

City consents to use Section 4B sales tax for Muenster Lake Project

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Without rock riprap in place to give additional support to the dam and protect it from the pressure of the water, the Muenster Lake cannot be filled with water. This is by order of the NRCS.

Currently the Water District has enough money to complete building the dam, but not enough to finish the Lake Project. Muenster Mayor Henry Weinzapfel noted during the May 2 City Council meeting that the reason for this was that the Department of Agriculture was slow in releasing the funds to finish the job. "The amount was sufficient when the engineers priced the job, but the bids could not be requested until the funds were available, by then the price of steel, concrete, and fuel had risen tremendously," he said.

A Public Hearing was held at 7:15 p.m. regarding the use of the City's Section 4B sales tax proceeds for the purpose of loan payment for the Muenster Lake Project. Ben Bindel, representing the Muenster Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC), conducted the

Hearing. Bindel explained that a loan would be taken out for the amount needed. It would be repaid over a five to six year period with the money from the Section 4B sales tax. This sales tax was originally adopted to pay for the City's water tower, and then with that paid, used for a water treatment plant.

"Our last obligation was against the water treatment plant and we paid that obligation," Bindel said. "We were looking for another project and one found us. We're not obligated to put all of the sales tax toward the note. That is all still being negotiated." He said that that besides the riprap, other items still need to be completed include a water treatment plant, walkways, or cat walks.

On Wednesday, April 27 the MIDC members met with Muenster Water District Board members Pat Stelzer and Bob Bauer to request that MIDC consider using the Section 4B proceeds to help the Water District.

After there was no one at the Hearing to voice and objection, the City Council voted unanimously to approve the City entering

into a loan agreement for funds for the Muenster Lake Project as recommended by the MIDC with proceeds from the 1/2 cent sales tax from Section 4B.

Park Board Chairman Ben Bindel presented maps showing the Board's new recommendation on curbing the City Park. It was to put curbing at the entryway starting at Maple Street and going to the restrooms in the Park. That would be Phase I - starting at the front door of the Park.

Alderman Jack Flusche expressed concern over oil tanks in that area. He suggested speaking to Hermie Grewing before proceeding Alderman John Pagel said he'd talked with Grewing and there didn't seem to be a concern.

Alderman Gary Fisher offered his opinion, "I want to go on record as to why I was opposed to curbing in the back. I just don't think we need to be putting any more obstacles in the Park. We need to preserve it for future generations and preserve it in a natural setting. I don't find curbing to be a natural setting."

A vote showed that all were

in favor of curbing the front of the Park.

Patty Jacobs, a representative from Cooke County Meals On Wheels, addressed the Council. Her goal was to encourage volunteering. After reading the local paper, she said she had to cross out much of her speech because this town already much volunteering being done.

"The reason for my trying to get on the Council meeting tonight was the United Way and the County Commissioners asked had we gone to the individual communities and asked for money," said Jacobs. "By obligation that was my first thing to come here, I've reviewed the financials and the operations and we don't have an issue here. It is pretty well taken care."

Jacobs said that she would

like to have a closer relationship with the community so that they could develop a senior citizen center and a Meals On Wheels Program to better meet needs. Also, to develop a community of volunteers and civic pride in the community.

The following stats were presented by Jacobs: In Cooke County there are 36,363 people; 7,100 are over age of 60 (19.6%); In Texas the average 60 year olds to population is 13.3; This area is 11th in the US as far as areas where the seniors population is that high; Muenster has 1,556 people doing the math using the same percentage means that there are 355 seniors in area; meals are provided to 29 people. The number of seniors is expected to double in next few years due to baby boomers; Cooke County has

5,020 people or 13.8% of the population living in poverty; 541 or 10.8% are seniors; that means 215 Muenster people are living in poverty conditions and 23 of them are 65 years of age or older.

Jacobs said that there are meals offered at St. Peter's Catholic Church on Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays. The food and cooking is done through the school department. "We pay a bit of money for the fees and the contributions and donations are kept by St. Peter's to cover the cost of the food," she noted. "Additionally during holiday and summertime we pay for the extra cooks and all of the food and help supply money for the utilities."

Funding is 72% from federal and state and the others are supposed to come

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Meeting will address elderly and disabled transportation

The Wichita Falls District 2005 Annual Public Meeting which will address Elderly and Disabled Transportation will be held Friday, May 13. The meeting will be in the Wichita Falls TxDOT Training Center, 1601 Southwest Parkway in Wichita Falls from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m.

The Texas Department of

Transportation invites representatives of agencies and communities interested in public transportation services to assist them in the development of a plan for services for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

The purpose of the public meeting is to include public input in the plans for the Elderly and Disabled

Transportation services for the nine counties of the Wichita Falls District which consist of Archer, Baylor, Clay, Cooke, Montague, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Young. Interested persons with constructive ideas are encouraged to attend this meeting and share their ideas.

The goal for this process is to develop a plan that describes the transportation needs, the roles of transit operators in service delivery, and how funding should be distributed to support the plan.

With community involvement, more cost effective services can be developed, more transportation needs can be accommodated and the quality of services can be greatly improved.

If you have questions concerning the meeting, contact Carole Mayo, Public Transportation Coordinator at 940-720-7727.

MMH promotes bicycle and scooter safety course

All youths are invited to take part in a free bicycle/scooter safety course on Saturday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to noon. It is sponsored by Muenster Memorial Hospital and will take place on the south parking lot.

CareFlite and the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department will be on hand to speak with participants. A safety video and check of the

bicycles and scooters are part of the event.

Roo the Kangaroo is expected to make a special guest appearance to visit with the youth.

After the course, participants will each receive a free bicycle helmet and t-shirt. Call Laura Stoffels R.N. at Muenster Memorial Hospital at 759-2271 for more information.

State confirms two more rabies cases

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Rabies, a fatal contagious disease in mammals, is becoming a concern in the Muenster area. It is transmitted through saliva and can be contracted by humans. Two skunks from several miles northwest of Muenster were confirmed to have rabies several weeks ago. The vaccinated dogs that came in contact with them were quarantined.

Last week Muenster Police Chief Bob Stovall had confirmation of two more rabies cases. He warns the public, "You need to be alert. Skunks are nocturnal animals and if you see a skunk out during the day, it is not normal and there is a high probability that it has rabies." If a skunk is seen in Muenster during the day, call City Hall and report it so that it can be investigated.

One of the two recent cases was from three miles southwest of town. The other

was in Muenster south of the City Park. The first was sent off for testing on April 21 and the results received on the 28th. The second was killed and sent off on April 25 and the results received on the 29th.

Both skunks exposed dogs that had been vaccinated. The Department of State Health Services confirmed the cases and said that the dogs should be quarantined for 45 days and receive booster vaccinations as recommended.

Be sure that your dogs and cats have up to date vaccinations. Muenster veterinarian Dr. Larry Tisdale recommends the following vaccination schedule. Dogs can be vaccinated at three months. A booster should be given at one year of age. The new rabies vaccine should be good for three years after the initial two shots. Dr. Tisdale recommends that it be given

be given every 18-24 months after that to be cautious due to the high incidence of rabies in this area.

Crowds line up at MMH Health Fair



Muenster Memorial Hospital hosted a Health Fair on Saturday. Registration was held at the MMH Family Health Clinic and the crowd was overflowing. Coordinator Melissa Trubenbach said that participation was up from last year with more people signing and more lab tests being done. There were 130 people registered, of that number 98 were from Muenster, 14 from Gainesville, eight from Nocona, four each from Saint Jo and Whitesboro, and one each from Pilot Point and Forestburg. Those waiting to register include from left, Maria Trevino, Lora Hennigan, Carol Aytes, Tom Hennigan, Jeannine Flusche, Harold Flusche, and David Flusche. Janet Felderhoff photo

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Sacred Heart Senior Diana Knabe was named to the TAPPS All-State Golf Team. For State tournament results, see sports.

Collision at intersection sends two to hospital



Around 4 p.m. Thursday, April 26, Melissa Justman of Velma, Oklahoma driving a white 1998 pickup pulling a trailer along FM 373 and Martha Dunn of Rubottom, Oklahoma driving a 2001 gold Corolla Toyota along CR 424 collided at the intersection of the two roads north of Muenster. Muenster Volunteer Firemen responded and in top left photo are assisting Dunn who is still in her vehicle. Top right, Firemen Neal Flusche, Ryan Bayer, Mitch Westervelt, and Henry Knabe render aid. Deborah Wood photos

Lindsay ISD elections slated for Sat. May 7

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
There are three positions open on the Lindsay School Board and five people who hope to fill the. The three incumbents, Damian Krahl, Danny Nortman, and Wayne Fleitman are being challenged by John Dieter

and Michael Hermes. These are at large positions. The three with the most votes will be sworn in on May 16 at the regular meeting.

On Saturday, May 7 the election will be held at Conrad Hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.



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from local contributions. She said that the program has been turned down for 22 years by Cooke County United Way. They have asked for \$5,000 this year for the entire County. Jacobs asked to be considered in the next budget cycle.

A suggestion offered by Jacobs was to have volunteering as an objective of the Council. She suggested developing a senior citizens organization that offered a place for senior citizens to congregate and talk to each other and exercise their body and brain.

Council members outlined several ways that some of her hints were already being addressed in Muenster.

Chris Yosten was appointed to the position of City Fire Marshall. Stan Endres is the Building Inspector. The Council approved training for both. Yosten will go the Texas A&M in July for the Fire

Marshall training. In other business the City Council:

- Scheduled a special meeting for May 16 to canvass votes for May 7 election.

- Adopted Ordinance 280 International Codes 2003 edition, including the following International Codes: Residential, Energy Conservation, Building, Fire, Plumbing, Mechanical. This will be published in the newspaper. Fisher is working on the details of this State recommended ordinance.

- Hired Shirley Hess as pool manager (as recommended by Park Board) and authorized her to hire lifeguards.

- Approved additional cell phone for use by city employee Chris Yosten. It will cost an additional \$20 per month.

- Approved payment of bills totaling 109,843.73.

## DAYS GONE BY... by Elfreda Fette

### 65 YEARS AGO May 3, 1940

New campaign to establish a Soil Conservation District in this area is started. Obituary: E.P. Pitcock, age 69. Novel strawberry patch at the home of Nick and Adeline Miller is both fruitful and ornamental. "Home-made" tractor by Henry Hennigan is a cross between an old time Fordson and a Model A Ford. Ed Swirczynski took a truck load of cheese to Houston accompanied by his sister Catherine Swirczynski. Oscar Walter substituted for Ed Cler at J.B. Wilde's Garage, while Ed was in Fort Worth on business. Matt Muller, Theo Miller, George Gehrig, and Stan Yosten were waiting at Lake Bridgeport when fishing season officially opened just after midnight Wednesday. The engagement and approaching marriage of Rose Sandmann and Edgar Klement was announced Sunday, when the banns of

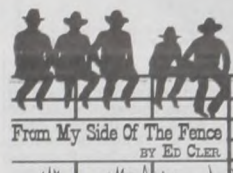
marriage were read for the first time at Sacred Heart Church.

### 50 YEARS AGO May 6, 1955

Mathew Bernauer of Panhandle, Muenster native, dies in car crash at age 34. Men in Service: Warrant Officer J.P. Janicki is in Alabama after serving in Japan; Pvt. Raymond Hoenig is in army in Austria. Wedding: Rita Hermes and Harold Corcoran. The J.B. Wildes return from 4-state vacation trip. The Alphonse Hoenigs and the Joe Hoenigs visited in Corpus Christi, and went fishing from a boat. Attending the recent Subiaco College/Academy alumni reunion were Father Louis Deuster, Pat Hennigan, Ed Endres, Ed Pels, James Bayer, Arnold Bezner, Wilfred Bezner, Paul Arendt, and Jake Bezner.

### 25 YEARS AGO May 2, 1980

"Yard of the Month" honors for May go to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sicking. Rosston wins District Title in Community Improvement contest held on April 16, and advances to Regional. Wedding Robynn Richey and Nick Walterscheid. Bernie Fette, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.N. Fette, is named Outstanding Sophomore of Company D-2 at Texas A&M University.



Got a call from an old acquaintance, Jim Penton, who now lives in Rosston. Jim heard from one of his friends who lives in Wyoming. Jim spent a number of years working in that state, some of it on one of the great sheep ranches that are a great part of the state.

He is a cowboy, at heart, and knows the value of water in a country that sometimes thirsts for it. He was happy to share the news that a foot of snow had fallen over the entire state. The snow will melt slowly, and soak into the earth and that means grass.

Also heard from a son who lives in Snohomish, Washington. Gary told me that the warm winter they experienced there, caused the weather that would have brought snow to accumulate in the mountains, and melt throughout the summer, furnishing the water the state and population needs.

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# REE-MENDOUS NEWS by Stick Lamar

## Picking The Right Tree Service Company

Last week I talked to a Muenster resident who has an elderly mother who also lives here in Muenster who "got taken to the cleaners" by an out-of-town tree service outfit. This is what happened.

A tree service company, if you can call them that, came thru Muenster about three weeks ago and started knocking door-to-door trying to sell their brand of tree work. One of those doors belonged to an elderly widowed lady in her upper seventies, who lives alone on a very fixed income. The supervisor of this outfit talked this nice, trusting but unsuspecting lady into trimming her trees. A seven man crew worked 3 hours working on her trees. When finished, the boss told the homeowner the cost will be \$2,100.00.

Taken off guard and somewhat in financial shock, the victim paid the money after being verbally pressured into paying it. I know from being around the tree care industry for the past thirty some odd years that this price was twice what the going rate is for tree work, and that's comparing it to Dallas prices which are traditionally higher than here. After the daughter heard about this, she ran to the bank to cancel the check only to find out that the elderly abuser had already been there to cash the check.

That's when I received the phone call from the daughter asking for my advice. But unfortunately, there was not much I could tell her but to call Adult Protection Services in Gainesville and make a report.

Here are a few simple ways to make sure this does not happen to you: (1) Always use a local tree service company; (2) Always get references; (3) Always get a price for the job before the work starts and don't pay a penny until the job

is done and you have looked around at the work. Get at least two estimates for larger jobs; (4) Find out if the company, if it is a company, is insured. There are two kinds of insurance to ask for. Company Liability insurance which protects the homeowner from damages to his or her property by the tree service company. The other is Workers Comp insurance which unfortunately few companies can afford to have. (5) Make sure the estimator who comes out to give you a quote is a Certified Arborist, licensed by the International Society of Arboriculture. Or even better would be a Degreed Forester specializing in Urban Forestry.

Don't be the next Muensterite to be limbed-up. Follow these five guidelines and get a quality tree job at a competitive price.

For questions or comments on this or any tree related item, I can be contacted at sticklamar@ntn.net.

Well, he said, instead of snow, rain fell, melting much of the snow that already existed, and simply running their summer water down slopes and into the streams to be carried away. The "powers that be" are concerned.

Jim Cler called from Colorado saying there was a heavy snowfall there, and inquired about our well-being. He had seen accounts of the storms in the Fort Worth area and wanted to know how we fared. Fortunately, no storm. We were wanting a shower, but didn't get that either.

The Fuhrmann Brothers of Myra have seeded a lot of land to corn, and Leon says it is all set to grow when rain falls again. Some of it, a great part, is over a foot tall, and looks good.

A good one to two inch soaking rain could do wonders for new crops and grass.

## Happy 50th Birthday Alan Miller!!



**KLB has busy workday**

Keep Lindsay Beautiful had a busy day on Saturday April 30. Above - A group of members landscaped the Gun Club in Lindsay. The Gun Club was originally built in the late 1800s. This was the first time in the Club's history that it has been landscaped. The plants were donated, at cost, by the Garden Station in Gainesville. Also, at left, a group of 15 members picked up trash along a two-mile stretch of FM 3108. Courtesy photo

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Letter to the Editor,

During this Easter season we pray that the Risen Lord bring you His peace and joy. When Sister Rosemary came back from Brazil, she brought back word of all that the Sisters, and those they work with, are doing to bring hope to the young women of the three missions we have there: Estancia, Poco Verde, and Tobias Barreto.

One of the most creative programs is the Tabitha Project. This project that bears the name of the woman raised from the dead by Peter after Christ's Resurrection, begins with visits to the homes of the people of the parish. After these visits, the girls between 12 and 16 years of age who are without any means of financial support are invited to attend classes. These girls are at high risk of prostitution since they have no means of making a living.

The goal of this project is to awaken these young women to their human dignity, their human development and to give them some practical skills. In addition to the practical skills of embroidery and making small articles to sell, the young women become aware of themselves and others, of the religious, social, and cultural dimensions of the world, of their sexuality, of Gospel values. Then they can begin to envisage a future for themselves.

There is another program in Brazil, The Literacy Project, in which volunteers assist the sisters in conducting literacy classes.

As we celebrate the new life brought by the Resurrection of Jesus, we can rejoice with the sisters in The Democratic Republic of Congo as they work hard at building and working with the people of Mangai, a new mission. At present they are building the sisters' convent. The building has not progressed very rapidly. Everything has to come from Kinshasa by boat, traveling on the Congo River

and then entering the Kasai River. Only too often, there are fatal accidents as the boat leaves the larger river and enters the Kasai.

Another new mission in Rwanda is Nyarulema. The sisters are involved in social services as well as being responsible for families affected by HIV/AIDS. The people there receive the special medicine for the virus from a near-by hospital. They are instructed on how to use this special medication and, if possible, are able to return home; there is an increasing number of men, women, and children in this Center.

In the midst of all this activity in both countries, the sisters also offer retreats to numerous groups.

We are happy that a friend of the Sisters from Dallas, Dr. Karine Lancaster, arrived in Rwanda on April 10, to begin two and a half months of volunteer work with our Sisters at the clinic in Mubuga. Dr. Lancaster brings experience in Pediatric Care as well as in Public Health. She is eager to learn from our Sisters and the people there, as well as to be of service to them in the next months. Please keep her in your prayers.

We cannot end this letter without reminding you of the importance of your continued support for all these projects - both in your prayers and in your monetary contributions: Do let us know if you wish to donate to a particular project and we will be sure to direct the donation there. May the entire season of Easter bring you the peace and joy of a new life.

Sincerely yours,  
Sister Mary Patricia for  
The Sisters of Saint Mary of Namur - Africa Solidarity  
Our Lady of Victory Center  
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*Editor's note: Sent through the courtesy of Sister Roberta Hesse, and edited by the Enterprise staff.*

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

Sunday, May 8, 2005	Monday, May 9, 2005	Tuesday, May 10, 2005	Wednesday, May 11, 2005	Thursday, May 12, 2005	Friday, May 13, 2005	Saturday, May 14, 2005
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>  V.E. DAY - FLAGS FLY	VFW mtg. 8 PM	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center 1st - 3rd graders music program @ 2:30 PM MISD Band Hall SHS early dismissal 2 PM	SH Alumni & Friends mtg. 7:30 PM @ Comm. Center Muenster C of C 7:30 AM, Rohmer's Rest. MISD Board mtg. 7:30 PM	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center 4th - 5th grades music program MISD Band Hall 7 PM Muenster Historical Com. mtg. 8 AM at Museum	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM AARP Luncheon mtg. 11:30 AM Stanford House SHS - NO SCHOOL	Jaycee Ballpark Benefit Raffle 6 PM Com. Center
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	VFW Aux. mtg. 7:30 PM Deadline to purchase SH All Awards tickets	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Clifford, Franklin & Curious George at Muenster Public Library 9-11 AM & 1-3 PM MMH Boark mtg. 8 PM Diabetes support group mtg. NTMC 7 PM	Sacred Heart All Awards Banquet 6 PM at Com. Center	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	ARMED FORCES DAY Flags fundraiser car wash at Sonic CF Great Strides walk 8 AM Nocona

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# House approves Budget Conference Report

Washington D.C. - By a margin of 214-211, the U.S. House of Representatives has approved a \$2.56 trillion budget for Fiscal Year 2006. U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) voted for the bill, which promotes budget discipline while also boosting support for our men and women in uniform.

"In a budget this massive, there are certainly areas where I think we could do much better. However, as a whole, I am pleased by the course this budget sets for our country by lowering taxes, curbing spending, and emphasizing our commitment to strengthening our national security," said Thornberry.

Although the budget bill increases spending for defense by 4.8% and homeland security by 2.3%, discretionary spending in non-security areas is trimmed by 0.8%. This marks the first time such spending has been cut since the Reagan Administration.

There are no tax increases in the bill, which, in fact, lays out \$70 billion over the next five years to allow for the continuation of existing tax provisions and also maintains the process necessary to reduce the deficit by half by 2009, both in dollars and as a percentage of GDP.

Another highlight is that the bill provides for procedures for legislation this year to modernize the Medicaid program.

Overall, the resolution slows the rate of growth of mandatory spending by 0.1% over the next five years (from

an anticipated 5.7% increase over the 2004-2010 period down to a 5.6% increase).

Thornberry is also pleased that the House/Senate budget compromise is more generous to agriculture than the President's budget request. The White House had sought a \$7.5 billion cut in mandatory agriculture spending over the next five years, but the budget bill passed tonight allows a \$3 billion reduction over that time frame.

Reiterating a point he has made previously, Thornberry said he opposes changing the Farm Bill in midstream. "Our government has made promises to agriculture, and it needs to live up to them," said Thornberry.

# NCTC guys doll it up for SIFE

The North Central Texas College International Organization for Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) Team has planned an evening full of fun and camaraderie for the entire family to enjoy. The upcoming event is a Cinderella Pageant that will feature the NCTC Lion's Baseball Team, as well as other students from the college. Our guys will set aside their cleats and caps for a few hours to model the latest in spring fashions - for women! The participants will

compete in several categories, including business attire, business casual, lingerie, and evening/formal wear. The business category will also have a second feature of what to wear and not to wear in the office for men and women. There will be a "Miss NCTC" crowned along with a first and second runner-up.

Many of the local businesses have donated generously to the pageant. All of the fashions worn in the show are going to be "on-loan" from area clothing stores. Others have donated prizes and gifts so that all of the participants will leave with a

preceding her in death were her parents, two brothers and four sisters.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at noon on Friday, April 29 at Mary Immaculate Catholic Church in Farmers Branch which she was a member since 1962. A number of Muenster relatives and friends attended.

Graveside services were held at 4 pm in Sacred Heart Cemetery of Muenster, directed by Rhoton Funeral Home of Carrollton.

For those who have asked, her family has suggested memorials be sent to Mary Immaculate Catholic Church Building Fund

# Lindsay ISD new gym construction progresses

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Lindsay's new gymnasium should be completed in time for the start of the 2005-06 school year on Aug. 22. At the April 18 meeting, Lindsay ISD Board of Trustees heard Superintendent Jerry Metzler review expenditures for the project.

Chuck Freeman of the architect firm, Callahan and Freeman, discussed crash pad design, floor striping, scoreboards, marker/tack boards, blackboards, bleachers, lockers, wall plaque, canopy, color board, and the parking lot. Ronald Hamm of Fab-Crete went over the gymnasium's roof plans. The Board voted to spend approximately \$50,000 more and go with alternate #2 that allowed for the parking lot south of the gym with the addition of more parking spaces at the end.

The gym's bid summary finance sheet was reviewed by the Board by Hamm. The Board approved a payment of \$185,908.89 for the gym project. Superintendent Metzler said that the gym is about 40% paid for now. Payments are being made as the work progresses.

Two Teacher of the Year Awards are to be presented this year at Lindsay. The PTC is sponsoring one for teachers on the k-6 level. Also the

family of the late Davelyn Neidhart, a former teacher at Lindsay, set up a fund to be used for teacher awards. Teachers from grades k-12 are eligible. Students are writing essay to nominate teachers for the honor. Superintendent Metzler said that the winning teacher will be given \$450 and the student writing the winning essay receives \$50.

In other business conducted the LISD Board:

- Hired Robin Hess as a teacher/coach. She will coach the girls softball program, which will be in its first at Lindsay next spring. She will also assist with the other girls sports.
- Approved a proposal by Watson Brothers to paint the ag building for \$7,065.
- Considered the TASA (Texas Association of School Boards) Media Honor Roll resolution and nominated the *Gainesville Daily Register* and *Muenster Enterprise* for the honor, as recommended by Metzler. "This is a pat on the back from the School Board to the newspapers for their support," noted Metzler.

- Approved renewal of property/casualty insurance with David Hutcherson for the next year. Metzler recommended that they renew at this time and then resubmit for new proposals when the gym is completed.

# OBITUARY

Rosebell Zimmerer  
1935 - 2005

Rosebell Zimmerer, a native of Muenster, and current resident of Carrollton, died on April 27, 2005 at age 69, after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was born in Muenster to John J. and Elizabeth Haverkamp on July 30, 1935.

Survivors are her husband of 49 years, Willard Zimmerer, son and daughter-in-law Alan and Brenda Zimmerer, daughters and sons-in-law Karen and Bernard Moore, and Brenda and Gary Porter; nine grandchildren; and two sisters, Helen Cundiff and Evelyn Hesse and a large number of extended family members and friends.

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token of the SIFE Team's appreciation of their participation. All donors will also be recognized for their generosity and cooperation.

The Cinderella Pageant is scheduled for May 10 in the Center for Performing Arts at 7 p.m. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$3 at either Northside Florist (formerly Grand Avenue Florist) or at the NCTC Business Office. Tickets sold at the door will be \$4 each.

The SIFE Team invites everyone to come support NCTC and enjoy an evening that promises to keep you laughing from start to finish.

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## Gold Award earned by Troop 1081

Crystal and Amber Fuhrmann, Teresa Greathouse, and Roxanne Lozano of Troop 1081 of the Cross Timbers Council successfully completed and received their Gold Award. Angela Brewer and Renee Sims from the Cross Timbers Council pinned each girl at the visitation at Van Slyke Cemetery on April 24. This has been an ongoing project for the past two years at Van Slyke Cemetery located on County Road 453, North of Lindsay.

Each Girl Scout did an individual task to make it a completed project. Amber had to design and implement a plan so the upkeep of the cemetery would continue after the girls moved on. Crystal had to research the history and apply for the

Texas historical marker. (This historical marker has been approved and will arrive soon). Roxanne had to design a low maintenance landscape plan that included picking plants that need little or no water since a water source is not handy. Also added were two small prayer gardens to enhance the beauty of the cemetery. And Teresa designed and produced a plan for other Girl Scout Troops to follow and presented it to several different troops so that other cemeteries in different communities could be adopted. The final awards ceremony is in Austin on June 6 with Governor Rick Perry.



Receiving Gold Awards for their project at Van Slyke Cemetery are Girl Scouts Teresa Greathouse, Roxanne Lozano, Crystal Fuhrmann, and Amber Fuhrmann (center). Courtesy photo

## First Communicants celebrate

**By Elfreda Fette**  
To mark a child's First Holy Communion Day, and to relate its religious significance to family involvement, the happy day frequently includes family gatherings and special or traditional celebrations after the Mass and also later in the day. Many observances include the attendance of several generations. This year, 32 little second graders, boys and girls of Sacred Heart Parish, were in the class for a most important day, the solemn reception of First Holy Communion.

**BRANDON HENNIGAN**  
Brandon Joseph Hennigan, son of Joe and Kim Hennigan, was a member of the First Holy Communion class of Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, April 10.

He was honored by his parents at a family gathering in their home after Mass. Guests, with his parents and sister Paige, included grandmothers Alice Hennigan and Shirley Cooper. Grandfather Pat Hennigan sent congratulations from Denton Regional Hospital, recovering from back surgery. Other guests were Godparents Tom and Lora Hennigan and Ryan and Garrett, uncle Tim Hennigan, uncle and aunt Mike and Janie Hennigan and Meredith and Megan, and uncle Pat Hennigan, Jr. The noon meal was catered by Ginny Schneider, featuring fried chicken and all the trimmings. The special First Holy Communion cake was made by Betty Rose Walterscheid.

Everyone enjoyed watching Brandon open his gifts. Pictures and videos were made.

**EMILY BROGDON**  
Emily Marie Brogdon, daughter of Jason and Juline Brogdon, was the center of attention when her parents and her little sister, Eve Grace, hosted a family gathering on her First Holy Communion Day, in their

home following the Mass in Sacred Heart Church from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Guests included grandparents Walter and Celine Bartel, grandmother Cheryl Polk and Rick Rippeteau; Jeff, Lorene, Blair, and Malyn Dudley, Tim and Staci Bartel, Terry, Shy-Ann, and Dalton Bartel, George, Bernice and Geordan Spaeth, Adrienne and Jessica Bartel, Marge and Quentin Hess.

A dinner of hamburgers and all the fixings was followed by dessert of cake and ice cream.

Unable to attend, but sending their love were Floyd, Marceline, Justin, and Chelsea Felderhoff, grandfather Max Brogdon, grandparents James Ray and Jeane Polk, and great-grandmother Veda Brogdon.

**LAURINE MCADEN**  
Laurine McAden, daughter of Scott and Lisa McAden, was a member of the First Holy Communion class on April 10, and she was particularly honored to wear her mother's First Holy Communion dress.

After Mass, the family, Laurine's parents, her siblings Josh, Matthew, Katie, Joey, and Luke; and her grandfather Royce Rennels, and uncle and aunt Curtis and Melanie Rennels all went to the Center Restaurant for the noon meal. Unable to attend, but sending wishes was her grandmother Sylvia Gonzalez and Godparents Ray and Tammie Mendez.

**BRIANNA ROHMER**  
Brianna Diann Rohmer, daughter of Terry and Lisa Rohmer, was the honored one at a family dinner and party at their home after the First Holy Communion Mass.

Special guests were her grandparents Wilfred and Virginia Hess; grandmother Marjorie Rohmer; great-grandmother Frances Zimmerer; great-aunts and uncles Pat and Maurus Rohmer and Pat and Truman

Wolf; Godmother Donna and Rick Hess and Kayla; Godfather Kenny and Cindy Rohmer, Jayna, Kalyn, and Holly; Sharon, David, Anthony, and Amy Reed; and Steve and Kim Rohmer.

At Brianna's request, the dinner menu included homemade lasagna, along with broccoli/grape salad, lettuce salad, wrapped green beans, and onion soup. For dessert, there were white and chocolate decorated cake, cheese cake, and Toramuse cake.

Guests enjoyed visiting. The younger set enjoyed four-wheeler rides; especially Brianna because her veil flowed in the wind.

**JASON KNABE**  
Jason Knabe, son of Greg and Reneta Knabe, was the honored one when his parents and his siblings, Jessica, Clay, and Kyle hosted a family gathering in their home about noon after the First Holy Communion Mass.

Other guests included grandparents Annette Walterscheid, and Harold and Bertha Knabe; Jennifer, Chris, and Sydney Hoedebeck; T.J. and Jeannene Walterscheid; Pat Springer; Austin, Grant, and Kate Springer; Mary Lin and Duane Knabe, and Amanda; Maggie Farrell; and Mac McCoy.

The lasagna dinner was special with all the trimmings. Jason's Godmother Annette Walterscheid provided the special, decorated cake in his honor.

**KASSIE DANGELMAYR**  
Kassie Dangelmayr, daughter of Ron and Karen Dangelmayr, was the honored one at a family gathering for dinner after the First Holy Communion Mass.

Guests included her grandparents Paul and Patsy Dangelmayr and Adam and Alma Wolf; great-grandparents Tony and Sis Klement; her Godparents; and numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins.

## Engagement announced



Leslie and Marilyn Sandmann of Gainesville announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Adrienne Sandmann to Jordan Sparkman of Valley View. He is the son of Marty and Sharon Sparkman of Valley View. The couple plans to wed on June 18, 2005 at 4:30 p.m. in St. Peter's Church in Lindsay. Officiating will be Father Ronald Scheible and Pastor Larry Eberhart. The bride-elect graduated from Lindsay High School in 2001 and is a 2005 graduate of Midwestern State University. She is a dental hygienist. The future groom is a 2000 graduate of Living Heritage Academy and is employed by Dave's Electric as an electrician. The couple plans to make their home in Gainesville after the wedding.

## Cooke County Senior Expo set for May 7

The Cooke County Senior Expo is set for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 7 in Leonard Park (West California at I-35) in Gainesville. There will be music, art, crafts, games, food, cold drinks, information, and drawings. Admission is free to the public.

Entertainment will include Mary Fay Jackson, Mike Culpepper, Rosie O'Toole, Blue Hills Band, and more.

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## Fuhrmann earns a photo award

The Prairie, West Texas A&M University's student newspaper, garnered seven awards at the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association convention April 7-9 in Austin. Michelle Fuhrmann, senior print media major, earned first in photo illustration for "Rain Fallin' Off the Roof" in the "previously published" competition. She is the daughter of Leon and Sandra Fuhrmann of Myra.

## Summer jobs for students are available

Recruiting for TxDOT's summer hire program is in full swing and the department is looking for full-time college or technical school students and graduating high school students eager to learn. In addition to learning how the nation's largest state-maintained highway system is built, students will have an excellent opportunity to learn what it takes to operate and maintain a system of this size.

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## Muenster Memorial Hospital Spring Health Fair 2005



Janet Felderhoff photos



Health Fair participants included, clockwise, from left - Krystal Gilbreath gets information on organ donation from Doreen and Laura Taylor; Sandy Fuhrmann registers with Robynn Walterscheid; Joan Walterscheid speaks with Judi Jolly on diabetes care; Roger Frost CRNA explains his pain management care to Tom Vogel; Donna Rains RN assists with free blood pressure and glucose tests. Pictured are Joann and John Pagle; Lab tech Aileen Acyan draws Pat Yosten's blood for testing. Texoma Regional Blood Center came and there were 10 blood donors accepted. They noted that those 10 could possibly save 30 lives.

## Park party marks brothers' birthdays

Brothers Ethan and Logan Muller, sons of Wayne and Deann Muller of Muenster, celebrated their birthdays together on Saturday, March 19. The party was held in the Muenster Park.

Everyone was entertained as the brothers opened all of their gifts. Logan was very happy to receive his first pair of cowboy boots and Ethan was excited to see all of the racecars that he received. Two cakes were served for guests, a racecar cake for Ethan, and a fishing cake for Logan. The highlight of the party was when everyone took turns hitting a near life-sized piñata of Spiderman.

Those attending the party were: their parents; sister Samantha; grandparents



Logan Muller

Ross and Janet Felderhoff and Steve and Sharon Muller; great-grandmother Aileen Knabe; uncles Jody Felderhoff and Gary Muller; Godfather Toby Walterscheid; and special friend Kathleen Henley. Unable to attend but sending birthday greetings were Godmother Kim and Kenny, Kirk, and Kara Felderhoff; Godmother Carol Sicking and cousin Cory.

Ethan's actual fourth birthday was on Feb. 6. He celebrated with a Thomas the Tank Engine cake. Logan's actual third birthday was on March 18. Logan celebrated by taking a fishing trip to Felderhoff Lake.



Ethan Muller

## Szymanski Koesler

The baptisms of Isabel Rose Szymanski and Michael Alfons Koesler were held on April 17, 2005 at 12 p.m. in Sacred Heart Church of Muenster with Rev. John Ohner OSA officiating. Isabel is the daughter of Tony and Erica Szymanski, and her Godparents are uncle and aunt Frank and Cherry Szymanski of Marathon City, Wisconsin. Michael is the son of Max and Cindy Koesler, and his Godparents are uncle and aunt Duane and Mary Lin Knabe.

The baptismal blanket used by Isabel was made by the maternal great-grandmother Isabel Wimmer, and the baptismal gown worn

by Michael was made by the maternal grandmother Sharlene Schilling, worn also by her children and grandchildren.

Following the ceremony, the families went to the Center Restaurant for dinner. Cake was also served.

Attending were the grandparents Duwayne and Sharlene Schilling, Linda Szymanski, and Alfons and Mary Ann Koesler; great-grandparents Charlie Wimmer, and Ben and Gertie Voth; Michael's sisters Samantha and Stephanie; aunts and uncles Kelly Lanier, Ryan and Tina Hess, Brad and Stephanie Schilling, Charlie Schilling, Frank and Cherry Szymanski, James and Sue Yosten, Duane and Mary Lin Knabe, Barbara Koesler, Carol Luttmmer; cousins Madison Lanier, Dalton and Kenadie Hess, Diana and Amanda Knabe, Abby, Amy, and Daniel Luttmmer; and friends Dustin Walterscheid, Casidhe Meriwether, and Cassy and Aidan Jezek.

Unable to attend were Rod and Mason Lanier, Trevor Hess, Nicholas, Telisha, Brianna, and Emma Yosten, Jonathan, Kristen, and Debra Yosten, Gene and Timothy Luttmmer, Joe, Kristy, Ben, and Charlie Koesler.

## BAPTISMS

## AREA HAPPENINGS

### Rosston Cemetery Association Meeting

The memorial annual meeting of the Rosston Cemetery Association will be held Saturday, May 14 at 11 a.m. at the Rosston Methodist Church.

## Free Poetry Contest open

The Famous Poets Society announces that over \$50,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded this year to amateur poets.

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## Emma's 1st is celebrated!

Emma Rae Bayer, daughter of Craig and Rita Bayer, and sister of Jake Bayer, celebrated her first birthday on April 24 with a party in her home. The theme of the party was Birthday Princess. The cake was a pink princess doll cake decorated by Emma's mother. Throughout the day, Emma wore a pink satin Birthday Princess crown. Guests were served a barbecue lunch followed by dessert.

Helping Emma celebrate were her parents and brother; grandparents Regina Pels and Charles and Carolyn Bayer; uncles, aunts, and cousins Doreen and Steve Taylor, Janet and Will Voth, Charla and Will Taylor; and Godparents Adam Taylor and Debra Sicking.



Emma Bayer

Unable to attend but sending wishes were John and Cherilyn Pollard and Kalyssa.

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# SCHOOL



Muenster students, from left, Kim Patel, Megan Felderhoff, Whitney Watson, and Kristen Hess, have advanced to the UIL Academics State Meet. Janie Hartman p photo

## Four Muenster High students advance to State UIL Academics

The UIL Academics Spring Meet for Conference 1A, Region 2 was held at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene on April 23. Muenster had five individuals and four teams place in the top six. One team, Spelling and Vocabulary, qualified for State. Advancing will be Kristen Hess, Whitney Watson, Megan Felderhoff, and Kim Patel. Hess placed 5th and Watson 6th individually. Cletus Fuhrmann settled for a 4th place in Current Events. Derek Felderhoff was 5th in Mathematics, and A.J. Fleitman was 6th in Science. The Math team of Felderhoff, Watson, Clint Miller, and Travis Felderhoff finished 3rd. The Number Sense team of Watson, Miller, D. Felderhoff, and Sean Fuhrmann came in 4th, while the Science team of Fleitman, Gage Gilliland, Adam Vinson, and Evan Koesler settled for 3rd. State competition will be in Austin May 6 and 7.

## Lindsay wins big at Regional

Lindsay students earned five individual gold medals and eight team 1st places at the 1A, Region 2 UIL Academics Spring Meet in Abilene on April 23. Lindsay will be competing in nine different events at the State Meet, including the One Act Play. Earning gold medals at Regional were: Jillian Bezner, Informative Speaking; Rameez Anwar, Literary Criticism; Malcom Martin, Science; Rhea Williams, Social Studies; and Rachel Zimmerer, Spelling and Vocabulary. Advancing to State as 2nd placers are: Jacob Geray, Literary Criticism; Michael Eckart, Mathematics; Jonathon Hall, Persuasive Speaking; Haley Skeans, Prose Interpretation; Jacob Geray, Social Studies; and Liz Klement, Spelling and Vocabulary. Winning teams and members moving on to State competition are: Literary Criticism, Anwar, Geray, Ryan Zimmerer, Leanna Gustine; Math, Martin, Eckart, Travis Reiter, Stephanie Metzler; Number Sense, Martin, Eckart, Reiter, Anwar; Science, Martin, Danny Kendall, Cheryl Knabe, Reiter; Social Studies, Williams, Geray, Kendall, Jessica Bezner; Spelling, Rachel Zimmerer, Liz Klement, Chandni Patel, Laura Zimmerer; and the Speech team. Finishing 2nd as a team were Sanaa Anwar, Garret Jones, and Scott Neu in Current Issues.

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Thurs. - Pork chops, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, mixed fruit, hot rolls.  
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beans, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, cornbread, sugar cookie.  
Wed. - Chicken fried steak or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, hot roll.  
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Fri. - Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, trimmings, pickle spears, ice cream.

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Wed. - Chicken patty sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, chips and salsa, fresh vegetables, bananas, cookies.  
Thurs. - Chicken crispo, oven baked French fries, beans, applesauce.  
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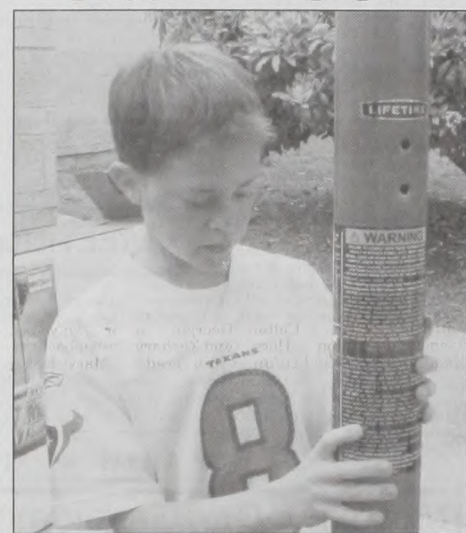
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Fri. - Hamburger w/ trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

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## MESC works for playground equipment

The Muenster Elementary Student Council (MESC) raised over \$1,000 to get new playground equipment. To raise the money, the MESC had a couple of fundraisers: a carnation sale for Valentines Day and a bake sale. The MESC was able to purchase with the money earned a soccer goal, basketball goal, a four-way tug-of-war rope, new tetherballs, baseball bat and ball with bases, and hand-rackets. Jill Swirczynski donated another basketball goal for the children to enjoy playing basketball on. The playground committee members were chairman, Shane Presnall, Lacey Trubenbach, Hayley Hess, Michelle Henscheid, and Landon Presnall. The committee did an awesome job of ordering and setting up the equipment when it arrived. The Muenster Elementary Student Council hopes the third through sixth grades will enjoy the new playground equipment!



Shane Presnall, vice-president of Muenster Elementary Student Council, assisted in assembling new playground equipment. Courtesy photo

Submitted by MESC reporter, Hayley Hess

Muenster Elementary Principal's Award winners for the 5th six-week reporting period, from left, bottom row - Paige Herr, Hannah Bayer, Rylee Cain, Kristen Reiter, and Kassie Dangelmayr; Middle row - Cole Walterscheid, Taylor Klement, and Luke Crabtree; Top row - Shane Presnall, Shane Sicking, and River Stewart. Not pictured are: Rieta Dufurrena, Cassie Horsman, Bailey Klement, Zachary Klement, Morgan McGrew, Carrie Nasura, and LeeAnn West. Courtesy photo

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# Muenster Hornet Band Spring Concert in the Park



Photos by Scott Wood

## Rain forest animals visit Lindsay Elementary

Critterman entertained the K-6 students of Lindsay Elementary on Tuesday, April 26. Critterman, aka Dave Kleven, showed students various animals from the rain forests around the world. The students met some of the amazing species we are helping to protect when we practice the three R's (Reduce, Reuse, & Recycle).

Students were entertained with Godzilla, the green iguana. Dillon Case, 3rd grade student, was allowed to pet this giant lizard. Students were told how iguanas defend themselves: "The iguana had scales that could scratch you," stated Kalyn Huggins. Zachary Green added, "Godzilla had a very cool weapon - that being his very sharp tail!"

Critterman also showed a kinkajou, Mango, who is often mistaken for some sort of monkey when people see his prehensile tail. Kinkajous are actually closely related to raccoons. Mango enjoyed eating a banana and showing students his strong tail used for holding onto things.

Zuka's name means "spirit" or "ghost". He is a ring-tailed

lemur. Lemur's are also known as ghost monkeys. They are natives of the Island of Madagascar, off the East coast of Africa. His black and white striped tail was long and very noticeable!

Nadia, a macaw, loves to show-off to an enthusiastic audience, but was a little shy with the Lindsay students. She did greet them with a "Hola!" and reminded students to reduce, reuse, and recycle. She was hatched and raised at the Critterman facility. Zach Hundt stated that he learned it is good when the parrot goes to the bathroom in the jungle because it is spreading nuts. Nicholas Fleitman said, "The parrot was the best!"

Students learned about a new creature from the rainforest, a binturong. This animal is only four months old but was by far the largest shown to the students thus far.

The Burmese python, Natasha, is 11 feet long, weighs 45 lbs., and is still growing! A student and the principal, Monica Johnson-Parkhill, both got to feel the snake and have it draped around their shoulders.

Sean Steffels liked the snake because everyone screamed. Raye Ann Moran learned that when it eats, it grows. Jake Reynolds was surprised to find that the snake was not venomous, while Sarah Snider liked the snake because it looked harmless.

The students enjoyed the presentation by Critterman and the animals. Catlynn Schumacher summed it up for everyone: "All the animals were so amazing!!"

## Tickets are now available for SHHS All Awards Banquet

Sacred Heart High School's All Awards Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 in the Community Center. It is sponsored by Sacred Heart Alumni and Supporters for the purpose of bestowing academic and athletic awards to honor the achievement of students during the past school year. The awards ceremony will follow a meal.

Tickets are \$7.00 and the deadline for purchasing them is Monday, May 16. They are available at the high school office.



The Critterman shares his friends with Lindsay student Dillon Case (above) and Principal Monica Johnson-Parkhill. Courtesy photos

## Muenster ISD names Terrific Kids

Muenster Elementary has announced its "Terrific Kids" for the 5th six-week reporting period. They include:

Pre-K - Sidney Carnes, Matthew Cler, Colton Dangelmayr, Jon Hess, Breanna Pate, and LeeAnn West;

Kindergarten - Katie Bell, Bailey McCoy, Stetson McGrew, Christopher Patten, Matthew Smith, and Logan Wann;

1st grade - Roman Bayer, Devon Hacker, Alison Morris, Rogelio Orocio, Katie Pagel, Skylar Ruttman, Allie Walterscheid, and Kimber

Walterscheid; 2nd grade - Morgan Flusche, Karson Heady, Tressa Jones, Makayla Mosler, Rielly Neal, Ty Portman, Zayne Styles, Georgia Taylor Saavedra, and Zachary Trubenbach;

3rd grade - Mary Helen Bayer, Mason Binder, Dylan Clure, Garrett Dangelmayr, Ethan Hale, Erin Hess, Chris Jackson, Sadie Keener, Amber Knabe, Juan Orocio, Adrien Rohmer, Dylan Serna, Audrey Taylor Saavedra, Danielle West, Mariah Wimmer;

4th grade - C. T. Beecham, Jordan Fredrick, Brooke Hess, Ryan Los, Daniel Lutkenhaus, Clayton Rohmer, Blayne Styles;

5th grade - Robert Bayer, Shelby Dangelmayr, Oscar Del Rio, Blake Grewing, Kendra Koelzer, Demi Koelzer, Kendra Walterscheid, Jace Wann;

6th grade - Tyler Acuna, Logan Cheaney, Ryan Hennigan, Hayley Hess, Jason Luke, Derek Pagel, Zach Pierce, Will Taylor, andaleigh Wood.



Muenster ISD Elementary Terrific Kids for the 5th six weeks. Courtesy photo

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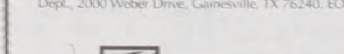
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**To: AUBREY GUY LAYTON, Respondent, Greeting:**  
 You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written Answer to the Applicant's Suit to Establish Presumption of Death and For Distribution of Estate at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 13th day of June, 2005 at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the County Court at Law of Cooke County, at the Courthouse in Gainesville, Texas.

Said Applicant's Suit To Establish Presumption of Death and For Distribution of Estate was filed on April 12, 2005 in this case, numbered 15946 on the docket of said court, and styled "IN RE: AUBREY GUY LAYTON, IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW, COOKE COUNTY, TEXAS, TOMMY GENE CLARK, AS APPLICANT"

The names of the parties to the cause are TOMMY GENE CLARK, Applicant and AUBREY GUY LAYTON, Respondent.

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows, to-wit: To Establish Presumption of Death and For Distribution of the Estate of AUBREY GUY LAYTON as is more fully shown by Applicant's Suit to Establish Presumption of Death and For Distribution of Estate on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Gainesville, Texas, on April 28th, 2005.

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### FB urges continuing Perkins Act education funding

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Letters from AFBF President Bob Stallman were sent to House and Senate appropriations labor, housing and education subcommittee members urging them to vote for providing funds. Stallman noted that the Perkins Act appropriations are vital for

"development of the talent and leadership needed in farming and agricultural service industries."

Agricultural career and technical education funding from the federal government flows to state programs through the annual appropriations of the Perkins act. This year the Bush administration budget calls for eliminating funding for Perkins Act programs; last year the administration requested a 25 percent cut, but Congress ignored the request.

"We urge you, as you draft the FY06 labor, health and human services and education spending bill, to support career and technical agriculture education and FFA student organizations by maintaining Perkins funding at least at last year's level," Stallman said.

### AG BRIEFS

E. coli in ground beef has dropped 43.3% from a year ago, or an 80% reduction from 2001 to 2004.

"The Other White Meat" pork campaign is in the past, as a new slogan "Don't be blah" starts a new campaign.

Deworm cows and calves with a pour-on product before pasture turn-out.

At branding, dehorn and castrate calves if not done at birth. Also administer doses for clostridial/blackleg, viral vaccination, and parasite control.

Mineral management plays a key role in an animal's reproductive health. Minerals can help control scours, pink-eye, foot rot, retained placentas, and more. Cows stressed by winter, low-quality forage, or sickness may require extra minerals.

Keep heifers with wide rumps and a deep heart girth - signs of lower maintenance requirements.

Common pasture weeds can be controlled with herbicides. For information on control, check out [www.rangeandpasture.com](http://www.rangeandpasture.com)

Spring is the best time to split and stack firewood, giving months to dry in hot weather. Freshly cut trees are about 50% water. Seasoning cuts moisture to around 20%. Seasoned wood burns more efficiently. Wood splits easier when green.

Firewood: hardwoods burn clean and slow, soft woods hotter and quicker for good kindling. Slow burning fires build creosote in chimneys.

Agriculture will supply 25% of the total energy consumed in the U.S. by 2025.

Electrical Safety Month Sheds Light on Hidden Farm Hazard

Among all farm hazards, electricity is the one most commonly overlooked. According to the National Safety Council, more than 500 people die from electrocution each year. The Bureau of Labor Statistics ranks agriculture second in number of electrocution deaths among major industries. In 2004 Congress declared May National Electric Safety Month in an effort to promote electrical safety.

When most people consider all the dangers that exist on farms, tractors, machinery, and livestock are usually at the top of the list. After all, these hazards are visible and resulting injuries are often serious. In observance of National Electrical Safety Month, farm families and farm workers should also consider the potential electrical hazards in the farm environment.

Even a small amount of exposure to electrical current is dangerous. It takes less than 15 milliamperes to produce a painful shock. This is only a fraction of the electrical current needed to power a 60-watt light bulb, which draws about 500 milliamperes. More than 20 milliamperes of current can be deadly, especially to small children. An average electrical circuit in a home or barn will draw 20 to 30 amps.

According to David W. Smith, Extension Farm Safety Specialist, potential farm electrical hazards exist anywhere you have electrical equipment in the vicinity of water, such as electricity-powered center pivot irrigation systems and pumps near ponds or manure pits. Contact with overhead power lines claims many lives each year, as workers move grain augers, maneuver irrigation pipe, and use tractors to transport tall machinery. Insulated electrical wiring in old barns and buildings

that are damaged by rodents or animals, exposes workers to live wires and increases the risk of fires. Electrical circuits on motors and other machinery that do not have adequate grounding are just an accidents waiting to happen.

Take this anniversary of National Electrical Safety Month to discuss electrical hazards with your family and farm workers. Use this opportunity to share the following safety tips:

Clearly mark existing overhead power lines where tall equipment will be moved. Make sure all farm workers are aware of the danger. Inspect barn wiring, electrical connections, and power outlet boxes. Replace wire with exposed insulation and make sure all electrical boxes are grounded and have safety shields. Throw away damaged extension cords. Never use them as a rope to tie or hold objects. Trim tree limbs clear of power lines, and never let children climb in trees close to power lines.

For more information on electrical safety on the farm, visit the Agricultural Health and Safety web at <http://agsafety@tamu.edu>.

### Making Hay...

Make wise decisions when making and storing hay.

Feeding hay is one of the best ways to increase year-round carrying capacity, as forage is harvested during periods of rapid, excess growth and then fed during stress periods. As a result, producers can feed cattle 365 days a year.

One objective of any hay-feeding program is to provide plenty of high quality hay to meet the animals' nutritional needs. Many factors affect the quality of hay: soil fertility, the stage of forage maturity when harvested, the moisture available during the growing season, harvesting conditions, and storage.

Losses in quality or quantity occur at various stages of making hay.

Cutting the hay too late after optimum maturity has been reached, will reduce the nutrient value of the forage. Excessive rain while the hay is drying can lead to nutrients being leached from the plant or it can cause mold to grow on the drying hay. Forage plants continue to respire when cut until the moisture content falls below 40%. High humidity, cloudy skies and low temperatures will cause the plant to use more of the readily digestible carbohydrates and can lower the protein content and the TDN of the hay. Hay that is too dry when being baled can cause excessive leaf loss, which is the most nutrient dense portion of the plant. Finally, storage of the hay directly affects the nutrient and dry matter losses. Improperly stored hay can easily lose up to 25% of its dry matter in one year's time.

Whether you are selling hay or utilizing it on your farm or ranch, it is important to maximize the quality of the product produced. Sometimes the weather makes it difficult to produce the quality of hay that we desire, but striving to harvest forage in a timely manner can add to the value of what is one of the most important crops grown in Cooke County.

Dates to Remember  
May 26 - Wildlife Program (Deer Nutrition and Hunting Lease Issues), NCTC Little Theater, 6:30 p.m.

### AG BRIEF

To assist in cleaning the shop or carport floor, use an absorbent kitty litter or sawdust to lift oil stains. Rub in with a stiff brush, then let set for a few hours. Sweep away. Scrub in a degreaser with a stiff brush on remaining spots, then wash the degreaser away. Sprinkle dry, powdered cement over the entire spot and let set a couple of days. Keep the space dry.

### USDA to hold listening sessions on farm policy

During a meeting with a group of National Association of Farm Broadcasters on Monday, Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced that USDA will conduct a series of national listening sessions this summer concerning farm policy.

"I want to ask farmers and ranchers how our farm policy is affecting them and how we might make that policy

better," Johanns said.

Johanns said that the sessions will answer questions about the future of agriculture. This will include discussions on support of new farmers and the necessary atmosphere for success in farming and ranching. Johanns proposed a partnership between the broadcasters and USDA to spread the word about the listening sessions.

## MUESTER ENTERPRISE CLASSIFIED ADS

### LEGAL NOTICES

#### ORDINANCE #280 INTERNATIONAL CODES

An ordinance of the City of Muenster adopting the 2003 edition of the Family of International Codes, including the International Residential Code, the International Energy Conservation Code, the International Building Code, the International Fire Code, the International Plumbing Code, and the International Mechanical Code also the National Electrical Code regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of all property, buildings, structures, including all commercial buildings and one and two-family dwellings and townhouses in the City of Muenster, providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefor; by deleting sections 8-1-1, 8-1-2, 8-1-3, 8-1-4, and 8-1-5A, B, and C of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Muenster, Texas and all other ordinances in conflict therewith.

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Reed Production, Inc., P. O. Box 1258, Gainesville, TX 72641 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject oil and gas waste into the Strawn formation, G. G. Bond Lease, Well # 2. The proposed injection well is located 3 miles SE of Gainesville in the Cooke County Regular Field, in Cooke County.

Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2560 to 2870 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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<p><b>Feeder Steers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.48-1.70; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.25-1.48; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.38-1.50; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.15-1.38; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 1.33-1.46; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.00-1.33; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 1.20-1.42; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 95-1.20; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 1.11-1.25; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 95-1.11; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 1.03-1.07; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 85-1.03</p> <p><b>Feeder Heifers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.39-1.52; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.30-1.43; 300-400 lbs.: No. 1, 1.30-1.43; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.15-1.30; 400-500 lbs.: No. 1, 1.25-1.40; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 1.15-1.25; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 1.18-1.32; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 95-1.18; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 1.05-1.14; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 85-1.05; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 96-1.04; Nos. 2 &amp; 3, 65-96</p> <p><b>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)</b> Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.200-1.500 lbs.; #3-7, Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 57-67; Culler, 38-57.</p>	<p><b>Stocker Cows (per head)</b> Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: \$850-\$1030; Medium Frame: \$500-\$850; Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$1000-\$1380; Medium Frame: \$700-\$1000; Holstein Baby Calves: NT, Crossbreds: \$250-\$335</p> <p><b>Barrows &amp; Gilts (per lb.)</b> US #1, 230-270: 60-66; US #2, 220-280: 55-60</p> <p><b>Feeders (per head):</b> 100-125 lbs. \$60-\$100; 25-90 lbs. \$45-\$65</p> <p><b>Sows (per lb.)</b> Feeder: 400 or less: 30-43; Light wt., 400-500: 35-38; Med wt., 500-600: 35-38; Heavy wt., 600-700: 35-38</p> <p><b>Boars (per lb.)</b> 300 lb. up: 05-08; 200-300 lbs.: 25-30; Light wt.: 35-50</p> <p><b>Sheep (per lb.)</b> Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs. 1.05-1.45; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs. 1.00-1.25; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs.: .95-1.05</p>	<p><b>Ewes (per lb.)</b> Stocker: 60-70; Thin: 30-60; Fat: 55-70</p> <p><b>Bucks (per lb.)</b> Thin: 55-70; Fat: 45-55; Barbados (per head) Lambs: \$30-65; Ewes: \$35-85; Bucks: \$75-180</p> <p><b>Goats (per head)</b> Kids: 20-35 lbs. \$30-\$50; 35-55 lbs. \$40-\$65; 55-75 lbs. \$50-\$80</p> <p><b>Yearlings (per head)</b> 75-120 lbs. \$80-\$130</p> <p><b>Nannies (per head)</b> Stocker: \$70-\$160; Milk Type: \$45-\$115; Slaughter: \$75-\$110; Thin: \$35-\$65; Fat: \$75-\$110</p> <p><b>Billies (per head)</b> 120 lbs up: \$85-\$110; Slaughter: \$75-\$95</p> <p><b>Boer Goats (per head)</b> 1/2 Nanny: NT; 3/4 Nanny: NT; Full Nanny: \$85-\$200</p> <p><b>Bred Goats (per head)</b> 1/2 Billy: NT; 3/4 Billy: NT; Full Billy: \$60-125</p>
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**NOTICE OF HEARING**

The Muenster Zoning Board of Adjustments has received a request for a variance on property located at 723 N. Maple Street. The lot measures approximately 60' x 150'. The requester of the variance proposes to build a new house on the property.  
 A public hearing will be held on Monday, April 11, 2005, at 7 p.m. at the City Hall meeting room, 400 N. Main Street. All interested parties may attend the hearing.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

The Muenster Independent School District is accepting sealed bids for the sale of a 1988 GMC school bus. The bus is a 53 passenger conventional with a Ward Volunteer body. It is a 4-speed manual, with a 350 gasoline engine, and 85,906 miles in good running condition. Bids will be accepted until 1:00 P.M., April 4, 2005. Bids will be opened and read aloud at 1:30 P.M., at the Muenster Independent School District Administration Office, 137 W. Seventh Street, Muenster, Texas 76252. For more information contact Susanna Fleitman, Transportation Director, at (940) 759-2281 ext. 631.

The Muenster Independent School District is taking sealed bids for replacement, purchase, and installation of four (4) HVAC units with efficiency controls, CO2 sensors, and new programmable thermostats. Drawings, technical specifications, and general conditions for bidding purposes can be obtained from the Muenster Independent School District Administration Office, 137 W. Seventh Street, Muenster, Texas. Bids will be received until 1:00 P.M., April 4, 2005. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the above time and date. Work will not begin before June 1, 2005 and should be completed not later than July 6, 2005. Bid bond will be required in the amount of the bid amount.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT**

Jimmy Jack Biffle, P.O. Box 728, Muenster, Texas 76252, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Strawn formation G. H. Hellman Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 3 miles South of Muenster, Texas in the Gatewood Field, in Cooke County. Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 1,618 to 1,624 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.  
 Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or request for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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**Man wins contest with alleged illegally-taken buck**

Billy Ray Herring, 65, of Quitman, could have ended up with three prize rifles, free mounts of his kill, and all the great press he could handle.  
 Instead, he owes the State \$6,220 in civil restitution and faces felony charges.  
 What happened? He killed a trophy buck, entered it into a bunch of state and local contests and is accused of going to buy his hunting license AFTER he took the buck.  
 Herring was charged March 11 with killing a deer without a license and with three second-degree felonies for tampering with government documents.  
 The charges stem from the fact that Herring is accused of buying the license to defraud those running the contests he entered. He signed certifications on the entry forms saying he took the animal using legal means and methods, including on the form to enter the Texas Big Game Awards, run by

the Texas Wildlife Association and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. He also entered contests run by the Tyler Morning Telegraph and the Town of Mt. Pleasant that involved him signing similar agreements.  
 Herring had actually WON the newspaper contest for its North Texas division and received a new Remington 700, .7-magnum rifle, and a free mount.  
 Game Warden Ronny Ward, who investigated the case along with Game Warden Kurt Kelley, said it started with a phone call in February from a taxidermist in Wood County. The buck had scored anywhere between 157 and 165 B&C points.  
 Investigators learned through witness accounts that Herring showed the deer to folks around 7:30 a.m. on the day he hunted it (Nov. 6, 2004). But when game wardens checked his hunting license, they found he bought it at 8:18 a.m.

that day. He is accused of falsifying all his contest entry forms, writing on them he took the deer around 5 p.m.  
 Herring was being held under a total of \$11,900 bond in the Wood County Correctional Facility. He made bond later that day.

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# FARM & RANCH

## Census reveals a nationwide increase in women farm operators

The 2002 Census of Agriculture indicated a 13.4% increase in the number of farms nationwide operated by women since 1997. A total of 237,819 farms in the U.S. were reported as having a woman as the principal operator in 2002. Women operated 59,383,557 acres of land in 2002, an increase of 16.5% from 1997. In addition, 84% of the women principal operators were full owners of the farms they operated. Nearly all women principal operators in the U.S., 95.4%, own at least part of the land they operated. In 2002, 82%

of women principal operators in Texas were full owners of the farms they operated. These farms totaled 6,822,596 acres of land. An additional 13% of women principal operators owned part of the land they operated.

Texas ranked first among states for farms operated by a woman principal operator with 27,192 farms. Of the 228,926 farms in Texas, just under 12% have a woman principal operator. Women

principal operators were reported in all 254 Texas counties. The top three counties for farms operated by a woman principal operator were Harris County with 427 farms; Parker County with 426 farms; and Denton County with 420 farms. The three counties with the most acreage operated by women were Culberson County with 346,209 acres; Brewster County with 334,817 acres, and Hudspeth County with 274,279 acres.

## TDA honors Ware Ranch at Family Heritage ceremony

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs honored 142 Texas farms and ranches from 89 counties during the 30th annual Family Land Heritage ceremony on March 18 in Austin. The ceremony recognized families who have kept their farm or ranch in continuous agricultural production by the same family for 100 years or more.

Faye Ware of Gainesville, owner and operator of the Ware Ranch in Cooke County, was recognized at the ceremony in Austin. The Ware Ranch is one of 20 operations honored for 150 years of continuous agriculture production. The Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program began in 1974 and recognizes families who have kept their farms and ranches in agricultural production for 100 years or more. In 2001, TDA began recognizing farms and ranches for 150 and 200 years of continuous agricultural operation by the same family.

## It's A STAT!

### CATTLE ON FEED

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.69 million head on March 1. Producers placed 340,000 head in commercial feedlots during February. Texas commercial feeders marketed 360,000 head during February, down 14% from last year and down 9% from the January 2005 total.

### WHEAT ACREAGE

Texas wheat producers have seeded 5.8 million acres for the 2005 winter wheat crop, down 8 percent from last year, and 12 percent lower than 2003

"It's hard to imagine the human experience represented by these properties and the families that kept them in continuous production for 150 years or more. These farms and ranches make up the foundation of Texas agriculture, history, and rural life," Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said.

"Faye Ware should be commended for her dedication and commitment to agriculture and to Cooke County," Combs said.

On Jan. 13, 1854, John and Nancy Altum Ware acquired title to 320 acres of land from William Goodnight. The founders raised cattle, hogs, sheep, goats, chickens, corn, cotton, feed, and hay. At one time the Wares had nearly 3,000 acres stretching from FM 902 to the south to near Hwy. 82 to the north.

The property has been passed down through generations and in 1974 was recognized by the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of continuous agricultural production while owned by Pat and Alpha Ware. Today, Faye Ware raises cattle and hay on the property.

"Each and every family honored this year is a true Texas hero whose spirit, grit, and determination ensures a bright future for Texas agriculture," Combs said.

## Lawn Fertilization for Spring!

Spring is in the air!! Warmer temperatures mean that the soil will soon warm to a level that our warm season turf grasses (i.e. St. Augustine grass, bermudagrass, buffalo grass, zoysia grass) will begin to grow. This also means that one needs to plan their nutrient management program for the year. Taking a soil sample is a good first step in this process. It will provide useful information pertaining to the level of nutrients in your soil and can assist you in developing your yearlong environmentally sensitive approach to nutrient management.

In the spring, it is recommended to apply your first fertilizer application after your lawn has begun to grow. You may want to wait until after you have mowed your lawn two to three times. Applying fertilizer too early can cause undue stress to your turf if a late freeze occurs. Also, apply fertilizer in measured amounts to your lawn. This means you need to know the surface area (square feet) of your site and how much of a nutrient your particular turfgrass requires in a given application and in a given year. Remember, not all turfgrasses require the same level of fertility (i.e. nitrogen) in a yearlong program.

## Texas Animal Health Commission Update on Texas Bovine Tuberculosis

On March 18, 2005, Texas joined more than 33 other states that require most dairy cows and dairy bulls to have a negative test for cattle tuberculosis (TB) within 60 days before entering the state. Young dairy heifers and bull calves hauled to Texas will have to be officially identified with an ear tag and will be restricted at a designated facility until they test negative for TB at six months of age. With 807 registered dairies, Texas ranks among the top 10 states in the nation for dairy cattle and milk production. Nearly 62,000 dairy replacement animals entered the state in 2004.

The new regulation provides testing exemptions for dairy cattle that originate from herds tested yearly under a TB-accreditation program, neutered dairy cattle being

fed for slaughter, and dairy cattle delivered directly to slaughter. These animals, however, must have a certificate of veterinary inspection, issued within 30 days prior to movement.

"During the past 18 months, the 335,000 cattle in Texas' dairies have been tested for cattle TB, and it is only prudent to ensure that incoming replacement dairy cattle also are free of the disease," commented Dr. Dee Ellis, who heads up the Animal Health Programs for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency. Beef cattle will continue to enter Texas under existing regulations.

Dr. Ellis said the plan to regain Texas' TB-free status was developed with the dairy and beef cattle industry, and one aspect involves testing all dairies -

a chore already accomplished - and at least 2,400 purebred or seed stock beef cattle herds. More than 500 beef cattle herds have been tested in Texas, with no TB infection detected, but more herd tests are needed to provide adequate disease surveillance. The USDA has extended funding to pay for herd tests, and more than 500 private veterinary practitioners in Texas are certified to provide the service. To learn more about the TB testing program, call the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242, your nearest TAHC area office, or your private veterinary practitioner.

**Dates to Remember:**  
April 5 - M-44 Coyote Control program, call 940-668-5412 for details and to register.

April 20 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting; Cooke County Fairgrounds.

## \$14.3 million is available in grants

Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced that USDA Rural Development is accepting applications for the Value-Added Producer Grant Program. Funding in the amount of \$14.3 million is available to develop value-added agriculture business ventures and develop alternative sources of renewable energy which support President Bush's energy plan to develop alternative sources of renewable energy.

The Value-Added Producer Grant Program provides competitive grant funds for one of the two following activities: (1) to support the planning activities needed to establish a viable value-added marketing opportunity for an agricultural product or (2) to acquire working capital to operate a value-added business venture that will allow producers to better compete in domestic and international markets.

Grants are available to independent producers, agricultural producer groups, farmer or rancher cooperatives, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures. Eligible applicants applying under the renewable energy

category must include energy projects generated through the use of agricultural commodities, wind, water, or solar power.

The maximum award for the planning grant is \$100,000 and the maximum award for the working capital grant is \$150,000. Applications must be completed and submitted no later than May 6, 2005. For more information on the Value-Added Producer Grant, contact Billy Curb, Business and Cooperative Specialist, 254-742-9775 or visit the website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

## TEXAS AG FACTS

Texas is the United States' leader with one million horses of 15% nationwide.

Of the 254 Texas counties, 133 are rural, 44 are micropolitan (fast growing), and 77 are urban or metropolitan counties.

Rural Texas covers approximately 80% of the state's total land area, or 213,297 square miles out of 267,277.

## AG BRIEFS

Canadian research indicates that nighttime feeding of cattle could improve gains and feed efficiency.

To find out who to contact concerning animal identification, go to [www.usda.gov/nals](http://www.usda.gov/nals)

Social Security will begin to spend more for benefits than it takes in from payroll taxes in 2018.

Land stewardship is a significant water management strategy members of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) told Texas legislative leaders in a Jan. 12 letter. TWDB indicated support for several policy initiatives relating to comprehensive watershed management and land stewardship programs on privately-owned land. Primary among them is increased funding for "protection of the state's water resources from contamination resulting from unplugged, abandoned oil and gas wells and leaking petroleum pipelines. Limited funding of the Texas Railroad Commission's Oilfield Cleanup Fund means that only a small number of wells can be plugged each year." TWDB also asked that adequate state funding be maintained for control of non-point source pollution in the state's watersheds and the State Brush Control Program. —Texas Water Development Board

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<b>Feeder Steers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.49-1.70; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.20-1.49; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.38-1.58; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.38; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.33-1.50; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.33; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.18-1.37; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-118; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.23; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-110; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 1.01-1.16; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-101.	<b>Stocker Cows (per head)</b> Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame \$900-\$1125; Medium Frame \$550-\$900; Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$1000-\$1300; Medium Frame: \$700-\$1000; Holstein Baby Calves NT, Crossbreds: \$210-\$335.	<b>Ewes (per lb.)</b> Stocker: 60-70; Thin: 30-50; Fat: 50-65.
<b>Feeder Heifers (per lb.)</b> 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.38-1.57; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.38; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.33-1.48; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.33; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.21-1.35; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.21; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.23; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-114; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.02-1.09; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-102; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 97-106; Nos. 2 & 3, 75-97.	<b>Barrows &amp; Gilts (per lb.)</b> US #1, 230-270: 50-55; US #2, 220-280: 45-50.	<b>Bucks (per lb.)</b> Thin: 45-55; Fat: 40-50.
<b>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)</b> Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1,200-1,500 lbs.: 65-77; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 57-6350; Cutter: 42-57.	<b>Feeder Heifers (per head)</b> 100-175 lbs. \$45-\$80; 25-90 lbs. \$35-\$45.	<b>Goats (per head)</b> Kids: 20-35; \$20-\$45; 35-55 lbs. \$30-\$70; 55-75 lbs. \$50-\$75.
	<b>Sows (per lb.)</b> Feeder: 400 or less: 30-41; Light wt.: 400-500: 35-40; Med. wt.: 500-600: 35-40; Heavy wt.: 600+: 38-40.	<b>Yearlings (per head)</b> 75-120 lbs. \$75-\$110.
	<b>Boars (per lb.)</b> 300 lb. up: 05-07; 200-300 lbs.: 22-30; Light wt.: 30-40.	<b>Nannies (per head)</b> Stocker: \$50-\$110; Milk Type: \$45-\$105; Slaughter: \$50-\$90; Thin: \$20-\$40; Fat: \$55-\$90.
	<b>Sheep (per lb.)</b> Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs.: 1.10-1.25; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs.: 1.00-1.15; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs.: 90-100.	<b>Breeder's (per head)</b> Slaughter: \$65-\$120.
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