

## Cooke County audit report merits fiscally sound rating by Schalk and Smith

By Janet Felderhoff

"Cooke County is sound fiscally," declared Tom Schalk of Schalk and Smith, Certified Public Accountants. "I think that you probably do the best job of watching the finances of any entity that we audit. You are of a very conservative mindset." Schalk and Smith's report was given at the Monday, June 28 meeting of the Cooke County Commissioners Court.

The audit opinion was "qualified." Schalk said that the combined balance sheet showed the different funds and the assets and liabilities contained in those funds. The General Fund total assets was \$3,043,513; Total Liabilities \$1,019,604; and Underserved Fund Balance \$2,023,909; Special Revenue, The total for all

funds in the operation was \$6,076,858.

Revenues and Expenditures indicated that there was \$8,301,699 in the General Fund in total revenues; total expenditures of \$8,748,936; and a deficit of \$447,237 to yield a Fund Balance as of Sept. 30, 2003 of \$2,023,909.

"Since the county is a governmental agency it is driven by a budget operation rather than a for-profit operation," Schalk remarked. "So what you are trying to do is stay within your budget, and how you perform against your budget is pretty much your standard of performance in how you say you did."

"We budgeted \$7,615,680 in revenues and came up with \$8,301,699. We were favorable \$686,000 there. The total expenditures were less the budget expenditures so we came up with \$318,000 favorable there. It was a total favorable variance against budget of \$904,000. So you spent a lot less and you had a lot less expenses than you had originally budgeted for. You didn't spend out of your fund balances as much as was planned."

County Judge Bill Freeman said he's been to classes on GASBY 34 coming up for the next year. "I know one of our major short falls county-wide is our inventory of fixed assets," he said. "We are going to address in this budget year getting an inventory done of the county. That will basically bring us into compliance with GASBY 34."

It was noted by Schalk that this was the last year that this format would be

used. It tries to show financial statements from a business standpoint rather than a governmental standpoint. The change occurs with this year.

Judge Freeman asked if the auditors felt the County's fund balance was overly large. Schalk said that it's a matter of opinion. Judge Freeman said that a home budget is supposed to have three months cash in reserve in case of emergencies. He wondered how the county compared to other entities. He was told that cities strive for about 60 days. Schalk and his partner Judy Smith agreed that 90 days for the County wasn't unreasonable.

"My thought is, it's always better to have too much than too little," Schalk speculated. "We've seen situations in other entities where they have run into situations like that." He related that one entity had to tap into their payroll account, which wasn't good.

Commissioners Court unanimously accepted the audit report for 2002-03.

Norris Fletcher, AIA of the firm Burns, Fletcher, Gill Architects delivered a positive report on the progress in proceedings to build a new Cooke County Jail.

Fletcher said earlier in the morning he had delivered design documents of the proposed facility to the Sheriff's Department and the Cooke County EMS. "We are in the design and development phase," he noted. He said documents were also being delivered to the Texas Commission On Jail Standards.

"There has been no scope

change in the project from the schematic drawing developed during the bond issue," Fletcher said. "We don't see any appreciable increase or decrease in the budget as far as we know at this point."

The project is significantly ahead of schedule at this point. He anticipated finishing the plans in mid August and seeking bids and receiving bids by mid September. Construction could start as early as the first part of October. Things are proceeding a month to six weeks ahead of schedule.

Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the Jail/EMS design documents and for their delivery by the architect firm to the State Jail Standards Commission.

Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher explained the 2004 State Homeland Security Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program and Texas 2004 State Homeland Security (LETPP) Grant. The LETPP Grant provides \$2,500 for use by the Sheriff's Department for connectivity with the Homeland Security Network. They must use it to ensure connectivity to a website with a chat room for terrorism suspicious activity.

Fletcher said that law enforcement officers who notice suspicious activity or people could report the vehicle description and other details in the chat room. If others noticed something, these details could be tied together and possibly prevent an act of terrorism. "It's an information sharing

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Despite the rainy conditions last Saturday, Muenster's Summer Concert featuring Jerry Jeff Walker was held in the City Park. Also appearing were Charlie and Bruce Robison. Scott Wood photo

## Doc's Bar and Grill strives for customers' satisfaction

By Janet Felderhoff

"Our goal was to open a place similar to our ancestors in Germany," conveyed Connie Rheams. "It is fun to see everyone getting up and talking to (people at) other tables and moving around the patio. You have a sense that everyone is attending the same party." Connie and her siblings, June Bartush and Craig Stoffels are the proprietors of Doc's Bar & Grill. They opened—the establishment on Friday, June 4.

Doc's is located at 113 North Main Street in Muenster. It gets its name from Dr. T. S. Myrick "Doc Myrick" who opened the town's first hospital, Muenster Clinic, in the building in the 30s. The owners wanted to preserve the building's medical theme.

With this in mind they

kept the nursery. Those who peek into that room will see two smiling babies on a weighing scale. They also have a birthing bed that they call the "Shot Bed". It seems to be popular with some customers, especially the men. Those who visit on their birthday will be treated to a free "shot".

Doc's décor includes a number of antiques and some memorabilia such as old photos of Muenster displayed downstairs. Diners can choose from three areas, downstairs, upstairs, or in the Biergarten. The downstairs is a no smoking area, which appeals to many patrons. Smoking is allowed in the other two areas. On the outdoor patio or Biergarten they will frequently feature live music on the weekends. Recent cool, comfortable evenings have made this a popular area. This Friday,

July 2, they have booked Shayne Wimmer and Billy Hogan to play there. The Beerman will play there on July 24.

The Bar & Grill has two featured chefs. Angela Terilli prepares homemade dishes on weekdays and freshly prepared Italian cuisine on Thursday.

Cathie Fuhrmann works on Saturday evenings and Sunday lunches preparing choice dishes such as prime rib, steaks, and seafood. Freshly prepared salads, sandwiches, burgers, and quesadillas comprise the other menu options. New menu items will be added continually.

Grand Opening was held Friday, June 25. Response was so tremendous that some patrons were unable to get in.

Doc's is available for functions such as private

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## Keep Texas Beautiful elects Alford to Board

Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB), a statewide grassroots environmental organization, elected officers and new members to the Board of Directors at its annual meeting held in Austin on June 18. Joanne Weik of Angleton was elected as the organization's president, along with the election of three new board members: MaryLee Alford, Founder and President of Keep Muenster Beautiful, Sally Miniel Arroyo, CEO of Plaza 700 Properties and Brownsville city councilwoman, and David Sords, Vice President of Public Affairs for Coca-Cola Bottling Companies of Texas.

MaryLee Alford served for

five years as president of Keep Muenster Beautiful and has been on its board since she founded the organization in 1998. Mrs. Alford has led her community to win the Governor's Community Achievement Award, Award of Excellence, and Sustained Excellence Award every year eligible since 1998. MaryLee has won many awards including the Keep Texas Beautiful Individual Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award, the Muenster Knights of Columbus Good Neighbor Award, and a Texas Department of Transportation Award in 2000. She is a Keep Texas Beautiful executive trainer and a certified Waste in

Place trainer.

Keep Texas Beautiful, the statewide grassroots environmental organization and affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, strives to empower Texans through education to take responsibility for enhancing their community environment. KTB works with volunteers, elected officials, businesses and state and federal agencies to ensure that every Texan has the opportunity to take individual responsibility for making Texas the cleanest, most beautiful state in the nation. For more information on programs and events, call 1-800-CLEAN-TX or visit the website at www.ktb.org.



The Muenster Chamber of Commerce and Doc's Bar and Grill held a ribbon cutting last Friday morning. Attending were, from left, Kirk Klement, Carolyn Bayer, Annette Walterscheid, Henry Weinzapfel, Jenni Luke, Dina Sicking, Connie Stoffels, Heman Stoffels, Craig Stoffels, Chuck Bartush, Daniel Bartush, June Bartush, Stephen Bartush, Robert Weinzapfel, Jeannene Walterscheid, and John Bartush. Janie Hartman photo

## This holiday DPS says "Be patriotic- drive safe and sober"

The Texas Department of Public Safety is asking the public to celebrate the nation's birthday by driving safe and sober during the holiday weekend.

"Many motorists will be

out on Texas roadways over the Fourth of July," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr. "Show your pride in America by driving safely. Stay sober, slow down, and make sure everyone in your vehicle is properly secured."

July 3 this year marks the tenth anniversary of the deadliest day ever in Texas driving history. A total of 46 people were killed in one day on July 3, 1994; 14 were killed in a minivan/18-wheeler crash in Parker

County; 11 were killed in a pickup truck/18-wheeler crash in Scurry County; and six were killed in a car/18-wheeler crash in Rannels County.

Texas is one of several states participating in Operation CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort), a nationwide campaign by state police agencies to reduce fatalities during holiday periods. All available troopers will be patrolling Texas roadways

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Work began last week on the Keep Muenster Beautiful Main Street project. Destruction started on the west side of the

street in front of Muenster State Bank. Rains this week are delaying the improvements. Janie Hartman photo

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contest inside  
Good Luck to you all!

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parties, showers, rehearsal dinners, and birthday parties with special menu options and packages. Already they have held several rehearsal and birthday parties, and a 12 year old's birthday party that were quite fun, said the owners.

The building itself has a lot of sentimental meaning to many Muenster natives. It served as the first hospital in Muenster, The Muenster Clinic, and as a pharmacy, the Dixie Drug Store. "We have had many moms coming in and going upstairs to reminisce about giving birth at Doc's," Connie said.

Many people enjoy going upstairs to see where they were born. This is the first opportunity for many to visit the place where they were born. It had an office, three beds, three basins, a laboratory, and x-ray equipment. Muenster Clinic was conveniently located above the Dixie Drug Store. An outdoor staircase accessed it.

Dr. Myrick bought the drug store from C.J. Kaiser in 1948. He enlarged and refurbished the clinic to include six private rooms, a nursery with six basins, operating room, waiting room, kitchen, and updated bathroom upstairs. The downstairs consisted of a waiting room, treatment room, x-ray and development room, and bathroom. More than 2,000 babies were born in the Muenster Clinic.

After the death of Dr. T. S. Myrick in October 1959, the hospital was closed. The

upstairs remained closed to the public until the opening of Doc's Bar & Grill.

The downstairs housed a pharmacy operated by J. D. Hanna from 1959 to 1964 and doctors' offices. Dr. L. O. Laughlin and Dr. Dobs were two of the physicians who had their office in the Myrick building. Dr. Laughlin was in Muenster during the first months after the Muenster Hospital was opened. When other physicians came, he left Muenster to get training in a specialty.

In January 1970 the Muenster Public Library moved into the Myrick building, but only the downstairs was used. The City of Muenster purchased the building from the Myrick family in October 1981.

After the new Muenster Library was built, the City of Muenster no longer had a use for the facility and decided to sell it. In 2001, the Stoffels siblings bought the building. They slowly restored it to its present condition. Craig said, "It has been a large effort to restore the building to its current condition. I really appreciate the effort of all the local people who assisted in this effort."

Doc's hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday; Friday 11 a.m. to midnight; Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Take-out food is available by calling 759-2031. Soon their website will be up to list coming special events and food specials. The site is www.docsbardandgrill.com.



Family support at the opening of Doc's, from left, Chris, Herman, Craig, and Mark Stoffels. Courtesy photo

**Obituaries**

**Fred Fisher 1952 - 2004**

Fred Fisher, son-in-law of Val Fuhrmann, died at age 52 of a heart attack on June 10, 2004. He was the husband of the former Margie Fuhrmann. Formerly of Almagordo, New Mexico, they moved to Santa Fe, New Mexico several months ago. He was an employee of the U.S. Government as an inspector

of underground storage tanks.

Fred Fisher was born on April 23, 1952.

His funeral services were held at the funeral home in Santa Fe. Among those attending were Val Fuhrmann, Jimmy and Carol Fuhrmann and daughter Suzette, Tommy Fuhrmann, and Nancy Dye.

**MISD trustees continue to meet**

The Muenster ISD Board met in a called meeting on June 23 to discuss budget, taxes, and personnel.

Dr. David Brewer, finance consultant with the Regional XI Education Service Center, presented a finance update to the Board. In an overview presentation of the Texas School Finance System, Brewer gave Muenster ISD figures, noting that because of Muenster's past financial decisions, Muenster ISD is currently able to stay below the \$1.50 tax cap. There are over 500 Texas school

districts currently at \$1.50. Brewer also praised the Board for taking full advantage of State monies available and maximizing Tier 2 funding.

Dr. Brewer gave a history of the finance system and what to expect during the next legislative session.

The Board amended the budget, and hired Michael Garrett as the new Hornet Band Director and teacher.

The Board met again on Wednesday, June 30 in a Public Hearing on the 2004-05 Proposed Budget and Tax Rate.

**LIGHTNING**

Each year in Texas, lightning kills more people than tornadoes do. Boaters, golfers, and people in open fields are especially at risk. If a storm approaches your location, move inside at the first sound of thunder, because you're in range of the lightning strikes. Stay indoors in a sturdy building for 30 minutes after you hear the last thunder. Be safe...don't be a target for lightning.

National Weather Service in Fort Worth

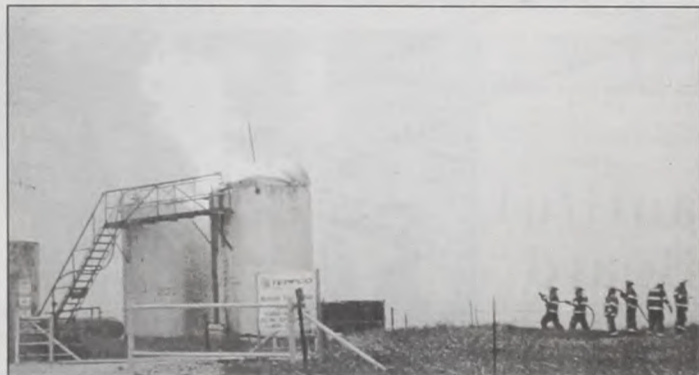


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**LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE** - At right, Muenster Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fire call at 10:52 a.m. Wednesday morning and were on the scene seven minutes later. Lightning struck the H&H Production oil storage tank located along FM 373 about five miles north of Muenster. It blew the tank's lid off. While firefighters were still spraying foam on the first fire, another tank fire was reported further north. Lightning had blown the lids off two tanks on the WFW lease on CR 430. Muenster Fire Chief Herbie Knabe said it took 24 gallons of foam to douse the fires. Without it they wouldn't have been able to put out the fires. The foam is \$80 for every five gallons. Strong winds hindered the effort, but flames were out at 11:42 a.m. Four trucks and 16 firefighters were on the scene. Lindsay assisted with a tank truck

Janie Hartman photo

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opportunity," he noted.

Commissioners were unanimous in approving the LETPP Grant. There is no County match required.

Also approved was another grant, the 2004 State Homeland Security Program and Texas 2004 State Homeland Security Program Grant for \$96,565. Fletcher noted that this is money awarded each year. It comes from the federal government, goes to the state government, and then to Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG). TCOG distributes the money according to population of entities.

In other business Commissioners Court took the following action:

- Approved the 2005 Holiday Calendar as follows: Martin Luther King Jan. 17; Presidents' Day Feb. 21; Good Friday Mar. 5; Memorial Day May 30; Independence Day July 4; Labor Day Sept. 5; Veterans' Day Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Nov. 24-25; and Christmas Dec. 26.

- Signed a resolution allowing the sale of a lot at Lake Kiowa that did not sell at a Sheriff's Sale due to an insufficient bid. Proceeds go to pay its delinquent taxes.

- Approved a line item change for the Cooke County EMS budget. \$5,067 will be moved from Medical Equipment to Vehicle Purchase. EMS director Bob Harbin asked for the change to go toward the purchase of a new Ford diesel ambulance.

- Approved annual Road and Bridge Reports for Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. Reports will become a permanent part of the records.

- Approved the only bid received for MC-3000 to be used by Precincts 1-4 from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. The bid was from National Oil Supply from Springfield, Missouri.

- Approved the final plat for Highland Hills Phase 1 (lots 1-9) located in Precinct #4 on the north side of FM 1201.

- Approved the bid proposal and irrevocable letter of credit from Security Bank of Whitesboro for the construction and paving of

proposed CR 261 in The Range Subdivision (lots 1-15) located on the north side of East Lone Oak Road, approximately 1/4 mile east of FM 3442 in Precinct #2.

- Approved the May 13, 2004 minutes of the Lake Ray Roberts Planning and Zoning Commission.

- Approved the resignation of Robert Viktor, chairman, of the Lake Ray Roberts P&Z Commission. He sold his home and is moving.

- Approved the resignation of Robert Merrill from the Lake Ray Roberts P&Z Commission. His job situation changed, making it difficult to serve.

- Appointed Barbara Janet Myers Roberson to the MHMR Services of Texoma Board of Trustees. Judge Freeman noted that she had applied to serve and he appreciated when people did so.

- Heard and approved request from Justice of the Peace Precinct #1 to purchase equipment with money (up to \$4,000) from the Justice Court Technology Fund. Included are scanner, server, and TV/VCR. Those who get MIPs are required to watch a tape before court. Evidence tapes from troopers are also used at times during court.

- Tabled action on revision of document to meet Round IV THC grant specifications.

- Tabled action for the bidding and construction administration for revised contract to meet the scope of the Round IV THC grant requirements.

- Approved indigent burial of Glenn Richard Murphy.

- Held Executive Session for deliberation regarding real property, but took no action.

- Approved preliminary plat for Voth Estates (lots 1-5) located at the corner of CR 409 and FM 1199 north of Lindsay in Precinct #4. Needs signatures for signoff of utilities.

- Public comments were heard from several people mostly in regard to the Budget. They will be covered in next week's construction and paving of paper.

**City Council Agenda**

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

1. Call meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
2. Opening prayer.
3. Approve minutes of the regular meeting on June 7, 2004 and special meeting on June 14, 2004.
4. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
5. Consider any other business to come before the Council.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consider and act on mosquito fogging.
2. Consider and act on Park Board recommendation regarding request for use of pool during early morning hours.
3. Consider and act on approval for sale of alcohol in city park by Fire Department for Fireman's BBQ on August 14, 2004.
4. Consider and act on reimbursement request from Muenster Volunteer Fire Department.
5. Consider and act on Ordinance #274 annexing property owned by Muenster Water District.
6. Receive quarterly police activities report.
7. Review and act upon monthly bills.
8. Receive status report on city projects and activities.
9. Adjourn.

NOTES:

1. The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this agenda.
2. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, when it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act.
3. People with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact Micallee Matson at 759-2236 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

This is to certify that J. Micallee Matson, posted this agenda on the outside bulletin board by the front door of City Hall at 5 pm on June 29, 2004.

*Micallee Matson*  
Micallee Matson, City Secretary

**Name Error!**

In last week's article, "Heavy rains result in road hazards", Adam Klement was named as one of the three people involved in an accident on CR 424 on June 17. It was actually Adam Bayer, not Klement who was a passenger in the pickup driven by Chisam Cain.

Adam Klement is currently doing an internship with the Charlie Stenholm campaign in West Texas. He is majoring in History and Political Science.

The Enterprise apologizes for any inconvenience this might have caused anyone involved.

**2-WEEK EVENTS CALENDAR** To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

<b>Sunday, July 4, 2004</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	<b>Monday, July 5, 2004</b> Swim Lessons Week 1 CDA meeting, 7:30pm, Muenster KC Hall City Council, 7:30pm	<b>Tuesday, July 6, 2004</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support & Guidance Seminar, 6-8pm, Home Hospice MMH Auxiliary meeting, 7pm	<b>Wednesday, July 7, 2004</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Eat Better Class, 3pm, Pecan Creek Village, Gainesville Kiwanis Club development meeting, 12:30pm, The Center Restaurant Chamber of Commerce meeting, 5:30pm	<b>Thursday, July 8, 2004</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm Muenster Historical Commission meeting, 8am, Museum	<b>Friday, July 9, 2004</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm AARP meeting & luncheon, 11:30am, Stanford House	<b>Saturday, July 10, 2004</b> Ruth Hess Memorial Golf Tournament, Turtle Hill Golf Course, 2pm
<b>Sunday, July 11, 2004</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	<b>Monday, July 12, 2004</b> Swim Lessons Week 2 VFW meeting, 8:00pm, Muenster ISD Board meeting, 7:30pm Grief Support Group meeting, 6pm, Home Hospice office	<b>Tuesday, July 13, 2004</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support & Guidance Seminar, 6-8pm, Home Hospice	<b>Wednesday, July 14, 2004</b> Eat Better Class, 3pm, Pecan Creek Village, Gainesville Chamber of Commerce Breakfast meeting, 7:30am, Rohmer's Restaurant Sacred Heart Alumni & Friends meeting, 7:30pm	<b>Thursday, July 15, 2004</b> Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm	<b>Friday, July 16, 2004</b> Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	<b>Saturday, July 17, 2004</b>

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## Kiwanis to host discussion of Muenster businesses

Kiwanis Club of Muenster is hosting a discussion about an intriguing idea for developing Muenster-friendly businesses in Muenster. If you like the idea of utilizing the dreams and talents of our young people and our old people,

and everyone in between, to provide ways of making a living without leaving Muenster, please attend this discussion. The meeting will be held Wednesday, July 7 at 12:30 p.m. at the Center Restaurant. Arrive earlier to have lunch.



Leonard Vogel, assisted by Tom Hartman, Kenny Sherrill, and Charlie Oman, prepares to raise a new American flag to full mast. A ceremony held last Sunday morning, replaced a tattered flag, and added a black sash, a sign of mourning. With the sash attached, Old Glory will be flying high to welcome supporters of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fundraiser being held at the End of the Trail Ranch at the Gatewood Hills Estates. Flags are still flying half-mast in honor of the late President Ronald Reagan. Also attending were Weldon Vogel, Lillian Walterscheid, Craig Hartman, Amber and Weldon Sherrill and Kyle, Travis, and Traci Vogel.

Janie Hartman photo

### Safety tips for the 4th

Muenster Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies Auxiliary urge CAUTION this Fourth of July when camping, cooking, and celebrating our Independence Day.

- When camping, surround campfires and grills with rocks to keep fires from spreading.
  - Keep a bucket of water nearby when cooking, grilling, or shooting fireworks.
  - Keep a fully stocked first aid kit with you at all times.
  - Wear sunscreen to keep from burning.
  - Never allow children to play or ignite fireworks without adult supervision.
  - Always follow instructions and warnings carefully.
  - Make sure other people are out of range before lighting sparklers or fireworks.
  - Light fireworks only on smooth surfaces, away from house, dry leaves or grass or flammable materials.
  - NEVER carry fireworks in your pockets.
  - NEVER try to relight fireworks that have not properly functioned.
  - Keep fireworks dry and cool.
- Please follow these important safety tips and HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH!!

### Newlyweds

When a young couple is about to be married they talk to their parents and they talk to their minister. We think it would be a good idea for them to come in and talk to their banker about the financial side of their life.

What are their goals? How much are their living expenses? What kind of income can they expect to make now?

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## Common myths about health information and privacy rights

Implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) privacy rule has created much confusion and misinformation amongst the healthcare industry and the public. With the one-year anniversary of HIPAA, the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) helps separate fact from fiction on some of the most common myths about your health information privacy rights:

**Myth #1:** Your name and location while in the hospital may not be given out without your consent.

**Fact:** You must specifically ask not to be listed in a hospital's directory if you do not want it known that you are a patient there. (Some restrictions as to whom your name can be released)

**Myth #2:** Your healthcare provider cannot leave messages for you on your answering machine or with someone who answers the phone.

**Fact:** The Privacy Rule does not prohibit healthcare providers from leaving messages for patients on their answering machines. The Rule also permits healthcare providers to disclose limited information to family members, friends, or other persons regarding your care, even when you are not present. You do have the right to request an alternative communication method if you do not wish to receive messages at home.

**Myth #3:** Your healthcare provider must have your approval to disclose your personal health information to another healthcare provider.

**Fact:** Your provider can share your health information with another provider if there is a reason to believe you will receive care there.

**Myth #4:** You MUST sign the Notice of Privacy Practices

**Fact:** Your signature is not required. Your healthcare provider must provide the notice and make a good faith effort to obtain a written acknowledgement from you that you received it.

**Myth #5:** Your doctor cannot discuss your care with your family members

**Fact:** The Privacy Rule permits healthcare providers to share information that is directly relevant to the involvement of a spouse, family members, friends, or other persons identified by you regarding your care or payment for healthcare. Your provider may also share relevant information with your family or other persons if it can reasonably infer, based on professional judgment, that you do not object.

For more information about your personal health information privacy rights, visit [www.myphr.com](http://www.myphr.com).

AHIMA is the National Association of Health Information Management (HIM) professionals.

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targeting speeders, drunk drivers, and seat belt violators during the Fourth of July holiday weekend.

The DPS also is supporting a nationwide crackdown on drunk drivers during the Fourth of July holiday - the "Drink, Drive, Go to Jail" campaign.

"The summer months are generally when we see the most alcohol-related fatalities in the state," said Davis. "A number of crashes can be avoided by using common sense and practicing safe driving."

Here are some driving tips the DPS recommends for travelers during the extended holiday weekend:

Do not drink and

drive; rather, find a designated driver.

\* Have everyone in the vehicle buckle his or her seat belt. Remember, "Click It or Ticket!"

\* For long trips, have the car checked to make sure it is roadworthy.

\* Slow down, especially if weather and road conditions do not allow for the designated speed limit.

\* Save your phone calls for home or find a safe place to pull over to place or answer mobile calls.

\* Be polite and courteous while driving - do not practice road rage behavior.

## Texas Cooperative Extension offers area Food Manager Certification Training course

Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, one in four Americans will become sick, one in 1,000 will become hospitalized, and 5,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

Under new state statute, the Texas Department of Health (TDH) requires each food establishment to have one certified food manager. The Texas Board of Health has adopted rules to implement this statute. Under these new rules, each food establishment permitted by the Texas Department of Health must have one certified food manager. New food manager certificates will be valid for five years.

Texas Cooperative Extension, Cooke County, is offering a food manager certification training course. This program will be offered for \$79 on July 27-28 at the Cooke County Courthouse. Cost includes training, materials, and the State food manager certification examination. Registration deadline is July 12.

This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are

estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance, and medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential. The benefits of improved food safety include:

- \* Increased customer satisfaction
- \* Improved relationships with health officials
- \* Prevention of bad publicity and law suits due to foodborne illness
- \* By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about:
  - \* identifying potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling
  - \* preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food
  - \* teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees
  - \* complying with government regulations
  - \* maintaining clean utensils, equipment and surroundings
  - \* controlling pests
- \* Following simple food safety practices can prevent foodborne illnesses. For

more information about the Food Manager Certification Training Course of Texas Cooperative Extension, call Angel Walls, at (940) 668-5412 or stop by the Cooke County Extension Office located in Room B-12 in the Cooke County Courthouse. You can also visit their website at <http://cooke-tx.tamu.edu> for additional information.

## Electrical home safety checks

\* Avoid overloading outlets with too many appliances.



This large commercial oven was donated to the Muenster Museum by Muenster ISD. The oven was installed new at Camp Howze, Cooke County's World War II Army Camp. After the war, Muenster Public School purchased the oven and used it for many years. It was removed from the school cafeteria in 2003 and is now displayed at the Museum. The Muenster Historical Commission meets every second Thursday at 8 a.m. at the Museum. Anyone is welcome to join.

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# Opinion/Editorial

## A day of reckoning

DID YOU KNOW

By Ed Feulner,  
President  
The Heritage Foundation

Honesty is often the first casualty of a political campaign, as the candidates take shots that they hope will dent the popularity of their rivals. But in this election year, it's high time for a little honesty about Social Security. Frankly, we don't have time to waste.

The revered entitlement program seems fine, but it needs fixing. Starting in 2018, Social Security will start paying out more than it takes in through taxes.

That's because there will be far more retirees and not enough workers to support them. When Social Security was launched during the Great Depression, we had 32 workers paying into the system for every one retiree. It was easy to afford a "pay as you go" system.

Today we have only three workers for every retiree. No wonder Social Security taxes have soared. And there's nowhere for them to go but up. Over the coming decades, the ratio will eventually drop to just two workers for every retiree.

Politicians like to point to the Social Security "trust fund" and claim that we have enough assets to pay out benefits for decades to come. But that's simply not true. In fact, there are no real assets in the trust fund.

Think of it this way: Most people have some form of retirement account, usually a 401 (k) or IRA account.

Those contain *real* money. Our employers set money aside from our pay, or we deposit money from our checking accounts. When we retire, there are actual assets waiting to be drawn down.

Social Security is different. Every day, employers and employees send their taxes -- real money -- to Washington. Some of that money is supposed to be set aside for future Social Security benefits. But that's not what happens.

Instead, the government spends the money on whatever it pleases. It's used to pay military salaries and build roads -- and to fund absurd pork-barrel programs, such as \$725,000 for Philadelphia's "Please Touch" museum.

In return, the Treasury gives the Social Security Administration IOUs. Eventually, though, those IOUs will have to be made good with *real* money. When that happens, we'll have one of four choices:

- Raise taxes to cover the shortfall.
- Borrow the difference.
- Trim federal spending by several trillion dollars.
- Cut benefits.

OK, show of hands: Who wants to be president when the bills come due? Try selecting one or more of those options and then facing voters in 2020.

Fortunately, this can be avoided if we act quickly. The key to saving Social

Security is to create personal retirement accounts. With these accounts, individuals would channel a portion of their Social Security taxes into investment funds they would control. It's sort of like creating an IRA for everyone who wants one.

The rate of return wouldn't be guaranteed, but it would almost certainly be better than what Social Security will offer. For proof, check out The Heritage Foundation's handy on-line calculator at [heritage.org/research/features/socialsecurity/](http://heritage.org/research/features/socialsecurity/) and determine the rate of return you can expect from Social Security. As an example, Betsy, my one-year-old granddaughter, will get back a paltry one percent.

Maybe I'll start giving her old-fashioned U.S. Savings Bonds. Her return on those will actually be five times greater than what she'll get from Social Security. At least then she'll have some hope of retiring someday.

With personal accounts, we can guarantee benefits to everyone who's now on Social Security and make the program a good investment for today's workers, too. But the time to act is now. If we avoid this issue, we'll live to regret it.

The Mustangs of Los Colinas are the world's largest equestrian sculpture. The sculpture of nine bronze running horses crossing water was created in 1984. Each horse weighs approximately two tons and is 1.5 times life-size.

7-Eleven stores, 25,000 worldwide, got their start in Dallas in 1927.

Born in Vernon, Texas (1936) and raised at Wink, singer Roy Orbison formed his first band, the Wink Westerners, while still in school. Orbison earned five Grammy Awards and was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1987. Two known hits were *Only the Lonely* and *Oh, Pretty Woman*.

More than 65 Texas post offices had murals painted on them between 1934 and 1943. Most showed local interest and history and can still be seen today.

The *Rains County Leader* newspaper in Emory, Texas has been owned and operated by the same family for 100 years, the only paper in the state able to make that claim.

Some armadillo species can roll their bodies into a complete ball for protection. The armadillo will also bury itself under ground.

**FLASH FLOOD**

Flash floods claim more lives than any other thunderstorm-related hazard. If heavy rain occurs in your area, stay away from water-covered roads. Turn around, don't drown! Keep kids away from creeks or drainage ditches. If you're camping or hiking, move to the high ground if heavy rain falls or a flash flood warning is issued. During a flash flood, play it safe.

National Weather Service in Fort Worth

## Letter to the Editor

To the Citizens of Muenster:

Last year I attended a meeting of the City Council of Muenster to request the implementation of an Integrated Pest Management program prepared by the Texas Department of Health. Integrated Pest Management is currently recommended by many states, including Texas, to ensure that non-toxic methods are used to control mosquito populations whenever possible, while also ensuring the health of citizens. Early in 2004, an ordinance was adopted requiring approval of a majority of the Muenster City Council and at least 24 hours notice to citizens before fogging for mosquitoes.

The application of chemicals to kill adult mosquitoes should be utilized as a last resort, after utilizing source reduction, biological control and larvicides as are practical. Texas Department of Health, *Integrated Mosquito Management*, July 2003.

For the Integrated Mosquito Management program to work, several things need to be implemented before chemical suppression is used. They include mosquito sampling, surveillance and mapping, disease surveillance, source reduction, and biological control. Source reduction and biological control can be successful, but everyone has to work together to ensure success. Chemical methods should be used only when all other methods of controlling mosquito populations have failed, and when it has been verified that certain disease carrying mosquito species exist, are carrying disease, and are transmitting disease. Due to the short- and long-term toxic effects on the health of the human population, the use of chemical spraying is not an acceptable method of controlling nuisance mosquito populations.

As a result of public pressure, it was decided to use chemical spraying to control nuisance mosquito populations in areas of Muenster. The chemical currently in use is a synthetic pyrethroid with active ingredients that include permethrin, a neurotoxin; and piperonyl butoxide, which enhances the killing power of other chemicals. At a recent seminar (June 26) that I

attended regarding inflammation generators, it was mentioned that pyrethroids also act as endocrine disrupters. According to the Texas Department of Health website, not a single case of human West Nile Virus has been reported in Texas so far this year. I am opposed to chemical spraying because there are other ways that individuals, including those with suppressed immune systems, can protect themselves from mosquito borne infectious disease without the use of toxic chemical spray application.

Below is "An Open Letter From Concerned Physicians and Scientists." It is quite long, but explains in detail why chemical application is not the answer to controlling disease carrying mosquitoes. Please take the time to read it. If these chemicals are not advisable to control disease-carrying mosquitoes, then they are certainly not advisable for use to control nuisance mosquito populations. I have known one of the co-authors of this letter for over 2-1/2 years. He is a licensed thoracic and cardiovascular surgeon with over 25 years experience regarding human chemical sensitivity and detoxification. He is also a world leader knowledgeable in the environmental aspects of health and disease. After reading the letter, decide for yourself whether we really need chemical spraying to control mosquitoes. Remember, DDT, Agent Orange, and Chlordane were all considered safe chemicals in their time. Once the long-term health effects of these chemicals became known and acknowledged, their distribution became illegal in this country. Advise your city leaders that chemical spraying is not an acceptable method of mosquito control in Muenster.

Sincerely,  
Dwayne J. Rohmer  
P.O. Box 381  
Muenster, Texas 76252

An open letter by concerned physicians and scientists

We, the undersigned physicians and scientists, have a particular interest in the impact of chemical pesticides on human health, and in ensuring that there is a proper widespread awareness about this issue.

Our grave concern lies with the fact that resorting to a mass spraying program to protect the population

against mosquitoes carrying the West Nile virus exposes millions of people to "friendly fire" pesticides. This program poses much more danger to human health than the extremely small health risk presented by the West Nile virus itself. Even people bitten by an infected female mosquito, the carrier of this virus, run very little risk of serious illness.

Furthermore, even in those cases where death was attributed to West Nile virus infection, the cause of death in these cases may not be West Nile virus. West Nile virus positively could be a coincidental finding.

Indiscriminate pesticide spraying over an urban area is an ineffective and very dangerous attempt at controlling mosquitoes, and thereby controlling the West Nile virus (4-29). Not only will repeated spraying fail to eradicate the mosquitoes, the spray program leads to the survival of those mosquitoes resistant to pesticides. This resistance is passed on to new generations, leading to endless cycles of increased pesticide spraying each year.

Ironically, these "friendly fire" pesticides are most dangerous to the same group of people for whose protection the spraying is being conducted: those with weakened immune systems, small children, and the elderly. Additionally, the impact of spraying is especially harmful to chemically sensitive people, those suffering from asthma and other allergies, and to the offspring of pregnant women.

There are safer, more effective ways than using chemical pesticide use to control mosquitoes. These methods include disrupting mosquito breeding cycles by removing stagnant water, etc., safe natural mosquito repellents, etc.

Among natural mosquito repellent products containing herbal extracts and oils is *Nature 99 Herbal Extract*, a natural repellent containing essential oils from the twigs and leaves of the *Eucalyptus Citriodora* plant which has an extraordinarily high content of citronella. Other natural products include *Royal Neem* (a blend of herbs, essential oils and aloe), *Nature's Body Guard*, and *Zefastop*. Combining these approaches will not only avoid damage to human health and the ecosystem, but it will also avert litigation and the economic consequences brought about

by the current program.

A United States/Canadian study has detected pesticides in the amniotic fluid surrounding the fetus in one third of human pregnancies. Pesticides and other pollutants have also been detected in the body tissues of children even before their birth and in the fluid surrounding the eggs of infertile Canadian women. The long term and future impact of such exposure is not fully known.

However it is known that exposure to chemical pesticide residues, especially chronic exposure, even at low levels, can cause: genetic damage, birth defects, disruption of hormone regulation, defective sexual development, brain damage, Parkinson's Disease, multiple sclerosis, allergies, exacerbation of asthma, cancer, and many other health problems.

Especially disturbing is the finding that cancer, genetic damage, and other health problems related to pesticide exposure may be transmitted by affected individuals not only to their offspring, but also to further generations.

Even a single exposure to pesticides can trigger latent environmental sensitivities, allergies, chronic fatigue syndrome, behavioral changes such as irritability, anxiety, depression, aggressiveness and personality changes, concentration difficulties, memory and learning problems, hormone disruption, erectile dysfunction, loss of libido, and other health problems.

Although some pesticides have been banned or restricted because they were recognized as posing serious

If we do not stop the indiscriminate use of pesticides, we will continue to endanger the quality of our own health and more crucially, the healthy physical and mental development of our children and future generations.

As stated by Agriculture Canada "Pesticides are designed to kill... All chemical pesticides are harmful to humans.

For this reason, the indiscriminate and unnecessary use of chemical pesticides needs to be abandoned and outlawed.

Signed,  
Prof. Emer. William Rea, M.D., et al

Editor's note: The letter printed above was edited for space. It can be viewed in its entirety @ [www.eche-info.com/pdf/unwopenletter2001gil.ka.pdf](http://www.eche-info.com/pdf/unwopenletter2001gil.ka.pdf)

In preparation for the Fourth of July, Sen. Hutchison's weekly column highlights America's favorite holiday and the importance of celebrating our independence



KAY BAILEY  
HUTCHISON  
U.S. SENATOR



More than a BBQ

This Fourth of July weekend, thousands of Texans will gather with family and friends, fire up the grill, ice down some drinks and sit back and enjoy one of our nation's favorite holidays, Independence Day. In 1776, when the Declaration of Independence was signed, there were 2.5 million people living in the 13 colonies. Today, there are more than 293 million Americans inhabiting 50 states, who will celebrate the founding of our great nation. And the Declaration that secured our independence still stands as the foundation of our democracy.

This quintessentially American celebration gives each of us an opportunity to commemorate the birth of our country and reflect on the day when dedicated patriots founded a nation based on freedom. Marquis De Lafayette, the Frenchman who was so moved by the American quest for independence, he crossed the Atlantic to join our battle said it this way, "Humanity has won its battle. Liberty now has a country."

For 228 years now, America has been synonymous with liberty. It is rooted in our heart and soul. It is woven into the fabric of our being. As a current television advertisement states, "Don't fence us in," is practically our national motto. "We are the embodiment of freedom to people everywhere, which is why thousands of people still arrive from the far reaches of the globe on our shores each year. They come in search of a better life for their families and a greater hope for their future."

So, the Fourth of July is more than a birthday party -- it is a celebration of our hard-fought freedom and our God-given right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is also a time to honor those who continue the battle against terror and oppression to keep our freedom secure.

Today we are engaged in a struggle as fierce and as vital as any our nation has faced in its short history. Today's war on terrorism is a fight for freedom.

American soldiers fighting in Afghanistan and Iraq face the modern threat of terrorism. But while the tactics are more violent, the motives more insidious and the means more destructive, this enemy shares the common goal of all enemies throughout history: destroying freedom. We must not -- and we will not -- let them win.

Last year, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld addressed our troops on the Fourth of July, saying, "You are the men and women who are fighting this new war. Your gallantry and courage in the face of evil has stirred the souls of all Americans. Day after day, week after week, they have seen your faces and read your stories. They have shared your sorrows and celebrated your victories. And in each one of you they see reflected their deeply-felt honor, pride, and patriotism. Through your valor and sacrifice, our Republic has been strengthened and renewed."

I could not agree more. Our troops, many of whom call Texas home, face a difficult and challenging task, yet they do it with bravery and with honor. I have visited them in the battlefields and I have seen their commitment firsthand. They know the gravity of their mission and the importance of their success. These proud patriots serve with distinction and deserve our gratitude.

This year, remember that it's more than a backyard BBQ, red-white-and-blue streamers, downtown parade or fireworks display -- the Fourth of July is a celebration of the freedoms afforded to us as citizens of the United States of America. This year, as you set out to enjoy your holiday take a moment to remember those who are sacrificing their personal safety, and even their lives, so that you may enjoy yours. God Bless America and Happy Fourth of July.

## New Arrivals



Olivia Felderhoff

### Felderhoff

Gus and Britt Felderhoff were blessed with the arrival of their first child, Olivia Grace on Thursday, June 24, 2004 at 10:40 p.m. at Scottsdale Health Care-Shea in Scottsdale, Arizona. She was 21" long and weighed in at 7 lb. 11 oz. She is the first grandchild of Gus and Loretta Felderhoff of Muenster and also Greg and Jackie Cleveland of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

She is welcomed by aunts Julie Felderhoff of Irving, Texas; Vanessa Felderhoff of Broussard, Louisiana; uncle James Felderhoff of Muenster; aunt and uncle Shawn and Troy Goll of Phoenix, Arizona; and great-uncle Gary L. Droll of Muenster.

Paternal great-grandparents are the late Hubert and Marie Felderhoff and the late Henry and Dorine Droll.

### Greer

Chad and Krystle Greer of Callisburg are proud to announce the birth of their second child, Kyle Lee Greer was born Friday, June 18 at 8:15 a.m. at Wilson N. Jones Hospital in Sherman. He weighed 5 lb. 10 oz. and measured 18 inches long. He joins a brother, Chad Anthony Greer, Jr. Grandparents are Larry and Retha Sparkman of Myra, Johnny and Teresa Logue of Callisburg, and Tommy Greer of Gainesville. Great-grandparents are Sam and Inez Sparkman of Muenster, Melvin and Glenna Greer of Gainesville, Sam and Kaye Calabrese of Corinth, and Judy Logue of Callisburg.

### Luke

Ben and Annette Luke of Denton announce with pride and joy the birth of Brendan Reagan Luke on Sunday, June 6, 2004 at Denton Community Hospital. He joins two siblings at home, Christian and Weston. Their grandparents are John and Linda Carroll of Grand Prairie, Texas and the late Dan and Dolores Luke (their 12th grandchild).

Baptism of Brendan was held on June 20 at St. Mark Catholic Church in Denton, with Father Eugene Sweeney officiating. Baptismal sponsors were Nanci Carroll of Keller and Ray Luke of Valley View.



John Voth

## 100th birthday of John Voth celebrated by friends and family

### By Elfreda Fette

The 100th birthday of John Voth was celebrated at several parties in Lindsay. The first one, on June 13, was a "come and go" party at Conrad Hall, hosted by his three daughters and their spouses, Alice and Robert David of Pilot Point, Dolores and Jimmy Zimmerman of Argyle, and Lorine and Frank Sandmann of Lindsay. Assisting with hosting the party were the grandchildren, Pam and Phil Schmitt, Tammy and Greg Howard, Jeff and Pam Zimmerman, Jennifer Zimmerman, Russell and Shawna David, Rob Sandmann, Donna Akins, Amy and Steven Whaley, and Sandra and Dennis Jones. The grandchildren served birthday cake, cookies, punch, nuts, and mints at the party. There are 10 great-grandchildren.

The second party honoring Voth, was hosted by the Senior Citizens of Lindsay at their Wednesday noon luncheon. They invited, with the honoree, his wife Christine, his brothers and sisters, all his children and grandchildren.

Rob Sandmann gave a history of John and Christine Voth and told highlights of their rural environment. Fr. Ron Scheible OSA led the blessing and gave more birthday wishes.

John Voth was born in Muenster on June 16, 1904. His parents were Bernard and Mary Truebenbach Voth, community pioneers.

John and Christine Voth have been married for 67 years. They are still living on the same farm they moved to in 1940. They are members of St. Peter's Parish in Lindsay.

John's main occupation

was farming, cattle raising, and custom harvesting throughout his life, and he has a life-long interest in show cattle.

He served on the Lindsay School Board, and is a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Peter's Society. He raised calves and sold them to 4-H and FFA members. He showed cattle at the State Fair of Texas and the Cooke County Fair years ago. Even in complete retirement, he still enjoys "eating out". He delights in the visits of his grandchildren, whom he loves dearly. He loves to read. His mind is still "as sharp as a tack".

His seven surviving sisters and brothers are Catherine Kubis, Mary Kappas, Rita Dixon, Ben Voth, Joe Voth, Theo Voth, and Ray Voth, all in their 80s or 90s.

Blessed by Divine

Providence with the privilege of more than a century of living, he has witnessed more than one hundred years of changes in the world, changes in the population, changes in the history of our country; he has witnessed the election of how many Popes?, how many presidents? He has witnessed the great improvements in health, and the countless and almost miraculous procession of great events, and even more countless new medical procedures.

Intriguing indeed is the realization of 100 years of living.



Alison Becker

Following the baptism and a short visit to Alison's great-grandmother Rita Becker's house, a large number of family and friends celebrated at Wayne and Melissa's home with a cook out.

Alison was born in Austin on Feb. 4, 2004.

## Support Muenster VFD

The shooting of fireworks Saturday, July 3, will follow a hamburger and chip cookout that begins at 7 p.m. The event will take place at the Gatewood Hills Estates, 3 1/2 miles south of Muenster on FM 373. Bring your own drinks and chairs. All proceeds go to the Muenster VFD.

A benefit for the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department will be held this weekend with a fabulous 4th of July fireworks display.

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## Baptisms

**Becker**

Alison Andri Becker received the sacrament of baptism, June 20 at Sacred Heart Church officiated by Father John Ohner, OSA. Alison is the daughter of Wayne and Melissa Becker. Baptismal Sponsors were Stephen and Amber Becker. A large number of additional family members were present as well. These included: grandparents; Werner and Linda Becker, and Barbara Knisley; aunts and uncles Jeff Knisley, Patti McGee, West and Sabrina Gilbreath, Joyce Cornwell, Michael Becker, and Victoria Becker; and cousins Ryan and Avery Becker.

**Are You Interested?**

Anyone who is interested in using the community pool from 6-8 am tentatively for morning exercises, call Noell Henry at 759-5294. Leave message if no answer.

You can also attend the city council meeting on Monday, July 5 at 7:30 pm at City Hall. This topic will be discussed.

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# Shook, Lautenslager exchange their vows in Carrollton on June 12



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Lautenslager ...nee Kelly Shook...

Kelly Edylene Shook and L. Cpl. Brian Allen Lautenslager, both of Carrollton, were married June 12, 2004 at St. Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church in Carrollton. Fr. George Thennattil T.O.R. officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mary Lou Ross of Carrollton and Richard Shook of Southlake. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.G. Shook Kelly is attending Texas Tech University, majoring in Early Education and will graduate in May 2005.

The groom is the son of Nanci Dye of Carrollton and Richard Lautenslager of Wall, New Jersey. He is the grandson of Val Fuhrmann of Muenster. Brian is a

graduate of Collin County Community College and is a Lance Corporal in the United States Marines. He is currently stationed at Camp Pendleton in California.

The matron of honor was Allison Dale, cousin of the bride. The best man was Kyle Shook, brother of the bride. Ushers were the groom's cousins Scott and Greg Fuhrmann. The groom's aunt and uncle Tom and Gloria Fuhrmann did the readings.

A reception was held at On the Border Restaurant in Addison, Texas.

Following their honeymoon, the bride will be finishing her studies at Tech and the groom is scheduled to be deployed to Iraq.



Rhonda Crabtree and Russell Myers, both of Bowie, announce their engagement and approaching marriage. She is the daughter of Derek and Cheryl Walls of Crafton, Texas. He is the son of Kelly and Sara Myers of Decatur and Melissa Roscoe of Alvord, and the grandson of Jerry and Nancy Myers, Mike and Charlotte Lockett, all of Decatur, and Mildred Waltscheid of Muenster. They have chosen Saturday, July 17, 2004 as their wedding day. The ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. at the Greenwood Church of Christ in Greenwood with Phil Sams officiating. The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Decatur High School. She is employed as an admissions clerk at Wise Regional Health System. The future groom is a 2001 graduate of Sanger ISD and works for Richey Oil Construction. They plan to reside in Bowie after their marriage.

## C.W. and Margaret Fette Ratliff family celebrate with reunion

Members of the C.W. and Margaret Fette Ratliff family met Thursday, June 10 through Saturday, June 12 at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center on Lake Grapevine.

The couple's four sons, their spouses, and children sponsored the recent reunion. They are James and Carolyn Ratliff of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Dan and Mary Alice Ratliff of Cat Spring, Texas, Mike and Debbie Ratliff of Oak Creek, Colorado, and Sam and Cathy Ratliff of Dallas.

Also attending were many of Marge's nieces and nephews and their children. Attending were the children of Herman and Faye Brown Fette, Jack and Dorothy Fette Quinlan, Tom and Lillian Fette Gallery, Herbert and Evelyn Fette Meurer, C.W. and Margaret Fette Ratliff, Edward and Kate Knabe Wilson, Ben and Aggie Fette Seyler. Marge's brother Elmer Fette never married and the Steve Fette family was unable to attend.

A power point presentation featured past family and friends with Lubbock and Muenster settings.

Tony and Thelma Fette Trubenbach, Kaye Fette Hickey, and Linda Fette Goodwin constructed a scale model of the rock house on the John and Anna Sliffensmier Fette Ranch located seven miles north of Muenster. They used rocks picked up on the Fette place. This was presented to Marge.

Sr. Mary John Seyler, Marge's Godchild, composed a poem using hats as a theme, to honor her Godmother. Sr. Mary John crocheted more than 130 small hats. She fastened these to folders with the poem and a family tree on the cover. The family tree noted names, birth dates, and death dates. These were given to dinner guests as favors. The great-grandchildren distributed the favors in baskets.

"Marge certainly can serve as a role model for us. She has so many qualities we could emulate," said Sr. Mary John.

Margaret (Marge) Fette Ratliff will soon be celebrating her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday. She now lives in Lubbock, but grew up in Muenster. Her education included Sacred Heart School and St. Mary's Business School in Gainesville. Marge took a competency test given at the Cooke County Courthouse in Gainesville. She passed and was qualified to be a teacher. She then taught in



Margaret Ratliff

the Muenster Public School. Marge later attended Texas Tech College in Lubbock. It was there she met her future husband C.W. Ratliff. He was numbered among the first class to graduate from Texas Tech University. The couple married in November 1929 in Dallas.

"She is an excellent, colorful story teller, and remembers vividly early family, people, places, church and school, and local county government experiences in Muenster and Cooke County," remarked Johann Bezner.

Reflecting on the reunion Johann said, "The overall prevailing feeling was we in attendance were so very happy and pleased to see one another. Marge's children, spouses, and grandchildren thought of and provided every detail for a pleasurable memorable celebration."

## Free poetry contest open to Muenster residents

The International Library of Poetry has announced that \$58,000.00 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Poetry Contest. Poets from the Muenster area, particularly beginners, are welcome to try to win their share of over 250 prizes. The deadline for the contest is Sept. 30. The contest is open to everyone and entry is FREE.

To enter, send ONE original poem, any subject and any style to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19920, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by Sept. 30. You may also enter online at www.poetry.com

## Hot dog~ it's the Fourth of July

The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce invites everyone to join them on Saturday, July 3 at the Boggess Park, on the corner of Boggess and Line Streets in Saint Jo to celebrate the 228<sup>th</sup> birthday of our great nation. The schedule of events is as follows:

- 7 p.m. - Live entertainment by the "Forestrburg Saddle Tramps" starts off the evening. They play a variety of music sure to please everyone's taste, including Country, Blue Grass Gospel, Music from the 20s ad 30s, Big Band music, as well as 50s Rock. Children's games and races are from 7-8. The concession stand opens at 7 and serves until 9:30 (free watermelon available all night).
- 8 p.m. - Tasting starts for the ice cream contest.
- 8:30 p.m. - Mayor's welcome, followed by Community Choir performance.
- 8:45 p.m. - Judging for ice cream contest.
- 9:00 p.m. - Ice cream winners announced.

At full dark the Saint Jo Volunteer Fire Department will begin the fireworks display. Bring your lawn chairs and come join the fun!

There was an opportunity to play golf on Thursday, time to get reacquainted and exchange information, and explore the facility.

Friday was a day for playing golf, taking family outings to Grapevine Mills Mall, Bass Pro Outdoor World, etc. Marge had a suite, and grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and others were encouraged to visit with her during the day.

Saturday morning offered a pool party gathering. That afternoon photos were taken of the entire reunion group and of individual families. Saturday evening the Ratliff sons hosted an elegant buffet dinner with a variety of entertainment.

Some of the activities were: Ratliff baby picture identification contest, and Ratliff names, places, happenings crossword puzzle. Each Ratliff family put on some type of entertainment. There was singing, soft shoe, a style show by granddaughters who modeled Marge's old ballroom dress and great-grandchildren modeling her old hats.

## Coming Events

**Nocona Rodeo**  
Nocona Chisholm Trail Rodeo will celebrate its 52nd year on July 9 and 10. This year's rodeo, once again, is approved by the United Professional Rodeo Association (UPRA).

The Rodeo Parade will start at 4 p.m. on Saturday in downtown Nocona, and will be followed by the mutton bustin'. This pre-

rodeo event, for children ages six and under, will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Rodeo begins at 8 p.m. nightly.

After the Rodeo performance, Mark Murphey and his band will perform at the dance. The admission to this dance is included in the purchase of the Saturday night rodeo ticket.

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## Walterscheid named 04-05 CCBPW President

Cooke County Business & Professional Women installed 2004-2005 officers on June 17 at First Presbyterian Church in Gainesville. Kim Walterscheid of Hallcraft's Industries was named CCBPW President.

"I am so proud to have been a member of Cooke County Business & Professional Women since 2000. The organization does so many wonderful things for women. On the local level, I've made so many friends who have become wonderful support for me and the other members. In this organization you can have fun while making a difference."

"As President, I've got some pretty big shoes to fill since Angie (Hare) has done such an outstanding job, and I look forward to continuing the good work." Ms. Walterscheid comes to the position with the experience of being past vice president.

Angie Hare, outgoing president, says of Walterscheid, "Kim believes in service to the community and is dedicated to the mission of BPW. She is very devoted to CCBPW and the membership. Kim is always ready to go to work and always ready to be a friend to a member. I know CCBPW is in very good hands."

Ina Garner, Texas Federation of Business & Professional Women (TFBPW) immediate past state president, and Lori Cannon, TFBPW Region 7 director, both from Sherman, were present to perform the installations.

During the program, Garner said that "Mission Success" would be the theme for the following year

as local organizations attempt to decrease the pay gap that still exists between men and women. She said that on average a woman earns 74 cents for every dollar a man earns. She recalled that in the 1980s, the average was about 68 cents for every dollar.

"While we have made strides toward decreasing the gap, the process has been slow and laborious - and obviously, we have a long way to go." To each new officer Ms. Garner presented a red purse pin, which represents women being "in the red," and 26 cents, representing the pay gap.

Pam Cooper of Cooper's Copies and Printing is the new vice president. Cooper also handles the responsibility of publishing the newsletter for the local organization, and has received awards for the quality of her work. At the program she received a special award from fellow member Kay Aldridge for her hard work and dedication as well as an appreciation to Cooper's Copies and Printing for their support. Linda Roller

of American Bank of Texas is the new club secretary, and Mary Huneycutt of Schalk & Smith, PC returns as the treasurer.

CCBPW was also proud to have visiting from Denton chapter BPW Doretha Hudspeth, Debra Shepherd, and Betty Elliott.

The mission of Business and Professional Women (BPW/USA) is to achieve equity for all women in the workplace through advocacy, education, and information. It is a "women helping women" organization whose membership is open to all individuals. By working together on matters pertinent to women, members have the opportunity to develop valuable leadership and communication skills through educational programs, seminars, networking, and mentoring.

CCBPW was established in 1940. CCBPW meets the second Thursday at noon and fourth Thursday at 6:00 pm. For information call Hare, membership chair, at 940-665-1793 or Walterscheid, president at 940-668-0771.



Tina Garner installs CCBPW President Kim Walterscheid.

## College Graduates

### Scotts graduate from Stanford

Melissa Scott, daughter of Robert and Betty Miller, Stephen and Christine White (George's parents), Edward and Dorothy Danis, Patricia White, and college friends of the couple.

The Millers drove to Stanford for the graduation. Afterwards, Melissa and George joined them on the drive to San Diego where they now live. The trio spent several days with the couple sightseeing and relaxing. On June 15, a 5.2 Richter Scale earthquake was experienced by the family.

Melissa graduated in 1993 from Sacred Heart High School as class Valedictorian. She then attended and graduated from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, with a Bachelor's degree in Cellular Molecular Biology in 1997.

George graduated from Whitman High School in Bethesda, Maryland in 1992, and Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1996.

Not able to attend the ceremony were Melissa's brothers Patrick and Michael Miller, and grandparents Bill Miller, and Albert and Wilda Stoffels.

By special request, George and Melissa received their degrees simultaneously. They were both hooded by Dr. Ross Shachter, Associate Professor of Management Science and Engineering and George's Ph.D. advisor.

The ceremony took place outside, under a large tent, with Paul Michael Glaser M.A. (Starsky of Starsky & Hutch), Honorary Chairman of the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. Paul stressed the importance of the research the graduates had accomplished.

After graduation, there was a Mass for Catholic graduates of Stanford on campus at Memorial Church. Melissa and George served as acolytes for their friend Father Patrick LaBelle.

Graduation and Mass were attended by Robert, Betty, and Julie Miller, Stephen and Christine White (George's parents), Edward and Dorothy Danis, Patricia White, and college friends of the couple.

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## College Honors

### University of North Texas

Ricky Endres, son of Phil and Marlene Endres, has earned the honor of being placed on the President's List for the Fall 2003 semester and the Spring 2004 semester. To be on the President's List, he earned a grade point average of 4.0 on a course load of 12 or more hours during the semester.

Ricky is a 2003 graduate of Muenster High School. He is majoring in Hospitality Management.

### Cleaning tips

Let cleansers do the work for you: Spray shower, tub and toilet with cleanser and let sit while you do other chores. Spray on oven cleaner the night before. Use all-purpose cleanser on counters and appliances.

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## CASA, a special voice for children, seek local volunteers

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is a non-profit agency that uses community volunteers to advocate for neglected and abused children in court. The local program, located in Gainesville, has served more than 400 Cooke County children since opening in 1999.

The program began in 1977 in Seattle, Washington. Today, there are over 935 programs nationwide working with over 65,000 volunteers. In Cooke County there are 27 volunteers who advocate for approximately 70 local children. Local Muenster advocates are Carol Aytes, Janie Weinzapfel, and Anne Green.

CASA volunteers, otherwise known as Guardian Ad Litem, have a three-fold responsibility to the children they represent. First, they serve as a fact finder and report their findings to the court. Second, they testify in the courtroom in behalf of the best interest of the children they represent. Thirdly,

they become a "watch-dog" to ensure that the child does not slip through the cracks of the legal system.

These Guardian Ad Litem have truly made a difference in the lives of the local children by looking out for their best interest in court during a very crucial time in their lives. CASA volunteers must complete a 30 hour training, have a clean criminal background check and have no prior history with Child Protective Services.

According to Executive Director Cathy Kirkpatrick, "More CASA advocates will always be needed. Until you have watched these folks in action, you cannot possibly realize the impact they have on the future of these children."

If you are interested in becoming a CASA volunteer or if you want to help the program in other areas, you may call the CASA office at 665-2244 and ask for Kirkpatrick. You can be a part of the team that changes the world, one child at a time.

## Extension Education Council

The Cooke Extension Education Council met on June 8 at Stanford House in Gainesville.

Mary Wambaugh, chairman, called the meeting to order and led the pledge to the U.S. flag. Lisa Zoeller, Woodbine E.E. Club, gave the inspiration "Brighten Your Corner" by Helen Steiner Rice.

The Cultural Arts Retreat held May 4 and 5 at Lake Lavon was hosted by Cooke and Grayson Counties. This retreat was reported to be one of the best ever. Patsy Wilson presented an excellent program "Those Were the Days" which was the theme of the retreat. Vida Pittman presented "The Language of the Fan."

Cultural Arts projects were judged at the District level. Results are listed below:

Category 1 - Paintings and Drawings - second, Mary Dozier, Callisburg, Painting  
Category 2 - Photography - second, Lisa Zoeller, Woodbine, 5 x 7 Color, Serenity at Sunset  
Category 5 - Fabric Creations - third, Clara Ball, Sivells Bend, Turkey Pin Cushion  
Category 9 - Afghans, Tablecloths, Bedspreads - second, Harriet Scoggins, Town and Country, Afghan  
Category 15 - Wall Hangings - first, Karen

Endres, Town and Country, Quilted Wall Hanging

Category 17 - Craft Painting - first, Jeannine Flusche, Town and Country, Old Mirror Grouched with Broken Plate

Category 20 - Recycled Items - first, Stacie Miller, Town and Country, Uncle Sam; second, Harriet Scoggins, Decoupage Plate Using Old Tee Shirt

First Place (Blue Ribbon) projects will be in competition at the State Conference in September.

The Brag Board from Cooke County won first place at District and will go to State competition in September. Lisa Zoeller will be the Brag Board chairman for next year. Members should take pictures at activities and meetings.

The May dinner hosted by Ross Point was a big success. Those in attendance enjoyed the barbecue meal, entertainment, and fellowship in the community center decorated with a Western theme. Several door prizes were given.

Delegates to the State Conference in Abilene were elected. In addition to Mary Wambaugh, Council Chair, voting delegates will be Harriet Scoggins, Town and Country, and Wilma Richardson, Ross Point. Alternates are first - Clara Ball, Sivells Bend; second -

Terri Graves, Callisburg; and third - Betty Flynn, Liberty Belles. Delegates were reminded they have certain responsibilities after attending workshops and business sessions at the State Conference. Deadline for turning new council officers in to State is Oct. 1.

Mary appointed a nominating committee of Lisa Zoeller, Mildred Davis, and Susan Richardson. There are 25 to 30 tables left for the Sell-O-Rama in November.

Angel Walls on the Extension Executive Council gave a brief report. By-laws are being updated for committees. Angel did a great job with the Relay for Life Brunch for Survivors in April.

Marge Hendry told of Sivells Bend Club's plans to host the "Christmas on the Lake" party for all Extension Education club members. It will be Dec. 7, at the Marina at Moss Lake.

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July 14 - Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
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# School

## Graduates

### Local student attends seminar in San Angelo

Attending the Texas Farm Bureau's 41st annual Citizenship Seminar June 14-18 was Lindsay High School senior Randi Reed.

Sponsored by the Cooke County Farm Bureau, Randi was among approximately 300 high school junior and senior students from over 150 counties across the state.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide the students with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system.

Kenneth Dierschke, president of the Texas Farm Bureau, presented "Farm Bureau - Your Host" after the students were welcomed to Angelo State University. "Coleburn Davis (TFB Associate Director of Field Operations), and Marissa Patton (2003 Miss TFB and TFB Speech contest winner), presented "Farm Bureau Scholarship Opportunities."

The students also participated in a program called "Congressional Insight", which allowed them to simulate a Congressional office and election.

David Vernon, Lubbock Christian University, presented sessions on "Basics of Free Enterprise" and Ronald Trowbridge, formerly Assistant Dean at Hillsdale College in Michigan, presented "The



Randi Reed

Constitution".

In addition, the students participated in a panel discussion led by Ron Trowbridge and David Vernon followed by a question and answer session on "Our Rights, Our Freedom, Our Responsibility".

The students were entertained on Tuesday evening by Neal Jeffrey of Dallas, a humorist and motivational speaker. Damon Whaley, former TFB Talent Find Contest winner, provided special entertainment. Damon is an accomplished musician, impressionist, and comedian.

### Kirk Haverkamp graduates in Southlake

Kirk Haverkamp, son of Roger and Monica Haverkamp, graduated from Carroll Senior High School (CSHS) of Southlake Texas on May 27. Kirk graduated with a GPA 96.9 and class rank 89/470 students. Kirk was a member of the Varsity Golf Team, National Honor Society, Key Club, and French Club. The CSHS 2004 Varsity Golf Team won the 5A State Championship. He has been accepted to Baylor University and Texas A&M. Kirk plans to attend Texas A&M to pursue a career in engineering.

The CSHS graduation was held at the Tarrant County Convention Center. "It was an awesome sight to see all 470 seniors receive their diploma," said his mother Monica, who had the honor of walking with her son at the graduation since she is a teacher for CSHS.

After the graduation, family and friends had a celebration at the Roger Haverkamp home in Southlake. Guests included: grandparents Bennie and Mickey Haverkamp and Jake Schilling of Muenster; family members Joe and Dianne Bedolla and Amber of Sherman; Duncan Campbell, Yvonne and Jon



Kirk Haverkamp

Ambrose, and Kerry Dangelmayr of Muenster. Friends included: Bill, Paula, and Bear Johns, Priscilla and Sandy Larson, Alex Tumej, John Resnick all of Southlake. Best wishes were sent by Glen, Jeanie, and Shawn Hess of Muenster.

Later that night the 2004 graduates had a project graduation at the Solana Club in Trophy Club.



Alexander Nervo

### Alexander Nervo is Kindergarten graduate

Alexander Nicolas Nervo graduated from Kindergarten at Cathedral Christian Academy in Arlington on May 25. He received exemplary grades in Computer, Spanish, Music, and Numbers. He was bestowed with the "Hard Worker" award by his teacher. Alexander participated in the graduation ceremony, centered around the theme "Follow the Yellow Brick Road", which included songs and skits from "The Wizard of Oz."

A celebration party followed immediately after the graduation and was hosted by Alexander's parents Donna and Nicolas Nervo. Guests enjoyed a grilled sausage supper with cake and ice cream. The sour cream chocolate sheet cake was made by the honoree's mother. The cake was decorated with graduation caps, tassels, diplomas, and had rainbow letter-shaped candles saying "Congratulations, Alexander 2004".

Opening of gifts and videos concluded the happy event.

Special guests included Alexander's parents and younger brother Dominic Xavier of Arlington and maternal grandmother Rachel Hennigan of Muenster.

### Texans can order driver records online

Texans can now order copies of their driver records online at [www.TexasOnline.com](http://www.TexasOnline.com), the official website for the State of Texas. This new service allows eligible driver license and commercial driver license holders to order a driver record from home or work using a valid credit or debit card seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

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# Sports

## GAME WARDEN NOTES

**A Day in the Busy Life** — May 25, an Orange County Game Warden had a busy hour while patrolling the Sabine River. He cited two local men for possession of drug paraphernalia, another man for possession of eight hoop nets, and then arrested one local man for Boating While Intoxicated. Cases are pending.

**Amazing Recovery** — Recently, Chambers County Game Wardens responded to an auto accident where an individual had driven off the road into Turtle Bayou. They were able to recover the body, but they were not able to locate the vehicle due to recent heavy rain that caused strong currents. Four days later, the water level receded, and a vehicle was pulled from the bayou. Once the vehicle was on land, it was discovered not to be the vehicle they were searching for. Inside the vehicle pulled from the bayou was another body. After further investigation, it turned out the body and the vehicle had been missing for nine years.

**Double Tragedy** — May 30, Polk County Game Wardens responded to a call involving a double drowning on Lake Livingston. A 52-year-old League City woman fell off a pontoon boat during rough waters and was injured. Her 48-year-old brother jumped in to assist. The boat was still underway and both family members drowned. Both bodies have been recovered.

**Unhappy Days** — On May 30, a Grayson County Game Warden, Grayson County Sheriff's Official, and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agent arrested an individual for BWI. The subject refused to give a breath sample but was convinced he was "The FONZ." He performed the nine-step, walk and, turn continuously for three repetitions. Case is pending.

**Multiple Charges Filed in North Texas Incident** — May 30, a Grayson County Game Warden, Grayson County Sheriff's Official, and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agent checked a boat and found six adult men videotaping three girls, ages 17-18 as the young girls stripped. All nine individuals in the boat were arrested. Charges of making alcohol available to minors, public intoxication, minor in possession, water safety violations and possession of dangerous drugs were filed. Cases are pending.

**Illegal Dog-and-Hog Hunting** — A Camp County Game Warden caught four men hunting hogs during closed season with dogs on the White Oak Creek Wildlife Management Area. They entered the WMA on an All-Terrain Vehicle from private land by taking the management area fence down. Two hogs were caught. Cases are pending.



Black Team pitcher Jenni Luke makes the slow pitch over the plate. Janie Hartman photo



Working the infield — Chris Patten and Claire Schneider, members of the Blue Team. Janie Hartman photo



The Muenster Jaycees' progress continues at the Ball Park as the concession stand/bathroom building is being constructed. Janie Hartman photo



Slow pitch Blue Team member Samantha Endres makes the round past third toward home after a home run hit. Janie Hartman photo



Brittany Pagel reaches in an attempt to get a hit in coach pitch action. Janie Hartman photo

## Fishing tip

**Bass In A Flood**  
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**Properly Releasing A Fish**  
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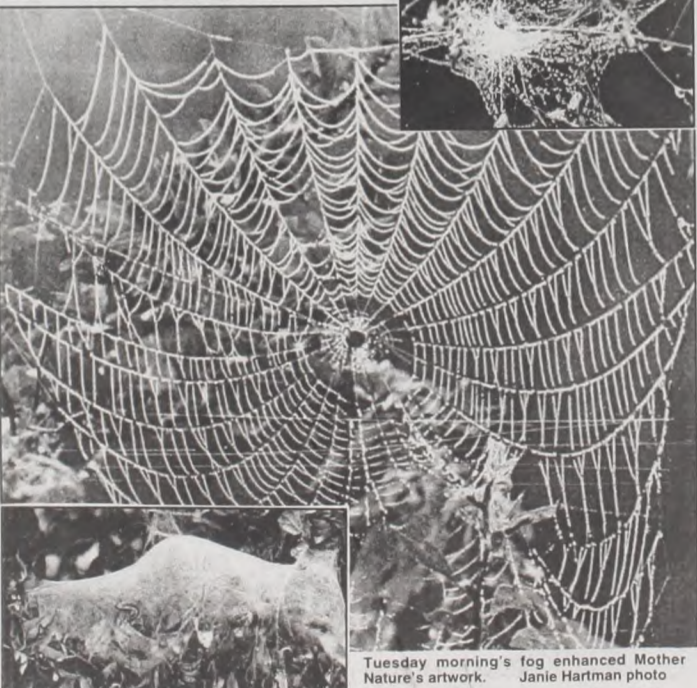
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# Farm & Ranch

## County Agent's Report

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### USDA releases 2002 census

Half of America's farms and ranches have Internet access and nearly 39 percent report using a computer for their farm business, according to new data released from the 2002 Census of Agriculture.

"These data illustrate the importance of the eGovernment initiatives being implemented by USDA," said Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman. "We are making more information available to farmers and ranchers through the Internet and helping to provide broadband access to rural communities."

Conducted every five years by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), the census of agriculture attempts to reach every agricultural operator in America through a mail survey. Follow-ups by telephone or personal interview are conducted for those who do not respond by mail.

Data represent all agricultural operations, defined as any place that sold or normally would have sold more than \$1,000 worth of agricultural products during the census year.

Highlights of the census include:

- The average U.S. farm in 2002 covered 441 acres and earned \$19,032 in net cash income. Average total value of sales and government payments was \$97,320.
- The average age of principal farm or ranch operators was 55.3 years old compared to 54 years old in 1997. But, for the first time, NASS collected information about more than one operator on the same farm. Results showed an average age of second operators at 49.4 years old and third operators at 41.9 years old.
- Women were the principal operators of 237,819 farms in 2002, compared to 209,784 in 1997, an increase of 13 percent. However, the percentage of women who were the principal operators of beef cattle ranches or farms fell 16 percent, from 67,937 in 1997 to 56,757 in 2002.
- Principal farm operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin increased 51 percent, from 33,450 in 1997 to 50,592 in 2002. For beef cattle ranches and farms, the numbers increased 30 percent, from 13,672 in 1997 to 17,756 in 2002.
- The top five states in value of agricultural products sold are California (\$25.7 billion), Texas (\$14.1 billion), Iowa (\$12.3 billion), Nebraska (\$9.7 billion) and Kansas (\$8.7 billion).
- Ninety percent of farms are operated by an individual or family. The number of corporate farms declined by 18.4 percent from 1997 to 2002, which reverses a trend that has continued without interruption since 1974.

Direct sales to consumers increased 37 percent from 1997, totaling \$812.2 million in 2002.

- The value of organically produced commodities reached \$392.8 million in 2002.
- The estimated market value of land and buildings on the nation's farms rose 24 percent from 1997 to 2002. The average value per farm increased by over \$100,000 during the five-year period, reaching an average of \$537,833 in 2002. The average value of land and buildings per acre is up more than \$200 during same time period to \$1,213 per acre in 2002.

The census of agriculture provides the only source of detailed agricultural facts for every county in America. For example:

- Fresno County, California held its place as the top county in value of agricultural products sold, reaching \$2.8 billion in 2002.
- Mills County, Texas, was the number one county in inventory of meat and other goods with a total of 43.4 thousand.

Thousands of aggregated facts and figures can be accessed online from the NASS website at [www.usda.gov/nass/](http://www.usda.gov/nass/) by clicking on "Census of Agriculture."

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Greenbugs reached treatment levels during the season, and an insecticide was applied. All of the varieties looked good throughout the year. The TX639 emerged later and had problems with lodging at harvest.

- 1 - Doyce and TX639 were hull-less varieties.
- 2 - Thoroughbred seed was very limited this year, therefore we were provided with less seed and were forced to plant a smaller plot. Thoroughbred was planted in a plot only 15 feet wide, instead of 30 feet wide.
- 3 - Rain began to fall as the plot was being harvested causing complications while harvesting the last variety, Starling. Because of this we were only able to harvest 72 feet of the length of the plot.

other questions, contact Bruce Brooks at (580) 695-2036 or Wayne Becker at (940) 668-5412. Either person would be willing to discuss details with you. A complete copy of the rules can be obtained at the Cooke County Texas Cooperative Extension Office or at many of the local agricultural stores.

2003-04 BARLEY VARIETY DEMONSTRATION  
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION:  
Table 1. 2003 Barley Variety Demonstration, Planted October 23, 2003; Harvested May 28, 2004; Rudy Zimmerman, Lindsay, Cooke County.

Variety	Harvested Weight	Lbs/Acre	Yield Bu/Acre	Test Weight	% Moisture
Doyce <sup>1</sup>	998	3560.47	60.34	59.0	13.0
TX639 <sup>1</sup>	760	2711.38	47.74	56.8	12.5
Price	1242	4430.97	93.48	47.4	12.1
Thoroughbred <sup>2</sup>	790	4133.96	90.26	45.8	12.0
Nomini	1106	3945.77	86.34	45.7	12.1
Starling <sup>3</sup>	126	3461.53	80.31	43.1	12.3

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### Cow-calf market looks strong for next two years

Cow-calf producers will remain in a very strong position over at least the next couple of years, say analysts with USDA's Economic Research Service.

Cattle prices are expected to average near record levels in 2004 and 2005. However, both stocker operators and cattle feeders will be faced with very tight to negative margins due to strong demand for very tight and declining feeder cattle supplies.

The smallest calf crop since 1951 and strong demand for feeder cattle continue to pull down feeder cattle supplies outside feedlots. Feedlot placements for this year are expected to remain well below the large 2003 placement levels, with continued declines in 2005.

Slaughter weights are also low, primarily because strong demand and near-record prices are pulling cattle marketings forward.

"The market remains in a quandary," said ERS economists. "Very strong cattle prices are enticing feeders to market cattle early; at the same time, the Choice/Select price spread continues to widen as the demand for higher-quality, consistent eating beef remains very strong."

Beef production was seven percent below a year earlier in the first quarter of 2004, and analysts expect it to average down about five percent in the second and third quarters.

Not only are fed marketings declining, but cow slaughter has dropped sharply from a year earlier.

"The proportion of the cow herd slaughtered is expected to drop to near historic lows as the demand for beef and dairy cows continues to be driven by record prices," the economists said.

Retail prices for Choice beef averaged \$3.99 a pound in the first quarter of 2004, down from the fourth quarter 2003 record of \$4.17, but up nearly 15 percent from a year earlier.

For the year, retail prices for Choice beef are expected to average near \$4 a pound and slightly higher in 2005.

Meanwhile, per capita beef consumption is expected to rise nearly 2 percent this year from the low levels of 2003. The analysts say this is largely due to export bans on U.S. beef.

However, even though the export bans are expected to continue in 2005, exports to North American Free Trade Agreement countries are expected to rise from the low first-quarter 2004 level through the summer quarter and then level out until trade restrictions are resolved.

Larger beef exports in 2005, reduced cattle on feed inventories, and lower cow slaughter are expected to pull per capita beef supplies down two to three pounds from this year's near 67-pound average.

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### Gas prices on the rise

Prices for reformulated gasoline (RFG) have not risen as fast as conventional gasoline, says a new report from Innovation & Information Consultants, Inc. Currently 33 to 34 percent of U.S. gasoline consumption is classified as reformulated (blended with ethanol or MTBE). This figure includes all of California and Connecticut consumption and about 57 percent of New York State's gasoline use. Ethanol production in the United States has almost tripled since 1997 and continues to rise. Based on the January 2004 production level, 41 percent of national motor gasoline consumption could be blended with ethanol at 5.8 percent by volume,

which meets RFG oxygenate requirements. The report said that crude oil costs were a factor in driving gasoline prices to historically high levels, but that more than half of the increase stems from the failure of the U.S. supply system to cope with higher consumer demand.

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### Beef demand climbs 5% in 03

Consumer demand for beef continued an upward climb in 2003 with a 5% increase compared to 2002. Consumer demand since 1998 has risen 15.4% following 20 years of decline. Experts attribute the increase to the popularity of low carbohydrate diets as well as more complete consumer understanding of beef's nutrition and introduction of innovative new products. The beef checkoff program has disseminated beef nutrition information and has funded development of new beef products through its R&D Ranch initiative.

### Beef industry works with kids

More than 7,000 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and almost 400 teachers received information on beef's healthful benefits at a series of 11 Ag Fairs conducted in May throughout Texas. The Texas Beef Council regularly participates in these Ag Fairs to provide teachers with education materials for use in the classroom as well as to reach students directly with information on the beef industry.

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Light Weight Steers - \$1.00 to \$2.00 LOWER. Light Weight Heifers - \$1.00 to \$3.00 HIGHER. Feeder Steers & Heifers - \$2.00 to \$4.00 HIGHER. Packer Cows & Bulls - \$1.00 to \$2.00 HIGHER. Pairs & Bred Cows - STEADY. Sold at Friday's sale were 983 compared to 1,195 head of cattle the previous week.

**Feeder Steers (per lb.)** 1.34; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.20; Culler, 35-55.  
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 1.15; Stocker Cows (per head)  
1.25-1.62; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.38; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.15; Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-  
1.25; 300-400 lbs., No. 1, 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 1.10-1.10; Large Frame:  
1.18-1.41; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.23; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-110; Medium  
1.18; 400-500 lbs., No. 1, 500-600 lbs., No. 1, 1.07-1.07;  
1.13-1.26; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-116; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-107; Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves  
1.13; 500-600 lbs., No. 1, 600-700 lbs., No. 1, 1.02-1.12; under 250 lbs. - Large  
1.10-1.24; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-112; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-102; Frame, \$1000-\$1150;  
1.10; 600-700 lbs., No. 1, 700-800 lbs., No. 1, 95-110; Medium Frame: \$850-  
1.10-1.25; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-108; Nos. 2 & 3, 70-95; \$1000.  
1.10; 700-800 lbs., No. 1, Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)  
1.02-1.16; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-102; Slaughter, Bulls, Yield  
1.02; Grade 1-2, 1.20-2.05; \$225  
lbs., 60-7650; Slaughter  
200-300 lbs., No. 1, 1.20-1.20; Cows, #1-3, 55-63. (940) 665-4367

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940-759-2201  
CATTLE AUCTION MEDIA REPORT

Sale Date: June 24, 2004  
Market very active on all classes of cattle. For further info call 759-2201.

**STEERS**  
300-400 lb. \$135 to \$145;  
400-500 lb. \$128 to \$135;  
500-600 lb. \$119 to \$128;  
600-700 lb. \$112 to \$119;  
700-800 lb. \$107 to \$112.

**HEIFERS**  
300-400 lb. \$123 to \$133;  
400-500 lb. \$117 to \$123;  
500-600 lb. \$108 to \$117;  
600-700 lb. \$101 to \$108;  
700-800 lb. \$92 to \$101.

**PACKER COWS**  
Utility Boning: \$55 to \$61;  
Canner/Culler: \$53 to \$58;  
Bulls, \$71 to \$77.50.

**BRED COWS**  
Choice: \$875 to \$950;  
Medium-Good: \$775 to \$875;  
Medium-Poor: \$675 to \$750.

**COW-CALF PAIRS**  
Choice: \$1075-\$1510;  
Medium-Good: \$925 to \$1075;  
Medium-Poor: \$825 to \$900.



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**Coca Cola** \$3.29  
12 OZ. 12 PACK



**Wheat Bread**  
79¢



**Jeno's Pizza** 69¢  
7.2-8.1 OZ. PKG. ...



**Crisco Oil** 2\$4  
48 OZ. BTL. .... for



**Kellogg's Cereal** 3\$5  
MIX OR MATCH .... for



**Hills Bros Coffee** \$3.99  
34.5-39 OZ. CAN ...



**Sun Detergent** 3\$5  
MIX OR MATCH .... for

## GROCERY SPECIAL

- MUSIC MOUNTAIN 1/2 LITER BTLs. \$1.00  
**Spring Water** ..... 6 PACK
- MUSIC MOUNTAIN 1/2 LITER BTLs. \$3.99  
**Spring Water** ..... 24 PACK
- REGULAR \$2.49 SIZE-10 OZ. \$2.49  
**Fritos® or Cheetos®** ..... 2 FOR
- FRITO-LAY®  
**Canned Dips** ..... 9 OZ. 2 FOR
- GRANULATED PURE CANE \$1.59  
**Imperial Sugar** ..... 4 LB.
- REGULAR OR DECAFFEINATED \$2.99  
**Nestea Instant Tea** ..... 3 OZ.
- PETER PAN CRUNCHY OR CREAMY \$2.99  
**Peanut Butter** ..... 28 OZ.
- WELCH'S 32 OZ. ORIG. OR 22 OZ. SQZ. \$1.39  
**Grape Jelly** ..... EACH
- NESTEA LEMONADE OR LEMON SUGAR \$3.99  
**Iced Tea Mix** ..... 45.1 OZ.
- SHURFINE  
**Sloppy Joe Sauce** ..... 15.5 OZ. 79¢
- SHURFINE WHOLE OR DICED \$1.00  
**Green Chiles** ..... 4 OZ. 2 FOR
- LONE STAR ASSORTED \$3.99  
**Sweet Rolls** ..... 12 CT.
- SHURFINE PREMIUM WHITE 99¢  
**Bathroom Tissue** ..... 4 ROLL
- COMET \$3.00  
**Long Grain Rice** ..... 42 OZ. 2 FOR

- MRS. CULBERSON ASSORTED \$1.98  
**Dressing Mix** ..... 12 OZ.
- CARBORITE SUGAR FREE ASS'T'D. 79¢  
**Chocolate Bars**
- LIPTON FAMILY SIZE \$1.29  
**Tea Bags** ..... 24 CT.
- KEEBLER 16-18 OZ. \$2.19  
**Chip Deluxe or Rainbow Chips**
- REYNOLDS \$1.49  
**Heavy Duty Foil** ..... 37.5 OZ.
- CLOROX \$1.99  
**Bleach Pen** ..... 2 OZ.
- HERSHEY ASSORTED \$1.00  
**Candy Bars** ..... 3 FOR
- Bounty Towels** ..... 89¢
- ZIPLOCK \$1.89  
**Freezer Bags** ..... 20 CT.



- SHURFINE \$1.00  
**Jello** ..... 3 OZ. 3 FOR
- SHURFINE ASSORTED \$3.00  
**Cooking Spray** ..... 6 OZ. 3 FOR
- SHURFINE \$1.29  
**Sugar** ..... 4 LB.
- SHURFINE \$1.79  
**Flour** ..... 5 LB.

## QUALITY FRESH MEATS

PILGRIM'S PRIDE JUMBO PACK  
**Drumsticks or Thighs**



69¢ LB.



**Fischer's Regular Hot Links**  
\$2.29 LB.



1/2 BEEF & 12 PORK  
**Sausage**  
\$2.69 LB.

HEAVY BEEF BONELESS \$6.49  
**Rib-I Steak** LB.

- MARKET SLICED COLBY OR LONGHORN \$2.39  
**Cheddar Cheese** ..... LB.
- FRESH \$1.89  
**Ground Round** ..... LB.
- TENDERIZED BEEF \$2.99  
**Cube Steak** ..... LB.
- CORN KING \$1.59  
**Sliced Bacon** ..... 12 OZ.
- SWIFT MARKET SLICED \$3.29  
**Beef Pastrami** ..... LB. NEW ITEM
- SMALL PACK PREFERRED TRIM BNLS. \$1.99  
**Sirloin Cut Pork Chops** ..... LB.
- BONELESS \$2.99  
**Pork Tenderloin** ..... LB.
- FARM RAISED RAW \$1.29  
**Catfish Nuggets** ..... LB.



**Natural Light** \$5.99  
12 OZ.-12 PK.



**Miller High Life or Miller High Life Lite** \$8.99  
18 PK. CANS



**Milwaukee's Best or Milwaukee's Best Light** \$9.99  
24 PK.-12 OZ.

## GARDEN FRESH PRODUCE

- WHITE OR RED \$99¢  
**Seedless Grapes** LB.
- LARGE SNO-WHITE \$3.00  
**Cauliflower** 2 FOR
- SPICY PEPPERS \$69¢  
**Jalapeños** LB.
- JUMBO ITALIAN SWEET \$79¢  
**Red Onions** LB.
- WHITE FLESH \$79¢  
**Peaches** LB.
- LARGE GREEN \$1.00  
**Bell Peppers** 4 FOR
- FRESH \$79¢  
**Sweet Potatoes** LB.
- FRESH MELONS \$49¢  
**Honeydew** LB.
- EXTRA FANCY BAGGED \$1.99  
**Red Apples** 3 LB.
- DOLE ORIG. OR FAT FREE COMPLETE \$2.49  
**Caesar Salad** 10 OZ.
- BREAKFAST SIZE \$1.00  
**Grapefruit** 3 FOR

- SHURFINE GRADE A \$99¢  
**Large Eggs** DOZ.
- 18 OZ. \$1.39  
**Blackburn Grape, Red Plum or Apple Jelly**
- 18 OZ. \$1.39  
**Blackburn Apricot, Peach, Strawberry Preserves**

## HEALTH & BEAUTY

- ASSORTED SHAMPOO OR \$89¢  
**CONDITIONER Alberto VO5** 15 OZ. BTL.
- WESTERN FAMILY ASSORTED \$2.49  
**Antacid Tablets** ..... 72-150 CT.
- SELECT GROUP \$89¢  
**Aim Toothpaste** ..... 6-6.4 OZ.

## FROZEN & DAIRY

- ASSORTED \$3.99  
**Birds Eye Voila!** ..... 21-22 OZ.
- INLAND VALLEY SELECT GROUP \$1.79  
**Potatoes** ..... 24-32 OZ.
- STILWELL \$1.79  
**Breaded Okra** ..... 24 OZ.
- PLAINS CHOCOLATE OR \$2.99  
**STRAWBERRY Snack Attack Milk** 6 PACK 8 OZ. BTLs.
- PLAINS ASSORTED \$1.99  
**Cottage Cheese** ..... 24 OZ.
- DOLE SELECT GROUP JUICE OR \$1.99  
**Juice Blends** ..... 64 OZ.
- BUTTERMILK OR HOMESTYLE \$1.00  
**Shurfine Biscuits** ..... 10 CT. 3 FOR

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