

## Muenster to spray Mosquitos

By Scott Wood  
Rains in June and July have led to an unusually large mosquito hatch and left the City of Muenster with tough choices to make. While the pros and cons of fogging are debated, it seems that the voice of the people, through 344 signatures, speaks loudest. The Muenster City Council voted three to one to spray for the flying pests with Council members Gary Fisher, Jack Flusche and Jewel Otto voting for the motion to spray and Joey Anderson voting against.

The Council heard comments from local citizens both for and against fogging prior to voting on the measure.

Dwayne Rohmer addressed the Council first by stating his opposition to spraying for mosquitos.

"...over a period of 20 to 30 years, it (chemicals) interferes with the hormones and the autonomic nervous system and now there is further evidence that it is causing cancer," stated Rohmer. "I am against spraying at any cost. Dr. Reas and all those other doctors have pretty much spelled it out in that letter (July 2, 2004 Muenster Enterprise) how important it is not to spray... You just don't do it. The cost to human health far exceeds that of killing those mosquitos."

Rohmer cited the use of larvicides and traps, as well as other mosquito eradication methods, as safer ways to control mosquito populations without having the adverse effects on human populations.

While Rohmer spoke passionately about personal

experiences, most in the audience expressed support for spraying.

"I have a petition here and so far we have collected 344 signatures to start spraying immediately," said Bobby Dale Walterscheid. "We're tired of it... Everybody that signed this wants the mosquitos sprayed. We can get more signatures if we have to but we just started. You can't go outside

anytime of day without getting bit by the mosquitos," continued Walterscheid.

Support for spraying was widespread in the audience. Numerous individuals spoke about the negative impact on quality of life and the need to get rid of the nuisance currently faced in the City.

Radio reports indicating that Gainesville, Dallas and Fort Worth were currently spraying were cited as

evidence that Muenster should spray as well.

Research conducted after the Council meeting revealed that the radio reports were not entirely accurate. While Gainesville is spraying, Dallas and Fort Worth are not.

Gainesville Environmental Health Officer Doug Patrick indicated that Gainesville is currently "doing some spraying" as well as using larvicides.

While Patrick only began work for Gainesville this week, he was able to provide some clarification as to the current situation in the county seat.

"Thursday will be the last sweep through the city (for spraying) and we will wait to see the impact before acting again," said Patrick. Larvicide will continue to be used.

Patrick indicated that spraying alone will never be the answer.

"Spraying is often 10-15% effective, but larvicides break the lifecycle," he said.

While Gainesville is spraying, Dallas and Fort Worth have opted not to so far.

Jason Lamers with the City of Fort Worth stated that although the city still has the chemicals and could use them in the future, the spraying program has been discontinued since 1991.

Lamers cited the lack of effectiveness as the primary reason for not spraying but also indicated that evidence of potential health concerns, especially for those with breathing problems, does exist.

"Everybody's situation is different," said Lamers. "It has just been better for us  
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### MOSQUITO SWATTER: ELIMINATE STANDING WATER

#### Homeowner's mosquito control checklist:

- Change water at least twice a week in birdbaths, flower vases and pet watering bowls.
- Empty and store under cover plastic wading pools and toys that catch water.
- Throw away or store under cover cans, jars, containers, buckets, pails and watering cans.
- Replace plant saucers with 'pot feet' or fill saucers with pea gravel.
- Empty and throw away old tires. Store new tires under cover.
- Report standing water in catch basins at road corners, storm drains and bar ditches to the city.
- Keep lids closed on garbage containers.
- Pick up litter, such as aluminum cans, that can collect water.
- Clean or replace clogged roof gutters and downspouts.
- Cut the backside of corrugated plastic pipe attached to downspouts to allow water to drain completely.
- Level flat roofs or treat standing water with larvicide.
- Clean out and drain air conditioning drain lines.
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets and sprinkler systems.
- Level low spots in your yard and tire ruts with sand or dirt.
- Improve flowerbed drainage by digging trenches to allow water to flow and absorb into the ground.
- For ornamental ponds, add mosquito-eating minnows for mosquito larva control or aerate with a pump.
- Make sure sprinkler systems are set correctly to prevent over-watering of your yard.
- Fill tree stumps and holes with sand and or mortar.
- Clean out and cover utility meter vaults.
- Turn upsidedown or store under cover your wheelbarrows, yard/utility carts and wagons.
- Empty boat covers and vehicle tarps frequently.



Muenster City Councilman Gary Fisher pets Kalie, the newest member of the Muenster Police Department. The Belgian Malinois drug dog is not officially on duty, but is expected to begin making the rounds sometime in the next couple weeks.

Scott Wood Photo

## City annexes lake property

By Scott Wood  
The Muenster City Council met in regular session Monday to discuss the annexation of lake property, mosquito fogging, various requests from the public, as well as the normal monthly reports.

"All right. Muenster is twice as big as it was yesterday," jokingly noted Mayor Henry Weinzapfel, after the unanimous approval of the annexation of 706 acres owned by the Muenster Water Board.

The decision to annex was based on the need to have jurisdiction over the lake property for providing services to the area. The area is currently not inhabited. Weinzapfel also updated the Council on the lake project as it currently stands.

"As of right now, the lake is on hold again," said the Mayor.

The Muenster Water Board did not accept any of the recent bids for finishing the project. It appears that due to the extended time that federal money was held up, the prices for some of the raw materials required increased substantially.

Weinzapfel indicated that the Board is looking into breaking the large bid into

smaller units to try and bring the overall cost down to a level the Board can accept.

The spraying of mosquitos was approved by a three to one vote with Joey Anderson casting the lone vote against the majority. (See related story, Page 1)

The Council dealt with requests from local groups during the meeting.

A group of adults had requested the use of the swimming pool from 6-8 a.m. for water aerobics and lap swimming. It was noted that lifeguards had to be present and normal expenses would be incurred as well.

The Council voted unanimously to support the Park Board's decision to keep the fees in place at \$35 per hour.

Approval for the sale of alcohol in the Muenster City Park was given to the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department in conjunction with the Fireman's Banquet scheduled for August 14.

In other business, the council will be setting up a committee to review the request by the Fire Department to increase the monthly payments given to retired fire fighters with 20 years of service. At present,  
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## Citizens criticize County Budget practices

By Janet Felderhoff  
During the Public Comments segment of the June 28 regular Commissioners Court agenda, several citizens addressed the Court, mostly concerning Budget. Commissioners were to begin Departmental Budget hearings after the meeting and complete them the following day.

Ken Arterbury observed that pay raises for County employees were not factored into the proposed budget. He felt that since there was a surplus of funds from the 2003-04 budget, these should be used to give raises. He also said that there was \$9 million in cash and investments in the bank as of 3-31-04. He asked for an explanation of the need of a tax increase under these circumstances.

In a telephone interview after the meeting, Judge Freeman said he didn't know where Arterbury got the idea of no pay increase for employees because there is no budget written yet. Departmental hearings have just begun. They are just beginning the 2004-2005 Budget planning process. Departmental hearings began after lunch Monday, June 28. That is when the head of each department in the County puts in requests for money to spend during the next fiscal budget year. They try to anticipate anything new that might be needed such as

equipment, additional employees, or more money for supplies due to rising costs. Budgets are not set until September when a public hearing is held before any final vote is taken.

Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess related in a telephone interview that pay raises aren't decided until the Commissioners Court gets further into the budget process. The top portion of proposed budgets compiled by each department head includes a place to fill out for proposed raises, but this is usually not done. Hess said it requires filling out several different things. This wouldn't be correct anyway. It is a job done by the county auditor if raises are approved.

Some of the excess money that Arterbury referenced came from FM & Lateral Funds. Commissioner Hess explained that money from the FM & Lateral Fund comes from a law that was enacted in the '50s. It is to be used for buying the right-of-way for farm to market roads, to fence it, to move utilities such as electric and telephone lines, and gas or other pipelines. The fund is equally divided among the four county precincts.

"This (fund) can drop pretty quick," Hess noted. If the money isn't available from the FM & Lateral Fund and a farm to market road is going in, taxes would have to be raised that year to pay for it,

he said. That could even put the County into a rollback situation. Hess said that FM & Lateral Fund money could be used on county roads, if needed.

Commissioner Hess also pointed out that they were trying hard not to raise taxes above the approximate four cents that is required to fund building a new jail. "We haven't raised taxes yet," he said of Arterbury's statement.

Arterbury also accused them of "suckering" the citizens into a four percent tax

increase for a new jail saying that was double dipping and robbing. He concluded with, "May God put a terrible burden on your heart and soul. I hope it burns."

Bob Henderson of Callisburg said he'd reviewed the Budget versus actual expenditures from 1999 to the present for all four precincts and the results show that in most instances approved budget items were not spent. Additional taxes were requested and approved  
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## Keep Muenster Beautiful named "Gold Star Affiliate" of Keep Texas Beautiful

Keep Texas Beautiful (KTB), a statewide grassroots environmental organization, named Keep Muenster Beautiful as a Gold Star Affiliate at their annual meeting held in Austin on June 18. Muenster is one of more than 330 towns, cities, and counties in KTB's statewide network who take responsibility to care for their community environments. Only 51 of these affiliates obtained the highest status for 2004.

Keep Muenster Beautiful implements programs to prevent litter, minimize solid waste, beautify and improve community areas, and educate citizens. Annually, to

achieve a level of good standing, KTB Affiliates submit a report, pay a fee, attend at least one training session, and participate in at least one KTB endorsed activity. In 2004, KTB introduced the opportunity for their affiliates to earn Gold Star recognition by meeting additional criteria. To achieve this exemplary status, affiliates were required to share information on their mission and goals, answer questions about their public education programs, and provide a letter of support from their community.

Since MaryLee Alford and a group of caring citizens founded it in 1998, Keep

Muenster Beautiful has won the first place Governor's Community Achievement Award every year eligible. The Main Street renovation and beautification project completed in 2002 and the current Main Street construction projects are funded by the prizes won by Keep Muenster Beautiful through volunteers who participate in Keep Muenster Beautiful activities. Beautification projects include new antique style street lamps, planters, trees, and sidewalks allowing access to those with disabilities. Such beautification facilities attract business and tourism and helps with the local economy. In addition to winning the Governor's Community Achievement Awards, Muenster has won the Award of Excellence every year and received its fourth Sustained

Excellence award, which is given to communities that win the Excellence Award for three consecutive years.

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 HREF="http://www.ktb.org"

## MISD holds public meeting on tax rate

By Janie Hartman  
The Muenster ISD Board had a called meeting and public hearing on June 30. All Board members, administrators, and two guests were present.

At the public hearing, Superintendent Clyde Steelman presented information on the proposed budgets and tax rates and invited those present to ask questions.

The Board made the following approvals: the 2004

2005 Maintenance and Operations Budget (M&O), Interest and Sinking Budget (I&S), Capital Projects budget; and the budget for other state and federal funds.

Mr. Steelman reviewed the proposed M&O tax rate, using an estimated taxable value of \$124,000,000 and an average daily attendance (ADA) of 504. Using these estimates, the District would maximize the state Tier 2 funding at \$1.45. Dropping the

estimated rate to \$1.40 would decrease state revenue an estimated \$91,998 over a two year period.

Mr. Steelman stressed that the numbers used are estimates. The taxable value will be certified in July and an accurate student count will be made the first day of school. The tax rate will not be set until late August or early September.

Mr. Steelman reviewed the proposed I&S tax rate of

\$0.1850, based on the estimated taxable value and ADA.

After the public hearing and executive session, the Board announced the hiring of Randy Zamow as a teacher/coach, and Melissa Zamow as an assistant band director and elementary music teacher.

Mr. Steelman also presented a bond update and announced the district is still within the budget.

## Mystery Match deadline looms near on Monday

The deadline is fast approaching for turning in the Muenster Mystery Match Contest entries that first appeared in last week's edition of the Muenster Enterprise.

The response from readers and merchants alike has been excellent. Comments have been heard all across town regarding the suspected location of many of the photos. It has certainly been fun.

For all of you playing, don't forget to turn your guesses in by 5 p.m. on Monday.



# From My Side of the Fence

by Ed Cler

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Well, here it is the 6th of July. The weekend has been sort of split up. We attended a party Saturday the 3rd, at Welly Vogel's place south of town. We were asked to attend, that it was a small affair, but when we arrived there was a huge crowd, visiting, getting acquainted with young men who we had known only as small boys who had come out with uncles, who helped get our hay into the barns.

Some of these boys are now grown up and have small kids of their own.

Well, the evening passed into darkness, and then the fireworks began. About two hours of continuous fireworks, some of it rather spectacular, and all of it beautiful.

Later people began to find their ways to their cars and start for home.

Sunday the 4th, we were happy to see the Gerry Cash family arrive for a nice visit. Early Monday morning Gerry took his brother, and brother-in-law to visit their mother, well know here at Muenster as Loretha Cash. Mrs. Cash (Bringle) is terminally ill in a Garland hospital.

Gerry, Captain Cash, is chief pilot of one of Coca Cola's corporate jets, and had to be in Addison at 7:00 Tuesday morning to make the flight back to Atlanta, Georgia. Coca Cola VIPs are very thoughtful. They knew Chris and Gerry's families both lived in this area, and since they had plenty room, they saw no reason why the wife and kids could not come along.

This has happened several times, and the visits are not so long, but we are happy to see them and we appreciate the Coca Cola people's thoughtfulness.

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the payments are \$25 monthly.

Police Chief Bob Stovall updated the Council on the department's activities for the second quarter.

Stovall noted that some counterfeit money has been passed in Muenster. The bills found so far are \$1, \$5, \$20 and \$100.

He also reported on a

decline in vehicle accidents in the City with only two worked this year and a seasonal increase in family disturbances.

The Department has continued it's emergency planning through the Cooke County Emergency Management meetings held recently.

Monthly bills were paid totaling \$73,875.37.

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not to spray."

Lamers indicated that Fort Worth currently tests for West Nile twice per week and has found no sign of the virus this year. The city also remains on the watch for other mosquito-borne illnesses.

While the tests have not revealed evidence of West Nile Virus, Lamers said mosquito populations are certainly higher than normal at the current time.

After receiving the public comments and the petition, Mayor Henry Weinzapfel turned to the Council for direction.

"I probably spend more time outdoors than anybody on the Council..." said Fisher. "They (mosquitoes) are a nuisance and they affect the quality of life."

Fisher indicated that he did not believe the public at large would take the time or go through the expense to clean up breeding areas on private property.

"I have been to quite a number of them (households) and I know there is a problem..." said Fisher. "How do you get people to dump their water out? They don't believe they're a problem."

I believe we knock the population down and do it soon so that we can at least have a little bit of quality of life."

With that said, Fisher made the motion to spray for mosquitoes.

During further discussions, Anderson disagreed with the majority of the Council.

"Well, I know that I am going to get out voted," said Anderson, "but I would rather have a proactive approach...If you don't do something about the source of it you're not going to change it. I am not sold that the spraying is that effective to control the population."

Although he had reservations about spraying, with the motion passed, Weinzapfel indicated that City personnel should attempt to spray as early as the end of this week.

"The people can go a long ways (towards fixing the problem). It is going to take a concentrated effort by the citizens of our community to dump out their bird baths...and everywhere that is a breeding place for mosquitoes," said Weinzapfel. "I agree with you (Dwayne Rohmer) and I'd rather not spray, but if that is what the Council has decided to do, then that is what we are going to do."

The general public can take numerous steps to control the hatch of new mosquitoes such as dumping water from open containers, cleaning bird baths regularly, or applying larvicides to standing water. Shoppers can purchase larvicide in Gainesville at The Home Depot under the trade name "Mosquito Dunks".

Also included with this article is a partial list of actions recommended by the City of Dallas to help disrupt mosquito breeding grounds.

Dear Editor,

The Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary would like to personally invite everyone to come to the August 3, 7 p.m. meeting. Why would I want to come to a meeting, you ask. The MMH Auxiliary is a wonderful way to serve your community and hospital. We have helped with bicycle safety, health fair, and are part of the welcoming committee to the new doctors. We have put in a new flower garden in the front of the hospital and bought new pictures for the patients' rooms, just to name a few of the MMH Auxiliary projects. This volunteer opportunity is great for young and the young at heart. We would love to see people from Forestburg, Myra, Lindsay, Rosston, and Saint Jo. You do not have to be a member to come to the meetings! For more information please contact Darlene Williams at 759-4167, Danna Hess at 759-2880, or Janet Felderhoff at 759-4485.

Darlene Williams  
MMH Aux. Pres.  
1951 CR 415  
Muenster, TX 76252

Dear Editor,

Back in my younger years, it was always a treat to visit Community Lumber Co. with my dad. I knew my Uncle Roddy was there and being my youngest uncle - and the fact that I was his ring bearer in his wedding and he was my Confirmation sponsor - we were pretty good buds!

It was the man with the big voice that I didn't know too much about. I knew he was Jerome Pagel and he was my dad's boss. Dad worked a little off farm job painting houses, so we frequented the lumber yard quite often.

It was December of 1961 - I was 12 and we were making a run to the lumber yard. Dad was getting supplies for his job when I

## Hess to be on the History Channel July 12

Jerry Hess of Muenster will have a few of his "15 minutes of fame" on Monday, July 12. Hess will be on a segment of "Texas Big America" which will air on the History Channel from 7-9 p.m. (8-10 p.m. EST).

A crew was in Muenster in February filming the material that will be used on Hess. He is the owner of Jerry Hess Operating Company.

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# Letters to the Editor

noticed a brand new baseball glove lying on a shelf. Why a ball glove was in a lumber yard - we still have no idea. It was an "Airex" "Perfect Pocket" pro-model F-110 and the best glove I had ever seen. When Jerome noticed me eyeing it, he asked me what position a player would use that glove. Well, any player but the catcher could have used it, so I said right field. Jerome said, "It's yours", and I was the proud owner of the very best baseball glove in all of the grade school!!!

As I grew older I began to notice that the man with the "big voice" also had a kind voice, a great laugh, and a friendly handshake! He was a successful businessman and passed all these traits on to his children and grandchildren.

Jerome made one farm boy mighty happy back in '61 - How many lives has he touched since?

God bless you, Jerome! I've still got the glove - How do you think I knew the model and numbers??

God speed,  
Wayne Klement  
1141 CR 427  
Muenster, TX 76252

Dear Editor,

I would like you to consider the following letter written by my husband and print it in this week's paper. We subscribe to the Muenster Enterprise, however we always get the papers two weeks later, sometimes three weeks later. So we apologize that our response is now two weeks delayed. I suppose that is due because we live in California? Or on your processing end?

Thanks for your time,  
Donetta (Hess) Corbett

Editor, Muenster Enterprise:

I am a liberal who would like to respond to the publication of an anonymous letter from Durham, North Carolina. The letter claims that liberals think President Bush shouldn't have started the war in Iraq -- which is a

gross mischaracterization of what many of us really think. We believe that a war against Saddam Hussein would have been fully warranted if -- and only if -- UN weapons inspectors either had been able to prove conclusively that he had weapons of mass destruction or declared that they had been prevented from properly determining the facts. Even if Saddam Hussein had never attacked the United States, such an action would be justified simply to protect the peace in the volatile Middle East. We would have been able to bring together a broad, internationally legitimate coalition, which would have sent a stronger signal to Hussein that the game was up. If he still chose to avoid compliance with UN resolutions, we would have had greater international support in fighting the war and managing the occupation that followed. That would have been more effective in promoting Iraqi peace and democracy in the long run, saved you hard-earned tax money, and, most importantly, spared precious American lives on the ground in Iraq.

The anonymous writer went on to declare President Bush is only the latest in a long line of American presidents -- many of whom were Democrats -- who intervened in wars that did not at the time directly threaten the United States. That much is absolutely true. However, President Bush was the first one who rested his justification on a series of outright lies. Franklin Roosevelt did not have to lie about the Japanese menace -- we were directly attacked. Nazi Germany attacked war on us after having conquered much of Europe, Northern Africa, and Soviet Russia. Truman, Kennedy, Johnson, and the first President Bush all came to the aid of sovereign countries, which had been attacked by their neighbors. Bill Clinton's intervention in Bosnia was based upon clear evidence of ethnic cleansing and

genocide. Even the current President Bush justified the war with Afghanistan because the Taliban were harboring Osama bin Laden and the nucleus of the al Qaida terror organization. The case for the invasion of Iraq, in stark contrast, rested on assertions of Iraqi WMD and substantial cooperation between Hussein's regime and al Qaida. Both claims turned out to be wildly exaggerated if not completely false.

Overthrowing Saddam merely because he was a brutal dictator is an admirable gesture to be sure, but that was not the reason why we got involved, and it is rewriting history to claim otherwise after the fact.

The anonymous writer then noted that it took less time to overthrow Saddam than it took "Janet Reno to take the Branch Davidian compound." Never mind that the Republicans were the ones who at the time criticized Reno as trigger-happy; Iraq was ruled by a defeated, demoralized and bankrupt regime, partly because sanctions and international scrutiny had, as it turned out, successfully boxed in his government and army. That Iraq fell so fast is not all that surprising. Securing the country in Hussein's wake, however, is still far from complete. As for the search for WMD, we are told by our letter-writer to be patient, as it took longer for Hillary Clinton to "find the Rose Law Firm billing records." And what happened after they were found? We received, four years and \$50 million later, a 400-page report with only a handful of references to Whitewater and a whole lot of sex. Seems like a waste of time to me.

I could go on responding to many of the other absurd and mean-spirited charges made against liberals in this letter, but that, too, would be a waste of time.

Sincerely,  
John Corbett  
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Summerland, CA 93067

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<p>Sunday, July 11, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm</p>	<p>Monday, July 12, 2004 Swim Lessons Waek 2 VFW meeting, 8:00pm, Muenster ISD Board meeting, 7:30pm Grief Support Group meeting, 6pm, Home Hospice office</p>	<p>Tuesday, July 13, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support &amp; Guidance Seminar, 6-8pm, Home Hospice</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 14, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Eat Better Class, 3pm, Pecan Creek Village, Gainesville Chamber of Commerce Breakfast meeting, 7:30am, Rohmer's Restaurant Sacred Heart Alumni &amp; Friends meeting, 7:30pm, SH Community Center Neighborhood Cafe! 1:30 - 3:30pm, 800 E. California, Gainesville</p>	<p>Thursday, July 15, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm</p>	<p>Friday, July 16, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm</p>	<p>Saturday, July 17, 2004</p>
<p>Sunday, July 18, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Monday, July 19, 2004 VFW Auxiliary meeting, 7:30pm Free seminar help with prescriptions in long term care, 3-4:15pm Gainesville Convalescent Center</p>	<p>Tuesday, July 20, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support &amp; Guidance Seminar, 6-8pm, Home Hospice MMH Board meeting, 8pm</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 21, 2004 Eat Better Class, 3pm, Pecan Creek Village, Gainesville Cooke Co. Beef Cattle Improvement Assoc. mtg. 7pm Cooke County Fair Grounds</p>	<p>Thursday, July 22, 2004 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Muenster Museum Open, 1-4pm Kiwanis Family Swim Night, 7-9pm</p>	<p>Friday, July 23, 2004 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm</p>	<p>Saturday, July 24, 2004</p>

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# Obituaries

## Jerome Pagel 1919 - 2004

**By Elfrieda Fette**  
Mass of Christian Burial was held for Jerome Pagel on Tuesday, July 6, 2004 in Sacred Heart Church at 10 a.m., officiated by Father John Ohner OSA, pastor, and Father John Alphonso, chaplain of St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas, a close, long-time family friend.

Jerome Pagel died at age 85 on Saturday, July 3, 2004 of congestive heart failure. He was a life-long resident of Muenster and a prominent business leader, much respected, loved, and admired by many hundreds of friends areawide.

Jerome Pagel was born Sept. 1, 1919 in Muenster, the oldest son of Jacob Jr. and Caecilia Trachta Pagel. In his youth, he worked for C.D. Shamburger Lumber Company, and later became manager of the Muenster yard. Following W.W.II, he and Roman "Rody" J. Klement bought the old Whyte Lumber Company of Saint Jo. They operated in that location for approximately one year, then dismantled board by board and moved to Muenster. Together they struggled to make Community Lumber Company one of the most prominent and respected businesses in the north Texas area.

Rody and Jerome operated as partners in a number of business interests, some of which included the A-OK Motel, Muenster Mobile Homes, HP&K Oil Company, and their small ranch. Rody passed away in 1980, due to cancer, and Jerome remained active in his business interests until retirement in 2002.

Jerome was a very proactive hometown supporter. He served a number of years as a member of the Muenster Public School Board; was an officer in the Muenster Industrial Foundation; and served as an unofficial but highly respected goodwill

ambassador for Muenster wherever he went.

On Feb. 5, 1940, he married Gertrude Roberg. After nearly 60 years of marriage, Gertie died in January 2002.

Four years later, on Feb. 28, 2004 Jerome married a life-long friend and business partner, Marcelene Klement.

He is survived by his wife, Marcelene; his daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Charlie Ivers of Fort Worth, son and daughter-in-law Dick and Kay Pagel, son and daughter-in-law John and JoAnn Pagel, all of Muenster; stepchildren, Curtis and Cindee Klement of Houston, Kimberly and Mike Reilly of Chicago, Tracey Klement of Dallas, Cory and Brenda Klement of Valley View, Ryan and Blake Klement of Sherman; 10 grandchildren, six step-grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his first wife, Gertrude, his brother Maurice Pagel; his sister Marcella Janicki; and his beloved grandchild, Nicole Ivers.

A rosary service was held Monday at 4 p.m. in McCoy Funeral Chapel, with vigil at 7 p.m. at McCoy.

Participating in the liturgy of the Mass of Christian Burial with the two celebrants were altar servers Alvin Hartman, Sylvan Walterscheid, and Kelsie Pagel.

First and Second Readings from the Old and New Testaments, respectively, and the Prayers of the Faithful were given by three of Jerome's granddaughters Dianne Endres, Jean Yaeger, and Kristi Schneider. Offertory gifts were presented at the altar by three great-granddaughters Allison Pagel, Chloe Schneider, and Courtney Ramus.

Eucharistic Ministers were three granddaughters Kristi Schneider, Dianne Endres, Dolle Porter, and



Jerome Pagel

two family friends, Theresa Walterscheid and Carla Zwiggli.

Music ministers were Ruth Felderhoff, Christy Hesse, and Diane Grewing. Sacred songs included "On Eagles Wings", "How Great Thou Art", "Just A Closer Walk", "I Am the Bread of Life", and "Amazing Grace".

The Eulogy and Remarks of Remembrance were given by Mike Pagel which said, in part... "The saying that 'Big things come in little packages' may not always be true. In my Grandpa's place, it certainly was not... a man of large stature and presence. He was a friend, son, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, otherwise known as GG-Pop... He spoke honestly and plainly... we were blessed with his love, generosity, and compassion..."

"My dad described him as a 'dream catcher'. He captured our dreams in his heart and made them come true... being there for a friend or even a stranger in need."

In conclusion he stated "Grandpa will especially be remembered for his love for people. He accepted anyone into his home. He was the ultimate host. Over his lifetime there were many examples of his openness. There was the famous 'Tuesday night parties' which began small but grew to 35 members at one point in time. At that time he was appropriately nicknamed 'The Godfather', which I am sure he was very proud of. On his and Grandma's 50th wedding anniversary, a small gathering of friends and family was not even considered. Unsurprisingly, he placed an invitation in the *Muenster Enterprise* to invite the entire community to the celebration.

"Grandpa, you were the good servant. We were blessed to know you and are greater because of you. May your soul find rest in God."

Burial in Sacred Heart Cemetery was directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Pallbearers were Joe Pagel, Mike Pagel, Tim Schneider, Carl Ivers, Cory Klement, and Dwayne Pagel.

## Kasidy Williams 2002 - 2004



Kasidy Williams

Kasidy Elizabeth Williams, 1, of Newkirk, died Friday, July 2, 2004 at the South Central Kansas Regional Medical Center of Arkansas City. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 6 at the Rindt-Erdman Funeral Home of Arkansas City, Kansas. Burial followed in the Riverview Cemetery. Pastor Jackie Vogele officiated.

Kasidy was born Oct. 20, 2002 in Winfield to Paul Ranie and Kinzie Elizabeth Gerstberger Williams. She was being reared in Newkirk, Oklahoma.

Survivors include her parents of the home; a brother Gordon Kyler Williams of the home; paternal grandparents Guy and Gretchen Williams of Burden, Monica and Kenny Grace of Jenks, Oklahoma; maternal grandparents Jeff and Kim Gerstberger of Muenster; great-grandparents Alyce M. Williams of Arkansas City, Don and Wilma Neal of Arkansas City, Junior and Phyllis Gerstberger of Tularosa, New Mexico; great-great-grandparents Velma Neal of Arkansas City and Pauline Kee of Muenster.

Her great-grandfather Gordon Williams and James and Ida Larney preceded her in death.

A memorial has been established for Kasidy. Contributions may be sent to Rindt-Erdman Funeral Home, P. O. Box 756, Arkansas City, KS 67005.

## Service set for Bro. Henry Fuhrmann

Brother Henry Fuhrmann of Subiaco, Arkansas died on Tuesday, July 6, his birthday. He was 84 years old.

Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, July 9 at Subiaco Abbey.

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buy some new equipment." He said that a rubber tire loader is 25 years old and will need replaced as well as another loader that is estimated at a cost of \$165,000 to \$170,000. Hess said that would bring his fund balance pretty low. By saving for future needs, he doesn't have to ask for a tax increase to cover it in the year it's purchased.

Once the annual Budget has been approved, it can't, by law, be changed except in the case of an extreme emergency or by vote of the Commissioners Court, Henderson said. He added that when the Commissioners vote for any Budget change, the County Clerk must attach a copy of the official minutes approving the change to the original Budget. "This is not being done by this Commissioners Court," he claimed.

Henderson related an incident he said happened while he and three others were speaking to County Judge Bill Freeman on another matter. "The tax paying public needs to be aware of this Court bending the rules and the excessive cash in each commissioner's fund before our taxes are raised yet again," Henderson stated. "It bothers me that as a taxpayer, that we allow the County Judge and the County Commissioners to request budget funds for items not being spent."

Henderson again pointed a finger at Precinct #4 saying that a request was made in 2002-03 for \$43,000 for road oil and asphalt and only \$749.40 was spent. The following year \$50,000 was requested for the same items and through May 31, 2004, \$2,314.26 had been spent. Henderson said that for the upcoming budget Commissioner Hess was requesting \$50,000 for the same two line items. He asked, "Why?"

Hess responded that in 2002-03 it was dry that summer and Precinct #4 couldn't get enough water to pave any roads. He said that Precinct #4 employees also spent a lot of time helping Precinct #1 and #2 haul gravel. That put them behind in Precinct #4 work.

As far as not spending money for road oil and asphalt this year, Hess said that paving season is just now here and there are several months left in the 2003-04 budget year. "We plan to use it," Hess said. "The weather dictates what work we get to do."

Wayne Dodson of Whitesboro spoke on what he felt the Commissioners' performance was on their budgets versus actual expenses, revenue expenses, from 1999 through May 31, 2004. "Looking at this

review I cannot understand how you can sit in judgment of all the other departments in the County in regard to their budgets with this kind of performance." Dodson reproached. "All other departments must return their surplus each year, but not the commissioners." He asked that they set a new course for the County budget this year by following Chapter 111 of the Budget Code.

Dodson continued, "As commissioners, you should set an example for all the department heads... If you spent every penny in your budget and did not get another cent for the months of June, July, and August, the total, all four of you combined, you would have a total of \$838,986 at the end of September."

Referring to the Audit report given that morning by Schalk & Smith, P.C., Dodson said he didn't understand why the Court just got the report the week before when the audit several times. He said surplus funds are retained by each commissioner and put into his cash/cash-invested account. All their departments are required to return surplus monies to the general fund. As the budgets increase and they continue to receive more tax dollars than they spend they amass considerable cash, he claimed.

Henderson singled out Precinct #4 saying it had a total of \$976,835 and was the most glaring example. Hess noted that money from the Road & Bridge Fund is acquired from a \$10 fee added to the amount paid when buying vehicle license tags. This money is equally divided among the four precincts. It must be used for road and bridges and nothing else. It cannot be returned to the General Fund as suggested by Henderson, said Hess.

"We haven't raised taxes yet. We're going to try and see if we can get by without it. There's already about a four cent increase due to the Jail and we are going to keep on raising it more than that."

As far as having a surplus Hess remarked, "There is no rule on excess cash. In Grayson County some commissioners have over \$1 million in surplus. That sounds like a lot of money, but sometime in the next several years I'll have to report is dated April 23. He said that it wasn't finished in April or May and had just been completed. He said he understands budgets and had many questions he wanted to discuss.

Dodson then complained about the manner in which the County Auditor Gloria Parrish was recording certain items in the commissioners' budgets.

Judge Freeman's comments: "As far as reserves, Cooke County does have a reserve and as long as I am County Judge I am going to try to maintain that reserve. If the citizens of this County don't want a reserve, then they need to elect another county judge. I don't ever want this County to get in the situation where we are living hand-to-mouth."

Stephen Harlow questioned what he thought was approval at the previous meeting of a subdivision that allowed mobile homes that would decrease the value of property in Cooke County. Judge Freeman corrected him saying that it was not a subdivision for mobile homes. Commissioner Phil Young remarked that before a subdivision is approved the applicant must do their homework. He said they are legal and okay by the time they are approved.

"Cooke County has one of the strictest subdivision regulations in north Texas to control what goes on in this County to try to stop any sham developments coming in here and starting something that will actually decrease property values instead of increasing them. Most times when a developer comes in and subdivides a piece of property it increases your tax base. It does not take away from it."

Harlow concluded by asking them to be careful on their Budget.

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# Lifestyle

## Moragues, Bayer exchange vows in St. Mark's Catholic Church

Jennifer Moragues of Corinth and Kelly Bob Bayer of Denton wed in a double ring ceremony in a sacramental Mass celebrated at St. Mark Catholic Church in Denton on May 29, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. Officiating was Father Eugene Sweeney, O.S.A.

Parents of the couple are John and Dena Moragues of Corinth and Claude and Mary Bayer of Muenster. Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Elton Baker of Mallard, Iowa. Grandmother of the groom is Mrs. Juanita Knabe of Muenster.

The bride wore a sleeveless MoriLee creation. The waist and hem were encrusted with lace and beaded trim that wrapped around the edge of the chapel length train. The headpiece was a crystal tiara with an elbow-length white tulle veil edged with ribbon. She carried a hand tied bouquet of white and cream roses with pearl drop pin Stephanotis.

**ATTENDANTS**  
Matron of honor was Jeanine Oberholzer of Lewisville, sister of the bride. Serving as bridesmaids were Catherine Moragues - Harper of Corinth, sister of the bride; Erica Goeke of Friendswood, best friend of the bride since high school; Amy Anderle of Muenster, sister of the groom; and Vickie Bayer of Allen, sister

of the groom. The junior bridesmaids were Alyssa Moragues of Corinth, daughter of the bride; Karlie Anderle of Muenster, niece of the groom; and Kendi Bayer of Muenster, niece of the groom.

Bridesmaids wore a floor length black satin skirt with a small train. The attendants each selected the bodice of their choice in black satin. The junior bridesmaids wore an ankle length black and white dress with a white bow at the middle. Each wore a crystal-beaded necklace, a gift from the bride. They carried a spring bouquet of flowers that included purple hydrangeas, roses, ranunculus, acacia wax flowers, and solid ago, hand tied with white satin ribbon.

The best man was Bryan Alexander of Irving, friend of groom. Groomsman were Deano Bayer of Muenster, brother of the groom; John Anderle of Muenster, brother-in-law of the groom; Nick Moragues of Steubenville, brother of the bride; Lee Joffs of Irving, friend of the groom; and Bart Henscheid of Muenster, friend of the groom. Junior groomsman were Darian Peters of Corinth, son of the bride and Dillon Bayer of Muenster, nephew of the groom.

Ushers were Joseph Bedowitz of Henderson, Nevada, friend of the groom;

Tommy Greathouse of Austin, friend of the groom; Matt Moragues of Omaha, cousin of the bride; and Mark Moragues of Omaha, cousin of the bride. Knights in the color guard sword arch were John Marsh, Tom Mix, Ralph Cerny, Louis Rawley, Phil Carosone, and Dan Grieco of Council 12553 of Denton.

Ring bearer was Nolan

Bayer, nephew and godson of groom. Flower girls were MacKenzie Mason, daughter of the bride and Bailey Anderle, niece of the groom.

First Reading at Mass was given by Renae Lenhardt, aunt of the bride. James Moragues, uncle and Godfather of the bride, delivered the Second Reading, and Steven Low

led the Prayers of the Faithful. The bride and groom served with Eucharistic ministers with Jason and Kelly Wood, Kristy McKinney, Kevin Hinzman, all friends of the bride and groom, as well as Charles, and Carolyn Bayer, Leonard Bayer, and Ethel Bayer, aunts and uncles of the groom. Vonita Brown and James Moragues, Godparents of the bride, presented Offertory Gifts. Mass servers were Kyle Hinzman and Bret Metzler.

Church was elegantly decorated with chair drapes adorned with white tulle and black satin ribbons. Pews were covered in sheer satin and tied with black satin bows. The altar featured purple hydrangeas and ferns on pedestals. White banners with gold and black crosses hung behind the altar. All church decorations were hand made by the mother of the groom.

### RECEPTION

Texas Woman's University Hubbard Hall Ballroom was where the reception was held. The mood of the room was set with pink roses, green hydrangeas, and candle light. Ferns and lighted ficus trees provided a backdrop for the main table.

Nick Moragues, brother of the bride, gave the invocation at the reception.

Creating the focal point at the reception was the

bride's cake set in the middle of the room. The cake was a beautiful octagonal shape with four tiers. It had a flat white butter cream icing with beading along each edge. The couple's monogram was etched into the side of the third tier. The groom's cake was a gift of chocolate splendor. This package came complete with a chocolate bow and chocolate covered strawberries to top. It was displayed on a table that was child friendly with an inviting display of various candies to entice any age.

At the close of the reception the bride and groom made their getaway as a blanket of bubbles surrounded them and guests shouted their well wishes.

Kelly Bob is employed by St. Mark Catholic Church in Denton as the high school youth minister for Life Teen. Jennifer is a schoolteacher and owns her own Mary Kay business. The groom is a 2002 graduate of the University of Dallas. The bride graduated in 1994 from Texas State University and earned her teaching certificate from the University of North Texas in 2003.

Upon returning from their honeymoon trip to Colorado, the bride and groom joined the family at their new residence in Muenster.



Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Bob Bayer  
...nee Jennifer Moragues...  
with children, Darian, MacKenzie and Alyssa

## Freeman family hears exciting news

Jacob Freeman received an exciting telephone call, Tuesday, June 29, for a late, unconditional appointment from Captain Skinner, director of admissions at United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York. He is to report July 9 as a plebe candidate for the Class of 2008.

Jake received his appointment from U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall in 2003, but was unable to accept the nomination. After reapplying to the academy in 2004, the beginning roster had been filled. Due to unexpected circumstances, one of the places was vacant and Jake's file was considered. The UMSSA is one of the four academies, along with WestvPoint, Air Force, and the Naval Academy.

Jake is the son of Jamai Freeman of Moss Lake and the late Ken Freeman. His grandparents are J.E. and Barbara Pybas of Sivelles Bend and Kenneth and LaVerne Freeman of Lubbock. Jake is a 2003 graduate of Muenster ISD where he was president of the FFA and on the football team. He has attended NCTC for one year and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. He had been accepted to Texas Tech University for the fall semester, until the surprising appointment was offered, only a week ago. This is equivalent of an \$150,000 scholarship.

Jake's brother, Joshua Freeman, who also received his appointment to USMMA at Kings Point, with the

Class of 2006, is at home since his finals in mid-June. He will return on July 26 as a junior with an engineering major. After completion of one more trimester, Josh will be assigned his second tour of sea duty for eight months. His first tour with a cargo container ship, took him to Alaska, Japan, China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. Josh is on the Kings Point football team, which is scheduled to play, Sept. 4, at Muhlenberg University in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Josh began his appointment with the USMMA in July 2001 after graduation from Muenster ISD. He still considers Texas home, but will enter flight school upon graduation.

Bonnie Freeman, junior at MISD, is the sister of Jake and Josh.



Jacob Freeman

## In the Service

### Daniel Hellinger

Air Force Cadet Daniel J. Hellinger has graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The graduate received a Bachelor of Science degree and was commissioned as a second lieutenant.

The academy offers a four-year educational program of instruction and experience designed to provide cadets the knowledge and character essential for air and space leaders, and the motivation to serve as Air Force career officers. The curriculum provides a balanced program of military training, academics, physical training, athletic conditioning, and character and ethical development. The courses of study allow cadets to acquire a broad education in the basic and

engineering sciences, social sciences, the humanities, including additional elective courses needed to complete requirements for one of 25 major areas of study.

New lieutenants will go on to serve as pilots, navigators, engineers, maintenance officers, professionals in various management and technical fields, and some attend medical or graduate school with special scholarships, while others go directly to non-rated Air Force-wide assignments.

The officer is scheduled to attend undergraduate pilot training at Laughlin Air Force Base, Del Rio, Texas. Hellinger received a degree in aeronautical engineering.

He is the son of Roy and Cindy Hellinger of Lindsay. In the year 2000, he graduated from Lindsay High School.

## WIC Clinic celebrates the bounty of summer

Summer is here and what a delicious time of the year! Do you have a garden that is overflowing? Have you looked at the fresh produce in the supermarket and wondered how to prepare it for your family to enjoy?

The staff of Outreach Health Services Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) clinic in Gainesville will demonstrate ways to incorporate fruits and vegetables into your diet in a delicious way with their Neighborhood Café titled "Summer's Bounty." Neighborhood Café classes

are free and open to the public and demonstrate how to plan, select, and prepare delicious, healthy, and economical foods.

The Neighborhood Café will be held on Wednesday, July 14 at 800 E. California, Ste. 7 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Come experience how delicious healthy foods can taste!

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## Spc. Hacker will be Saint Jo Rodeo Parade Grand Marshall

The Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the Grand Marshall for the upcoming Rodeo Parade on Aug. 7. Following the theme "Let Freedom Ring", Spc. Gary Hacker, a member of the Texas Army National Guard who recently returned from Iraq, will serve as the parade Grand Marshall.

Spc. Hacker is from Saint Jo and graduated from Saint Jo High School in 1996. He joined the Texas Army National Guard while in high school and expected to be working for the State of Texas. However, during our Country's time of crises, his Guard unit was activated for duty in Iraq. He landed in Kuwait on April 4, 2003, and entered Iraq on April 26. He advanced to Baghdad in his

capacity of Gunner for a multi-launch rocket system. Following his assignment in Baghdad, he was stationed in various locations throughout Iraq during his 11 month tour of duty in the Middle East.

Spc. Hacker, his wife Michelle, and their two daughters Mandy and Makayla live in Muenster where he is currently employed by the City of Muenster. Saint Jo is pleased to welcome Gary, along with his family, as the Parade Grand Marshall.

The Rodeo will be on Aug. 6 and 7, and the parade will be on Saturday, Aug. 7 at 6 p.m. Anyone interested in entering the parade should call David and Suzanne Lawson at 995-7261 for an entry form.



Gerald and Christa Cash of Kennesaw Georgia announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mindy Michele Loree Cash, to Timothy Allen Barnes of Powder Springs, Georgia. He is the son of Jerry and Peggy Barnes of Powder Springs. The couple has chosen Saturday, Sept. 4, 2004 as their wedding day. They plan to wed at 6 p.m. in Kennesaw Mountain Gardens. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Ed and Aileen Cler of Muenster and Victor and Loretha Bringle of Garland and the late Charles O. Cash. She graduated from Harrison High School in 2000 and is attending Mercer University. Mindy works full-time for the Marietta City Schools. The future-groom graduated from McEachern High School in 1997. He is general manager at Chuck E. Cheese.

## New Arrivals

### Rhoades

Randy and Rhonda Rhoades of Whitesboro joyfully announce the birth of their son Lucas Ryan Rhoades on Thursday, June 17, 2004 at Denton Community Hospital. Lucas weighed 8 lb. 10 oz. and measured 20 inches in length. Welcoming him is his brother Chance Rhoades, age 3. Grandparents are Pat Rhoades of Gainesville and the late Lee Rhoades, Rick and Darlene Stewart of Muenster, and Laura and George Gould of Denton. Great-grandmother is Evelyn Koesler of Muenster.

Vieth, Larson was drafted on May 25, 2004. He arrived for game time at 12:44 p.m. weighing in at 7 lb. 8 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches in length.

Welcoming Larson at the ballpark as the assistant coaches are big brothers, 12-year-old Mason and six-year-old Landry and big sister 10-year-old Harlee. Additional help in cheering for Larson are grandparents Gus and Nellie Hess Berend and James and Nell Vieth of Windthorst. Also, there are numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins who will gladly give him advice in the future years.

Larson was baptized on June 19, 2004 at St. Mary's in Windthorst. Serving as Larson's Godparents are uncle Quentin Berend and aunt Jessica Berend.

### Vieth

James Jr. and Deana Vieth are excited to announce their 2004 draft choice. He is Larson Quinn



Larson Vieth

## Meeting Notice

**Grief Support Group**  
Compassion & Support: General Grief Support Group will meet Monday, July 12 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Home Hospice office at 1001 E. Broadway in Gainesville. Call Kelly at 940-665-9891 for more information.



AND THE WINNER IS - Clifford Endres of Turkey was named the "Cutest Baby" born at the Muenster Clinic. The contest was sponsored by Doc's Bar & Grill as part of their Grand Opening. It was open to anybody who was born in the old Muenster clinic, now Doc's Bar & Grill. Congratulating Endres are, from left, June Bartush, Dorothy Hartman (former nurse at Muenster Clinic and contest judge), and Connie Rheams. Courtesy photo

## Area Happenings

### Saint Jo Opry set for Saturday, July 10

The Saint Jo Opry is set for Saturday, July 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the school auditorium. Guests for the July show will include Brant Carpenter of Nocona; Doug Martin of Myra, who will be making his first visit to perform at the Opry; and Sam Campbell of Saint Jo, who is also making his first appearance at the Opry. Others appearing will be Roger Watson and Mark McCall.

Groups are welcome. Anyone wishing to reserve group seating or information may call 940-995-2443 or 940-995-2585.

Concessions will be available. Everyone is welcome for an enjoyable evening of fun and music in a relaxed setting.

## Safety course educates 22 at MMH

On June 5, Muenster Memorial Hospital hosted its first bicycle rally safety course. In the past the bicycle rally and helmet giveaway have been part of the annual health fair sponsored by Muenster Memorial Hospital. This year, with the help of the local Boy Scout Troop 664, Muenster Memorial Hospital provided bicycle safety training for local youths.

Darlene Williams, representing the Muenster Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, nurses Mary Ann Hess, Syretta Hathorn, and Laura Stoffels, aide/secretary Jenny Huchton, and Richard Arnold, CEO all assisted with the bicycle rally. The participants registered and then heard an explanation of the basic rules of bicycle safety as provided by the

National Safe Kids Campaign.

Participants not wearing a bicycle helmet were given free helmets provided by the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Committee. The participants were given literature to share with their parents. The Boy Scouts, led by Kirk Felderhoff, inspected the bicycles or scooters. The checklist for this inspection was also provided by National Safe Kids Campaign. All participants' bicycles then were taken through a braking test to ensure a competent braking system.

The finale of the bicycle rally involved the actual riding of the bicycles. Participants weaved between cones to test their dexterity on their respective

bicycles. At the end of this performance, certificates were awarded to all participants.

The 2004 Muenster Memorial Hospital Bicycle/Scooter Safety Course had a total participation of 22 participants. Twenty-one participants had bicycles and one participant had a scooter. "Next year we hope to have many more participants due to the number of young people riding bicycles and scooters without helmets," remarked event chairperson Laura Stoffels, RN. "Many of these motorized and high-motorized vehicles do not appear to understand the importance of the safety rules. Hopefully we can a community involvement for 2005 to make this a much larger event."

## College News

### Miller is Texas Tech honor graduate

Patrick Joseph Miller graduated magna cum laude on May 15, 2004 from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering. The ceremony was held at the United Spirit Arena. Welcoming remarks were made by Mr. Brian G. Newly, vice chair, Board of Regents, and Dr. David R. Smith, Chancellor. Dr. Jon S. Whitmore introduced the commencement speaker, Ms. Karen P. Tandy, administration, Drug Enforcement Administration and Texas Tech alumnus. Dr. Pamela A. Erbeck, Dean of the College of Engineering presented the Bachelor Candidates.

After the graduation ceremony there was a reception for engineering graduates in the engineering courtyard.

Patrick earned many honors at Texas Tech, including The National Dean's List, President's Honor Roll, TAU Beta Pi National Engineering Honor Society, OXE Chemical Engineering Honor Society.

Patrick's graduation was attended by Robert and Betty Miller, Julie and Michael, Patrick's fiancée Jacquelyne Roetzel, Donna Roetzel, and Judy Linn. Grandparents Albert and Wilda Stoffels and Bill Miller were unable to go to Lubbock.

Patrick is a 1999 honor graduate of Sacred Heart School.

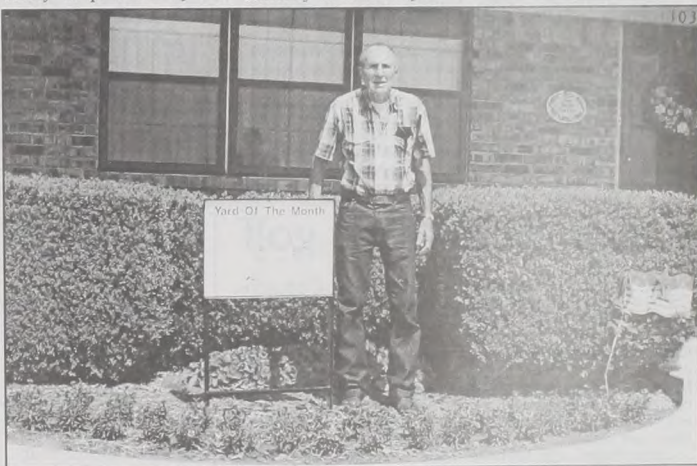


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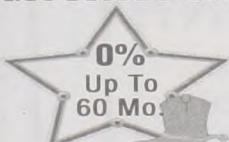
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By Rose Rennekamp

**Use summer to take the heat off your school year**  
Remember when summer vacation meant daily decisions about when to go swimming or even what to do that day? Those were the days, huh?

Today you may have more to do, such as work, music performances or sports practices, and games. But you still likely have a lot of downtime for relaxing and hanging out with friends. Breaks are important for renewal. But you can also use summer to accomplish things you're too busy to do during the school year.

Maybe the last thing you want to think about during the summer is school...or college...or tests...or a career. But by preparing for the next school year, you can make life a lot less hectic. And you can still do it in a relaxed way and enjoy the summer.

Here are a few ideas:  
**Visit college campuses** -- While you'll get the most accurate picture of a college during the regular school year, summer may be a better time for you to visit. You can always preview a college and make a return visit later. Maybe you can take a family vacation near a college or maybe your vacation is a tour of three or four colleges. Once you've decided on colleges to visit, call the admissions offices to set up a tour. While there, talk to students about what they think of the college.

**Prepare to take a college entrance exam** -- Fall test dates give students a chance to take a college entrance exam or retake it if they weren't satisfied with scores from an earlier test. Use the summer to become familiar with the test before fall. Check out the free and low-cost test prep services from the organizations that produce the tests.

**Take a summer class or work with a tutor** -- If test scores from the college entrance exam were low in a particular subject area, now is a good time to take a summer course, an online or correspondence course, or work with a tutor to better learn the subject matter. This can help you improve scores when you retake the test and it prepares you better for college.

**Attend a university summer conference or institute** -- Many colleges offer specialized summer programs for high school students interested in academic areas such as writing or science, among others. Summer programs are a great opportunity to live on campus, meet students from other states, strengthen skills in an academic area, and further explore career options.

**Explore careers** -- Most teens have part-time jobs, especially in the summer. You may be able to find a job that helps you find out more about careers of interest. You can also learn by job shadowing professionals, volunteering and researching.

Your school counselor can provide more ideas, including suggestions for surveys and computer programs that you could use to discover careers.

**Search for college** -- If you haven't started looking at colleges, it's never too soon to find out the differences in academics, costs, extracurricular activities, and environment. Use the college search at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) to find information about more than 3,000 four-year, two-year and professional/technical schools.

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**Get organized** -- Summer is a great time to plan ahead for what the next school year will bring. Put together a system to organize all the forms for admissions, scholarships, financial aid, recommendations, and essays/requirements. Ask your school counselor about college fairs or college admissions visits for the next school year and plan to attend.

Consider these ideas and use what makes the most sense for your situation. Oh, and don't forget to hit the beach a little this summer, too.

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Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleaders, Mascot and Coaches from left, top - Coach Vickie Green and son Joseph, Kara Felderhoff, Mascot Jacque Bauer, Taylor Torcellini, Coach Nichole Hennigan; second row - Kristen Miller, Whitney Wimmer, Shannon Hartman, Stephanie Henscheid; seated-Joelle Fuhrmann and Mellisa Thomas. Courtesy photo

## Hermes is \$1000 scholarship recipient

The National Association of Postmasters of the United States/Texas Chapter 18 is pleased to announce that Robyn Lynn Hermes, a 2004 graduate of Muenster High School, has been awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00. Robyn will be attending Texas Tech University this fall. She is the daughter of Bob and Janet Hermes of Muenster.

Those eligible for this scholarship are children and grandchildren of Texas NAPUS Postmasters or Retired NAPUS Postmasters. Robyn was sponsored by her grandmother, Clara Hermes, who is a retired postmaster of Lindsay.



Robyn Hermes

## Sacred Heart Cheerleaders attend camp

The Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleaders and Mascot returned from the 2004 American Cheerleading Association (ACA) Cheer & Mascot Camp at UNT in Denton with trophies, ribbons, and lots of sore muscles. The girls were accompanied by coaches Nicole Hennigan, Vickie Green, and Camp Coach Annette Bayer, who also stayed with the squad day and night for the entire camp.

The coaches had a strict criteria for the team during the weeks before to make sure the four day camp, which started on June 29 and lasted until July 2, was a tremendous success. The 2004 Game Plan Camp began by teaching the team five cheers and nine chants, which taught sharpness, rhythm, body movements, vocal tone, clearness, and expression. The next segment was beginner, intermediate and advanced partner stunts, with heavy emphasis on safety guidelines and restrictions.

The ACA Leadership Camp teaches leadership skills that will last a lifetime, such as team unity, positive attitude, positive

choices, working from your heart, total commitment, going the extra step, and always doing your best. This is the time that the SHS Cheer Team Goals were set for the 2004-2005 year, and a squad Tradition was established. An extensive class on Sports Nutrition was the final class on the agenda which taught the importance of hydration and nutrition.

The Coaches had some additional leadership classes and were presented award certificates for their hard work. The rest of the camp was filled with cheering, chanting, dancing, jumping, reviews, and ending with team and individual competition. The squad was nominated by the ACA staff to compete for Camp Champion. The Sacred Heart Cheerleaders came home with Runner-Up Camp Champion trophy,

three Cheer Spirit Sticks, and one Mascot Spirit Stick, two impressive Four Star Ribbons, and a highly coveted Bid to Nationals. They also won the Most Creative Fun Jam Trophy for the unique ending of their dance.

In the individual competition, Kara Felderhoff and Joelle Fuhrmann were All-Star Jumper Nominees; Whitney Wimmer and Joelle

Fuhrmann were All-Star Tumbler Nominees, Kara Felderhoff was the All-Star Jumper out of the Freshmen; and Joelle Fuhrmann was the All-Star Jumper and All-Star Tumbler out of the Juniors. Joelle won a position on the All-Star Team.

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## Kiwanis offer free golf

The Muenster Kiwanis Club is sponsoring a free Drive, Chip, and Putt Junior Golf Skills Competition. The program provides an opportunity for boys and girls, ages 7-12, to compete in a "fun series of events to develop and test their golf skills."

Competition will be held on Saturday, July 17 at Turtle Hill Golf Course, beginning at 9 a.m. There will be three age groups, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12. Prizes will be awarded for individual events as well as for the best combined score in each age group. The three events are driving, chipping, and putting.

The program is FREE to participants and is targeted at youths who have an interest in golf, regardless of their skill level or previous exposure to the game. "This event is designed to introduce and involve kids to the fun and challenge of golf," noted Dan Hamric. "We encourage all contestants to do their best and have fun."

To sign up, fill out the registration at Turtle Hill. You may sign up the day of the contest. Contestants may use their own golf clubs or clubs that will be provided for the competition.

### Cleaning tips

Have fun: Remember the scene in "Working Girl" where star Melanie Griffith vacuums her boss' apartment? Put on some upbeat music to keep you moving.

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### Heart & stroke fact

Stroke is the third cause of death for American women, behind heart disease and cancer. It is a leading cause of serious, long-term disability.

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# Sports

## Campbell's Picks officially begins the 2004 high school football season

The 45th edition of *Dave Campbell's Texas Football* hit the news stands last Saturday. The annually published magazine is a football fan's bible, which features Texas teams in the NFL, colleges, and high schools, including all the local schools.

In District 16-A, the Lindsay Knights are picked to lead the seven-team district and are listed ninth in the state. "If any team has incentive to make it to the playoffs and beyond this season..." notes the article on class A teams, "...only four seniors graduated, so the heart of the Knights... return for the new season." Also noted is that Lindsay suffered its only two losses of 2003 in district play and failed to advance. Sixteen starters return.

Players to watch for the Knights are Trinity Otto (nine TDs) and Bradley Anderle. Top juniors are Adam Kasparek (91 tackles) and Alan Trammell (911 yards, 17 TDs), with other prospects Cody Anderle, Garrett Jones, Gary Anderle, Ryan Dickerson, Jonathon Rohmer, Scott Neu, and Levi Hermes.

The Muenster Hornets, a 10-1 playoff team last year "lost a number of outstanding linemen, but return their top skill-position players." The Hornets are riding an 11 game home winning streak. Players to watch are Clint Miller (1,222 yards, 15 TDs), Justin Wolf, Jared Britain, Zach Swirczynski, Sean Fuhrmann (774 yards, 6 TDs), and Chase Cain. Top junior is Justin Ferguson. Other prospects are Derek Endres, David McGrew, Ryan Hennigan, Matthew Yosten, and John Fredrick.

The Saint Jo Panthers are listed third in the district after a 6-4 season last year. "Saint Jo has good depth and size," the magazine says, naming quarterback Kyle Brewer (725 yards rushing and 945 yards passing) to lead the Panther offense, and Zach Brown returns as Brewer's favorite target.

Texas Football drops Petrolia into fourth place after a 6-5 (4-1 district) bi-district season. Jake Bussey, All-State defensive back, returns to lead the Pirates. He also caught 30 passes for 509 yards. Kyle Woodward (210 yards) will lead the ground attack, and Dewain Gilbert (81 tackles) will lead the defense.

Dropping down from a 4-6 class 2A year, the Valley View Eagles hope that a strong JV (7-3 in 2003) could make the Eagles a playoff challenger. Johnny Nolan (424 yards) and Amos Davidson should lead the offense, with Ronnie Knox heading the defense.

Collinsville had a down

year last season, winning only two games. The Pirates return 15 starters, led by quarterback Kelly Ford (1,980 yards) and running back Dak Jones (628 yards).

The Era Hornets, after a winless district record, lay at the bottom of the list. Era's strength will be its senior leadership. Billy Kyle Johnson (1,028 yards), Chance Huddleston, and Scott Johnson will lead the offense, with Michael Hunter, Johnson, and Adam Coe on the defensive side of the ball.

Also of local interest, Albany leads District 9-A, and defending State Champions, Windthorst Trojans lead District 14-A. Alford returned to class A and Throckmorton dropped down to six man.

The TAPPS 2A defending State Champion Sacred Heart Tigers were shifted into a new six team district, Division 4, District 1. The Tigers finished last season with an undefeated 12-0 record.

The Tigers are joined by Denton Calvary, Lubbock Christian, Watauga Harvest Christian, Wichita Falls Notre Dame, and Fort Worth Calvary.

Denton Calvary is picked to lead the district after a 5-5 season last year. "The Lions may be in for a rebuilding year."

The Lubbock team, the defending class 3A State semifinalist (2-0 district) has eight starters returning. "The Eagles posted three shutouts last fall and were plus 13 on turnovers," the magazine article noted.

The Tigers of Sacred Heart were named third in the district. "The Tigers rolled through the playoffs in their first year under Coach (Charles) Boles, outscoring opponents 10-12 (478-86 for the season).

Players to watch are Chris Hoedebeck, Clayton Truhenbach, Paul Bartush, Aaron Krahl, Andy Davis, and Arlie Bayer.

"Krahl (1,348 yards, 14 TDs) and Bayer are expected to lead both sides of the ball, while Boles finds replacements on the O-line and at linebacker. Davis (127 tackles) isn't a bad start.

Harvest Christian is coached by a former Dallas Cowboy at defensive back, George Teague. Last season they had a 3-7 season, 2-2 in district.

The Notre Dame Knights and Fort Worth Calvary were not included in the magazine.

Also included in Campbell's magazine was the Keebok Team Uniforms Coach of the Year Award for each high school classification in the state of Texas. Coach Charles Boles, in his first season as head coach at Sacred Heart, was named the TAPPS Coach of the Year, noting the Tigers completed their first undefeated season in school history by defeating Hallesville Sacred Heart 42-0 in the TAPPS 2A State Championship game. Also earning this honor was class 3A Gainesville Leopards (15-0) Coach Jeff Cordell, and Windthorst (15-1) Coach Bill Green.

Other Cooke County schools in the magazine were Callisburg (0-10 last season) in District 13AA and Gainesville of District 6AAA. The Wildcats are listed last in their district behind Celina, Aubrey, Prosper, Argyle, and S&S.

The Leopards lead over Pilot Point, Sanger, Bowie, Whitesboro, and Pottsboro.

High school football practice begins on August 2.

## Sacred Heart Tigers 2004 Football Schedule

Aug. 14	S&S	scrim	9:00 am
Aug. 20	Overton	scrim	6:00
Aug. 26	Era	H	7:30
Sept. 3	Colleyville Covenant	T	7:30
Sept. 10	Saint Jo	T	7:30
Sept. 17	Lindsay	H	7:30
Sept. 24	OPEN		
Oct. 1	Canyon Creek**	H	7:30
Oct. 8	Lubbock Christian*	T	7:30
Oct. 15	F.W. Calvary*	H	7:30
Oct. 22	Watauga Harvest*	T	7:30
Oct. 29	Denton Calvary*	H	7:30
Nov. 5	W.F. Notre Dame*	T	7:30

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Another addition to consider is a dust bath. The dusting process seems to soak up excess oil and helps keep birds' feathers in top condition. Make a dust bath with equal parts dry sand and topsoil. Spread this combination in a small, flat area where grass is not growing and rake it from time to time.

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# Realtree Hunting Tips

## BEST BULLETS FOR DEER

By Joe Drake

Deer are a "middleweight" type of game and hunters should consider that when selecting deer bullets. The so-called "premium" bullets are super-tough controlled-expansion designs that are meant to penetrate deeply into really large game like elk and moose. These might not expand fast enough for best results on the comparatively smaller and more fragile frames of deer.

Target and varmint-type bullets are designed for speed, accuracy and very fast expansion. These may be too "soft" and expand too rapidly or even blow up on deer-sized game.

Standard hunting bullets work well for deer. Round-nosed bullets expand reliably but lose velocity and energy rapidly at long range. Pointed soft-point bullets (called "Spitzers") also expand well and retain velocity and energy much better.

Very long-range shooting demands high velocity and bullets that expand reliably out where velocity has dropped off. However, such "soft" bullets at very high velocity can cause bullet blow-up at short range if fired into heavy muscle and bone.

## POINT-BLANK RANGE

By Larry Weisbuh  
"Point-blank range" is often erroneously thought to mean very short range. Not so. Point-blank range is that range over which a bullet does not rise or fall more than a certain number of inches.

Contrary to another misconception, bullets do not rise on their own as they leave the muzzle. We cause them to rise because

in the sighting-in process, we angle the bore slightly up to coincide with our perfectly straight line of sight. Thus the bullet crosses our line of sight at short range, continues to rise to its highest point (mid-range trajectory) and then falls. It drops back through the line of sight some distance downrange and continues its descent.

Using the concept of point-blank range, you can sight-in so that you don't need to hold under or over your target out to a certain range. How much rise and fall is tolerable depends on the size of the target. Most deer hunters feel 2 to 4 inches is acceptable.

## HIGH-TECH DEER HUNTING BOOTS

By Terry Rohm

Even to dull human noses, sweaty feet stink. Imagine how they must smell to a deer. Since your feet contact the ground all the way to your stand, you can lay down some potent scent trails in your hunting area.

Boots with all-rubber, molded feet, such as the leather-topped "pac" boots and all-rubber knee boots hold in human scent. Unfortunately, they are hot and sweaty in warm weather - or in any weather if you walk a lot.

Until recently, all sewn boots, be they leather, synthetics or whatever, would "leak" scent through their seams. Now new technology has created an odor-absorbing layer using carbon to hold the scent into comfortable, sewn boots.

As for the sole, lugs or other gripping "tread" designs are helpful to the hunter. However, except in really rocky and dry terrain, the very hard lugged soles have some downsides. They are very noisy in dry leaves and slip on wet or slick surfaces. Choose a soft sole for most Eastern woods hunting.

## REALISTIC PRACTICE

By David Blanton  
"Static" practice with a gun sharpens up our shooting form and re-teaches us the basic shooting fundamentals. However, some unconventional shooting is the final touch that really sharpens our shooting for practical hunting situations. Riflemen should get their breath control and trigger squeeze down while sighting-in from a benchrest. When you get the

## Fishing tip

In a timber-filled lake, one gets the impression there is a bass behind every tree. Believe me, there are times of the year when there may not be a bass behind any of the trees.

My suggestion is to ignore the trees and concentrate on the bottom contour. Humps, ditches, points and creek channels are far more important forms of structure than the standing trees.

Probably the most productive timber will be the fallen timber, especially if it happens to be located on the edge of a break, ditch or hump. In the spring, fallen timber near the shore or in shallow water will provide excellent spawning habitat. Conditions such as this usually makes you reach for a spinner bait.

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### The art of growing things

By Ramona Tyler,  
Cooke County Master Gardener

Two of the newest members of the Texas Superstar plants are "Knock Out" rose and "Tomato 444". According to horticultural experts at Texas A&M University, "Texas Superstar plants are the finest, most thoroughly tested and most environmentally responsible plants for use in Texas landscapes and gardens." Texas A&M presents the title to plants that have undergone rigorous field trial testing to demonstrate they add beauty to a landscape with minimal maintenance and maximum protection for the environment.

During a four-year research study at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Dallas, scientists found the Knock Out rose to be one of the finest landscape roses that they had ever tested. During testing, no pesticides of any kind were ever applied. Knock Out proved to be almost resistant to black spot, powdery mildew, and aphids. It is cold hardy throughout the state and will grow in a wide range of soils (even highly alkaline clays) and is very heat- and drought-tolerant once established.

The fluorescent, cherry-red blooms begin in spring, and continue to provide color until the first frost. During the winter months, orange-red rose hips provide added winter interest. It grows well in planting zones 4 through 9 and will be five feet high by five feet wide when mature. According to Dr. Steve George, Texas Cooperative Extension horticulturist in Dallas, "Knock Out is extremely easy to grow, even for those brand new to gardening, and it is so pest tolerant that almost never will pesticides need to be applied. Simply locate the plants where they will get good air movement over the leaves-and receive eight hours or more of direct sun each day. Then incorporate three to four inches of finished compost into the soil prior to planting. Keep the soil surface covered with three inches of organic material year round."

Tomato 444 is one of the few hybrid tomato varieties which have natural plant resistance to tomato spotted wilt virus and the problems it causes. The fruit is large and the quality is excellent. Tomato 444 is best grown from transplants. Transplants of Tomato 444 plants can be bought at most local nurseries. These tomatoes can be successfully grown in containers or planted directly into your garden. The plants need full sunlight and should not be over watered.

Texas Gold Columbine, Gold Star Esperanza, Trailing Lantana, Laura Bush Petunia, Chinese Pistachio, Mexican Sage Bush, and Blue Princess Verbena are a few of the plants that have been designated Texas Superstars. To see the complete list of Texas Superstar plants or to find the nearest official Texas Superstar retailer, go to <http://TexasSuperstar.com>.

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# Farm & Ranch

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

### World Farmers' Congress Adopts Agriculture Concentration Remedies

Farmers from 70 countries attending the International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP) World Farmers' Congress in Washington, D.C. last week adopted recommendations to stop the accelerated march toward a vertically and horizontally integrated agricultural production system. National Farmers Union was host to the World Farmers' Congress last held in the United States in 1975.

Texas Farmers Union President, Wes Sims, also an executive board member of NFU said, "The inadequacy of current competition rules is one of the most pressing issues facing farmers across the globe. Independent agricultural producers cannot succeed without protection from unfair, anti-competitive practices." This is evidenced by the sharp decline in the number of family farmers in the past decade and the increasing trend toward horizontal and vertical concentration in the agricultural and food sectors.

The Texas farm leader and other representatives of IFAP countries believe concentration in food production, processing and retail could be turned around with enforcement of antitrust and competition laws, a strengthened regulatory system, increased protection of consumers and revitalization of independently owned business and competitive markets. Specifically, the IFAP countries adopted resolutions to collect and publicize concentration information and require government anti-trust agencies to require economic impact statements of proposed mergers and joint ventures. IFAP also supports establishing a level of concentration that triggers a presumption of a violation of antitrust law to make it easier for enforcement agencies to prevent high levels of concentration.

The farmers passed resolutions to limit packer ownership of livestock and

control of production by non farmer owned corporations, and supported family farm contract producers and policies that enhance fairness and provide producers protection in their agricultural production contracts.

French farmer and IFAP Executive Committee member Luc Guyau said, "another solution was to strengthen and adapt farmer's economic organization." The IFAP farmers adopted several

recommendations relating to economic producer organizations (EPO). These include providing special status, tax regulation, training, access to funding, research and development, appropriate legislative modifications with farmer input, and access to fundamental services in rural areas for EPOs. IFAP also proposed further development of farmer owned cooperatives and marketing boards.

### Ag exports to hit new high in 2004

U.S. ag exports are expected to hit a record \$61.5 billion in fiscal year 2004, says the U.S. Department of Agriculture. That would be an increase of \$5.3 billion over the previous year and would eclipse the old record of \$59.8 billion set in fiscal year 1996. Wheat and corn exports are likely to account for 50 percent of the annual increase. U.S. wheat is in high demand and is benefiting from reduced competition due to poor

harvests in the European Union, Russia, and Ukraine. Corn is experiencing strong sales growth to Egypt, Colombia, Israel, and Korea. The \$7 billion forecast for livestock and livestock products represents a \$1 billion increase over what was expected earlier this year, but is still down \$2 billion from 2003, largely due to markets closed because of BSE and Avian Influenza.

U.S. Department of Agriculture

### EPA, Processors nearing agreement

The EPA is close to a pact on livestock waste with some of the nation's largest animal processors. The agreement would lay the groundwork for the first federal emissions standards for companies that process large numbers of animals. Companies would be allowed to monitor the air quality of their own operations for two years, producing information that is essential for developing industry standards. "The industry as a whole needs better monitoring data," said Thomas V. Skinner, an Environmental Protection Agency official. "This is the fastest and clearest way to do that." Some environmental groups and former EPA officials oppose the agreement because, while collecting data, the companies will be shielded from prosecution for

violations of the Clean Air Act and other federal laws.

The New York Times

### Got Milk?

To prevent cheese from drying out, keep it airtight and cold when storing.

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### Inconclusive BSE Tests

The second test to come back inconclusive as part of the Agriculture Department's expanded BSE testing program has been confirmed negative, according to a statement released recently by USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

APHIS announced this inconclusive result June 29. This marks the second inconclusive to prove negative upon confirmatory testing by the National Veterinary Services Laboratory.

There may be a positive side to the USDA prematurely announcing these "inconclusive" tests.

1. To the public, the false positives may indicate the test is very conservative (errs on the cautious side) and thereby instill more confidence in the system (if more confidence is indeed needed).

2. The "Boy that cried wolf" syndrome may kick in after a few of these and no one will pay that much attention to the "inconclusive" tests.

### Insects being found in Milo

The milo crop has benefited greatly from all of the moisture that has been available this year. For the most part the crop looks excellent around the county. However, some farmers have been reporting instances of headworms above economic thresholds.

Another problem that is being seen on the sorghum heads is the stink bug. There are a number of different species of stink bugs common in Texas, including: the conchuela stink bug, the brown stink bug, the harlequin bug, the rice stink bug, and the spined shouldered stink bug. Most are plant feeding, although a few, such as the spined shouldered stink bug, are predaceous on other insects. Economic thresholds for this pest can be as low as two to four bugs per head.

While we are discussing

the milo, it is noteworthy to mention the sorghum midge. This pest is generally not a problem for milo that has headed out prior to July 4. Milo that was planted later, or longer seasoned milo may experience problems from this mosquito-sized, orange colored fly.

Sorghum Midges over winter as larvae in Johnsongrass. Early-season infestations are usually below damaging levels. As the season progresses, the number of midges increase. This insect can be one of the most damaging pests affecting milo, if the milo is

late maturing and the problem is left unchecked. Often midge numbers will diminish later in the year.

**Dates to Remember**  
July 21 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting; 7 p.m., Cooke County Fairgrounds

July 23 - Milo and Corn Variety Field Day - More Details Next Week - CEU's to be offered

Aug 1 - Deadline for Consignments to the Red River Regional Beef Replacement Sale

Aug 17 - Pesticide Applicators Training and Testing, Call 940/668-5412 to register.

### Mexico urged change trade restricting orders

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs recently contacted U.S. and Mexican officials urging them to delay the order immediately requiring that all livestock entering Mexico must be inspected on the Mexican side of the border.

"Because there are inadequate inspection facilities in Mexico, the Mexican government has essentially closed the border to the movement of all livestock," Combs said. "This is a deliberate affront to free and fair trade."

The commissioner added that this not only impacts livestock sales, but also recreational activities such as trail rides.

On Friday, June 18, U.S. Department of Agriculture officials met with their Mexican counterparts and requested a 60-day delay in implementing the order, which became effective June 17. The Mexican government denied the request.

"The 60-day delay would have at least allowed both governments to resolve some major problems as a result of this order," Combs said. "For instance, there are virtually no livestock holding facilities in Mexico,

and what they do have are inadequate to handle all livestock. You can't hold sheep and hogs in pens designed for cattle and horses."

"In addition, some of the facilities are several miles beyond the border. Are the Mexican custom officials at the border going to allow livestock to enter the country without the proper health and inspection certificates?"

The commissioner also is concerned because the newly implemented policy does not have any procedures for animals that do not pass inspection.

The Texas Department of Agriculture operates five export pens along the Mexican border to facilitate the movement of all livestock into Mexico. The pens are located in Brownsville, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, El Paso, and Laredo. The department also has export facilities located at the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston.

Before the June 17 order, Mexican veterinarians would inspect all livestock going into Mexico at TDA's facilities and issue the proper health and inspection certificates.

In fiscal years 2002 and 2003, a total of more than 1.5 million head of livestock moved through TDA's export pens to Mexico.

Mexico is the leading country for Texas livestock exports. In 2003, exports of livestock and livestock products totaled almost \$44 million.

"Closing the border to livestock exports would severely impact the economies of both countries," Combs said. "This ridiculous order has far-reaching consequences that will impact producers and the agricultural industry on both sides of the border."

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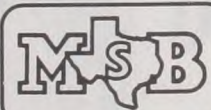
Jack, Tom and Neal Flusche

and welding machine shop business as it is known today. JP and Hazel Flusche raised nine children working hard and serving the public for about 30 years. In 1971, Flusche Enterprises, Inc., became a reality with JP and sons Don, Dave, and Tom who started as co-owners, with Jack buying into the corporation later, and finally Neal, a son of Dave and nephew of Tom and Jack, came upon the scene to bring more needed expertise to the family business.

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Sows (per lb.)	Ewes (per lb.)	Breeders, \$90-\$115; Slaughter, \$70-\$115
Feeder, 400 or less, 20-55; Light wt., 400-500, 45-55; Med. wt., 500-600, 40-50	Stocker, 45-55; Thin, 28-45; Fat, 40-50	Boer Goats (per head)
Heavy wt., 600+, NT	Thin: 50-60 Fat, 40-55	1/2 Nanny, \$75-\$100; 3/4 Nanny, \$75-\$100; Full Nanny, \$85-\$200
Boars: (per lb.) 300 lb.-up, 02-04; 200-300 lbs., 25-35; Light wt., 35-50	Barbados (per head)	Boer Goats (per head)
	Lambs: \$30-\$60; Ewes: \$30-\$60; Bucks: \$65-\$100	1/2 Billy, NT, 3/4 Billy, NT; Full Billy, \$65-\$175
	Goats (per head)	
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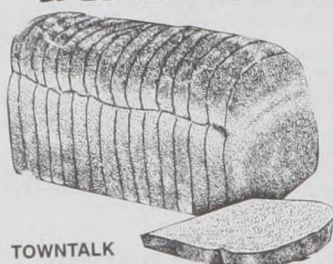
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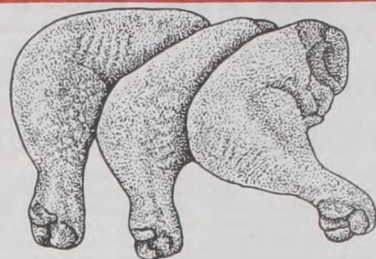
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