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Knabe awarded as Jaycee Outstanding Citizen

Herbie Knabe was chosen as the Muenster Jaycees' Outstanding Citizen and honored at their annual banquet on Saturday, Feb. 28. Knabe is the fire chief of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department and has served in that capacity for many years. He owns and operates Knabe Tire & Battery.



Muenster Jaycee president Steven Knabe presented Herbie Knabe the Outstanding Citizen of the Year Award
Courtesy photo

met the family arrived. Herbie was on a miniature tractor towing an aluminum jon boat filled with joyfully screaming kids. The friend inquired who the guy was. Tim replied that it was his dad. He said, "I enjoyed watching the contortion of my friend's face as he tried to reconcile the image I had built of my father to him - fire chief, entrepreneur, God-fearing family man with a quick temper and a firm hand - with the diminutive would-be clown cavorting with the kids that day. He is a man with a zest

for life and his faith that we would all do well to emulate."

Herbie looks forward to Fire Prevention Week in October when the fire department goes to the schools, preschool, and day care to train children in fire safety, said Steven. Herbie is often the first to arrive at the fire station when an alarm sounds. He is always eager to assist someone in need. His children recall the many evenings Herbie would have to be away attending City Council or Fire Fighters' Association meetings, or other necessary meetings. Herbie also spent many hours working to repair rear farm tires, helping travelers with repair problems any time of the day or night.

Steven related that Herbie loved football games and running the chains for Sacred Heart games. He made sure the buses were ready to go for the out of town games and often drove the bus to the game. For travelers in need, especially if there were hungry children, he would donate a tire and a meal.

Steven Knabe accepted a second term as president of the Muenster Jaycees and Chris Klement is again the first vice-president. Other

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TAPPS State Champions - the Sacred Heart Tigerettes

Deborah Wood photo

Tigerettes are STATE CHAMPS!

By Janie Hartman
The Sacred Heart Tigerette basketball team earned their 7th consecutive TAPPS State Championship Friday after big wins over Sacred Heart of Hallettsville and Waco Texas Christian last week.

The Tigerettes ended the season 33-2 under the leadership of seniors Karen Gehrig, Courtney Hartman, and Jayna Biffle. "We will miss our three seniors," noted Tigerette Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "They understood the defense and were the big three offensively."

Sacred Heart had three

players named to the State All-Tournament Team - Biffle, Gehrig, and Jacqueline Bauer. "All the players could have been All-Tournament. This was a total team championship," Coach LeBrasseur added.

"Our crowd was fantastic. They were cheering 15 minutes before the game and continued until we left the locker room after the game," bragged LeBrasseur. "They had to intimidate the other team."

This was LeBrasseur's 12th State Basketball Championship for the Sacred Heart Tigerettes.

Sacred Heart 80 Sacred Heart 59

It was a Battle of the Hearts to get to the TAPPS State Championship final game. The Sacred Heart of Muenster Tigerettes took on the Sacred Heart of Hallettsville Lady Indians in the TAPPS Class 2A Semi-Final State playoff game, Thursday, Feb. 26.

After a close 1st quarter, the Tigerettes cut loose and defeated the Lady Indians 80-59 to advance to the final game.

"The girls were well prepared and we had one of

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Muenster City Council adopts guidelines to open RV park

By Scott Wood
After considerable debate during Monday's meeting, the Muenster City Council voted to pass an ordinance that will regulate the operation of RV Parks within the City of Muenster.

The question of opening an RV park in the city first came before the Council during February's regular meeting. At that time, a committee was formed to make some recommendations to the full Council for the adoption of an ordinance regulating RV parks.

The ordinance was adopted to give the city a voice in determining if a park can be opened and how the park would be operated. It also provides provisions for closing any RV park that does not follow the approved guidelines.

Regulations stated in the

ordinance limit occupant stays to a maximum of 14 days. An occupant would be able to request an extended use permit that would lengthen that stay to no more than 90 days.

In addition to the length of stay limitations, each individual RV site in the park would be limited to the RV and two vehicles only.

All city ordinances would have to be followed as well. Existing city ordinances would include such items as no free roaming pets, no open fires, no open dumping of waste and absolutely no unruly behavior.

Any person seeking to open an RV park in Muenster would be required to have a written agreement with the Muenster Zoning Board prior to opening.

Any proposal must include See RVPARK.....pg.2

Commissioners Court wrestles with construction decisions

By Janet Felderhoff
Doing what is best for County residents now and into the future seems to weigh heavy on the minds of members of Cooke County Commissioners Court. They have only days remaining to decide what type of jail/emergency medical service (EMS) facility construction they will ask taxpayers to approve bonds for on May 15.

To build too small could put a future Commissioners Court in their position. To ask too much could jeopardize passage of the bond issue. That would very likely put the County in a predicament with the Jail Standards Commission.

Norris Fletcher of Burns, Fletcher, Gill Architects presented a schematic site plan and schematic floor plan for a law enforcement center with attached EMS center. The law enforcement center includes 10,100 square feet for the Sheriff's Department administration; 24,021 square feet for inmate housing; a Sally port 3,000 square feet; prisoner

intake 5,700 square feet; Support such as medical, commissary, kitchen, etc. 5,060 square feet; and Justice of the Peace Court 3,000 square feet.

The EMS facility is attached to the jail by the Sally port. It has 2,820 square feet for administration; living area including kitchen, dorms, showers, etc. 3,520 square feet; and vehicle area with storage 3,000 square feet.

Fletcher advised that the estimated project cost is \$8,082,000 for the new jail. That cost includes purchase of land which Fletcher said needed to be at least five to six acres for the facility, but 10-12 acres would be preferable to allow for future expansion. He said that to provide a structural slab rather than a slab on grade would cost an additional \$545,000 for the jail and \$100,000 for the EMS building. Project cost is estimated at \$857,000 for the EMS facility. If the future 52 bed housing unit is included as shell space, the total budget is increased

Lindsay ISD Board calls for \$1.5 million bond election for new gym

By Janet Felderhoff
A need identified by Lindsay ISD for a number of years is a new gymnasium. The

administration and Board of Trustees have been working with Chuck Freeman and Frank Callahan of Callahan and Freeman Architects to design a new gymnasium. The proposed facility plans have been presented to the public at several meetings and input from coaches, parents, board members, and others has been incorporated to come up with a design that is as functional and affordable as possible.

Estimated cost for the facility is between \$1.9 and \$2 million dollars. An exact cost will be determined during the final design meeting.

Superintendent Jerry Metzler provided an assessment of money available for construction. He recommended that the Board put \$500,000 towards the gym construction project from District funds held in reserve for contingency

expenses for the project. Jim Brooks of Southwest Securities presented information on calling a bond election.

After much discussion, the Board passed a resolution calling for a bond election for \$1.5 million for construction of a new gymnasium. It will be held May 15.

"A new gym will allow LISD to offer students more opportunity for physical activities, both in the required curriculum and the extracurricular area," remarked Superintendent Metzler. "Another gym will provide more flexibility in scheduling classes for all grade levels and be a source of pride for our students and community. The need for a new gym has been established over the years

based on student and staff input, community feedback, and the recommendation of the campus and district site-based committees. Our School Board has considered this input and tried to design a gym project that will meet this need within the boundaries of fiscal responsibility in the tradition of the Lindsay ISD."

Lindsay High Principal Larry Smith and Elementary Principal Monica Parkhill each had their contract unanimously renewed by the Board. Smith's was extended two years to expire July 31, 2006. Parkhill's was extended to June 2006.

During the Superintendent's report, Metzler said that the Workman's Comp inspector

had visited and all went well. A contractor with an energy management company met with Metzler. The company will do an initial study on ways that the District could save money on equipment/energy usage. He reminded all that the deadline to file for the school board election is March 15. He reported that the City did some work on the streets, including lines placed to encourage driving on the proper side and slowing down traffic.

In other business the Board:

- Approved transfer requests for Christian LaMore, 9th grade, Blane Styles 3rd grade, and Zayne Styles 1st grade.
- Moved next regular

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White vies for Cooke County District Attorney position

Gainesville attorney Roger White is seeking the position of Cooke County District Attorney. He has filed as a Republican candidate nominee.

"I am the only candidate for DA who has worked as a prosecutor in the Cooke County District Attorney's Office, where I served the citizens of this county for two years as Assistant District Attorney," remarked Roger White. "I am also the only candidate for DA who has tried a felony jury trial in Cooke County's District Court, and prosecuting and trying felony criminal cases is the largest responsibility of the District Attorney's Office."

White is an experienced prosecutor who has tried at least 13 jury trials. Eleven of those trials were in criminal cases, including a Capital Murder and two Aggravated Sexual Assault of Child cases tried in Cooke County's District Court with District Attorney Janelle Haverkamp while he was serving as her Assistant District Attorney. At least eight of his jury trials were in felony criminal cases, and all of his jury trials occurred during the past eight years. In addition, White has handled numerous contested non-jury trials, probation revocation hearings, suppression

hearings, and habeas corpus hearings as both prosecutor and defense counsel.

White stated, "If elected, I will implement changes that will streamline the process of handling cases and save money for the taxpayers by reducing the jail population and overall



Roger White

fees of court appointed attorneys. Like many District Attorneys Offices in Texas, I will implement an 'open file' policy that will allow defense attorneys equal access to police reports and other documents in the District Attorney's file. This will allow defense attorneys to quickly see the overwhelming evidence

against their clients and thereby facilitate faster disposition of the cases. Faster disposition of the cases means defendants will spend less time on our criminal docket, less time in our County Jail, and more time in the state penitentiary."

White said drug cases would be one of his top priorities as District Attorney, because they lead to so many other offenses, including Burglary, Theft, Anhydrous Ammonia offenses, Aggravated Assault, Murder, and Capital Murder. He pledges to aggressively prosecute and send to prison those who sell and manufacture drugs. In addition, White stated that he (or one of his Assistant District Attorneys) will be available 24 hours, seven days a week to assist law enforcement officers and agencies in ridding Cooke County of those who choose to manufacture and sell drugs.

White received his Bachelor's degree from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas. He graduated with a 4.0 Grade Point Average and received the President's Medal for Excellence as the top graduate from the School of Public Administration and See WHITE.....pg.2



Randy Bell, on roof, assisted by Michael Flusche and Ricky Bell, Strip shingles off the Muenster Boy Scout Germanfest booth recently in preparation of replacing the roof with tin.
Janie Hartman photo

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officers installed for 2004 by Jaycee Senator Wayne Klement were Lucas Hartman second vice-president, Justin Hartman secretary, Tony Hartman treasurer, Doug Hermes and David Flusche Fifth Thursday chairmen, Neal Flusche, Billy Hogan, Jody Felderhoff, and John D. Bartsch directors, and Darren Bindel state director.

Outgoing officers are Justin Hartman second vice-president, Tony Hartman secretary, Darren Bindel treasurer, Doyle Klement Fifth Thursday chairman, Kevin Reeves and Jeremy Walterscheid directors.

Steven Knabe noted that during the past year the Jaycees purchased a new beer van for use at Germanfest and concerts in the Park. He said that upcoming plans for the new ballpark include leveling off the west end for a practice area; finishing field #2, adding a concession stand and restrooms; and installing pitching machines for batting practice. No definite timeframe was placed on these projects.

"This past year we added

about seven or eight brand new projects, which included the concert in the Park, where money was given to the Rectory Fund; the skeet shoot, which raised money for the local boy and girl scouts; cooking breakfast for those who participated in the Youth Deer Hunt; as well as several others," said Steven. "We also had four projects where the annual chairmen of those projects changed to someone else or they had a co-chairman help out. This alone, in my eyes is willingness to step up and help out, which is what this organization is all about."

Serving as master of ceremonies at the 42nd Annual Jaycee Installation and Awards Banquet was Willie Fisher. Darren Bindel offered the the Invocation and Justin Hartman led the Pledge. Guests were welcomed by Muenster Mayor Henry Weinzapfel.

Last year the Muenster Jaycee organization donated \$38,543.00 and sponsored 30 projects. Recipients of their funds ranged from the Sacred Heart Parish rectory to the Muenster Fire Department to the new

ballpark to various organizations and charities. David Flusche was selected by his fellow Jaycees for the Key Man Award. The recipient of this honor is chosen for such attributes as being able to keep a meeting in order; having the knowledge to complete many projects; giving advice to younger members on projects they might want to undertake; listening to everyone; and being looked upon with respect by his fellow Jaycees. Steven Knabe presented this award.

Neal Flusche was named Outstanding Chairman for his ability to take on a project and make it work, be successful with a project due to his leadership, take pride in the project and work diligently at it, and willingness to take on the project year after year.

In keeping with tradition, Knabe selected a member he felt had been most helpful to him during his year as president. He named Chris Klement as the President's Partner.

Chris Klement closed the evening by leading those present in reciting the Jaycee Creed.

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sheriff." He said he couldn't say if it would be best to finish out the 52-bed addition.

Compton cautioned that if the County decides to do that, they must be prepared to provide services such as transportation to be user friendly and attract customers (other jails needing prisoner space). "It's a competitive business," he noted. "If we wanted to get into that business, that's a question with a lot of issues...I think it would be wise at least to shell it out. That would be a gift to someone further down the line, a decision that they won't have to make. It will be much easier for them to adapt to the growing population."

Staffing situations were discussed dealing with the new jail and possible housing of out-of-county prisoners.

Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess questioned the new plan's layout in regard to future expansion and the ancillary space. "The way that's designed we'll pretty well be in a bind with that unless you add another utilities somewhere on the back project," Hess said. "That's where we're in a problem with the jail we have now. We're landlocked and you've got that facility stuck in between there."

After some discussion, it was decided that a simple rearrangement could avoid that situation. Changes on

paper are easy to do, Fletcher noted.

"I don't mind spending the money for the project, but when I look at the jail and when I was on the Study Committee before, in seven years you've got a kitchen that's too small and go to add another one, soon the whole project is set in time." He wanted to be sure that the facility wouldn't become outdated because it lacked flexibility for expansion.

The Jail Standards Commission has recommended that the county build a jail with 144 beds and ancillary support services capable of supporting a future expansion of 44 beds. "They're looking at the year 2020 with 144 beds," remarked Judge Freeman. "That's only 16 years away; 2020 sounds like it's way off in the future, but 1980 doesn't sound like it was that far in the past."

Precinct #3 Commissioner Jerry Lewis noted, "The Jail Standards Committee has been real lenient with us."

"That's what concerns me," Judge Freeman replied. "If we get into something here that the voters think are going too far then they are going to say no and we're back to square one." Another bond election wouldn't be attempted for at least a year, he added.

"I say let's do what we have to do to keep the Jail Commission happy and

keeps us functioning," recommended Hess.

Judge Freeman said that he felt anybody with building knowledge realized that the biggest expense in building was the slab and roof and that to add on when building would be less costly than adding on later. He felt that some people would wonder why they didn't just finish it out right away.

Freeman said that in the next two months Commissioners would be speaking to groups in the various precincts to explain the situation. If they would happen to come in a million dollars under budget, finishing out the 52-bed expansion could be considered.

Finally Commissioners voted a unanimous 5-0 to approve the schematic design phase for the Cooke County Jail and EMS property to include a structure slab and 160-bed jail and shelling out of an additional 52 bed space for a cost of \$10.061 million. The exact plan for the jail/EMS facility is still open for changes.

It is estimated that the new construction, if approved, would add between four and five cents to present County property tax.

A special meeting is set for Thursday, March 11 to consider calling the bond election.

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Political Science. White received a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from one of the top-ranked law schools in the country, the University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas. He graduated with honors and earned a 3.62 Grade Point Average. He also received the Dean's Achievement Award for having the highest grade in Professional Responsibility (ethics).

White currently has a private practice in

Gainesville focused on criminal law. He is married to the former Maggie Robles, who works in administration at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. White served as President of the Cooke County Bar Association in 1998 and 1999. He is in his second term on the Board of Directors of the Gainesville Optimist Club and chaired the club's new Shop with a Cop program. White is also on the Board of Directors of the Valley View Area

Chamber of Commerce and just started a term on the Advisory Council for Cooke County Home Hospice. He served in the U.S. Army Infantry from 1979 to 1982. Roger and Maggie live in Valley View, where they are active members of the First Baptist Church.

Political advertising paid for by Maggie Robles White, Campaign Treasurer, P.O. Box 674, Valley View, TX 76272.

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a map of the RV park that would be built and include both the location of the park and the layout of the sites.

Renewal of the agreement would be reviewed every ten years.

Numerous complaints regarding the proposed location near Highway 82 have resulted in some changes being considered. One such location could be the area on the hill behind RMI.

Under new business, the Council accepted the annual audit report from Stephen Gilland of Bowie.

The auditors issued an unqualified opinion on the city, which is the best opinion that can be given.

"Your in real good financial shape," said Gilland, during his presentation.

Gilland went on to discuss the fund balances and the liabilities and noted the strength of the City's balance sheet.

"You virtually have a year's worth of operations in your fund balance which is a real good situation," stated Gilland. He noted that many government entities are down to three months or less in coverage.

Gilland concluded saying

that "the city is very sound in it's operations."

In other business before the Council,

The budget was amended to add \$2,700 for repairs to the Ben & Aggie Seyler Museum building. The additional funds were made available to pay off the remainder of the \$11,700 cost

of adding new siding to the building.

The purchase of two paddle wheels for the sewer plant was approved under an emergency clause. The cost of replacing the inoperable paddle wheels was estimated at \$41,000.

Bills paid for the month of Feb. totaled \$61,749.85.

Extreme caution must be taken when re-freezing food, especially perishable foods. Check the food's color and odor before re-freezing. Although foods will generally be safe to eat if these guidelines are followed, the quality will be lower.

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Words cannot express the outpouring of love and thoughtfulness this community has shown to our family. We would like to thank all the gracious people who have sent flowers, cards, prayers, food, donations, and comforting words.

A special thanks to the ladies who helped with the meal after the funeral. With the tremendous amount of family and friends you managed to make everything run smoothly in our time of sorrow.

A thank you also goes out to the Muenster Fire Department for their dedication, to Father John for his comfort, and to the extended family and close friends who have been by our side to help ease our pain. We all know dad was a special person but now we realize how much he meant to all the people in his life.

Due to the overwhelming response to dad's death we have decided not to send individual thank you's but your kindness is truly not forgotten!

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Tracy and Larry

2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR						
Sunday, March 7, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Friends of Sacred Heart program, 6PM, State Theater, Gainesville	Monday, March 8, 2004 VFW meeting, 8PM Muenster Booster Club meeting, 7PM, Gym	Tuesday, March 9, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster ISD Open House, 6:30-8PM Marketing Club meeting, 7PM, Gainesville Farm Bureau	Wednesday, March 10, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center SH Alumni & Friends meeting, 7:30PM, Comm. Center MISD Board meeting, 7:30PM C of C Breakfast meeting, 7:30AM, Rohmer's	Thursday, March 11, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4PM Muenster Historical Commission meeting, 8AM, Museum	Friday, March 12, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Saturday, March 13, 2004 "Legends of the Horse Industry", NCTC Little Theater, 7:30PM
P U B L I C S C H O O L S W E E K						
Sunday, March 14, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Monday, March 15, 2004 VFW Auxiliary meeting, 8PM	Tuesday, March 16, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center MMH Board meetin, 7PM	Wednesday, March 17, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association meeting, 7PM	Thursday, March 18, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open 1-4PM Healthy Kids Day Camp, 8AM-2:30PM	Friday, March 19, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM St. Joseph's Day	Saturday, March 20, 2004
SPRING BREAK - Sacred Heart School and Muenster ISD						

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Educating children with heart brings many successes:

- **Texas Education is Improving:** With the implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, students and schools are receiving stricter federal guidelines. Texas schoolchildren have taken the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) and are now meeting the challenge of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS). The

Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) holds school districts accountable for finances, leading to a healthier financial foundation for the schools.

- **Texas Schools are Supported by the Community:** School business partnerships, parent organizations, and community involvement initiatives are growing stronger in Texas. More and more, parents and community members are realizing the importance of being a part of their children's education.

- **Texas Schools Support their Communities:** Whether it's sponsoring canned food drives, collecting Toys for Tots or Pennies for Patients, collecting monetary donations and walking to support the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, Texas students are contributing their time and energies to community service, all the while learning a very valuable lesson about community spirit.

- **Texas Schools are Preparing Students for Careers:** More high school students are being certified in a variety of career areas: health occupations, engineering, law, research, automotive technologies,

and more. Career and technology education programs are preparing students to enter the world of work and to make direct contributions to society and to pursue higher education. This month, every Texas resident is urged to take time to visit a school and join four million young Texans as they celebrate 150 years of public education in Texas. Watch their eyes dance as they read their favorite book. Listen to them reason out an algebra equation. Or, help them build a science project that will win a blue ribbon. See if, in the process, you don't discover why Texas school children are educated with heart!

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meeting date from March 15 to March 22.

- Took no action on sale of District property located at 607 Elizabeth Street.

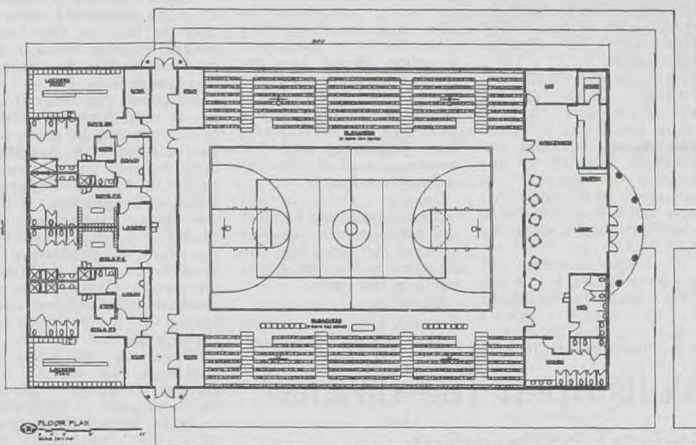
- Awarded roofing bids to lowest bidder as presented by Buddy Allums of Wharry Engineering. McClung Roofing of Fort Worth was accepted for K-6 buildings and cafeteria for \$28,500 for the SBS repair system.

- Accepted the proposed 2004-05 school calendar. Teachers will have two in-service days during the summer rather than the usual three.

- Accepted all titles as recommended by the Textbook Committee.



LISD proposed Gymnasium



Heart & stroke fact
Heart disease and stroke are the No. 1 and No. 3 killers of women over the age of 25.

State Senator Craig Estes Re-appointed to the state's Agriculture Policy Board

State Senator Craig Estes of Wichita Falls has been re-appointed to the state's Agriculture Policy Board. "Agriculture continues to be a vital sector in the Texas economy. I appreciate your commitment to serving on this board," Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said in announcing Estes' re-appointment.

The purpose of the Agriculture Policy Board is to review legislation, budgets, and statutes, and to recommend strategies for agriculture production income and employment that benefit consumers and promote efficient and sustainable use of natural resources, Estes explained.

"I am proud to be a voice for North Texas as we confront the challenges faced by production agriculture. Agriculture is very important to Senate District 30, so I am especially pleased to pursue this work. This appointment certainly complements some of my other legislative assignments," Estes said.

Estes represents the Texas Senate on the Agriculture and Rural Development Committee of

the Southern Legislative Conference. He also serves on the Senate Natural Resources Committee, the Senate Agriculture Subcommittee, the Senate Business and Commerce Committee, the Senate International Relations and Trade Committee, the Senate Select Committee on Workers' Compensation, and is vice-chairman of the Senate Veterans Affairs and Military Installations Committee.

Other members of the Agriculture Policy Board include Rep. Rick Hardcastle of Vernon, Rep. David Swinford of Amarillo, Rep. Sid Miller of Stephenville, Rep. Glenn Hegar of Katy, Senator Eddie Lucio of Brownsville, Senator Frank Madla of San Antonio, and Senator Mike Jackson of Pasadena.

Estes serves an 18-county district that 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.

Proclamation from City Mayor

Whereas, the students of Texas public schools hold the promise of a successful future in their capable hands; and

Whereas, the Muenster Independent School District provides an educational foundation that is so vital to our children's future; and

Whereas, the collaborative partnership of parents, educators, business representatives, civic leaders and the community as a whole continues to support and strengthen our schools; and

Whereas, Texas' Lone Star shines brighter due to its commitment to academic excellence and its focus on continual improvement; and

Whereas, "Texas Public Schools... Educating with Heart" has been designated as this year's theme for Texas Public Schools Week to focus on the depth of commitment required to continue the success of schools in our community;

Therefore, I, the Mayor of Muenster, do hereby proclaim March 7, 2004, as Texas Public Schools Week and urge all citizens of Muenster to reaffirm their commitment to our schools, taking time during this week to visit our public schools or to find ways to contribute their support to the future of our young people.

Proclaimed this 5th day of March, 2004.



Official Signature
Texas Public Schools Week 2004

From My Side of the Fence by Ed Cler

This stupid peach tree that I have touched on from time to time, has surely gone out of its way this year, to be different. It has been growing leaves and blooming since Christmas. A great many of the blooms have survived weather as low as 12°, and everything since, and it still sports a

fair crop of blooms. Wonder if it will make it through March and produce some peaches. That would be something to crow about.

I am not looking forward to a deluge of rain, but have noticed all fall and winter that rainfall, while I believe it is adequate, has come in small doses. The snow we had was sure pretty to look at, but produced only a little under 1/2" of water. Fortunately there was also a bit of rain, which boosted the snow water to approximately 1 1/4". Since then about .7" has been added. So our moisture condition at present is pretty good.

Some farmers have said that the rainfall has been great. They received enough to keep their grain pastures growing, while it did not produce enough mud to cause them to take the livestock off.

Well, some folks say there is some good in everything. Maybe they are right.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the millions of farmers and ranchers in the United States, I want to assure you there is nothing we take more seriously than the health of our families, our animals and the consumers of this nation.

The policy of the Texas Farm Bureau is to be completely honest and straight forward about the recent and isolated U.S. discovery of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE).

Unlike some of the misinformation that is being put forth by those who desire to hurt the livestock industry for any number of reasons, our concerns and comments have and will continue to be based on sound science and solid facts.

First and foremost the discovery of BSE in one cow from Canada in the Pacific Northwest shows definitively that our system is equipped to handle such

incidents. Furthermore, the Agriculture Department's immediate recall of the meat was an extraordinary precaution taken by the agency even though it posed zero risk to consumers.

That being said, we would like to thank the consumers of this state and nation for sticking with America's farmers and ranchers and not being influenced by false impression of this controlled and contained situation. Right now we need to continue to support the excellent efforts of President Bush, his Secretary of Agriculture, Ann Veneman, and her competent staff of scientists and veterinarians.

Despite the current setback, America's farmers and ranchers will continue to focus on growing and maintaining the safest food supply in the world.

Sincerely,
Kenneth Sicking, President
Cooke County Farm Bureau

Go vote and take a friend, business women urge

"We challenge every person in the county to take advantage of our extraordinary right to vote," Angie Hare, President of the Cooke County Business and Professional Women (CCBPW), said. "And let's each encourage at least two other people to do the same. Let's change Cooke County's voting statistics - and Texas, too."

Only 16 percent of Cooke County's registered voters cast ballots in the last general primary election in 2000, according to county registrar records.

Statewide, the turn-out is low as well. Texas was 49th in the country in going to the polls in 2000, lagging only behind Arizona, as reported by the Federal Election Commission. With the voting primaries just ahead, Cooke County Business & Professional Women have a mission: encourage Cooke County residents to get out and vote March 9 or vote early through March 5.

"This is a special challenge for women of Cooke County," Mary Huneycutt, CCBPW treasurer added. Huneycutt is a CPA with Schalk & Smith, P.C., of Gainesville. "Let's increase our percentage of women casting their votes."

"Citizens around the world - especially women - have not always been

afforded the privilege of voting. The struggle has been long and hard, and in the not-so-very-distant past," Hare added. "In fact, international tensions even today are related to building the right to vote and choose our own leaders."

"Voting allows all Americans to honor the men and women who led the journey to suffrage and to remember women in other countries who continue to strive for equality," Hare said.

To become a registered voter, contact the Voter Registrar at 668-5425 at the courthouse. Early voting is taking place now through March 5 on the second floor. For the general primary election March 9, consult newspapers or call the Voter Registrar for voting locations.

CCBPW would also like to recognize the efforts of the League of Women Voters of Gainesville in assisting voters in the election process and encouraging informed participation.

Statistics on government websites suggest there is plenty of work to be done in Cooke County and throughout the state. After all, Texas is 49th in the country in going to the polls. Historically, however, it was the first state in the South and the ninth nationally to ratify the 19th Amendment.

"History is on our side," Huneycutt said.

For the past 25 years women have generally voted more frequently than their male counterparts and more women are registered to vote than men. Young women (18-24) are more likely to view voting as a responsibility than their young male counterparts, who were more likely to view voting as a choice, according to a survey by the University of Maryland.

Further research shows that in Cooke County, while

91 percent of adults are registered voters, only 16 percent voted in the last general election.

"We all have a job to do before the November elections," Hare said. "And the Business and Professional Women chapters throughout the nation are working to make the turnout better in 2004."

Cooke County BPW was established in 1940. For information call Hare at 940-665-1793 or Cathy Kirkpatrick at 940-665-2244.

Polls open Tuesday for party primaries

On Tuesday, Mar. 9 polling places will open for both the Republican and Democratic Parties at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. Voters are asked to bring their voter registration cards. Parties share the same location in some voting precincts and in other precincts they are separate. In some areas voting precincts have been combined.

Democratic polls in western Cooke County are as follows:

- Precinct 12 - Era Community Center
- Precinct 14 - Rosston Volunteer Fire Dept.
- Precincts 15, 17, and 18 - VFW Hall 113 S. Main St, Muenster
- Precincts 19 & 21 St. Peter's Catholic Church Conrad Hall, Lindsay
- Precinct 33 - Sivells Bend School 1053 CR 403 Gainesville

Republican polls in western Cooke County are:

- Precincts 12 & 14 - Era ISD Old Gym W. FM 922
- Precincts 15, 17, & 18 - Sacred Heart Community Center 730 N. Main, Muenster
- Precincts 19, 21, 33 - St. Peter's Church Conrad Hall 107 E. Main, Lindsay

Sample ballots are printed on page 4 for your benefit and ease in determining what offices will be on the ballot.

Heart & stroke fact

Every year since 1984 more women than men have died of heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases. The difference in deaths currently is more than 65,000 per year.

Senatorial candidate speaks to Democrats

Senatorial candidate, Paul Gibbs spoke to a packed room of the Cooke County Democratic Club at their Feb. 17 meeting. Mr. Gibbs is unopposed in the Primary, but will face Craig Estes (Senate District 30) in the General election. Gibbs is currently mayor of Nocona and is the owner of a pharmacy in that town. He gave a brief personal background concerning his

life-time residency in Texas. Mr. Gibbs assured the group that he would endeavor to continue and support the platform of the Democratic Party.

The Cooke County Democratic Club meets every third Tuesday of each month at the Smokehouse II in Gainesville. Dinner is at 6 p.m. and meeting at 6:30 p.m.

North Central Texas College regents implement tax ceiling

Following action this week by the North Central Texas College board of regents, elderly and disabled county residents will never pay more residential property taxes to the college than they pay in 2004.

Effective immediately, this ceiling or "freeze" will apply to college taxes assessed for the current tax year and is available to any homeowner who has applied for and received an age-based or disability-based homestead exemption.

The NCTC regents' action was made possible by statewide voter approval back in September of a constitutional amendment (13) permitting counties, municipalities and junior college districts to establish an ad valorem tax ceiling on residence homesteads for persons who are age 65 and older or are disabled.

The ceiling extends to surviving spouses who are age 55 and older as well.

Approval of the amendment, however, did not make the ceiling mandatory nor did it make it automatic. It has to be implemented either by affirmative vote by governing bodies of the city, county or junior college district or by a majority vote in an election called by a petition signed by five percent of registered voters.

According to Heidi Ellis, NCTC vice president of financial services, a similar

ceiling on property taxes imposed by public school districts on the homesteads of the elderly and disabled has been mandated by statute since 1978, with the freeze extended to surviving spouses in 1988.

The vote on the tax ceiling was 5-1, with the dissenting vote cast by Claude Walter, regent from Muenster. The regents who voted for the ceiling said they believe the amount of tax revenue lost to the college in future years because of this freeze will be minimal compared to the relief it will bring to those it is designed to benefit. The lost revenue, they said, can be made up from other sources of income without significantly increasing either the tax burdens of other taxpayers or costs to students.

Data from the most recent census shows that just under 15 percent of the Cooke County population is over age 65 and that 48 percent of these 5,415 residents is over age 75.

While this cannot be directly correlated to home ownership, college officials say they believe it is very significant to note that 997 out of 3,329 - 29.9 percent - of senior homesteads are valued at under \$50,000, according to the Cooke County Appraisal District (CCAD). More than two-thirds of senior

Democratic Party Primary Election
(Elección Primaria del Partido Democrático) N° 0000
Cooke County, Texas
(Condado de Cooke, Texas)
March 9, 2004
(9 de marzo, 2004)

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION)

Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square next to the candidate's name. (Vote candidato de su preferencia en cada candidatura marcando con una "X" el cuadro a la izquierda del nombre del candidato.)

"I am a Democrat and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year. ("Yo soy a Democrat and comprendo que no estoy elegible para participar en la eleccion primaria o le convencion de algun otro partido politico durante este ano electoral.")

Preference for Presidential Nominee (Preferencia para un candidato nombrado para presidente)

President (Presidente)

- Dick Gephardt
- John Kerry
- Al Sharpton
- John Edwards
- Joe Lieberman
- Randy Crow
- Howard Dean
- Wesley K. Clark
- Dennis J. Kucinich
- Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

United States Representative, District 26 (Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Num. 26)

- Lico Reyes For Voting Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 22, 30, 34, 35, 37.

Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)

- Bob Scarborough

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 9)

- David Van Os

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 6)

- J. R. Molina

State Senator, District 30 (Senador Estatal, Distrito Num. 30)

- Paul S. Gibbs

County Chairman (Presidente del Condado)

- Ron Melugin

INSTRUCTION NOTE (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION)

Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote. (Marque con una "X" el cuadro a la izquierda de la frase que indica la manera en que quiere usted votar.)

- FOR (A FAVOR DE) any efforts to end or privatize Social Security and Medicare programs.

- AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE) cualquier esfuerzo para terminar o privatizar el Seguro Social y los programas de "Medicare."

- FOR (A FAVOR DE) a constitutional amendment protecting taxpayers by prohibiting state mandates that require local property tax increases.

- AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE) una enmienda constitucional que proteja a las personas que pagan impuestos, con la cual se le prohíba al estado que aumente los impuestos a las propiedades locales.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT (BOLETA OFICIAL)

(Condado de) COOKE COUNTY, TEXAS

INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval provided to the left of the name of the candidate. You may vote for one presidential candidate whose name appears on the ballot by darkening in the oval provided to the left of the name of the candidate or you may vote as uncommitted by darkening the oval provided to the left of "Uncommitted." Make only one choice.

"I am a Republican and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year."

Use only the marks provided. (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: Vote for the candidate of your preference in each race by darkening completely the space provided to the left of the name of the candidate. Usted puede votar por un candidato para presidente cuyo nombre aparece en la boleta a la izquierda del nombre del candidato o usted puede votar como votante no comprometido por llenando completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda de las palabras no comprometido. Haga solamente una selección. "Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la eleccion primaria o la convencion de algun otro partido politico durante este ano electoral." Solamente usa el marcador provisto.)

Preference for Presidential Nominee (Preferencia para un Candidato Nombrado para Presidente)

- George W. Bush
- Uncommitted

United States Representative, District 26 (Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Num. 26)

- Michael C. Burgess

United States Representative, Dist. 13

Mac Thornberry

Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)

- Douglas G. Deffenbaugh
- K. Dale Henry
- Robert Butler
- Victor G. Carrillo

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 3)

- Harriet O'Neill

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 9 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 9)

- Scott Brister

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION (ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO REPUBLICANO)

MARCH 9, 2004

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 2)

- Guy James Gray
- Lawrence "Larry" Meyers

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 5)

- Cheryl Johnson
- Patricia Noble

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 6)

- Michael E. Kessler
- Steven M. Porier

Member, State Board of Education, District 1 (Miembro de la Junta Estatal de Educacion Publica, Distrito Num. 14)

- Arifceca Williams
- Bill Brown

State Senator, District 90 (Senador Estatal, Distrito Num. 30)

- Craig D. Estes

State Representative, District 68 (Representante Estatal, Distrito Num. 68)

- Rick Hardcastle

Justice, 2nd Court of Appeals District, Place 3 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Num. 2, Lugar Num. 3)

- Anne Gardner

Justice, 2nd Court of Appeals District, Place 4, Unexpired Term (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Distrito Num. 2, Lugar Num. 4, Duración Resante del Cargo)

- Bob McCoy

District Judge, 238th Judicial District (Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Num. 235)

- Ken Kirg
- Janelle M. Haverkamp

(9 de marzo de 2004)

District Attorney, 238th Judicial District (Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Num. 235)

- Cindy Stormer
- Nancy L. Manning
- Roger White

County Attorney (Procurador del Condado)

- Tanya S. Davis

Sheriff (Sheriff)

- Michael B. (Mike) Compton

County Tax Assessor-Collector (Avaluador de Impuestos del Condado)

- Billie Jean Knight

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 (Comisionado del Condado, Precinct Num. 3)

- Al Smith
- Frank Rust

County Commissioner Precinct No. 1

- Phil Young
- Gary Hollowell
- Patrick R. McCage
- Keith Wilson

Constable Precinct No. 4

- Anthony (Tony) Ward

Constable, Precinct No. 1 (Condestable, Precinct Num. 1)

- Terry Wayne Gilbert
- Tony O. Weir, Sr.

County Chairman (Presidente del Condado)

- Byron R. Berry

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6 (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 5)

- Paul Green
- Steven Wayne Smith

Obituaries

Leona Eberhart 1915 - 2004

By **Elfrieda Fette**

Mass of Christian Burial was held for Leona Mathilda Gehrig Eberhart in Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, Feb. 28, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. She died at age 89 on Wednesday, Feb. 25 at St. Richard's Villa in Muenster.

Leona Eberhart was born Feb. 16, 1915 in Muenster to William and Kathryn Gergon Gehrig. She attended Sacred Heart School.

On Nov. 23, 1934 she married Aloys Eberhart in Fort Worth. He died in 1961.

For many years, Leona was employed as an office clerk for Cooke County Electric, and retired in 1980. She was the sole supporter of her family since the death of her husband. A member of Sacred Heart Parish, she was also a member of St. Anne's Society and the Catholic Daughters of America. Leona Eberhart loved reading, flowers, yard work, and traveling.

Survivors of Leona Eberhart are two sons Allan Eberhart and wife Rachel of Gainesville and Eugene Eberhart and wife Sharon of Arlington; and three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; one son Michael Eberhart; one brother George Gehrig; four sisters Clara Fette, Alvina Hellman, Virginia Carter, and Emma Lou Hess.

Preceding the day of funeral, a Rosary Service was held at McCoy Funeral



Leona Eberhart

Chapel on Friday at 4 p.m. Vigil at the same place was held on Friday at 7 p.m., led by Father John Ohner OSA, pastor.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday with Father John officiating. Altar servers Joe Felderhoff and Sylvan Walterscheid. The readings, Gospel, homily, and petitions were all given by Father John. Music ministers were Ruth Felderhoff and Christy Hesse. Sacred songs included "On Eagles Wings", "The Lord Is My Light and Salvation", "Parable", "I Am The Bread of Life", and "How Great Thou Art".

Eucharistic ministers were Imelda Rohmer, Jim Gehrig, Stacie Miller, Frances Bayer, and Theresa Mae Walterscheid.

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster. Pallbearers were Colt Eberhart, Donnie Hellman, Jim Biffle II, Brent Hess, Jim Gehrig, and Dale Schilling.

Funeral Home of Saint Jo.

Pallbearers were Billy Charles Poyner, Rusty Newton, Bryan Newton, Brad Dennison, Brian Martindale, and Martin Nueling.

The family suggested memorials sent to the Saint Jo ISD, American Heart Association, or a charity of choice.

Meldon Price 1928-2004

Graveside services were held Feb. 27 for Meldon Moore Price, 76, of DeSoto, at Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo. Price was born Feb. 13, 1928 to James and Mildred Price, and was a long haul truck driver.

He is survived by three daughters Loretta Murphree and husband Johnny of Saint Jo, Robin McClain and husband Ray of Nocona, and Vicki Casey of Nocona, a son Morey Price and wife Stacey of Horseshoe Bay, and one brother Cooper Price and wife Roberta of Saint Jo.

Donald Copley 1950 - 2004

Donald Ray Copley, age 53, of Saint Jo died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004 at Nocona General Hospital. He was born June 3, 1950 in Fort Sill, Oklahoma to James and Hazel Roper Copley. He was a lifelong resident of the Saint Jo area.

Survivors include his wife Shirley Copley of Saint Jo, a sister Donna Wilson of McKinney, and a brother Johnny Copley of Denton.

Memorial services were held Feb. 28 at McCoy Funeral Chapel in Saint Jo.

Sister Fidelis Rohmer, OSB dies March 2

Sister Fidelis Rohmer OSB, a native of Muenster, and member of Holy Angels Convent in Jonesboro, Arkansas died Tuesday, March 2, 2004 at 6:30 a.m. at the convent. Mass of Christian Burial is set for Friday, March 5, at Holy Angels Chapel at 10:00 a.m.

daughter, Jennifer Leigh Fuller and husband Robert of Lindsay; two sons Richard Eli Dennis of Paradise, and Charles Robert "Bud" Dennis of Saint Jo; one grandson; two brothers R.A. Dennis and wife Jeanine of Pilot Point, and Arnold Dennis and wife Judy of Saint Jo; two sisters Frances Poyner of Saint Jo and Patricia Jones of Fort Worth; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation at McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo was held Saturday, Feb. 28 from 7 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Feb. 29 in First Baptist Church of Saint Jo at 2 p.m. with Rev. Ricky Kerr officiating. Interment in Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo was directed by McCoy

Funeral Home of Saint Jo

Elvin Eli Dennis, Jr. 1948 - 2004

Elvin Eli Dennis, Jr. of Saint Jo died at age 55 Sunday, Feb. 22, 2004 in Casablanca, Morocco. He lived the majority of his life in the Saint Jo area, although he was born in Muenster, on Apr. 13, 1948 to Elvin Sr. and Mattie Inez Hale Dennis. He graduated from Saint Jo High School in 1966, and attended Texas A&M University before entering the U.S. Navy in 1969.

Elvin Dennis, Jr. worked as a farmer and rancher before going to work for Boeing in 1989, which later became Labinal North America. He was employed at Labinal in Casablanca, Morocco on assignment at the time of his death.

Survivors are his parents, Elvin Sr. and Mattie Dennis of Gainesville; one

NCTC ex-students seeking award nominees as part of 80th anniversary observance

Presentation of a new award to recognize special service to the college and community is among the activities and events planned by the North Central Texas College Ex-Students Association (ESA) to help mark the observance this year of NCTC's 80th anniversary.

The association also will continue its annual tradition of choosing a recipient for its "Distinguished Alumni Award," and members will be accepting nominations for both awards until March 22.

The awards will be presented at the annual NCTC Foundation "Starlite Gala" slated for the evening of May 1. The theme of this year's event will be a celebration of the college's 80th anniversary.

"Reaching that eightieth year is a remarkable milestone for our college," said Denise Pearse, ESA president, at a recent planning meeting. "So many volunteers have played a key role in the growth and success of both the college and community over those eight decades, and this is our way of paying tribute to some of those individuals

for their meritorious service."

Pearse said that anyone is eligible for the new award who has made a particularly positive impact on the college or community, or both, by devoting their time, energy and support.

Nominations for both the new community service award and the alumni award should be submitted to the NCTC Ex-Students Association in the Office of Institutional Advancement (Room 309) on campus.

A nomination form appears in today's edition of the *Muenster Enterprise*. Forms also are available in the Advancement Office (Room 309), and forms may be downloaded from the NCTC website at www.nctc.edu.

According to Debbie Pounds, NCTC vice president for advancement, the F.M. Hemphill Distinguished Alumni Award, named in honor of the president of the college's first graduating class who went on to distinguish himself in the fields of both higher education and public health, was established 10 years ago.

"We believe it is

important to recognize former students who have earned distinction in their chosen career fields and who have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities," said Pounds. "However, it's important to note that nominees don't necessarily have to have earned that distinction at the state or national level.

"Making a positive difference at the local community level, we believe, is just as important and just as worthy of recognition."

A list of past recipients of the alumni awards demonstrates the wide variety of service and achievement that has been recognized. Recipients include Margaret Parx Hays, Jane Greer Hardy, Leon Liddell, Irene Clark Stiles, Curtis Gilliland, Shelby Fletcher, Johnny Leftwich, General Lew Allen Jr., W.E. Chalmers, and Dr. L.D. Clark.

Persons wishing to learn more about the NCTC Ex-Students Association community service or distinguished alumni awards should contact Debbie Pounds at 940-668-4213, or by email: dpounds@nctc.edu.

Helping people help themselves

By **Don Rohmer**

Workforce Texoma sponsored an Enterprise Facilitation seminar on Thursday, February 19, at Grayson County College. The presenter, Dr. Ernesto Sirolli, began by describing colossal blunders by himself and others in the name of "economic development." He finally "saw the light" while reading E.F. Schumacher's *Small Is Beautiful*, and a sentence from that book became his first principle of economic aid: "If people do not wish to be helped, leave them alone." He became successful by insisting that he would work on economic development only when invited by the people who would be affected by the development. The Sirolli Institute has fostered job creation in Europe, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and the U.S.

Dr. Sirolli does not believe in trying to recruit companies to provide employment. Nor does he get involved in infrastructure-development projects. He says such projects often proceed under the assumption that "If we build it, they will come," but people who believe that need to listen to the song that says "It ain't necessarily so." The Sirolli philosophy is that there are many people with dreams and ideas for starting their own businesses, and, with the right support network, they can turn their business ideas into reality. Those new businesses would then provide for them and their families, and possibly enable them to hire others

in the community.

According to Dr. Sirolli, the reason that 80% of new businesses fail is that Western culture teaches two different models of business management. Business schools that supply talent to corporations teach team building, but sole proprietors are taught that they have to do everything themselves. That is, they must produce a good product, market it, and manage the company's finances. But doing anything well requires a passionate commitment to the task, and a lesson from the Sirolli Institute's 30+ years of experience is that no one individual has a passion for all three aspects of running a business. For example, some people are passionate about only one aspect. Others are passionate about two of them, such as production and marketing, or production and financial management, but that's as far as it goes. Therefore, an entrepreneur who works alone is usually doomed to failure. (Interestingly, Dr. Sirolli says that despite being told, "Never say never," he and his associates have never met anyone who is passionate about both marketing and financial management.)

The Sirolli approach is to assist a community, or an area, with recruitment and training of a board and an Enterprise Facilitator. The board is a large group of individuals recommended by the community and interviewed for the position, whose sole purpose is to

support the facilitator — not to provide financial assistance to entrepreneurs. Once the board is established, the Sirolli Institute assists with interviewing and hiring a facilitator. Each board member and the facilitator must sign a confidentiality agreement and maintain strict confidentiality of all activities. The facilitator is the contact for the entrepreneur and is the one who presents the entrepreneur's needs to the board. To ensure that clients are self-motivated, the facilitator is not allowed to initiate contact at any stage of business development, but can only return calls from people who call him or her. Evaluation of the facilitator's performance is based solely on the number of new businesses started and existing businesses expanded with the help of the facilitator and the board.

Workforce Texoma is contacting people to form groups in Cooke, Grayson, and Fannin counties to determine what the next step should be in each part of the tri-county area. If you are interested in learning more, call Bob Rhoden at Workforce Texoma — (903) 957-7408.

Heart & stroke fact

One in five females in the United States has some form of cardiovascular disease.

ENDORSEMENTS OF CINDY STORMER:

"Cindy Stormer has the experience and expertise in the criminal justice field to make you an excellent district attorney. I have known Cindy for over 25 years and have worked with her and observed her progress in her career. She can communicate with the investigators because she has been there and understands their concerns. With this experience in the criminal justice field and her life skills and work ethic, Cindy Stormer will be there in the courtroom fighting for truth and justice and your right to live safe and crime free in Cooke County. So, if you are a citizen, a victim of a crime or a law enforcement officer, a vote to elect Cindy Stormer as District Attorney in Cooke County, is a vote and support for someone who cares about you as an individual and all of Cooke County. Doug Whitehead, Sheriff Wise County, 2004.

Cindy Stormer has shown me many times by her actions that she is an honest lawyer, a great person, and very concerned with our county. She will analyze a case and tell her client up front how things will be and advise them the best course to take. She wants to make a difference for all the hardworking taxpayers of this county. Barbara Erlandson, Business Owner, Gainesville.

"Cindy Stormer is that rare sort of lawyer, comfortable and powerful in the courtroom, and yet an excellent and persuasive appellate lawyer with unsurpassable research and writing skills." W. Scott Brown, Of Counsel to Vinson & Elkins L.L.P., Houston, Texas. Pol. Adv. Cindy Stormer

AWARD NOMINATION FORM

★ **Distinguished Alumni**
★ **Community Service**

NCTC NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE

The **F.M. Hemphill Distinguished Alumni Award** is the highest honor that can be granted to graduates and former students of North Central Texas College by the NCTC Ex-Students Association. Awarded each spring during the NCTC Starlite Gala, it recognizes alumni who have achieved distinction in their chosen field and have shown exceptional leadership qualities.

This year the NCTC Ex-Students' Association has established the **NCTC Community Service Award** to recognize individuals for meritorious service to the College and/or the community. The Association would like to recognize individuals who have made a difference at the College and in the community by giving their time, energy and support over an extended period of time.

If you know someone whose accomplishments and efforts should be recognized, please take a moment to complete the nomination form. NOTE: Current members of the Board of Regents, administration, faculty and staff are not eligible to receive these awards.

Please the appropriate nomination category: F.M. Hemphill Distinguished Alumni Award NCTC Community Service Award

If nomination is for the **F.M. Hemphill Distinguished Alumni Award**, please complete the following questions:
Please list dates that the nominee attended and/or graduated from NCTC. _____
Is this person deceased? Yes No

My reasons for nominating this individual are: (Give accomplishments, either personal or business, applicable work history, publications or any information you believe important to the selection.)

If nomination is for the **NCTC Community Service Award**, please respond to the following: Describe nominee's service to the College and/or community. (Length of time involved, volunteer service separate and distinct from employment responsibilities; the uniqueness of the contribution to the College and/or community; did it extend beyond the local community, etc.):

How did the individual enhance the image of the College and/or community by this volunteer service?

Please complete the following information:

Your Name: _____ Telephone No. _____

Address: _____

Please complete this form and return to North Central Texas College, attention: Debbie Pounds, 1525 W. California St. Gainesville, Texas 76240, Room 309, by March 22, 2004. For more information call (940) 668-4213. Thank You!

Münster Memorial Hospital observes 40 years of caring

By Janet Felderhoff
A spirit of festivity permeated the air at Münster Memorial Hospital on Sunday, Feb. 29 as the facility's 40th anniversary was celebrated. Ribbioned balloons and pictures of thanks and congratulations created by local school children decorated the hospital's hallways.

Old photos and newspaper clippings drew interest as those attending took a look into the past. Many stories and remember whens were shared. Ethel Hesse recalled touring the facility during its first Open House in 1964. Ethel said she never imagined that she would be the first to have her baby delivered there. Frances Bayer told of Sr. Mildred Felderhoff, the first administrator, recruiting ladies from the community to clean before opening. "We were down on our hands and knees scrubbing the floors," Frances said. Sr. Mildred also pushed to have an auxiliary formed. It happened and was very active and supportive for many years.

Excitement for the future was shared as visitors met Dr. Crystal Broussard, her husband Lance, and daughter Brianna. She is expected to join the medical staff in the summer of 2005 after completing her medical training.

Visitors to the newly decorated sonogram room enjoyed seeing a sonogram photo of a baby expected to be delivered at Münster Memorial in about four weeks. Dr. Karla Cox added her personal embellishments to create a warm, home-style atmosphere in the sonogram room. Many were happy to hear that soon babies would again be delivered at MMH. Visitors enjoyed cake

compliments of the Münster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, punch, and were gifted with 40th anniversary keepsakes. Many former employees attended, as did many present employees, making the day a happy blend of the past and present.



Celebrating MMH's Open House Sunday included, from left Dr. Karla Cox and husband Steve, Cindy Stormer, Carol Aytes, and Dr. Crystal Broussard. Janet Felderhoff photo



The MMH Wellness Center was a popular place as visitors tested the various pieces of equipment or just watched as other got their exercise. Pictured are, from left, Amy Haverkamp, Earl Fisher and Trey Anderle. Janet Felderhoff photo

Dianna Klement, at left, shows the many souvenir keepsakes MMH offered to Open House visitors. Janet Felderhoff photo



There was much reminiscing at Sunday's Open House. Pictured are, from left, Pauline "Sis" Stelzer, Judy Flusche, Janie Weinzapfel, and Cecilia "Mickey" Haverkamp. Janet Felderhoff photo



Visitors had many compliments for the congratulatory artwork on display. Students from both local schools contributed. Janet Felderhoff photo

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Dr. Karla Cox proudly shows the sonogram room being used for her OB patients. She decorated the room herself. Visiting with her are Cheryl Rohmer and daughter Christina. Janet Felderhoff photo

College Honors

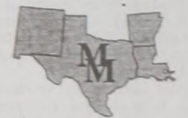
Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 2003 fall semester, recognizing students for outstanding academic performance. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students taking at least 15 semester hours or first semester students taking least 12 semester hours who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio (GPR) out of a possible 4.0 during the most recent grading period. A second designation, "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours or 12 hours for first semester students.

Among those recognized as Distinguished were Michael Voth and Nicholas Taylor, both of Münster. Michael is the son of Danny and Janet Voth. He is working toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Engineering-Elen (Lower). Nicholas is working toward a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. He is the son of Steve and Doreen Taylor.

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To my friends and neighbors in Cooke County: I wholeheartedly recommend Cindy to you as the most qualified candidate for Cooke County District Attorney's Office. My name is Helen Dhooghe and I am a licensed attorney for the State of Texas living with my family in Era, Texas. I have known Cindy Stormer for 16 years having worked with her as an Assistant District Attorney for the City of Fort Worth. I know Cindy to be hard-working, dedicated and honest. When we worked together I observed that her relationships with others were marked by integrity. I have nothing but the highest personal and professional regard for the work Cindy does. Helen Dhooghe, Gainesville, Texas 76240.

"I have personally observed Cindy Stormer trying jury trials as a prosecutor with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office. She did so with a high degree of professionalism and effectiveness in the courtroom. I am aware that she has tried and won jury trials against defendants who were represented by prominent Tarrant and Dallas county criminal defense attorneys. Her knowledge of criminal law surpasses that of ninety percent of her peers who practice in that area." Lynn Clanton, Attorney at Law, Fort Worth, Texas; Former Assistant District Attorney, Tarrant County.

"Cindy Stormer has intensive and extensive appellate and trial work and would stack up favorably with any prosecutor in the State because of the breadth of her experience. She has an amazing knowledge of the law and a broad range of experience as a prosecutor." David Chapman, Attorney at Law, Fort Worth, Texas.

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Program to showcase Friends of Sacred Heart

Students, parents, grandparents, alumni, and friends of Sacred Heart School are encouraged to attend a two-hour program on Sunday, March 7 at 6 p.m. in the State Theater in Gainesville. The program "Friends of Sacred Heart" will showcase some of the talents, activities, recent accomplishments, and goals of the school and its students.

Included in the evening will be a tribute to Shellie Hoedebeck, Gene Fuhrmann, and Virgil Henscheid, three very active alumni who have died in the past year. Cindy Russell and the Angelic A Cappella Choir will perform an encore of their Valentine's Day program.

There will be a short segment "This Old School" which summarizes recent progress and outlines future project needs of the school campus.

"The Battle of the Hearts" a full screen video of the 2003 TAPPS 2A State Football Championship game between the Sacred Heart Tigers and Sacred Heart Indians of Hallettsville. Included are highlights of the pep rally and pre-game, slow motion game highlights, post-game congratulations, and the haircuts.

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Students are free. Proceeds from the door, concessions, and donation jar will go toward present financial obligations and fund projects now in progress.

NCTC singers to present "A Musical Tribute to 100 Years of Broadway"

The Singers of North Central Texas College are promising an evening of sweet treats for both the ears and the palates of those attending "A Musical Tribute to 100 Years of Broadway" on the Gainesville Campus on Friday, March 5.

Tickets are now on sale for the concert at \$15 each, with proceeds going to fund music scholarships. The concert will take place in Lions Field House (gym) and will begin at 7 p.m.

Dr. Linder said the musical program will trace the history of Broadway from Tin Pan Alley to the Rodgers and Hammerstein musicals to the contemporary musicals of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Stephen Sondheim.

"Our Singers and the Jazz Combo will be performing some of the most popular and memorable songs from the greatest musical theatre productions of all time," Dr. Linder said. "And I've had the pleasure this year of

working with some of the very best student singers I've ever had."

Assisting Dr. Linder will be Shane Studdard of the NCTC music faculty who has helped choreograph the show and who will serve as piano accompanist along with Peggy O'Neil.

The Jazz Combo is under the direction of Marty Kobuck. Lighting design is by Thom Talbot, and the sound engineer will be by Porter Falcon.

Tickets to the concert may be purchased from any NCTC Singer, or they may be purchased at the NCTC Business Office during normal business hours. Tickets also may be purchased at the door, but Dr. Linder urged those planning to attend to buy tickets in advance if possible to assure plenty of cheesecake.

Persons wishing to get more information may contact Dr. Linder at 668-7731 ext. 382.

Meeting Notices

Diabetes Support Group meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16 at 7 p.m. at the Gainesville Memorial Hospital Culwell Conference Room. Diabetes Management With Oral Medications and Insulin is the program that will be presented by Danny Reeves, RPh.

Individuals with diabetes and family members are encouraged to attend this free program. Door prizes will be awarded.

For more information, call Joan at (940) 759-2395.

The **Cooke County Family Support** meeting will be held Thursday, March 11, 7-8:30 p.m., at Gainesville Memorial Hospital, Roberts Meeting Room (O'Neal Street entrance), 1016 Ritchey Street, Gainesville.

Tim Anderson of Anderson and Associates will present the program on Anger Management. Anderson is a Licensed Professional Counselor working with individuals, families, and groups specializing in chronic pain management, family crisis intervention, relationships, abuse, depression, anxiety, anger management, self-esteem, and communication issues.

New Arrival

Moster

David Moster and Valissa Rhoades of Muenster announce the birth of a son, Wyatt Dean Moster in Gainesville Memorial Hospital on Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004 at 11:23 a.m., weighing 7 lb. 13 oz. and measuring 21 inches long. He joins a sister, Makayla, age 7. Grandparents are Damien and Lou Moster of Muenster and Janet Rhoades of Washington, Pennsylvania. Great-grandparent is John Harshman of Washington, Pennsylvania.



Kimber Walterscheid

Kimber celebrates sixth

Kimber Louise Walterscheid celebrated her sixth birthday with a Barbie Swan Lake party at her home on Feb. 15. Guests enjoyed making cut out cookies, playing games, and eating cake and ice cream.

Kimber's special "red-headed" Barbie Swan Lake cake was made by Lisa Rohmer. Videos and pictures were made throughout the party. Kimber received many nice gifts from all of her guests.

Attending her party were her parents Jennifer and Darren Walterscheid; little sister Sterling Grace; grandparents Judy and Jim Vernor of Arlington, Texas and Pat Walterscheid of Muenster; aunts, uncles and cousins: Jill, Jimmy, Jamie, and Jacqueline Vernor of Arlington; Staci and Tim Bartel, and Carla, Stevie, Jackie and Hunter Klement of Muenster.

Kimber's classmates who attended were; Kelsie Sicking, Natalie Walterscheid, Nicole Rains, Claire Schneider, Reagan

Weger, Abby Luttmmer, Alaina Reiter, Katie Pagel, Natalie Fangman, and Jordan Buddy.

Unable to attend, but sending special birthday greetings were Jeffrey, Christy, Lilly, and Leo Vernor of San Antonio, Texas, and Franklin, Brenda, Alicia, and Frankie Leon of The Dominican Republic.

Kimber celebrated her actual birthday on Feb. 19 with a special lunch at school with her parents and sister. She celebrated her birthday dinner at The Dutchman with her parents, big sister, Grandmother, Aunt Staci and Aunt Brenda Leon from the Dominican Republic. Also joining them for dinner were special friends John, Merishia, Mason, and Garrett Morrow of Lindsay. Her mother made her a special Barbie birthday cake. Kimber enjoyed her dinner and opening her presents from her family.

Area Happenings

"Wearing of the Green"

The first program in the Morton Museum of Cooke County's Spring Series, "Wearing of the Green", will take place at noon on Monday, March 8 at the Museum in Gainesville. In this session, participants will explore the legends and lore associated with St. Patrick's Day, enjoy some typical Irish music, receive tidbits on researching Irish genealogy and Irish literature. Be sure and wear your green!

Seating is limited. Handouts will be provided and refreshments with an Irish twist will be served. For members of the Cooke County Heritage Society, the cost to attend is \$3 and for non-members the cost is \$4. To reserve a seat or for more information, call 940-668-8900.

Visual Art Show

The Gainesville Area Visual Arts Spring Depot Show opened on Wednesday, March 3 at the beautifully restored Santa Fe Depot Museum. The Museum will host the show until March 21, displaying the products of many highly talented local artists Wednesdays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The show is free and open to the public. For more information call 940-668-8900 or 940-668-4579.

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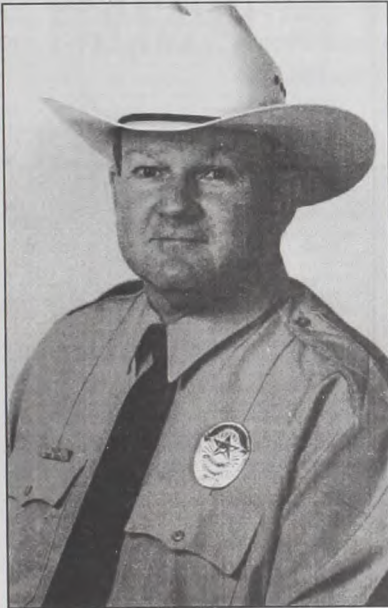
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Muenster native celebrates 25 years of publication and also offers weather courses nationwide

Kenneth McCool, PhD and President, Accelerated Weather Schools and Meteorological Associates, is celebrating 25 years of service to the aviation community with the recently released Silver Anniversary Eighth Edition of his book AVIATION METEOROLOGY UNSCRAMBLED: For VFR and IFR Operations / Certificates and Ratings. Ken is a Muenster native, having lived his first six years five miles south of Muenster; he attended first grade at the Muenster Public School -- his father, Darrell McCool, was born and lived in Myra for many years.

His book applies meteorological/ weather principles to flight operations, for both student and experienced pilots (Dr. McCool is an instrument-rated commercial pilot, as well as a Certified Consulting Meteorologist -- CCM). In addition, his text

contains information on weather (thunderstorms, fronts, weather forecasting, etc.) that is of interest to the general public as well.

Jim Cantore of The Weather Channel is a graduate of one of the college meteorology programs that uses McCool's book; Cantore not only reports the weather, but he also tries to explain why weather behaves as it does which, according to McCool, is the emphasis in his book -- understanding weather principles in order to visualize weather patterns, so that one can evaluate his/her options and take the appropriate action (whether one is a citizen or a pilot).

Locally, each course includes a copy of the new Eighth Edition and a seven-hour set of presentations, on one weekend day (Saturday, 8:00-4:00, with one hour for lunch and several other shorter breaks); one course has already been offered

(the last Saturday in January) and was well attended, by both pilots and non-pilots. Interest in these courses can be expressed (space is limited) by calling either the Tomlinson Avionics Flight School (at the airport, 612-2044) or Ken McCool (726-3528). No formal tests (hence no grades) are given, although feedback on learning is continuous through the questions and answers provided in the text for each of the 17 chapters. No technical background is required, but an age minimum of 15 is suggested.

Dr. McCool's background in meteorology began with his acceptance into the USAF Air Weather Service Training Program. This training was held at Texas A&M University, after he had received his commission as a Second Lieutenant at the USAF's Officer Training School.

After he was discharged,

he completed his PhD degree. He then taught for 25 years at several colleges and universities in aviation, computer science, earth/physical science, environmental geoscience, management science, mathematics, meteorology, and physics. During this period, he became a pilot, Advanced and Instrument Ground Instructor, Certified Flight Instructor (CFI), and Certified Consulting Meteorologist (CCM).

He worked for two years with Harold Taft of KXAS-TV and WBAP radio, receiving the American Meteorological Seal of Approval for Television Weather casting in 1976. He has also participated in CFI recertification programs and has presented weather topics in aviation safety programs, as well as managing his own consulting firm (specializing in industrial meteorology and expert testimony).



Matt Quick, from left, Gainesville Municipal Airport Director; Ken McCool (with his book), and Bill Morrow of the Tomlinson Avionics Flight School. Courtesy photo

Myths about Women and Heart Disease

Stroke randomly hits without warning. There's nothing you can do to prevent it. A lifetime's worth of bad habits, such as not controlling your weight, being physically inactive, and not controlling your blood pressure or cholesterol levels, can contribute to the risk of stroke. You can reduce your risk by controlling high blood pressure and cholesterol, not smoking cigarettes, having regular medical checkups and learning the warning signs of stroke so you can recognize a stroke in progress and get prompt medical attention if a stroke occurs. Immediate medical attention can often reduce disability from stroke.

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homesteads are valued below \$100,000.

Census data also shows that nearly 57% of Cooke County seniors have no retirement income in addition to Social Security.

"We have always tried to keep college taxes as low as possible, and I believe every member of this board is totally committed to continuing that," said Dr. Milton Dickson, board chairman, prior to the meeting. "However, we also realize that any kind of increase in the tax burden can be very hard on seniors and disabled persons with a fixed or modest income, and that's why this freeze is on the agenda."

appreciably in the foreseeable future—despite hearing some absolutely ridiculous rumors lately that we're about to raise taxes to the limit. It baffles me how this kind of misinformation gets started."

Tax rates charged by the 50 public community college districts in Texas range from 5.67 cents per \$100 assessed valuation to 28.65 cents per \$100, and six districts are at their tax rate cap.

Ellis pointed out that the freeze on college taxes is fully or proportionately transferable if the qualifying person establishes a different residence homestead within the NCTC district, meaning Cooke County.

Dr. Dickson also pointed to the fact that NCTC collects the least amount of property taxes of any countywide taxing entity and that the current tax rate of 11.023 cents per \$100 of assessed value is only slightly more than half the 20-cent authorized ceiling.

"For the past 15 years or so, the NCTC tax rate has hovered right around that midway point in relation to the cap," he said, "and I see no reason whatever to think that this will change

Doug Smithson, chief appraiser for the Cooke County Appraisal District, said the tax ceiling implemented by NCTC does not eliminate or otherwise affect the basic over-65 homestead exemption of \$6,000. This will remain in effect.

Smithson said that the freeze on college taxes would not necessarily be affected by an increase in a residential homestead's appraised value. However, he said, taxes could go up if additions or improvements are made to the property.

Four prepare to join the Catholic Church

Two children and two adults entered into the final stage of their preparation to join the Catholic Church. On Sunday, Feb. 22, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass they participated in the Rite of Sending in which their godparents, sponsors, and the congregation testified to their readiness to enter the church. After having lunch at The Center Restaurant, they traveled with their sponsors and family members to Sacred Heart Church in Wichita Falls for the Call to the Easter Sacraments.

godparents of the two children answered questions as to their readiness for the sacraments. Then the children signed the Book of the Elect as a sign that they have been "elected" or chosen by God and the community to receive these sacraments. Then the sponsors of the adult candidates affirmed their readiness for the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist. In this rite the parish "sends" its catechumens (unbaptized) and candidates to the bishop. After intercessory prayers, all those preparing for the sacraments were dismissed to reflect on the Scripture readings.

The two children are Toby and Tori Dyess. Their parents are Zonya and Scott Klement. Toby's godparents are Chris and Leslie Dangelmayr. Tori's godparents are Shelly Klement and Gary Kline. All the children are preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

The adult candidates are Janette Grewing and Charla Haubold. Janette's sponsor is Shawna Herr. Charla's sponsor is Cecilia Wimmer. Baptized in other denominations, they are preparing to make a profession of faith and receive Confirmation and Eucharist.

At the Rite of Sending at the 10:30 a.m. Mass the

That afternoon all of them went to Wichita Falls for the Call to the Easter Sacraments. It is a Liturgy of the Hours in which the godparents and sponsors are asked once again to affirm their readiness for the Sacraments of Initiation. Father Ivor Koch of Sacred Heart Church in Wichita Falls took Bishop Delaney's place in calling them to the final stage of preparation for the sacraments. He also signed the Book of the Elect and greeted each one preparing to join the Church. After the Call to the Easter Sacraments, the parish provided a reception.

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"I have known Cindy Stormer since we both worked as Assistant District Attorneys in Tarrant County. She is remembered here as a tough and effective prosecutor." Don Hase, Attorney at Law, Arlington, Board Certified-Criminal Law Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

"During a twenty-two career with the Dallas Police Department, I had professional association with many attorneys. Never did I work with anyone who displayed greater professional competence combined with devotion to duty than Cindy Stormer. I knew her first as a law enforcement officer who constantly strived to grow and improve her professional skills. This same desire propelled her to complete her undergraduate and law degrees while fully employed as a police officer. I had the opportunity to observe Cindy next as a prosecutor for the Tarrant County District Attorney's office. She was the lead prosecutor in a case in which an officer who worked for me was providing expert testimony. The case involved complex forensic issues. She was successful in that case in the face of opposition from a very experienced trial attorney. Finally, I had the opportunity to work directly with Cindy at the Dallas Police Department. She was the Chief Legal Advisor to the Chief of Police and supervised a staff of attorneys and support personnel. During her tenure, she improved productivity and morale of the staff. She possesses the professional skills and character to serve you well." Douglas D. Sword, Captain of Police (Retired), Dallas Police Department

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The Sacred Heart A'Cappella qualifies for State competition

Members of Sacred Heart High School's Angelic A'Cappella Choir are in the clouds after their outstanding performances at the TAPPS District Music Competition, held at North Central Texas College on Thursday, Feb. 19. Receiving a rating of Superior, the highest rating, each of their ensemble performances and eight soloists qualified for State competition, scheduled for March 26.

Choir members competed in four different events. The full choir performed in the Large Ensemble category and also in Sacred Ensemble. Two different groups of choir members, one ensemble of senior girls and one of juniors, sophomores, and freshmen, sang in the Small Ensemble category. Fifteen members of the choir performed solos.

Solos can be Class I, II, or III, with Class I being the most difficult. Class I or II

solos awarded a Superior rating qualify for State. Soloists Rose Bartush, Andrea Bonin, Angie Cox, Christine Fetsch, Jacqueline Flusche (who received a perfect score), Kathryn Sepanski, Brittany White, and Sarah Whitecotton will all be performing in State competition. Receiving an Excellent rating for their Class II solos were Lisa Endres and Laura Taylor. Freshmen members, performing Class III solos, were Jessica Bartel and Kristen Miller, who received a Superior rating, and Dana Hartman, Karina Skotnik, and Paige White, who each received a rating of Excellent.

Choir director Cynthia Russell remarked, "I am very proud of the work done by these young ladies. They did the best they have ever done in their music. They represented their school very well, indeed."



FCLA students participated in the Ready, Set, Read program included above, Justin Wolf reading to Ryder Noble, Eland Green and Dylan Serna. Courtesy photo

COA to hold Third Annual Essay Contest

The Christian Outdoor Alliance has announced its third annual essay contest for boys and girls 11-16. The young person who writes the best essay on the topic "The Importance of Our Hunting and Fishing Heritage" will receive a \$1000 scholarship to one of the group's summertime Hunting and Fishing Adventure Camps.

Entries should be 250-350 words long, typed, double-spaced, on plain white paper. Please do not include the writer's name on the same page(s) as the essay. Instead, include name and full contact information on a separate page stapled to the essay. Entries must be mailed to:

COA Essay Contest
PO Box 790692
San Antonio, TX 78279
All entries must be received no later than May 15, and the winning entry will be announced on May 17.

For more information, call 210-490-6529.



Whitney Watson and Gabbi Hellinger share a book. Courtesy photo

Sepanski competes in San Antonio finals

Competing in the Texas finals of the *Readers' Digest* National Word Power Challenge was Sacred Heart eighth grade student Lauren Sepanski. Lauren joined 99 other qualifying fourth-through-eighth-grade students from around the state at St. Philip's College in San Antonio on Friday, Feb. 27.

The vocabulary competition featured an intense, two-hour preliminary phase, in which students were divided into groups of 20. Lauren emerged with having missed only one answer, which put her into a tiebreaker exercise with 13 other students competing to be top ten finalists. Lauren ended the competition in the number 11 spot.

"I really liked this competition. It was fun," remarked Lauren. "I wish I could be in it again next year. I made some very nice

friends, and I'm glad the winner, Erin Park-Marbert from Kealing Junior High School in Austin, was from my group."

All competitors received a "goody bag," including T-shirts from the various corporate sponsors, a year's subscription to *Readers' Digest*, and snack foods to carry them through the long afternoon.

Each state winner will head to Walt Disney World in Florida for the national championship March 28-29. Top prize is a \$25,000 college scholarship, while second-place and third-place winners will get \$15,000 and \$10,000, respectively.

In state and national competitions, a "quiz master" asks questions that test whether students know the definitions of selected words. Al Roker of NBC's "Today Show" will officiate at the nationals for the second year.

Open House scheduled at MuensterISD

Muenster Public School cordially invites parents and the community to an Open House celebrating 150 years of public education in Texas. The celebration will be held during Texas Public Schools Week on March 9 between 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

The Open House will give parents and the community an opportunity to meet with principals and teachers, while receiving a firsthand look into the school's various educational programs. For more information about the Open House or other Texas Public Schools Week activities, call Jeanette Reiter at 759-2251, ext. 600.



School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF MAR. 8 - 12 MUENSTER ISD

Mon. - Corny dogs, potato wedges, beans, pineapple, blueberry squares.

Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Wed. - Ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, chips and salsa, apples, apple cobbler.

Thurs. - Chicken nuggets, potatoes w/gravy, corn, bananas, hot rolls.

Fri. - Peanut butter or tuna sandwiches, lettuce and tomatoes, french fries, carrot sticks, applesauce, ice cream.

SACRED HEART
Mon. - Fiesta salad, red beans, corn chips, salsa, pears.

Tues. - Ham, cheesy potatoes, green salad, applesauce.

Wed. - Steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, corn, bananas/strawberries.

Thurs. - Enchiladas, Mexican rice, refried beans, peaches.

Fri. - Tuna salad, potato rounds, mixed fruit.

LINDSAY ISD
Mon. - Cheese enchilada w/chili, beans, salad, mixed fruit, bread.

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

Wed. - Stew with vegetables, pickles, batter bread, peaches.

Thurs. - Barbecue on a bun, French fries, pickles, onions, ice cream.

Fri. - Cheese pizza, lettuce salad, corn, pears, bread.

ERA ISD
Mon. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce or steak fingers, green beans, tossed salad, applesauce, breadstick.

Tues. - Baked potato w/ground beef, shredded cheese, tossed salad, fruit mix, Texas toast.

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

Thurs. - Soft tacos, trimmings, pinto beans, cornbread, chocolate pudding.

Fri. - Pepperoni or cheese pizza, corn, orange half, ice cream.



Paola Vazquez 5th grade, Lee Intermediate Champion from Gainesville ISD, left, and Rhiannon Robinson 7th grade, Lindsay ISD School Champion, competed in the Cooke County Dallas Morning News Spelling Bee held on Thursday, March 26 at Lindsay ISD. Robinson won the County Champion title. Courtesy photo

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Lindsay Kindergarten Registration

Lindsay ISD will have kindergarten registration on Tuesday, March 9, 2004 from 8:30AM-4:00PM in the elementary office. Please bring a copy of your child's social security card, birth certificate (original, not hospital), and immunization records.

Students who do not live in the Lindsay ISD and want to transfer into the district to attend kindergarten need to contact the Superintendent's office as soon as possible. Lindsay ISD is considering applications for transfer students.

If you have any questions, please call the elementary office at 668-8923.

Lindsay Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Applications for the Pre-Kindergarten program for four-year olds will be accepted in the elementary building on March 9, 2004 beginning at 8:30 a.m. Students must be four years old by September 1st. The program is to be provided for four-year-olds that do not speak and comprehend the English language or for students who qualify for reduced or free lunches under the national school lunch program.

In order for Lindsay ISD to offer the Pre-Kindergarten program, the district must identify 15 eligible students. Parents or guardians must furnish a copy of the child's birth certificate, social security card, and immunization records. A child must have received the following:

- One dose MMR vaccine received on or after the first birthday.
- One dose Hib vaccine on or after 15 months of age, unless a primary series and booster have been completed.
- Three doses polio vaccine.
- Four doses DPT/DTPA.
- One dose of varicella vaccine received on or after first birthday.

Lindsay Registracion Pre-Escolar

Solicituden para el programa de pre-escolar para los ninios de cuatro anos. Se aceptaran en la oficina de la escuela primaria el martes, el 9 de marzo, a las 8:30 de la mañana. Este programa es para los ninios que no pueden hablar ni comprender el idioma de ingles y que recibirán unome grado de preo reducido.

Para ofrecer el programa en Lindsay ISD es necesario indentificar por lo menos 15 estudiantes. Los padres deben traer la partida de nacimiento, la carta de seguro social, y los certificados de vacuna de su ninio/na.

Registros Para Los Ninios de Pre-Escolar

- 1 dosis de Sarampion/Rubiola/Paperas - para el primer ano.
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- 3 dosis de Polio
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- 1 dosis de varicela para el primer ano de edad.

ENDORSEMENTS OF CINDY STORMER:

"Cindy Stormer was the first City Attorney in Dallas to be invited to attend regular executive staff meetings of the Dallas Police Department. She implemented procedures that resulted in more accountability on the part of the attorneys that she supervised such as: drafting the first Standard Operating Procedure for the Legal Section, implementing phone procedures that improved the efficiency of the office, establishing a lecture bank for academy instructors and cross training the attorneys to teach different classes; and improving the quality of the legal opinions. She revised the entire legal curriculum at the Dallas Police Academy which resulted in higher scores on the State tests." Les Sweet, Retired Assistant Chief of Police, Dallas Attorney at Law - Dallas, Lake Kiowa.



"I have never known (Cindy Stormer) to be anything but the consummate professional, both in person and in her work. Whether as an attorney for the state, city or the defense, she has always presented well reasoned arguments grounded in the law." David P. Ward, Rihard & Ward, L.L.P. Houston, Texas.

"Cindy Stormer implemented policies and procedures that improved the efficiency of the City of Dallas Police Liaison 100% during her tenure there as the Supervising Attorney. She is hardworking and organized. She is fair and not quick to judge others. It was a pleasure working under her supervision." Anne Roland, Assistant City Attorney, City of Dallas.

"I was an Assistant Chief with the Dallas Police department from 1989 until 1991. During that time I was pleased to work quite often with one of our Legal Advisors, Cindy Stormer. I found that in all of my dealings she was extremely competent and found the ways to assist in problems instead of only supplying negative answers. I gladly support Cindy Stormer in whatever endeavor she undertakes." Sam Gonzales, Former Chief of Police, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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1st Grade (Mrs. Miller) Trevor Cheaney, Morgan Flusche, Zakary Ford, Blake Haubold, Kyla Haverkamp, Karson Heady, Brandon Hennigan, Chance Herr, Jeremy Hess, Tressa Jones, Mikaela Lamar, Collin Pagel, Kristen Reiter, Zachary Trubenbach, Lora Walterscheid. (Mrs. Fleming) Colton Call, Tara Gunnels, Minkinzie Hess, Laurine McAden, Makayla Moster, Rielly Neal, Colton Nobile, Noel Rodriguez, Delaney Wright.

2nd Grade (Mrs. Budish) Mason Binder, Sydney Huchton, Shelby Klement, Garrett Miller, Jaisal Patel, Mariah Wimmer. (Mrs. Pagel) Hannah Bayer, Jared Endres, Jace Fredrick, Ashley Hammer, Clayton Hess, Erin Hess, Kylie Hess, Makayla Pumphrey, Adrien Rohmer, Shelbi Sicking, Clint Sidwell.

3rd Grade (Mrs. Anderle) Brianna Bayer, Rosalee Bayer, Tori Dyess, Steven Flusche, Paige Herr, Christina Rohmer, Tony Schniederjan, Michelle Sicking, Travis Sicking, Alyssa Stewart, Abby Walterscheid. (Mrs. Endres) Austin Hennigan, Hunter Klement, Lauren Rohmer, Payton Sanders, Brooke Walterscheid.

4th Grade (Mrs. Presnall) Lana Heers, Andrea Hess, Allison Pagel, Blake Voth. (Mrs. Sicking) Taylor Endres, Andi Felderhoff, Olivia Haverkamp, Nicole Pagel, Kendra Walterscheid. (Mrs. Klement) Chelsey Caldwell, Luke Crabtree, Kalyn Dangelmayr, Blake Grewing, Kameron Heady, Emily Hellman, Paige Hennigan, Cole McAden, Landon Presnall, Chloe Schneider.

5th Grade (Mrs. Knight) Catherine Aston, Briana Bindel, Hayley Hess, Taylor Klement, Spencer Nielsen, Lacey Trubenbach. (Mrs. Chism) Dillon Bayer, Logan Cheaney, Michelle Henscheid, Lindsay Kelley, Shaie Presnall, Taylor Reiter, Alexis Trubenbach,

Garrett Walterscheid, Hannah Weger.
6th Grade (Mrs. Walterscheid) Matthew Bain, Amanda Dangelmayr, Shaina Felderhoff, Jackie Klement, Delana Sicking. (Mrs. Hale) Jodi Abner, Erin Endres, Lia Heers, Eric Hellman, Katherine McAden, Levi Trubenbach.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL
1st Grade (Mrs. Miller) Emily Brogdon, Breanna Martinez. (Mrs. Fleming) Trey Anderle, Tyler Boaz, Jonathan Cooley, Kassie Dangelmayr, Michael Durnberger, Parker Edmonds, Rachel Hare, Zachary Pollard, Brianna Rohmer.

2nd Grade (Mrs. Budish) Kendi Bayer, Mary Bayer, Maegan Fleming, David Hutson, Christopher Jackson, Cristan Medlock, Colton Moseley, Dylan Serna. (Mrs. Pagel) ShyAnn Bartel, Ethan Hale, Darrell Hermes, Amber Knabe, Abigail Pagel.

3rd Grade (Mrs. Anderle) Clayton Fangman, Brooke Hess, Trevor Hess, Ryan Los, Morgan McGrew. (Mrs. Endres) Sean Chism, Madison Dugger, Tommy Harrison, Jack Hogan, Trevor Muller, Brittany Pagel, Miranda Pagel, Clayton Rohmer, Alexander Roller, Emily Vance.

4th Grade (Mrs. Presnall) Jimmy Abner, Daniel Fleitman, Dalton Koelzer, Joseph McAden, Rishi Patel, Kendall Reiter, Jamie Salisbury, Jace Wann. (Mrs. Sicking) Kayla Acuna, Tyler Anderle, Christopher Green, Chase Hammer, Joseph Monday, Dain Schmidkofer, Stefani Tucker, Caleb Winters. (Mrs. Klement) Shelby Dangelmayr, Mark Jones, Demi Koelzer, Severen Pagonis.

5th Grade (Mrs. Knight) Aaron Grewing, Jason Luke, Kelsey Pagel, Zachary Pierce, Tanner Silmon, Jacy Steelman. (Mrs. Chism) Zachary Gunnels, Ryan Hennigan, Brianna Klement, Devon Kubis, Danielle Lewis, Derek Pagel, Diana Velasquez.

6th Grade (Mrs. Walterscheid) Karissa Downes, Tobiah Dyess, Chad Henscheid, Jacob Klement, Jeremy Lutkenhaus, Tyler Pagel, Delana Rohmer, Corey Sicking, Leah Smith, Natalie Valliere, Steven Valliere, Bianca Velasquez. (Mrs. Hale) Antonio Acuna, Ashton Barrett, Yolanda Del Rio, Camille Hale, Jessica Holder, Andrew Koesler, Ryan Neal, Christopher Valliere, Sara Walterscheid.

Easter Triduum videos offered

Those who hope to be enriched with a greater understanding of the focal point of the Catholic faith - Christ's passion, death, and resurrection are welcome to view "The Easter Triduum" by Fr. John Carapi, S.O.L.T. This three-part series from EWTN will be shown in the Sacred Heart High School math room from 9:10 - 10:10 a.m. on Sundays in March. March 14 will feature Holy Thursday, March 21 Good Friday, and March 28 Holy Saturday. These videos will follow the ones that have been shown every Sunday on the Catechism of the Catholic Church by Fr. Corapi.



Muenster's Terrific Kids

Muenster's Terrific Kids

The Terrific Kids Program is sponsored by the Kiwanis of Muenster. Criteria for being a terrific kid are - to be on time, practice good attendance, respect people, privacy and property and to work to the best of your ability. The Terrific Kids who have received a certificate for the fourth six weeks at Muenster Elementary were: **Pre-K:** Anthony Bayer, Blake Hogan, Luke McAden, Payton McAlister

Kindergarten: Zane Kemp, Katie Pagel, Alaina Reiter, Devon Hacker, Emily Fette **First:** Tara Gunnels, Ryder Nobile, Parker Sicking, Karson Heady, Jeremy Hess, Lora Walterscheid. **Second:** Dustin Fleitman, Aly Schinigo, Colton Moseley, Garrett Miller, Sydney Huchton, Kylie Hess, Ethan Hale, Garrett Dangelmayr, **Third:** Morgan McGrew, Rosalee Bayer, Tony Schniederjan, Tommy

Harrison, **Fourth:** Blake Voth, Jamie Salisbury, Joe Monday, Seth Bewly, Kayla Acuna, Chloe Schneider, Shelby Dangelmayr, David Fleitman, Kameron Heady, **Fifth:** Brianna Klement, Alley Trubenbach, Danielle Lewis, Brianna Bindle, Cathy Aston, Tim Garrison, Michelle Sicking, Emily Vance, **Sixth:** Lia Heers, Allen Fette, Eri Endres, Jonathan Ensey, Karissa Downes, Delana Rohmer, Delana Sicking

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GOALS:

CINDY STORMER will keep arrested criminals in jail. It is required that a legal document called a "Complaint" be filled out within 48 hours of arrest or criminals have to be released from jail. This is not done frequently in Cooke County and many criminals are released under this 48 hour rule. It seems to be the same criminals that cause the bulk of the problems and if criminals are kept in jail, they will not be dealing drugs and committing violent crimes.

CINDY STORMER will implement policies that will avoid the many pretrial hearings. Dispose of cases faster so that criminals don't sit in the Cooke County jail any longer than necessary and will be transferred to the Penitentiary as soon as possible.

THE ONLY CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY THAT HAS THE FOLLOWING EXPERIENCE:

- * has worked as an attorney on felony cases for 17 years
- * A FORMER PROSECUTOR with a District Attorneys office that has a reputation for being the best District Attorneys Office in the State
- *FORMER POLICE LEGAL ADVISOR _ DALLAS _ for one of the largest and most professional police Department's in the United States.
- * Supervisor of attorneys and police.
- * hired by other attorneys as an advisor and to do their complex criminal, felony work.
- *Licensed: United States Supreme Court
- * Former POLICE/PATROL OFFICER and in police work 10 years. CINDY STORMER has arrested criminals, put them in jail, and prosecuted them as an Assistant District Attorney in Tarrant County and as a Special Prosecutor in Cooke County, in the trial courts to the highest courts in the State.

INSTRUCTOR OF PROSECUTORS AND POLICE

For more information, endorsements, references, and verification of Stormer's qualifications please see the website at www.cindystormer.com
 Pol. Adv. Cindy Stormer

M E M O

FROM: KEN KING
TO: MISS JANELLE HAVERKAMP, District Attorney
RE: "TRUTH IN ADVERTISING"

1. I have read your advertising regarding the race for the District Judge position and I have heard you speak at the various "Candidate Forums" held in the county. I share your concern about the lack of knowledge and lack of candor that has been shown in your speeches and advertising. I want you to know that I understand that you have run for office before; but I have not and I am not quite up to speed on how one goes about putting out half-truths and misleading statements. But you are teaching me by your actions!

2. For instance your ad of February 20 (*Daily Register*) points out that I was suspended from the practice of law...". You failed to state that I was suspended for failure to pay my "occupation" tax on time in 1996 and in 2003, but that it was "administrative suspension." You also failed to say that I was automatically reinstated upon the payment of the tax and \$10 late fee. All lawyers in private practice are required to pay this "occupation" tax of \$200 to the state. Perhaps you don't know what the "occupation tax" is since you are not required to pay it. If I were a "politician" I might say that since you do not have to pay the tax, you are not considered a lawyer. I did not say it and I will not say it because it is not true. But you must know that the voters would like to know that I was not suspended for some ethical or criminal reason or worse, that the State Bar had taken my license to practice. Why didn't you tell them that? **Are you trying to make a "MOUNTAIN OUT OF A MOLE HILL?" Why?**

3. Why do you continue to misstate my positions regarding what I will or can do when I am elected district judge?

4. Why do you continue to declare that the Texas Speedy Trial Act has been ruled unconstitutional in its entirety when you know that the case you cited to the public (*Meshell v. State*) did not overrule Art. 32A. 01 of the Act which states:

Art. 32A.01. Trial priorities

Insofar as is practicable, the trial of a criminal action shall be given preference over trials of civil cases, and the trial of criminal action against a defendant who is detained in jail pending trial of the action shall be given preference over trials of other criminal actions.

Was the court's decision in *Meshell v. State* not clear to you when it stated on page 258 of its opinion, "Therefore, we hold that Chapter 32A.02, in its entirety, and Article 28.061 are rendered void." **OR HAVE YOU NOT READ THE CASE OR HAVE YOU INTENTIONALLY MISSTATED THE LAW?**

5. And why didn't you tell the voters that the Texas Constitution and the United States Constitution require that a criminal defendant get a **speedy trial**?

6. Why don't you tell the voters that although I have not tried a case in Cooke County District Court, the Texas Rules of Procedure are the same for all district courts in Texas?

7. I am also concerned that when you told the voters, "[We] will have ten months before my [your] term as D.A. expires on 12-31-04 to work toward disposing of the criminal cases" of which there are presently almost 500 pending. Why didn't you tell them that if you indict anyone during that time, you will also be disqualified to judge those cases? Or do you not plan to indict anyone during those ten months?

8. **If you do not plan to indict anyone during those ten months, why didn't you resign your position as D.A. and let an appointed**

replacement perform ALL the district attorney's jobs while you campaign for the district judge job? Wouldn't that do away with the need for visiting judges and trading benches with a judge that the Cooke County voters did not elect?

9. And of course you know that you cannot call up a friend to trade places with you on the bench. Why have you suggested otherwise at the public forums?

10. Why did you suggest to the voters that a **visiting judge** would not cost Cooke County taxpayers anything because the "State" would pay for it? Which "State" did you have in mind, Oklahoma? Because if it is Texas, **TEXAS TAXPAYERS WILL PAY.**

11. You have made the "outrageous claim" that my plan to try three criminal cases per month is "impossible". I suppose you really believe that since your office with two assistants has been only able to try an average each year for the last eleven years 3.4 jury trials to guilty verdicts. I know you say that you have never lost a jury case as D.A., but how many of those 3.4 trials per year did **YOU** actually try? Have you ever heard the old adage of trial lawyers, "**Show me the person who has never lost a case, and I will show you a person who has not tried many?**"

12. You also claim to be an accomplished appellate lawyer in both civil and criminal law. But you have not told the voters that you have never argued before the two highest courts of our State, the Texas Supreme Court and the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. **I HAVE!** Why haven't you told the voters that most of the appeals from the Court where your office has represented the State of Texas have been handled by an out of county attorney at additional expense to the Cooke County taxpayers? Don't you think they would want to know?

13. You have told the voters that my plan would create a need for "another court, costing the taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars for new facilities, court coordinator, court reporter, court bailiff and court clerks to handle the **critical** civil cases he [I] would backlog." Such a statement again lacks candor or shows ignorance of how civil dockets are run in the district courts of Texas.

14. You know that over 95% of all civil cases settle before trial. In the Cooke County District Court, only 4.8 civil jury cases on average were tried annually over the eleven years you have been in office. I suppose that sounds like a lot to someone who has tried even fewer criminal cases. But a lot of the civil cases do not require any work on the part of the court. Consider this, in the eleven years you served, 1993-2004, 16% of the cases filed were dismissed by the plaintiff himself, 8% were dismissed for failure to prosecute the case by the plaintiff, 8% were disposed of by "agreed judgments" between the parties, and a whopping 34% were "trials" before the court [of which 65% were divorces which take anywhere from 5 to 15 minutes to "try"]. Yes, occasionally there is a child custody battle which will take longer. Most civil jury trials last no longer than 2 to 3 days. But how would you know that since you were only in private practice for a very short time twelve years ago?

15. And finally the most disingenuous statement of all. You have suggested that I don't know that the district judge does not make the decision whether we will have a new jail; that the Commissioners Court and the taxpayers will make the decision through a bond election. **GIVE ME A BREAK!** You know that I said we would not **NEED** a new jail if I am elected. I stand by that assertion today.

VOTE KEN KING FOR DISTRICT JUDGE! THE TAXPAYERS CHOICE!

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KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE REAL ISSUES!

CITIZENS OF COOKE COUNTY, DO YOU KNOW?

1. **On August 31, 1993, there were only 75 criminal cases pending in the 235th District Court for Cooke County** (Office of Court Administration Report for fiscal year 1993.) There was only one [1] district attorney and NO assistants!

2. **On August 31, 2003, there were 428 criminal cases pending in the 235th District Court for Cooke County** (Office of Court Administration Report for fiscal year 2003.) **There were two [2] assistant district attorneys and one district attorney.**

3. **On December 31, 2003, there were 467 criminal cases pending. If elected my opponent will be DISQUALIFIED to sit as a judge on those cases. A visiting judge will be needed.**

4. **During each of those years, on average there have been LESS THAN [4] CRIMINAL JURY CASES tried to a guilty verdict EACH year!**

5. **On January 1, 2004 there were SIXTY EIGHT prisoners waiting for felony trials in our jail. THIRTY EIGHT had been sent to another county at our expense. At the present rate Cooke County will spend more than \$400,000 per year on prisoners transferred. [Gainesville Daily Register, 11/24/03] These are indigent prisoners who cannot make bail. We provide lawyers, food, and doctors. They deserve a speedy trial!**

KEN KING will solve this problem by hard work and efficiency by:

1. giving priority to those in jail waiting for felony trials.
2. causing convicted felons to move to the penitentiary when they are convicted.
3. setting felony cases for trial three times per month, not once each month.
4. giving defendants a speedy trial that our Constitutions and the law requires.

My opponent says, "It is impossible to do. There are too many civil cases. There are too many divorces."

KEN KING SAYS IT CAN BE DONE! WITH HARD WORK, ORGANIZATION AND EFFICIENCY. DID YOU KNOW?

1. During the last eleven years on average each year there have been **LESS THAN FIVE [5] CIVIL JURY CASES** tried to a verdict in the 235th District Court.

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Sports

Lady Hornets State Bound

The Muenster Lady Hornet basketball team earned a trip to the State Final Championship game after defeating the defending State Champions LaPoynor and the number one ranked, undefeated Moulton team last weekend in Regional competition of the Class A State playoffs.

The Lady Hornets, 28-4, have a 14 game winning streak going to State. Muenster will be challenged by the Archer City Lady Wildcats, who are 28-5 for the season as the District 16A Runner-up behind Windthorst. As the playoffs progressed Windthorst lost to Hubbert, who in turn lost to Archer City last Friday 55-37. The Lady Wildcats then defeated Sudan 30-24 Saturday to advance to the State Finals.

**Lady Hornets 43
LaPoynor 32**

The Lady Hornets met the defending State Champions, the LaPoynor Lady Flyers last Friday at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches for the Class A, Division 1, Regional 3 final playoff game. LaPoynor knocked out the Lindsay Lady Knights earlier in the week and also were the team that eliminated Muenster and Era from the playoffs last season.

Muenster took an early lead, stretching it to 23-11 at halftime. After a cold shooting, defensive 3rd quarter the Lady Hornets had a 13 point lead. In the final quarter, LaPoynor out-scored Muenster, but could not make up the difference to take the win. The Lady Hornets defeated the Flyers 43-32 to advance to the State Semi-Final game the next day.

Brooke Endres led Muenster with 22 points, 14 rebounds, six steals, three assists, and three blocks. Robyn Hermes added 8 points which included two 3-pointers, and Melinda Walterscheid 5 points. Kallie Gerstberger put in 4 points late in the 4th

quarter which included a big steal for a lay-up. Alisha Walterscheid and JoAnna Felderhoff each added 2 points, with Felderhoff grabbing 10 rebounds, five steals, and four assists. Muenster hit 60% of their free throws, three of five, while LaPoynor connected 11 of 12.

Sarah Hilton led the Lady Flyers with 16 points.

"Brooke (Endres) showed LaPoynor and everyone else what a great competitor she is. Her teammates did a great job at getting her the ball," noted Coach Jeff Presnall.

"JoAnna (Felderhoff) led us defensively and Robyn (Hermes) was all over the place. Kallie (Gerstberger) came off the bench and made a huge impact!"

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**Lady Hornets 49
Moulton 46**

On Saturday, Feb. 28, the Muenster Lady Hornets took on the number one ranked Texas Class A basketball team, the undefeated (34-0) Moulton Bob Kittens in the State Semi-Final playoff game at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. After four tough, turnover quarters, the Lady Hornets' heights overcame Moulton's speed to hand the Kittens their first defeat of the season with a 49-46 victory. The win advanced Muenster to the State Final game Thursday morning against Archer City.

"Melinda (Walterscheid) gave the Moulton girls a lesson in post play, both offensively and defensively. Brooke continued to show why she is one of the best players in Class A," noted the Lady Hornet coach. "The girls really stepped up in the last 2:59 after Brooke fouled out. They were not going to lose their chance to go to Austin! Kallie again had veins of ice and put the dagger through Moulton's heart at the end!" Presnall concluded.

Turnovers plagued

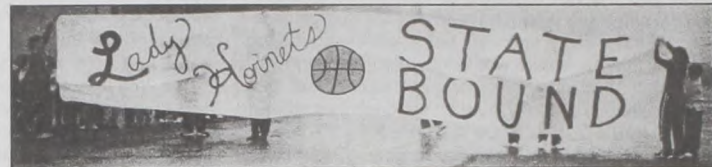
Muenster throughout the game. After Melinda Walterscheid scored the first points, Moulton took advantage of Muenster's mistakes and took a 3-2 lead. Two points by Brooke Endres returned the Lady Hornets on top, but more turnovers soon gave the Kittens a 7-4 lead. Walterscheid and Endres zipped the Hornets ahead 8-7, but Moulton zagged back for a 12-8 score. Endres got 2 points, but Moulton came back with a basket to keep a 4 point lead. JoAnna Felderhoff hit Muenster's first two free throws and Endres a basket at 20 seconds for a tied 14-14 1st quarter score.



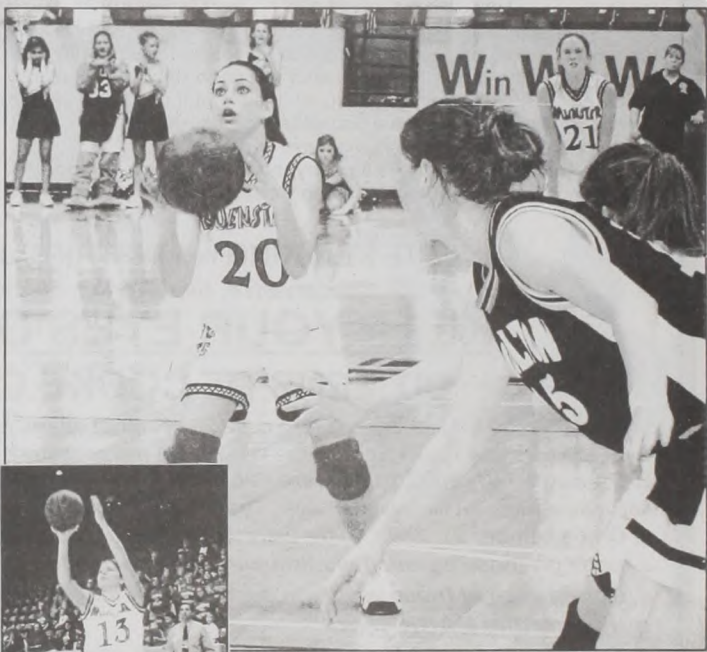
2004 state bound Muenster Lady Hornets after defeating the number 1 ranked class A basketball team last Saturday. Scott Wood photo

MHS Booster Club to meet Monday

The Muenster Booster Club will meet Monday, March 8 at 7 p.m. in the girls locker room. Discussion will include the planning of the upcoming track meets and golf tournament.



A large crowd of students, family, and friends gave a big send off to the state bound Lady Hornets Wednesday morning. Janie Hartman photo



Above, with 1:50 remaining in the semi state final playoff game, Robyn Hermes dropped in 2 free throws; At left, Alisha Walterscheid shoots for 2; below Brooke Endres runs into trouble; and below left, Joanna Felderhoff moves in under the basket. Scott Wood photos



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The 2004 Sacred Heart basketball team proudly shows off their TIGERETTES "tattoos" worn at the TAPPS state

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Whitney Wimmer works her way under the basket in Sacred Heart's state championship game.

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Named to the state all-tournament team were Tigertettes from left, Karen Gehrig, Jayna Biffle, and Jacqueline Bauer.

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Jacqueline Bauer (40) gets the shot under the basket in Sacred Heart's state semi-final game. Also pictured are Jayna Biffle, Whitney Wimmer, and Maggie Farrell.

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Champs cont. from.....pg. 1

our best quarters of the season in the 2nd," commented Coach Jon LeBrasseur.

Hallettsville scored first, but Jayna Biffle put in 4 points for the Tigertettes to take the lead. Baskets by Jacqueline Bauer, Biffle, Courtney Hartman, and Maggie Farrell put another 14 points on the board for an 18-18 1st quarter tie.

The Tigertettes, led by Biffle and Karen Gehrig each scoring 6 and Hartman 2, dropped in 14 points before Hallettsville finally found the basket halfway through the 2nd quarter. Hartman then hit another 3, with Biffle, Bauer, and Whitney Wimmer all scoring to give the Tigertettes a 45-26 halftime lead.

Bauer opened the 3rd quarter with 2 points, then the Lady Indians dropped in 7 before the Tigertettes came back with 7 of their own points by Wimmer and Biffle. The last two minutes of the period saw Gehrig, Farrell, Biffle, and Stephanie Henschel drop in points to boost the Tigertette lead to 62-44 going into the final quarter.

Courtney Hartman hit two more 3-pointers, with Bauer and Biffle also scoring to give the Tigertettes a 79-59 lead. With 1.7 seconds on the clock Hannah Hess put in the last point of the State Semi-Final game to give the Sacred Heart Tigertettes one more final game of the season - the TAPPS Championship.

Jacqueline Bauer was high scorer with 24 points. Jayna Biffle added 19, Courtney Hartman 12 which included three 3s, and Karen Gehrig 10. Whitney Wimmer put in 7 points for the Tigertettes, with Maggie Farrell getting 5, Stephanie Henschel 2, and Hannah Hess 1. Bauer and Biffle teamed up to pull down 17 rebounds between them.

The Tigertettes hit only 13 of 30 free throws, while the Lady Indians were 14 of 20. The Tigertettes ended the game with 16 turnovers.

High scorers for Hallettsville were Alex Penney and Anna Gallia with 17 and 16 points.

MSH	18	27	17	18	80
HSH	18	8	18	15	59
Sacred Heart 60					
Texas Christian 48					

The TAPPS State Championship game was played Friday, Feb. 27 at Mansfield Summit High School. The Tigertettes took home their 7th consecutive State Basketball Championship after defeating the Texas Christian Academy Lady Stars of Waco 60-48 in a rematch of last year's championship game.

"With Maggie (Farrell) out, we had to make some adjustments, and when Jacqueline (Bauer) got in foul trouble, our bench was tested," Coach LeBrasseur noted. "We got great help from Whitney Wimmer, Katie Flusche, and Stephanie Henschel." The Tigertette coach added that the Tigertettes "came out with fire in their eyes" the 2nd half when Courtney Hartman hit the 3s, and Hallettsville had to extend their defense, opening up the middle for Jayna Biffle and Karen Gehrig.

The Stars scored first, but a 3-pointer by Courtney Hartman and a basket by Jacqueline Bauer gave the Tigertettes a lead. Waco added 4 points for a 6-5 lead, but Jayna Biffle came back to take a 7-6 lead for Sacred Heart. Biffle then hit two free throws before Waco took away the lead 10-9 with just under three minutes on the clock. Free throws by Karen Gehrig, Katie Flusche, and Whitney Wimmer, and a Gehrig basket boosted the Tigertette lead to 6 points, but a 3-pointer at the buzzer knocked that lead to a 16-13 1st quarter score.

A basket by Gehrig and two free throws by Biffle extended the lead to 7 before the Stars got a basket. Hartman and Gehrig then added 7 for a 12 point lead with 5:15 remaining in the 2nd quarter. The Stars then cut the lead to 3 points, 31-28, at the halftime break.

Sacred Heart came out the 3rd quarter shooting and gunning to a 15 point lead the first four minutes, with Hartman, Bauer, Biffle, Wimmer, and Gehrig all scoring. Bauer and Biffle each added a basket to end the period 53-41.

Baskets by Biffle and Gehrig put the Tigertettes in a 58-43 lead as the team allowed the time to tick off the clock. As the last minute passed by, Hannah Hess was fouled at 16 seconds and made both free throws. Waco got the last hurrah with a 3-pointer right before the buzzer to end the game 60-48.

"This was a great defensive basketball team and our offense really improved the last month of the season," LeBrasseur added. "Jayna was outstanding as they kept pounding on her and she just kept on fighting."

Karen Gehrig was high scorer with 16 points. Jayna Biffle added 12 with 14 rebounds and six steals, with Whitney Wimmer getting 10. Jacqueline Bauer and Courtney Hartman each put in 8, Katie Flusche 4, and Hannah Hess 2.

The Tigertettes were 14 of 21 on free throws, while the Stars hit only 11 of 24. Sacred Heart had 22 turnovers in the game, but the Waco team was credited for 24.

SH	16	15	22	7	60
TC	13	15	13	7	48

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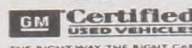
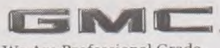
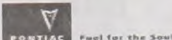
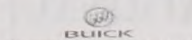
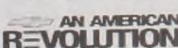
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Knights advance to Semi-State Final

The Lindsay Knights now advance to the Class A Semi-State Final after taking victories over Avery and Harleton in the past week. The Knights will face the Tenaha Tigers who beat Slidell Tuesday night 100-76 in Semi-State Semifinal action. The game will be played at SF Austin in Nacogdoches on Friday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m.

Knights 77
Avery 68

The Lindsay Knights took another playoff victory last Friday night in Honey Grove with a 77-68 Area victory over Avery High School.

The Knights had a strong 1st quarter, double scoring Avery. The 2nd period was close, with Avery closing the point spread to 5 at the end of the 3rd quarter. Eighteen free throw points by Lindsay in the final period boosted the Knights to a 77-68 win.

Lindsay's scoring was led by Cody Anderle's 25 points. Cody Hess added 11, with Kristopher Creed and Levi Hermes each getting 10 points. Clinton Kyle dropped in 9, Brandon Huckaby 6, Bradley Anderle 4, and Trinity Otto 2.

The Knights dropped in a total of 28 of 38 free throws, while Avery hit only nine of 18.

L	20	19	12	26	77
A	10	17	19	22	68

Knights 59
Harleton 47

In the Semi-State Semifinal game Tuesday in Quinlan, the Knights took a 12 point victory from Harleton, the District 21 runner-up.

Lindsay's defense was strong in the 1st and 3rd

quarters, holding the Wildcats to 10 points those two periods. The Knights had a 44-25 lead going into the final quarter.

Trinity Otto was high scorer for the Knights with 20 points. Cody Anderle added 15, Brandon Huckaby 9, Kristopher Creed 6,

Clinton Kyle 4, 2 each by Cody Hess and Bradley Anderle, and 1 from Dustin Hughes. Lindsay was 11 of 19 at the free throw line.

Harleton's leading scorer was Danard Moore with 33 points.

L	15	14	15	15	59
H	8	15	2	22	47



Lindsay's defense keeps the Avery ball players from getting the shots. Anitra Anderle photo



The Lindsay Knights after winning the semi-state semi final game over the Harleton Wildcats Tuesday night. Courtesy photo

Lady Hornets continued from.....pg. 12

Muenster rebounded the ball and Felderhoff made a quick 2 points, but the Kittens came back with 5 points to take a 3 point lead. Walterscheid got 2, then the Kittens 2 to keep the lead. Felderhoff again returned to the line, hit both free throws, then with 3:15 on the clock, Walterscheid's basket regained Muenster's lead 22-21. Kallie Gerstberger extended the lead after hitting two free throws, then the Kittens missed three, but got two free shots for a 24-23 halftime score.

In the 1st half, Moulton had 16 turnovers and Muenster 11. The Lady

Hornets were six of seven from the line, while Moulton hit six of 10. Muenster's height also out-rebounded the Lady Kittens.

The 3rd quarter started with a Moulton turnover, which Walterscheid turned into 2 points. After another Kitten turnover, and Muenster turnover, Moulton put in 4 points for a 26-27 score. Walterscheid took the lead back with a basket, then Alisha Walterscheid got 2 for a 3 point Lady Hornet lead. With four minutes on the clock, the Kittens closed the gap back to 1 point. Muenster went quickly down court for a basket by Brooke, but the Kittens hit two free throws for a 1 point game. With under three minutes, M. Walterscheid put in 2, then the Kittens, then Endres. As Muenster worked on the clock with a 3 point lead, M. Walterscheid scored a basket with 15 seconds on the clock to give the Lady Hornets their largest lead so far in the game, 38-33 to end the 3rd quarter.

Endres was first to score in the 4th period, then Moulton, made one free throw and another 2 points after stealing the ball to close to 4 points. Muenster

continued to work on the open, sure shots. With less than five minutes Endres was fouled for her first trip to the free throw line, hitting one for a 41-36 score. Moulton threw in the ball, then threw it away.

Muenster then rebounded, was fouled, rebounded again, then was fouled on the shot. Both Muenster's free throws were missed, Moulton rebounded, but Felderhoff stole the ball with under four minutes on the clock. The Lady Hornets passed the ball around, but a tied ball gave the Kittens the ball at 3:21. Moulton hit a basket, 41-38, then stole the ball, saw Endres as a target and knocked her down on the shot to foul her out of the game. Moulton hit both free throws to close the game to 1 point.

As the time ticked away, Moulton missed a 3-pointer, Robyn Hermes rebounded, and Kallie Gerstberger scored for a 3 point Muenster lead. The Kittens came right back with 2 for a 43-42 score with 1:50 remaining on the clock. Hermes made a trip to the free throw line and hit both for a 3 point lead. The Kittens then got a basket for a 1 point score.

The Lady Hornets again worked on the clock, attempting to set up a sure shot. Under one minute, M. Walterscheid found the basket for a 47-44 score. Moulton then missed a 3-pointer, rebounded, and settled for 2. With 30 seconds remaining in the game, Muenster led 47-46. Muenster again worked the ball and Hermes was tackled with 19 seconds on the clock. The shot didn't go, Moulton rebounded, walked eight seconds off the clock to midcourt, and overthrew the ball out of bounds. Muenster rebounded to Felderhoff who was fouled immediately. Felderhoff hit both for a 49-46 score with 10 seconds on the clock.

Moulton rebounded, Gerstberger stole the ball and the clock ticked down to all zeros. Melinda Walterscheid was high scorer with 18 points, hitting nine of 11 field goals. Walterscheid also pulled down 10 rebounds and got three blocked shots against Moulton. Brooke Endres added 15 points (seven of 11 field goals), got five blocked shots, five steals, and five assists. JoAnna Felderhoff put in 8 points, Kallie Gerstberger 4, and 2 apiece by Robyn Hermes and Alisha Walterscheid.

Muenster hit 11 of 16 free throws but failed to score a single 3-pointer.

Natalie Beran was high scorer for Moulton with 21 points.

MU14	10	14	11	49
MO14	9	10	13	46

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Beverly G. Harris, Deceased were issued on March 1, 2004, in Cause No. #15,754, pending in the County Court at Law of Cooke County, Texas - Probate Division, to the following named William E. Harris, executor whose mailing address is listed below:
William E. Harris
P.O. Box 627
St. Jo, TX 76265

Respectfully submitted,
s/Russell Duncan, P.C.
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Gainesville, Texas 76241-1219
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Farm & Ranch

Texas Farmers Union pleased with the federal court's ruling

Texas Farmers Union is pleased with yesterday's federal court ruling that the nation's largest beef packer manipulated cattle markets.

TFU President Wes Sims, a lifetime livestock producer, said it was "an exciting day for everyone who owns livestock" as the federal court jury awarded \$1.28 billion to a group of cattlemen with a suit against IBP, Inc., now known as Tyson Fresh Meats Inc.

"The size of the settlement isn't too large when you look at what they

have done to the livestock markets for the last several decades," Sims said. "The biggest penalty of all will be the precedent that this ruling sets for this beef packer and all huge corporations that manipulate the markets. I hope it is just the beginning; it should be just the beginning."

Sims said it will be up to Congress and Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman to protect agriculture producers and consumers from market manipulation in the future. "With this ruling, Congress surely

cannot continue to oppose a ban on meatpackers owning livestock or other issues to protect the competitiveness of our markets," he said. "Congress and the administration need to step in to enforce the Packers and Stockyards Act, bust up the vertically and horizontally integrated markets and make sure this is not allowed to happen again."

"Family farmers and ranchers are the first ones harmed by such market manipulation, but consumers are also hurt by market concentration," Sims said. "Consolidation in the food processing sector has resulted in less competition which means lower prices to producers and higher prices for consumers."

Sims said Texas Farmers Union had filed an amicus brief in support of the original lawsuit in 1996, and some of the organization's family farmer members were part of the original suit.

"Farmers Union was formed in Texas 102 years ago to address monopolistic practices such as this," he said. "Although we were able to overcome for a short time with the passage of the Sherman-Clayton Act and the Packers & Stockyards Act in the early 1900s, the issue of market concentration has mushroomed to a devastating level today."

Agricultural survey for March 2004

In 2003, Texas producers planted 5.62 million acres of cotton, 3.20 million acres of sorghum and 1.83 million acres of corn. They also harvested 3.45 million acres of wheat and 5.24 million acres of all hay. How much will be planted and harvested in 2004, and how will it compare to last year's acreage?

The Texas Agricultural Statistics Service is preparing to gather information of crop intentions for the 2004 season. The upcoming March Agricultural Survey will collect crop acreage planted and to be planted, and the quantity of grains stored on farms.

About 4,800 Texas producers are being asked to take part in this survey.

Selected producers will be called or personally visited by an interviewer from Feb. 29 to Mar. 12, 2004. State and National survey results will be available in the "2004 Prospective Plantings" report from the National Agricultural Statistics Service on Mar. 31, 2004, at 8:30 p.m.

All reports are available on the internet within minutes of the scheduled release time at <http://www.usda.gov/nass>. The results will also be printed in the "Texas Agricultural Facts" publication. If you have any questions please call Eric Stout or Lorna Brown at 1-800-626-3142.

Producers are being asked to take part in this survey.

Collegiate Discussion Meet Contest

The Discussion Meet Contest that Farm Bureau is currently sponsoring for producer-members who are 35 years of age or less, has been quite a success in years past. The Contest has allowed Farm Bureau to surface some exceptional young people who have sharpened their communication and problem solving skills and while doing so, have learned more about our organization.

The Contest is open to any college student in the state who is studying an agriculture curriculum and meets the eligibility requirements. The contest will be held on Saturday, April 17 in Waco. Applications are due by Wednesday, March 31. If you have any questions call Cooke County Farm Bureau at 940-665-1763.

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400-500 lbs. \$100 to \$116;
500-600 lbs. \$92 to \$105;
600-700 lbs. \$88 to \$94;
700-800 lbs. \$83 to \$90.

Heifers: 300-400 lbs. \$100 to \$118;
400-500 lbs. \$96 to \$108;
500-600 lbs. \$92 to \$98;
600-700 lbs. \$80 to \$88.75;
700-800 lbs. \$76 to \$83.

Packer Cows: Utility Boming, \$42 to \$47; Canner/Cutter, \$45 to \$52;
Bulls: \$57 to \$62.

Bred Cows: Choice, \$725 to \$800;
Med.-Good, \$575 to \$700;
Med.-Poor, \$475 to \$550.

Cow-Calf Pairs: Choice, \$775-\$900;
Medium-Good, \$675 to \$750;
Medium-Poor, \$600 to \$650.

Ag Facts

For the next three years, farmers' maximum amount deductible for business equipment purchases was raised to \$100,000.

Cows need more nutritional energy in colder weather. A cow's energy requirements increase 1% for each degree the wind chill is below 32°F.

County Agent's Report Wayne Becker CEA - AG/NR

IDENTIFICATION

The following information is extremely relevant to Cooke County cattle producers, and has been taken from the February 23 edition of "Beef" magazine. Ever since USDA Secretary Ann Veneman announced -- in the wake of the Washington State BSE case -- that a national livestock identification (ID) system was a priority, anyone and everyone who thinks they have the answer has made Washington, D.C. a second home. Truth is, however, much is still to be learned regarding the structure and function of such a system.

At this point, all we know for sure is that Veneman has supposedly directed USDA's chief information officer, who has been reviewing the U.S. Animal ID Plan (USAIP) as well as collecting information about other programs, to issue a report to her by the end of February or the first of March. After that, it's anybody's guess if and when USDA will come up with an ID-related directive, and what that directive might be.

Part of the murk comes with the fact that no fewer than three different bills related to livestock identification have been introduced to the House and Senate since Congress reconvened in January. Among them are:

HR 3787 -- Introduced in the House, it's also called the FAIR Act. It would authorize and require the USDA Secretary to develop a national ID plan, implemented within 90 days of the bill's passage, that would allow tracing any head of livestock from birth to slaughter within 48 hours.

S. 2008 -- basically the Senate version of the above, it contains added language to make \$25 million in financial assistance available to producers initially for implementing a national system.

S. 2070 -- so far the lone bill that remains true to USAIP. It actually specifies the USAIP (www.usaip.info), and instructs that financial assistance -- same as above -- be made available to producers from the Commodity Credit Corporation. The bill also contains direction for monitoring and enforcement of the ban on feeding ruminant protein.

These three bills are likely only the beginning. That's one reason Gary Wilson, an Ohio cattle producer who's also part of the USAIP steering committee, recently urged participants at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association convention, "If you don't want 50 different ID plans in this country, you'll go home and call your Governor, or your Senator, or your Representative or your local government official and encourage them to support the plan and the plan is the USAIP."

Given the free-for-all taking place in Washington, Wilson's advice is the best bet cattle producers have to direct legislators toward a plan that includes input from the beef industry.

outer perimeter of the tree. The open center system outlined in figures 1-6 maximizes light penetration to all parts of the tree, resulting in fruit production over the entire tree. Light pruning can be done any time of the year. However, perform major pruning only during the dormant season or late winter just before budbreak.

Fruit trees can be fertilized the first year after they leaf out in the spring. Place the fertilizer at and slightly beyond the canopy edge of the tree but never against the trunk. General recommendations for regularly watered trees are included in the following table.

Fruit Trees in the Home Garden

When the decision to plant fruit trees has been made it is essential to start them in a sight that is carefully selected. Good soil moisture, drainage is essential for growing healthy, productive trees. Soils with standing water or ones that remain saturated for even a day or two following a heavy rain are unsuitable for fruit trees. If this describes your soil, you can still grow fruit by planting trees in well-drained, raised beds.

The use of a soil fertility test before planting helps avoid undesirable sites, and minerals such as phosphorus and potassium

can be added before planting where needed. Plentiful sunlight is a key to maximizing fruit production. Choose an area that is sunny most or all of the day. Early morning sunshine is particularly important to dry dew from the plants; thereby, reducing the incidence of diseases. If the planting site does not get sufficient sun, expect reduced performance from the trees.

Purchase trees from a reliable nursery source. Bargain plants may not be healthy or may not be a variety adapted to your area. Plants grown in State are usually a better choice than those brought in from other areas.

Pruning a young tree controls its shape by developing a strong, well-balanced framework of scaffold branches. The open center pruning system is best suited for stone fruit trees. Since most fruit trees bear fruit on wood that grew the previous year, this wood is regrown from year to year. New growth needs full light or it will shade out and die with all the production occurring on the

	March	April	May	June	July
Year 1		1 cup ¹ balanced ²	1 cup 21-0-0	1 cup 21-0-0	1 cup 21-0-0
Year 2	2 cups balanced	2cups21-0-0	2 cups 21-0-0	2 cups 21-0-0	2 cups 21-0-0

One cup of granular fertilizer is equivalent to approximately 1/2 lb. 2Apply balanced fertilizer according to soil test recommendations, or use a common mix such as 15-5-10.

Fruit bearing trees have slightly different nutritional needs. Recommendations are as follows:

February--2 cups balanced fertilizer per inch of trunk diameter

May--2 to 6 cups 21-0-0 per tree depending on vigor of shoot-growth

August--no fertilizer if trees are making vigorous growth; 1 1/2 cups 21-0-0 per tree if there is no new growth but healthy leaves; 3 cups 21-0-0 per tree if there is no new growth and leaves are yellow.

Dates to Remember

March 09 - Marketing Club Meeting; 7pm, Gainesville Farm Bureau

March 13 - "Legends of the Horse Industry," NCTC Little Theater, 7:30 PM

March 17 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting; 7 PM

Cooke County Fairgrounds

March 18 - Healthy Kids Day Camp, 8 A.M. to 2:30

Light Weight Steers & Heifers -- \$2.00 to \$5.00 LOWER. Feeder Steers & Heifers -- A Full \$2.00 HIGHER. Packer Cows & Bulls -- \$2.00 to \$4.00 LOWER. Sold at Friday's sale were 1,476 with Special compared to 1,030 head of cattle the previous week. SPECIAL REPLACEMENT SALE -- Pairs -- \$980 to \$1450. Bred Heifers & Cows -- \$900 to \$1150. Open Heifers -- \$600 to \$840. Tuesday, March 2, the market conducted the sale of 483 Goats, 155 Sheep, and 108 Hogs. The numbers from last week were 287 Goats, 93 Sheep, and 110 Hogs respectively. Results of both sales follow:

Feeder Steers (per lb.)
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.15-1.32; No. 2 & 3, .95-1.15; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.25; No. 2 & 3, .95-1.10; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, .98-1.27; No. 2 & 3, .90-98; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, .94-1.06; No. 2 & 3, .80-94; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, .88-.99; No. 2 & 3, .77-.88; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, .83-.88; No. 2 & 3, .73-.83.

Feeder Heifers (per lb.)
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.16; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.10; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.00-1.10; No. 2 & 3, .90-1.00; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, .89-.98; No. 2 & 3, .80-.89; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, .84-.91; No. 2 & 3, .75-.84; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, .81-.90; No. 2 & 3, .75-.81; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, .73-.88; No. 2 & 3, .60-.73.

Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade 1-2, 1.200-2.050 lbs., \$52-\$56; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, \$44-\$52; Cutter, \$25-\$44.

Stockers Cows (per head)
9-year-olds - Large Frame, \$700-\$820; Medium Frame, \$500-\$700; Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame, \$800-\$980; Medium Frame, \$690-\$800.

Holstein Baby Calves
\$80-\$100; Crossbreds, \$95-\$235.

Barrows & Gilts (per lb.)
US #1, 230-270, 40-42; US #2, 230-280, 37-40.

Feeders (per head):
100-175 lbs. \$40-\$75; 25-90 lbs. \$25-\$40.

Sows (per lb.)
Feeder, 400 or less, .06-.35; Light wt. 400-500, 22-.25; Med. wt. 500-600, 22-.25; Heavy wt. 600+ NT.

Boars (per lb.)
300 lb. up, .05-.075; 200-300 lbs., .10-.20; Light wt., .20-.30.

Sheep (per lb.)
Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs. 1.20-1.40; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 1.10-1.25; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., .90-1.10.

Ewes (per lb.)
Stocker, 50-60; Thin, 35-45; Fat, 50-60.

Bucks (per lb.)
Thin: 35-45; Fat, 40-50.

Barbados (per head)
Lambs: \$25-\$55; Ewes: \$35-\$65; Bucks: \$65-\$100.

Kids (per head)
Kids: 20-35 lbs. \$25-\$45; 35-55 lbs. \$35-\$65; 55-75 lbs. \$50-\$75; Yearlings: 75-120 lbs. \$85-\$125.

Nannies (per head)
Stocker: \$50-\$85; Milk Type: \$40-\$100; Slaughter: Thin, \$20-\$50; Fat, \$70-\$95.

Billies (per head)
120 lbs-up
Breeders: \$70-\$100; Slaughter: \$75-\$125.

Boer Goats (per head)
1/2 Nanny, \$75-\$100; 3/4 Nanny, \$75-\$100; Full Nanny, \$50-\$200.

Boer Goats (per head)
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JANELLE HAVERKAMP

For DISTRICT JUDGE



Who I am:

Janelle M. Haverkamp
 District Attorney
 45 years old
 One daughter - Katherine Grace Haverkamp
 Parents:
 Frank & Angela Haverkamp of Lindsay
 Brothers & Sisters:
 Donna & Craig Hertel of Gainesville
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What I have done:

- As your County Attorney - convicted thousands of misdemeanor defendants. Disposed of 5,107 cases
- In Private Practice - practiced primarily family law. Family law related cases are the vast majority of the cases filed in District Court
- As your District Attorney - According to the records of the Office of Court Administration, prosecuted 3,612 felony cases. There is no backlog of felony cases.
- Defendants sentenced to 12,815 years in the Penitentiary.
- 17 Life Sentences assessed by Cooke County Juries.
- Last year alone, 125 felony criminal cases were set for Jury Trial in the District Court. In the last reporting year according to the Office of Court Administration, 9 cases actually went to trial. The other defendants chose to plead guilty to avoid trial. Defendants will plead guilty when they are faced with a good strong Cooke County Jury and a prosecutor who is well-prepared, ready and able to go to trial. The majority of the cases I have tried to a jury have resulted in maximum sentences for the defendants.
- During my career, I have tried approximately 70 cases before Juries.

What I hope to do as District Judge:

- Administer justice in a fair and firm manner.
- Ensure that the District Court is available to all parties and that all parties receive a fair trial.
- Make decisions based on the law and facts, not personalities and politics.
- Practice judicial conservatism by strictly interpreting the law as it is written by the legislature.
- Exhibit proper judicial temperament and treat all parties in court with courtesy, respect and compassion.

If you have any questions about my knowledge of the law, my ability in the courtroom, my work ethic or my dedication, ask someone who actually knows. Ask a former Grand Juror, a person who has served on a Trial Jury, a law enforcement officer, or anyone who attended any of the candidate forums.

- "Last year we had a family emergency requiring the assistance of law enforcement. No one seemed able or willing to help us. We finally called the Cooke County District Attorney's Office on a Saturday night. District Attorney Janelle Haverkamp was working and answered the phone. Ms. Haverkamp immediately came to our assistance. Ms. Haverkamp was the only person who seemed to care." - The Viteychuk family, Valley View, Texas
- "I was selected as a Juror in a Capital Murder Trial prosecuted by District Attorney Janelle Haverkamp in November 2002. I was impressed with Ms. Haverkamp's ability in the courtroom. Ms. Haverkamp knew the law and courtroom procedure extremely well. Ms. Haverkamp was well prepared, very organized and conducted herself in a professional manner. Ms. Haverkamp will make an excellent Judge for the citizens of Cooke County." - Lori Abbott, Lake Kiowa, Texas

You have a very important decision to make in the race for District Judge. This race is not about whether or not Cooke County will get a new jail. That decision will be made by you - the voters - in a Bond Election scheduled May 15, 2004. In the race for District Judge, you will be deciding who will preside over the highest court in Cooke County. I hope you will choose the candidate with a 20 year track record here in Cooke County. I would appreciate your vote.



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