	4	4	16

**Muenster 45**  
**Callisburg 14**  
 John Fredrick scored 14 and Jeff Walterscheid 10 to lead the Hornets to a victory Tuesday. Muenster took a quick lead while holding the Wildcats to very few baskets. Others scoring for the Hornets were Derek Felderhoff 6, Zach Swirczynski and Dustin Wimmer each added 4, with Jordan Walterscheid 3, and Ryan Hennigan and Keith Walterscheid 2 apiece.

M	11	13	7	14	45
C	3	4	2	5	14

**Sacred Heart 25**  
**Bells 61**  
 Forty-five points in the first half by Bells was too much for the Tigers to rebound from Tuesday night. Tim Otto dropped in 17 points to keep Sacred Heart in the game. Arlie Bayer added 4, with Mark Fleitman and Theo Otto each getting 2.

SH	6	11	6	2	25
B	21	24	8	8	61

**NOCONA TOURNAMENT**  
 The Lindsay Junior Varsity Knights won the Nocona tournament last weekend.

**Lindsay 61**  
**Windthorst 51**  
 Levi Hermes dropped in 27 points to lead the Knights to victory. Michael Eckart added 16, Dustin Hughes 8, Jacob Fuhrmann 4, Jeff Shannon 3, Malcom Martin 2, and Brian Sandmann 1.

L	9	15	16	18	61
W	9	8	15	17	51

**Lindsay 36**  
**Saint Jo 21**  
 A cold shooting first half by Saint Jo allowed the Knights to get a good early lead. Hermes scored 21 points, with Jeff Shannon and Eckart each getting 4. Fuhrmann, Hughes, and Joe Otto put in 2 points apiece, and Dustin Neu 1.

L	10	13	9	4	36
SJ	2	2	9	8	21

**Lindsay 43**  
**Henrietta 40**  
 The Knights pulled out an exciting victory against the Cats. Hermes and Shannon were high scorers with 15 and 12 points. Eckart added 6, Hughes 5, Malcom

Martin 3, and Fuhrmann 2 for Lindsay.

L	9	12	8	14	43
H	8	12	6	14	40

**FORT WORTH COUNTRY DAY TOURNAMENT**  
**Muenster 41**  
**Country Day 42**  
 The JV Hornets came up short the opening game falling to the host team. Zach Swirczynski and John Fredrick were high scorers with 16 and 14 points. Jeff Walterscheid added 5, with Ryan Hennigan and Chris Steelman each scoring 3.

M	10	11	10	10	41
CD	13	3	11	15	42

**Muenster 55**  
**Covenant 24**  
 The Hornets won round two in the tournament with nine players dropping balls in the basket. Fredrick was high point maker with 14 points. Jordan Walterscheid added 11, Swirczynski 8, and 6 each by Brad Endres and Collin Walterscheid. Hennigan hit 5, Keith Walterscheid and Dustin Wimmer 2 each, and Micah Flusche 1.

M	19	16	12	8	55
C	7	6	7	4	24

**Muenster 42**  
**Pantego 22**  
 The Hornets scored the points and kept their opponent's ball out of the basket to bring home the consolation trophy Saturday night. Fredrick led all scorers with 18 points. J. Walterscheid added 9, with Wimmer and Swirczynski each getting 4. Chris Steelman, Hennigan, and K. Walterscheid each scored 2 points, and Micah Flusche 1.

M	12	10	9	11	42
P	5	0	7	10	22

### Game Warden Report

**Determined Poacher** — Recently, a Van Zandt County game warden apprehended a group of individuals who were spotlighting from a county road. The warden recovered a loaded shotgun with slugs and a spotlight from the vehicle. When asked why he was shooting slugs, the driver stated the last time he got caught hunting from a road, the game warden seized his good deer rifle. Multiple charges were filed.



The Muenster Hornets guard the Jacksboro basket during Shoot Out action.

Photo by Janie Hartman



Jared Zimmerer goes up for 2 points against Paradise. Adam Taylor is also pictured.



Tigerette Whitney Wimmer reaches for a rebound. Janie Hartman photo

### Junior High Action

**Sacred Heart 25**  
**Collinsville 17**  
 Eleven points in the 3rd quarter gave the 7th Grade Lady Cubs the edge for a win Monday night. Sam Wimmer was high scorer with 10 points. Kaitlyn Felderhoff added 6, Kalyssa Pollard 4, Lisa Miller and Natalie Endres 2 each, and Kristin LeBrasseur 1.

SH	4	5	11	5	25
C	2	4	4	7	17

**Sacred Heart 18**  
**Collinsville 32**  
 Cold shooting by the 7th Grade Cubs put Sacred Heart behind in this loss. Matt Flusche managed 10 points, with Aaron Flusche getting 4, and Ian Barnhill and Kyle Knabe each getting 2.

SH	7	4	0	7	18
C	12	7	7	6	32

**Sacred Heart 25**  
**Collinsville 28**  
 A slow start and a slow finish allowed the Lady Pirates to steal a victory from the 8th Grade Lady Cubs. Kara Felderhoff scored 11 points for Sacred Heart. Lauren Krahl added 4, Sam Wimmer 3, Kristin LeBrasseur 3, Sunni Jo Bayer 2, and Lauren Sepanski 2.

SH	2	10	10	3	25
C	10	3	5	10	28

**Sacred Heart 35**  
**Collinsville 19**  
 The 8th Grade Cubs took a win from the young Pirates Monday night. Coby Richey was high point maker with 18. Matt Flusche added 9, Stephen Davis 5, Tyler Rohmer 2, and Josh Yosten 1.

SH	16	4	8	7	35
C	2	4	6	7	19

**Muenster 23**  
**Slidell 25**  
 The Muenster Stingers Red team came up short at Slidell Monday night, allowing the game to slip away after a scoreless fourth quarter. Brian Womble was high scorer with 7 points. Garrett Hennigan added 6, Nick Flusche 5, Tanner Herr 4, and Colton Steelman 1.

M	9	7	7	0	23
S	3	8	8	6	25

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**Party Animal** — A Walker County game warden was called to a local bar in Huntsville concerning a live doe deer in the club. According to information, a truck full of college boys had backed up to the front door and thrown the doe inside. An-all out ruckus occurred until the deer lay down from exhaustion. The warden, assisted by his intern, tied the doe up and released her safely later that evening.

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**Big Bust** — Recently, a Cameron County game warden, U. S. Customs Agents, Fish & Wildlife Refuge Officers, and the Cameron County Sheriff's office caught a Mexican shark boat in the Arroyo Colorado involved in a drug transport. The vessel was met by two suspects in a Suburban, where approximately 1,100 pounds of marijuana were unloaded. The two suspects in the vehicle and three suspects in the vessel were all arrested and the drugs seized. Felony charges are pending.

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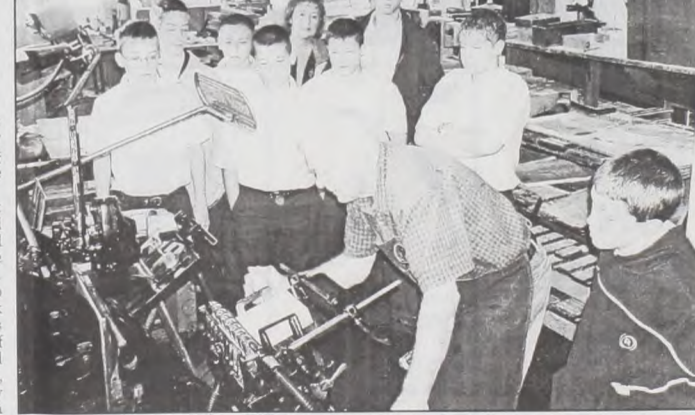
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most of us take when  
washing our hands," says  
Dr. Philip M. Tierno Jr.,  
author of "The Secret Life of  
Germs" (Pocket Books, Nov.  
2001). "When researchers  
put cameras in public  
restrooms to track people's  
behavior, the numbers of  
those who don't wash their  
hands properly, or don't  
wash them at all, is  
staggering, often over 90%."  
Dr. Tierno recommends  
the following regimen:  
\*Effective hand washing  
requires both soap and  
water. Merely rinsing the  
hands with water alone is  
next to useless.  
\*Wet your hands

thoroughly and lather them  
with soap  
\*Rub the soapy water all  
over the hands and fingers  
for at least 20-30 seconds  
\*Don't forget to wash  
under fingernails  
\*Rinse and repeat  
As for frequency, you  
should wash your hands  
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eating, after using a  
bathroom facility and after  
coughing or sneezing on  
them. After shaking hands  
with someone, you should  
avoid touching your face or  
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presents itself to wash up.  
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Sacred Heart Junior High Career Class and teacher Janice Stallings took a tour of the **Muenster Enterprise** to learn about the newspaper and printing business. Alvin Hartman demonstrates the workings of one of the presses. Scott Wood photo

## Myvesta answers financial question

**Q: My credit card payment arrived late and they charged me a \$29 late fee. I mailed it on time, but the post office took too long to deliver it. Shouldn't the credit card companies look at the postmark before they charge high fee?**

A: If it was the first time you were late with a payment to that credit card company, call them and ask to have the late fee waived. Most credit card companies have policies that allow the

customer service reps give envelope. From there, your one-time exemptions because of postal delays and other reasons.  
Credit card companies do not have the capability of reading the postmark on your bill; even then, it is your obligation to get the payment to the creditor by the time it is due and not just to the mailbox. Most creditors use machines that immediately separate the envelope from your check should mail your payment and payment coupon when it arrives in the building. A human never touches the listed on your statement.

# Farm & Ranch

## Bridging the gap of understanding

By Al Christopherson

In an effort to assess public understanding about farm policy and farm bill discussions, and to evaluate agriculture's communication messages, the American Farm Bureau Federation conducted qualitative research in three areas across the country.

The locations were Boston, Kansas City and San Diego. Qualitative research uses focus groups and in this study the people targeted were "influentials." This 10 percent of the population are those who make society, culture and the marketplace run. We generally call them the movers and the shakers.

To summarize the findings of the study.

\* Farm spending is not a high priority. Of greater concern is spending for education, national defense and security. This also included Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid.

\* Awareness of provisions of the current farm bill is low and the concern even lower. If they have a perception, they feel it only benefits the "corporate farms." Some of the participants appeared sentimental about the family farm, considering it a part of culture and wanting it preserved. Others, however, were "bottom line" oriented, valuing safe, low-cost food. They felt that larger and "corporate farms" are more likely to make that happen for them. The stated key benefit of farm subsidies to the participants was lower grocery prices.

\* They want to limit farm subsidy payments; however, they disagree on how to structure those limits.

\* They were not aware that the WIC and food stamp programs make

up a major part of the farm bill's costs. However, most felt helping the poor was necessary.

They don't trust the federal government to effectively enforce safety standards for the use of pesticides, hormones and antibiotics.

This is only a portion of the findings. However, the other rather interesting revelation is who and what they would believe. There seemed to be value to connecting the various messages given to the respondents to a face, i.e. a producer. To relate how it affects a real farmer achieves credibility.

The messages also have to have relevance to the reader, i.e. higher prices at the grocery store or threatening the safety of the food supply.

The research emphasizes local relevance and the importance of communicating through

local channels, such as producers appearing before Lions Clubs or other gatherings. Local special interest stories in publications and one-on-one conversations also help.

The ensuing discussion by the AFBF board members following this presentation underscored several items. Education by farmers to all groups of people is an ongoing necessity, whether it's Ag in the Classroom, Ag Pen Pals, Ag Spokesman or Epcot Center.

We, as producers, need to understand that every demographic group has its own list of concerns and priorities, often at odds with our ideas or importance. Anything we can do to bridge the gap in understanding between farmers and our non-farm cousins will be in our best interest.

Al Christopherson is president of the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation.

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## County Agent's Report

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### Mites Found in Area Small Grain Fields

Last week we discussed the need to watch wheat and other small grain fields for greenbug infestations. This week while talking with some of the area farmers I learned that mites are beginning to be a problem as well.

The winter grain mite may damage oats, wheat and barley. Mites range from 1/32 to 1/16 inch long. The adult has four pairs of reddish-orange legs, and the body is dark brown to black. Mite damage is generally more severe when small grains were planted in previous years. Rotation with other kinds of crops reduces infestations.

This pest feeds primarily at night and remains around the base of the plant during the day. Mites are less active in hot, dry weather. Mites cause leaf tips to turn brown and plants to become stunted with a silvery-gray appearance. These symptoms, and the presence of mites, indicate the need for control.

### Private Applicator Training and Testing

January 8th has been selected as the day for the next Private Applicator Pesticide Training and Testing day. Training will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will last about 5 hours. We will have a lunch break then a representative from TDA will be conducting testing at about 2:00.

A person is not eligible to purchase restricted use pesticides until they physically receive their license. It usually takes 6 to 10 weeks to receive your license after you pass the test and send in your information. Therefore, if you wish to be licensed in time to purchase and use restricted use chemicals by spring it is strongly suggested that you attend the training now.

If you wish to attend the

training contact the Extension office at (940)665-5412 to register.

### Diazinon to Be Phased Out

Diazinon, a popular insecticide is beginning a process to be phased out of production. Diazinon will remain on the market until the end of 2004, and consumers can continue to use the product after 2004 until all quantities are gone. The EPA did not ban this insecticide, nor did it require the phase out. Syngenta Crop Protection approached EPA in 2000 to voluntarily withdraw the product from the marketplace and the EPA agreed. This phase out is a result of its financial performance not safety issues.

### Dates to Remember:

January 8 - Training and test for new applicators license

## Fort Worth Stock Show tickets on sale now

The Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth ticket office opened Dec. 1. The 23-day event, showcasing Western Heritage, family entertainment, world-class livestock and rodeo action, is set for Jan. 17 through Feb. 8, 2004. It is the oldest Stock Show in the nation.

A visit to the Fort Worth Stock Show would not be complete without attending one of the 30 thrilling performances of the World's Original Indoor Rodeo. The PRCA Rodeo runs Jan. 23 through Feb. 8 in the Will Rogers Coliseum. Tickets are \$18 for Friday nights and all weekend performances, and \$16 for Monday through Thursday nights and Monday through Friday matinees.

Stock Show visitors will enjoy viewing over 200 commercial exhibits featuring the latest in farm

and ranch equipment, western wear, and many other displays of interest. This is all in addition to more than 20,000 head of livestock that will be on exhibit.

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## The Angus outreach seminar to be held in Fort Worth

Angus producers will want to mark their calendars for the Angus Outreach Seminar set for Monday, Feb. 9, 2004, in Fort Worth. The session is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. at the Texas & Southwest Cattle Raisers Association offices located at 1301 W. 7th Street.

American Angus Association staff Bill Bowman, director of performance programs, and Matt Perrier, director of commercial programs, will outline two new tools offered by the Association for seedstock producers and their bull-buying customers — the Total Beef Value (TBV) index, a value-based tool designed to assist commercial producers in their genetic selection, and the AngusSource program, an identification and marketing program for Angus and Angus-cross commercial steers and replacement females. They will also lead an interactive discussion about current Association programs, plus future programs in the areas of genetic programs and customer service options.

"These seminars are an opportunity to reach out to our members and those who use Angus genetics to increase awareness of and answer questions about two of our newest programs," says John Crouch, Association executive vice president.

This is just one of many outreach seminars scheduled across the country. Remaining seminars will be held in Athens, Georgia; Cullman, Alabama; and Winchester, Virginia.

Anyone interested in attending the seminar should call 816-383-5163, accessible 24 hours a day, or send e-mail to mperrier@angus.org to RSVP. Complete information is available online at www.angus.org.

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### CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.84 million head on Nov. 1, up 4 percent from a year ago. Producers placed 680,000 head in commercial feedlots during October, up 13 percent from a year ago and 10 percent above the September 2003, total. Texas commercial feeders marketed 530,000 head during October, down 7 percent from last year.

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Feeder Steers (per lb.)	Stocker Cows (per head)	Ewes (per lb.)
200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.20-1.43; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.20; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.13-1.43; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.13; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 1.06-1.33; Nos. 2 & 3, .92-1.06; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, .98-1.15; Nos. 2 & 3, .85-.98; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, .95-1.10; Nos. 2 & 3, .81-.95; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, .90-97; Nos. 2 & 3, .80-.90	Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame, \$725-\$900 - Medium Frame, \$500-\$725 - Cow/Cal Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame, \$800-\$950; - Medium Frame, \$650-\$800	Stocker, 45-65; Thin, 35-45; Fat, 65-65
Feeder Heifers (per lb.)	Barrows & Gilts (per lb.)	Bucks (per lb.)
200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.11-1.25; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.17; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.07-1.25; Nos. 2 & 3, .90-1.07; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, .99-1.23; Nos. 2 & 3, .90-.99; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, .93-1.01; Nos. 2 & 3, .80-.93; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, .86-.95; Nos. 2 & 3, .70-.86; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, .78-.85; Nos. 2 & 3, .60-.78	9-year-olds - Large Frame, US #1, 230-270, 45-51; US #2, 220-280, 40-45	Thin: 35-45; Fat: 45-55
Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)	Feeder Cows (per head)	Barbados (per head)
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2, 1,200-2,050 lbs. 58-64. Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 46-5950; Cutter, 28-46	100-175 lbs. \$45-\$70; 25-90 lbs. \$7.50-\$35	Lambs: \$40-\$55. Ewes: \$40-\$65. Bulls: \$50-\$130
Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)	Boers (per lb.)	Kids (per head)
Slaughter Cattle: Yield Grade 1-2, 1,200-2,050 lbs. 58-64. Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 46-5950; Cutter, 28-46	300 lb.-up, NT; 200-300 lbs, NT; Light wt., 15-25	20-35 lbs. \$25-\$45; 35-55 lbs. \$40-\$60; 55-75 lbs. \$45-\$65 Yearlings: 75-120 lbs., \$80-\$110
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