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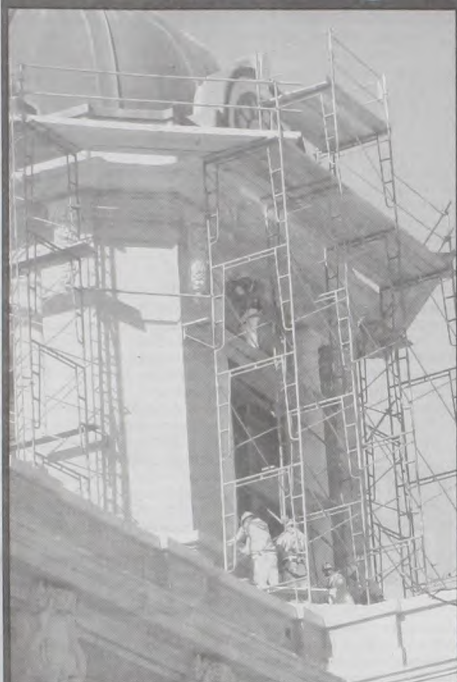
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Let there be light!



Work on the Cooke County Courthouse has progressed to the point that new windows are being installed and the boards are coming off, much to the delight of those who work there. The building has had all the windows boarded up for months, as restoration work went on inside and out. Janie Hartman photo

City mandates building code inspections

By Janet Felderhoff

About a dozen people were on hand for a special hearing held by the Muenster City Council Monday prior to the regular meeting. On the table for discussion was a proposed ordinance that would require building code inspection for new homes and commercial buildings inside the City limits and within its ETJ (one-half mile of the City, including according to Alderman Gary Fisher, property annexed for the lake).

Fisher opened the hearing by listing a number of benefits to instating building code inspections. These included:

- Predictable conditions for shutoff and electrical conditions on each premise;
- Responding fire departments are safer when Codes are followed;
- Fewer fires in a community lower insurance rates;
- Homes with a valid certificate showing construction to Codes holds value for resale;
- Knowledgeable buyers look for homes certified to have followed Code;
- Insurance rates lowered after ISO sees a program in effect;
- Code enforcement lowers risk to occupants of being injured in fires, explosions, or being asphyxiated, or having costly property damage from leaking pipes, and costly repairs to improper building practices;
- Code enforcement pro-

ducts legitimate licensed contractors;

• Adopting and enforcing Codes would bring Muenster in compliance with State law.

Mayor Henry Weinzapfel asked Fisher how required Building Code inspection might impact the independent contractors. Fisher said he didn't think it would, because anyone who would be required to be licensed should already be licensed, as required by the State, or not operating. Those required to hold a license include plumbers, electricians, and heat and air.

Fisher noted, "The reason is you asphyxiate people, you blow people up, you can certainly have problems with plumbing, and if things aren't installed right, you have issues where the homeowner's property is damaged, there could be

somebody who buys a home and finds out later that it was defective in a situation that easily could have been caught by inspection."

Alderman John Pagel said, "The State is saying, 'You will do this.'" City Manager Stan Endres agreed that was correct, but the Council could make some changes to the International Code.

Mike Doughty of Bureau Veritas explained how the building inspection process is handled. He said that when someone comes in for a building permit such as for a single family home, paperwork such as the plans, permit application, etc. are submitted to the city. The city in turn contacts Bureau Veritas to review the plans. The company picks up the plans and takes them to the Fort Worth office for review.

"All of our plan reviewers are certified in every category," said Doughty. "They write up anything they may see wrong with the plans. We check your zoning, check for minimum house sizing, minimum setback from the side, front, and rear property lines, and other things such as that. We check all that, along with building code issues to make sure that at least on the plan it meets code. We get the permit ready and written up and bring it back to you. It is ready to be issued and the builder or owner can pick up the permit and they are ready for construction." It is about a four-day process.

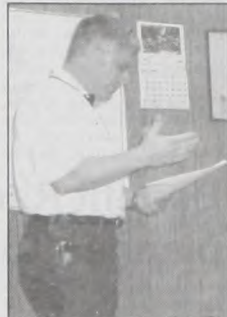
Dale Klement wondered how many inspections would be required in the process. Doughty explained the various times inspection would be done. "One inspector does all those inspections," he noted. "You're not going to wait out there for inspections, one for electrical, one for plumbing, one for building. It's not that way. One inspector does all the inspections at once." There is no additional charge if inspections are required more times on a house.

Bert Walterscheid asked how long the wait would be for an inspector to come for a foundation that is set up and roughed in and plumbed. Doughty guaranteed that it is always the next day.

Walterscheid remarked, "I'm not against having a building inspection. I'm in favor of it. I think it will be an asset to the community to have it. I hope we get them."

Anybody who works in Gainesville, they have the same stuff. I don't think any local builder here will have a problem with it. It'll just take a little transition to get used to doing it."

Dave Flusche wondered who would determine exceptions or deviations to the Codes. Mayor Weinzapfel said that hadn't yet been determined. Doughty said that in his six years there has always been a way to work things out



Ray Fletcher

and there hasn't been a need for someone to make a determination.

Those not required by the State to be licensed are framers, contractors, and concrete people. The City could require them to be licensed if they wanted.

The hearing closed and the regular meeting opened with the first item being a decision on contracting with Bureau Veritas to do the building Code inspections. Endres was asked at the last meeting to check on other places to get the inspections done. He found three. One didn't respond to his inquiry. Another only did fire inspections. The third recommended using Bureau Veritas. Voting unanimously, the Council gave the contract to Veritas.

Veritas charges a fee according to the valuation of the construction and whether it is categorized as single family residential or commercial and multi-family. A single-family residential fee starts at \$76.92 for valuations of \$1 to \$10,000. Construction of \$100,001 to \$500,000 is \$546.69 for the first \$100,000 plus \$3.08 for each additional \$1,000.

Commercial or multi-fam-

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County upgrades Courthouse security system

By Janet Felderhoff

Keeping an eye on what goes on inside and outside the Cooke County Courthouse will soon be an easier task. Commissioners Court contracted with Guardian Security Services of Lubbock to install 11 new security cameras.

Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess, a member of the Courthouse Security Committee, said that the Courthouse's security cameras were in need of upgrading. A meeting was held with the Texas Historical Commission (THC) to ensure that what was proposed met with THC guidelines.

Hess noted that some of the cameras had been there for 10 years and were no longer serviceable.

Guardian Security's District Sales Manager Gary Hukill outlined the planned system for the Court at the Monday, Jan. 9 regular meeting. He said that the system being proposed was a computer with a recorder system to handle the software and recording, and management of what the cameras bring in. The 16-camera system will include 11 new cameras and some of the ones under current use.

"It's a very secure system," stated Hukill. "Nobody can get into the system and do anything with it that doesn't

have proper pass codes and passwords to get into it." The proposed system has been in use for 10 years by Guardian and is very reliable, he said.

"Not only does it provide security," added Hess, "it also helps us on some of our legal. In the Courthouse if we have people who fall, we can pull those DVDs and look to see what happened, what caused the fall, and if they were negligent or if it was negligence on our part."

Hukill said that he was putting together a proposal for outside cameras, since this was requested for certain areas outside the Courthouse.

The cost of the proposed upgrade is \$19,701.30 and would come out of the Courthouse Security Fund. It is a special fund set up from a percentage of each fee paid for violations. Precinct #2 Commissioner Bill Cox said that he felt the cost was very inexpensive.

County Judge Freeman pointed out a bill from the Wichita Falls Drug Task Force in the amount of \$4,827.33. This is the amount that Cooke County is asked to pay since the sales from forfeitures in drug cases wasn't sufficient to cover the Drug Task Force's expenses for the year.

"We'll have to take a hard look at next year's budget if they can't make enough to

support themselves," he noted. Precinct #4 Commissioner Virgil Hess added that this is the first time in all the years that the County has contracted with them that he could recall ever getting a bill from them.

During Public Comment, John Hare asked for a day of prayer in the County regarding the drought situation. He said, "We have individuals who have lost lives and property. We have firefighters working extremely hard in the County to deal with this issue. Representing the Ministerial Alliance, we believe that there is a power higher than the National Weather Service that may be able to deal with this issue. On behalf of the Alliance, I would like to ask that the County issue a proclamation declaring a day of prayer." Hare asked that Wednesday, Jan. 11 be that time when the community would gather and pray on the east side of the Courthouse. Commissioners agreed to the proclamation.

Chris Martin, manager of David's RV Park at 5435 East Hwy. 82, complained about the fireworks that were shot off from a stand located across from the RV Park last July 4. She had a fistful of fireworks that she said was only a small representation of what had been shot off.

Martin said she called the

Sheriff's Department seven times. They would answer the call, but as soon as the deputies left, they began shooting them again. She asked Commissioners to rule that fireworks could not be shot from the fireworks stands. Judge Freeman said that there is a state law that says fireworks can't be shot within a certain distance of a fireworks stand. He said the Court didn't have the authority to do anything.

Speaking for several people, Martin also commended Commissioner Hess, for the good job they feel he is doing and the decisions he has made, especially in the County budget.

Wayne Dodson of CR 114 questioned the 10-month period it takes Chaik & Smith, PC to prepare the County's audit report. He queried, "What good is it 10 months late?" Dodson said he thinks it should be available at budget time to be of any good.

Carrying fund balances over was another area he ad-

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Love Fund opened for Hennigan

Shane Hennigan, a sophomore at Sacred Heart Catholic School, was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident north of Muenster on Nov. 22. Shane received injuries to the face, jaw, and roof of his mouth that will require multiple surgeries over the next year and a half to correct. He has already undergone three surgeries at Children's Medical Center in Dallas in an attempt to prevent further loss of bone and soft tissue. The family hopes that Shane will return to school this week when classes resume from the holidays.

Shane is the son of Chris Hennigan and brother of "CB", a junior at Sacred Heart. Chris is self-employed and has been unable to work since the time of his son's accident. The family does not currently have health insurance. The Social Concerns Committee of Sacred Heart Parish has established a love fund in Shane's name at area banks. Donations to the fund are used to directly pay medical expenses turned in by the family, as well as to establish credit with local merchants to offset living expenses if necessary.

Library gets new trees



The Muenster Public Library recently received six trees, planted by City employees (pictured above). The Bur Oaks were a joint gift from Stick's Tree Care Service and the City of Muenster. Janie Hartman photo

Motel death ruled suicide

By Janet Felderhoff

Muenster Police Officer Mitch Westervelt responded to a call around noon Sunday, Jan. 8, that a body had been discovered at the A-OK Motel in Muenster. In room 26 he found one deceased person.

The body was that of Richard Reichner, age 59, of Wiley, Texas. Officer Westervelt found a Smith Wesson 357 Magnum revolver in the room. He determined that the weapon had been fired. Reichner had a gunshot in his chest area.

Muenster Police Chief Bob Stovall reported that a suicide note was found at the scene. Justice of the Peace

Dorothy Lewis was called and she ordered an autopsy. The body was taken to Southwest Forensic Institute in Dallas. An autopsy is required in all unattended deaths, noted Police Chief Stovall.

"We always investigate the scene as a homicide until it is determined what actually happened," he said. "It appeared at the scene as a probable suicide." A preliminary report from the Forensic Institute ruled it a suicide.

Reichner checked into the A-OK Motel on Saturday, Jan. 7. Stovall speculated that he probably died during the night. Nobody had reported any gunshot.

New crossing to aid fire fighting efforts



Toby Walterscheid and Eric Walterscheid of Dangelmayr Construction, Inc. put the finishing touches on a concrete creek crossing. It was built on Felderhoff's S&A Ranch (the old Lamkin place) about eight miles northwest of Muenster. The new crossing allows easy access for firetrucks needing to replenish their water supply in the dry fire hydrant located in a pond on the property. It is the only dry fire hydrant north of Muenster that is still usable. All the others are above the water level. A dry fire hydrant is a pipe placed in a pond. Its water level is the same as the water in the pond. This keeps the pipe that goes to the road for filling from being broken by freezes. Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Herbie Knabe said that they are fortunate because people in the area have put up storage tanks filled with water for use by the fire departments. There are about four north of Muenster and several south of town. Precinct #4 has two tankers and keeps one filled with water. With a phone call, it is on the way to whatever area the fire department needs more water. Knabe reminds people that following the fire trucks and blocking the roads causes problems. The trucks need to be able to get in and out quickly to refill water tanks.

Janie Hartman photo

City

DAYS GONE BY.....

by **Elfreda Fette**

65 YEARS AGO
Jan. 10, 1941

Sewer connections are available to 90% of the City. Flu epidemic hits scores of local people. Obituaries: Billy Nell Cole, age 8, dies of influenza; Andrew Wimmer, 86. Burglars take cash and gun at Jimmy's Service Station. There is no aluminum for REA lines, because "Planes Get It All"; work suspended on line extension project because of war effort. New Arrival: Miss 1941 for Muenster is Flora Virgillia, born to Frank and Caroline Schilling. Wedding: Eleonore Henscheid and Walter Klement.

50 YEARS AGO
Jan. 13, 1956

Arrangements have been made by the City and County to station a deputy sheriff at Muenster; representing Muenster at the meeting were Mayor Urban Endres, City Attorney Herbert Meurer, and Councilmen John Fisher and Rudy Hellman. Obituaries: Willie Sower, 80; Will Richey, 62; Ben Sandmann, 65. Scoutmaster of Muenster Troop #664 is Nick Miller. Men In Service: Warrant Officer Mike Tarantola stationed in Marshall Islands; Marine

Cpl. Merlin Joe Evans assigned to Alaska. Wedding: Antoinette Neu and James Bayer. New Arrivals: Tom to Pat and Alice Henigan; a son to T. Sgt. and Mrs. Roy L. Zwinggi.

25 YEARS AGO
Jan. 9, 1981

Volunteer Fire Department adds foam inductor to list of equipment, donated by Jimmy Jack Biffle, Richard Grewing, Don Hartman, Walter Stein, and owners of the Martin Trubench Lease. City grants franchise to Muenster Telephone Corporation for the coming 35 years. Wedding: Kathleen Stoffels and Billy Felderhoff. Fortieth anniversary observed by Walter and Eleonore Klement. Mrs. Bobby Yosten of Euleus wins Grand Prize in a holiday cookbook recipe contest. New Arrivals: Muenster Hospital's New Year's baby and also the first baby born in Cooke County is Carolyn, born to Don and Karen Sicking; Heather to Eddie and Donna Hellman; Aaron to Claude and Deb Klement; Justin to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Britain. The world famous Clydesdales of Anheuser Busch Company will be on display in Muenster.

ily begins at \$1 to \$10,000 at \$50. A \$100,001 to \$500,000 construction is \$355.20 for the first \$100,000 plus \$2 for each additional \$1,000. The complete fee schedule is available at City Hall. The City agreed to add a fee of \$50 to cover the expense of paperwork involved with the permit process.

Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher attended the Council meeting to explain a resolution on National Information Management that he hoped the Council would pass.

Before addressing the resolution, Fletcher commended the community on its response to the Nocona-Ringgold fire. "We talk about how this is all supposed to work and how the plan says it is and we hope that when it comes time it will. Boy did it work. Sacred Heart and Muenster School District buses, we needed buses and they were here in no time flat and out they went. The shelter at the Community Center, the fire department coordination, the police department, TxDOT - it was quite an operation and there was never any question why we had to do this. Everybody knew we had to do it and just jumped in and did it. I know the people over there are sure appreciative of it. It was great to see the community really come through on that."

Fletcher said that tied into what he was there to discuss. "If you are ever in that position it will make it a lot easier if you understand some of this. Your job will be to make some hard choices that they were trying to make over there and maybe weren't as well versed as they could have been."

An attempt is being made to incorporate national systems or processes to disaster response, Fletcher explained. Because there are so many different branches responding to large-scale disasters, it is necessary to develop a national language so that everybody understands where you go or draw resources from, when you ask for a particular skill or piece of equipment that it is the same in Muenster, Texas as it is in New York City, he said. It is part of the National Response Plan.

There is a FEMA website that has an interactive web based course. The course takes one to two hours to complete and has a test at the

end. A certificate will be sent to those who complete the course. Fletcher said it isn't a required thing, but it is good information to have.

The training is recommended for all city leaders, fire fighters, and first responders. "It will allow you to function better within that system should something happen," said Fletcher of the need to take the course. "It's good information. Unfortunately in the last two years a lot of people who didn't think they'd ever need did, and we have just been overwhelmed."

It will be a requirement to get FEMA money in the future, said Fletcher.

On Jan. 18 at 4:30 p.m. in the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce there will be a kick-off for the County's Community Emergency Response Team training. "Envision having a team in Muenster for the west side of the County, one in Valley View for the south part, one over at Woodbine for the Kiowa/Calisburg area, and one in Gainesville," Fletcher remarked. "What that will be is a team that is primarily trained to assist their community and neighbors until the real help gets there. If there is an overwhelming disaster and First Responders are busy elsewhere, it is going to be basic training in First Aid, Search and Recovery, Disaster Scene Management, and how to conduct yourself in a disaster. I would encourage everyone from anywhere in the County who wants to be involved in this to attend."

People on the team will assist during the disaster, not run the operation.

"I would encourage you to think about what could happen and what are you going to do about it," Fletcher challenged. "It is a great baseball analogy that if you are thinking about where you are going to throw the ball when you just caught it, it is a little late. You need to think about what you are going to do with it before it is pitched." With Germanfest, especially, the town needs to be ready should something happen with so many people in the area.

Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Herbie Knabe commended Fletcher for his actions during the New Year's Day fire. He praised, "I don't think that the County could have picked a better coordinator than he is and after Sunday, that just confirmed everything that I always felt.

After seeing what he did and how it got handled, I don't think it could have been done any better. He was the backbone behind everything."

Muenster Police Chief Bob Stovall added his praise, "Cooke County set up an instant command up here that was unbelievable."

Ordinance #287 Backflow Prevention was approved with all the City Council voting to support it. This requires certain businesses such as hospitals, dentist offices, funeral homes, and restaurants, and all sprinkler systems in yards to install devices to prevent chemicals or contaminated water from flowing back into the City water system.

Doughty explained, "It is one of those things that takes up the scenario of several different things happening and going wrong to make it happen. If you have a hose laying in a bucket when you wash your car and the fire department has a fire one street over and hooks onto a fire hydrant, that causes massive pressure flow in the other direction, that sucks the water out of the bucket and into the house. The first time you get a drink out of your kitchen sink, you've got soapy water."

Doughty told of a time that someone called and complained of blue water in their kitchen sink. He said it was because they had Tidy Bowl in the toilet.

Anyone who is required to

Fire Reports

According to Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher, the weather service in Fort Worth has put together a pretty good website to provide wild fire information. It is <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd/specialwx.php>. This site gives current reports on fire danger levels, wind, and humidity reports, and also contains sites that provide information that can be used to safeguard against fire danger.

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have a backflow prevention device is also required to have it inspected on installation and then once yearly by a certified licensed inspector. This is a State requirement and the City was cited by TCEQ for not having a program in place.

A list of inspectors will be available at City Hall. Anyone needing more information on the new ordinance should call the City.

Roger Taylor, owner of Muenster Garden Center, voiced his displeasure with the way the City handled a matter. He received a letter from the City Manager about the appearance of his business. Taylor understood that the Mayor directed that the letters be sent and he noted that the Mayor did not have the authority to do this. The City Council only has the power to make policy.

After some discussion Mayor Weinzapfel apologized to Taylor and said that they should have come and talked to him or sent a gentler note to begin with. "We were frustrated that we were seeing more and more situations where people were not taking care of their yards or their store fronts like they should."

Dave Vogel asked for help getting their street light fixed. He's been trying for three years to get it fixed.

In other business the City Council:

- Approved payments of bills totaling \$79,757.04.
- Reviewed quarterly Police Department Activities Report and yearly Racial Profiling Report.
- Passed resolution of condolence for David Bright family.

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Benefit Ranch Rodeo planned for Gaston

A benefit Ranch Rodeo for Sharon Gaston will be held Saturday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Jan. 22, with a live auction to begin at noon, and the rodeo to follow. Gaston is a Saint Jo veterinarian who was injured while attempting to rescue horses from a fire in the Nocona area.

The rodeo will be located 1.7 miles north of the red light that is on the intersection of Hwy. 82 and Main Street in Muenster. There is a \$200 4-man team entry fee.

There will be team roping/docking, double mugging, sorting, and wild cow milking.

The price to attend the rodeo is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children 12 and under, and under 2 is free. Concessions will be available. Donations are being accepted at Saint Jo Bank.

For more information call: Stephen Geray at 736-1471 or 668-0366; Curt Bayer at 759-4976 or 727-8394; Mary Dangelmayr at 759-4599 or 736-0162.

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dressed. He said the audit says that fund balances aren't to be carried over, but noted that Precincts 3 and 4 have a lot of money and Precincts 1 and 2 are short. The Road & Bridge money is divided equally four ways. As a resident of Precinct #1, he didn't like Precinct #4 having more money in its Road & Bridge Fund and hoped to call attention to the situation at election time.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith responded to Dodson's Road & Bridge observation, "I don't think it's improper for the Precincts to have a fund balance. I can tell you, having not been here a year, Precinct #3's fund balance can also be nearly zero. It is a statement of will to decide whether you're going to have a fund balance or you are not going to have a fund balance to cover emergencies that you need. It is easy to spend all the money.... When the emergency occurs or the piece of equipment breaks down and you have nothing to operate with, that's not very prudent."

In other business Commissioners Court:

- Approved purchase of a used record system with warranty that allows for a lot more files than filing cabinets. System will be placed in a designated room in the new Justice Center. Cost is \$17,515.57 for the filing system, shelving for evidence locker is \$6,974.24, and labeling computer program is \$250.
- Approved resolution in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Approved renewal of employee honesty bond for Cooke County Clerk Rebecca Lawson.
- Approved indigent burial of John David Busby.
- Approved change order in Courtthouse restoration for \$6,006 due to a water problem while working on the west steps.
- Approved change order #4 concerning the construction of the Cooke County Justice Center. It extends the concrete drive 60 feet to the south to accommodate kitchen food delivery trucks. Cost is \$12,442.

Free diabetes screening Wednesday at NTMC

North Texas Medical Center will provide free blood glucose testing from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, January 18, in the classrooms at NTMC.

Those who suspect they may be at risk for diabetes are encouraged to drop by and receive the free testing. No appointment is necessary. For best results, participants are advised to avoid eating for two hours prior to the test.

Symptoms of diabetes include: feeling tired or ill, frequent urination (especially at night), unusual thirst, weight loss, blurred vision, frequent infections and slow

healing wounds and sores.

NTMC Registered Dietitian Kathie Robinson will be on site to provide information on risk factors, nutrition and diabetes management.

Certified Diabetes Educator Joan Walterscheid will conduct finger stick glucose testing and blood pressure checks. She will also be available to offer information on blood glucose monitoring and foot care.

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Sunday, January 15, 2005 Muenster Museum Open 1-4PM	Monday, January 16, 2005 VFW Aux. mtg., 7:30PM	Tuesday, January 17, 2005 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support Seminar, 6-8PM, Home Hospice MMH Board mtg., 7PM	Wednesday, January 18, 2005 Relig. Ed Class, 7PM	Thursday, January 19, 2005 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Friday, January 20, 2005 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM	Saturday, January 21, 2005
Sunday, January 22, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4PM KC Free Throw Championship, 1PM, MISED Gym	Monday, January 23, 2006	Tuesday, January 24, 2006 Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center Grief Support Seminar, 6-8PM, Home Hospice	Wednesday, January 25, 2006 Mass, 6:30PM followed by Relig. Ed Class	Thursday, January 26, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4 PM Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30, S.N.A.P. Center	Friday, January 27, 2006 Muenster Museum Open 1-4PM	Saturday, January 28, 2006

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Gift is asset to Muenster Hospital surgery department



Muenster Memorial Hospital was the recipient of a gift from the estate of Ida Hoening. With this gift, the Hospital purchased a color video printer designed to capture images from endoscopy procedures. The printer is capable of making high resolution, multiple copies for medical records, doctor records, and for the patient. It has been a huge asset to the surgery department. Pictured, from left, are Hilda Sicking and Rose Sicking, representing Mrs. Hoening's family, Judy Flusche, R.N., and surgeon Henry Hewes, D.O., F.I.C.S. Courtesy photo

Cable Car Murder presented at the NCTC Dinner Theatre

The Student Government Association (SGA) at North Central Texas College (NCTC) will be hosting a Dinner Theatre on Thursday, Feb. 2 and Friday, Feb. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the Little Theatre in the Administration Building on the Gainesville Campus.

Seating will begin at 6:30 p.m. starting with a dinner salad and bread, angel hair pasta with or without chicken

will be served at 7 p.m.; the play will start around 7:15 p.m., with an intermission to serve Cable Car Murder Cake!

Come join the SGA for a night of fun and food as Private Investigator Candi Mason finds herself in a real tight spot when she is discovered with a dead man. Find out if Candi Mason can find the truth before the killer finds her or the police arrest

her for the cable car murder!

The cost for the SGA Dinner Theatre is only \$12, and all proceeds will be used for their scholarship endowment and attendance at state conference. Tickets for Thursday or Friday night can be purchased from the NCTC Business Office in Gainesville; through an SGA officer; or by contacting SGA Advisor Kim Brown at kbrown@nctc.edu or 940-668-3330.

Taylor is Texas A&M graduate

Nicholas Gerard Taylor graduated from Texas A&M University in College Station at Reed Arena on Dec. 16, 2005, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. He was a four year member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Corps of Cadets and a member of Squadron 8. As a member of the Cadet Corps, Taylor served on the Cadet Honor Board, holding the positions of Judge Advocate Sergeant during his junior year, and Honor Board Vice Chair during his senior year.

While a student at Texas A&M, Taylor was recognized multiple times for academic achievement, being named a Distinguished Student and a Corps Scholar. He pursued a degree track which allowed him to attain teacher certification and is now a certified professional educator for grades 8-12 social studies.

Attending his graduation were parents Steve and Doreen Taylor, brother Adam Taylor, sister Laura Taylor, grandmother Regina Pels, Godmother Janet Voth, and cousin Michael Voth. After

the completion of graduation ceremonies, a dinner party was hosted at Texas Roadhouse by the graduate's parents.



Nicholas Gerard Taylor

NEW ARRIVAL

Huchton

Jason and Monica Huchton of Allen, Texas proudly announce the birth of their twins, Landry Thomas Huchton and Addison Nicole Huchton, on Jan. 3, 2006. Landry was born at 2:03 p.m. weighing 6 lb. 4 oz. and measuring 18 3/4 inches in length. Addison was born at 2:27 p.m. weighing 4 lb. 13 oz. and measuring 17 1/2 inches in length. The twins are welcomed by their sibling Cade Brady Huchton, age 2 1/2. Grandparents are JB and Robbie Ashley and Neil and Peachie Huchton. Great-grandparents are Calvin and Mary Katherine Ashley, Dorothy Stout, Theresa Huchton, and Tony and Sis Klement.

LVFD Truck Dance scheduled Feb. 11

The Lindsay Volunteer Fire Department will be holding its annual Truck Dance on Saturday, Feb. 11 in Centennial Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are now on sale for a donation of \$100 per couple. The price includes the drawing, dinner, and entertainment.

Tickets may be purchased from any Fire Department member, including: Adam Arendt, 727-8336; Nick Schroeder, 768-8929; Jeff Neu, 736-0250; or call the fire station at 665-7576.

Samantha horses around for birthday

Dec. 16 was a day for a party as Samantha Muller, daughter of Wayne and Deann Muller of Muenster, celebrated her sixth birthday. The horse-themed party included a cake decorated with barrel races, plates and napkins covered in "paints", balloons, and many gifts that had something to do with horses.

Honoring Samantha in another year were: her parents; brothers Ethan and Logan; grandparents Ross and Janet Felderhoff and Steve and Sharon Muller; great-grandma Aileen Knabe; uncles and aunt Gary and Kathleen Muller, and Jody Felderhoff. Unable to attend but sending birthday greetings was Godmother Kayla Felderhoff.

On Nov. 22, Samantha

shared cupcakes with her kindergarten classmates and teachers at Sacred Heart. Her actual birthday was Nov. 23.



Samantha Nicole Muller

Koelzer receives promotion

Adam Koelzer, a 2006 senior at Lindsay High School, was promoted to PFC in the Texas Army National Guard. After graduation, he will report in Georgia for 20 weeks of additional training.

Adam is the son of Kenneth and Debbie Koelzer of Gainesville and the grandson of Victor and Marie Koelzer of Gainesville.



Adam Koelzer

2nd Annual NCTC SGA Arts/Crafts Fair set

The Student Government Association (SGA) at North Central Texas College (NCTC) will be holding their second annual Arts & Crafts Fair on Saturday, Feb. 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fieldhouse on the Gainesville Campus.

Vendors wanting to participate in the Arts & Crafts Fair can pick up a registration form at the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce of the Dean of Students Office, room 113, in the Administration building on the Gainesville Campus.

For more information about the Arts & Crafts Fair, contact Kim Brown, SGA advisor at kbrown@nctc.edu or 940-668-3330.



Muenster VFW Auxiliary President Frances Bayer presented gift baskets to teachers, including, above, Sacred Heart teacher Jeff Lawson, and at right, Muenster ISD teacher Martha Koesler. Courtesy photos



VFW Auxiliary honors teachers

VFW Ladies Auxiliary #6205 honored teachers Mrs. Martha Koesler of MISD and Mr. Jeff Lawson of Sacred Heart High School with apple baskets and membership signed cards of appreciation for their special cooperation with the Veterans and the Ladies Auxiliary in presenting the National VFW Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Scholarship Contest to their students. It is their encouragement and assistance as teachers that help make the program so successful locally. Their efforts also give the stu-

dents the opportunity to strive for scholarships on a District, State, and National level.

Also receiving an apple basket was Sacred Heart Elementary teacher Mrs. Glenda Mitchell for her promotion of the VFW National program of the Patriots Pen Essay Contest, which is for 7th and 8th grade students. VFW Ladies Auxiliary #6205 sponsors this contest on a local level.

Sacred Heart's Principal Chad Riley was also a recipient of an apple basket for all his extra efforts in promoting both of these programs for the students' participation. Frances Bayer, chairman of both projects, presented the apple baskets.

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Starting the New Year with a clean slate

By TheFlyLady

With new years come clean slates and we all love to start fresh. We see ourselves do this any time we choose to start a new diet, exercise routine, or get a handle on our finances. You know the drill; my new way of living will start on Monday but first I am going to have one last fling, a huge meal or a day just being lazy. We don't have to wait till Monday to start!

A new way of living is not a punishment that you need a reprieve from. It is making the decision that it is time to be good to your body because this is the only one you have. When we are living in CHAOS (Can't Have Anyone Over Syndrome) we are usually the person who gets left out. We can't take the time to nurture our bodies because there is so much to do and we don't have a clue where to start.

Do you ever feel like you are a spinning top? I am going to help you stop this vicious cycle and establish some simple habits that are going to start your new year with that clean slate. Your home did not get messy in a day and it is not going to get cleaned overnight. You can do this with the help of a simple tool that you already have in your home. It is a timer. It is on your microwave, the stove, and probably in the watch on your arm.

The reason you feel like that spinning top, is because you are trying to do too many things at once. I want you to set your timer for 15-minutes and stay focused on one thing. It can be shining your kitchen sink, clearing off that piled up coffee table, or picking up the clothes on the floor in your bedroom. You are going to be so surprised at just how much you can accomplish in only 15-minutes.

The truth is we are not good at multi-tasking. We

College and career corner

By Rose Rennekamp

"College begins in kindergarten," or so believes the Education Trust, an organization that is committed to preparing all students for college. I agree with that statement. Okay, you might not want to ask a five-year-old what her major will be, but preparing for college before filling out the applications makes a lot of sense.

In a recent report, ACT researchers found that to allow enough time for students to explore their options, students should start preparing for college in middle school. By this time, they have dreams, ideas, maybe even some plans for their future, but they have no idea how to get there.

A coworker's son recently told her that he wants to be a doctor when he grows up. But there is a big problem. He hates math and science classes, and those classes are crucial for students who want to enter medical school. Many middle school students don't yet realize that school course decisions are closely related to career plans. You can help them understand that what they do in school, or what they don't do, can affect their future.

In a survey of nearly 3,000 middle and early high school students, ACT found that 77% of them planned to go on to a four-year college or university. But only 60% of those students planned to take college prep, or "core" courses, courses such as trigonometry, pre-calculus, chemistry, and physics.

Although it's a good idea to lay the groundwork for high expectations in elementary school, middle school is a good time to raise the bar for your children. Let them know that you expect them to take challenging, high-level courses that will prepare them for good careers and for tough, college-level coursework.

Schools often use standardized tests to measure what their students are learning. Parents can also use those tests to make sure that their children are on track for college. Some tests, such as EXPLORE, which is usually offered in 8th grade, give students an understanding of their academic strengths and weaknesses. They also offer ideas for possible careers or areas of interest a student should consider based on their interests and test scores.

You can help by examining academic achievement tests

think we are, but our homes are living proof that we do not ever finish anything. We are the best at getting something out and not putting it away when we have finished. Here is the main reason we don't have homes for these items that are lurking in your Hot Spots. Hot Spots are those places you pile things when you walk in the door or sit in your favorite chair. We have clutter taking over the drawers, cabinets, and closets, and we can't find a place to keep the things we love and use.

In order to get rid of the CHAOS in our homes, we have to toss out our clutter. This will give us a place to keep things instead of piled on a table or the floor. Those great storage areas have been invaded by items that you do

not love and use. It is time to evict them and clear out your Hot Spots. Our Hot Spots make our homes look messy.

If we would just take 15-minutes and clear out one Hot Spot; your home will begin to look better. It may not be that immaculate clean that we were forced to do as children by perfectionist parents, but it will feel better when you walk in the door. It is so hard to clean around clutter.

Here is another fun tool we use to get rid of our clutter. I like to call it the 27 Fling Boogie. Grab a grocery bag and run through the house and pick up 27 items to throw away. Then grab another bag or box and run through the house and gather up 27 items to give away. Here is the rule

for doing this. As you are tossing, ask yourself these questions. Do you make me smile? Do I have a home for you? Do I have two of you? This will help you get rid of your clutter. Then put it in the trash to throw away or in the car to give away next time you are out.

I want for you what I have; peace that came from releasing the clutter and CHAOS and establishing babystep habits that clean my home on automatic pilot. You deserve to live in a home that blesses you!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, *Sink Reflections* published by Bantam. Copyright 2006 Marla Cilley used by permission in this publication.

Diabetes Support Group

On Tuesday, Jan. 17, there will be a meeting of the Diabetes Support Group at 7 p.m. in the North Texas Medical Center boardroom. Kidney Disease, a Complication of Diabetes is the topic to be discussed. Presenters will be Trish White, RN, CNN, director of dialysis and Donald

Sheffield, WTS, dialysis ancillary manager. Following the presentation, a tour of the Dialysis Cottage will be offered.

Individuals with diabetes and family members are encouraged to attend this FREE program. For more information call 940-612-8377

COLLEGE continued.....

and guide them to work on areas that appear to be weak. A test score isn't a proclamation of what a student will become. It should be viewed as information that points the way to what a student needs to learn next, so that he can achieve his college and career goals.

The good news is that middle and early high school

students often look to their parents for help when it comes to school, even if they might not admit it. More than half of the students ACT surveyed said either their mother or their father was "very helpful" in choosing high school classes and programs.

At the time he was considering college, I was sure that my son was paying no attention to what I said to him. But since then, he has often mentioned how much our little "talks" helped him sort through the many options.

No one should suggest that middle school students need to become obsessed with college and career choices. As we all know, the years of carefree youth pass all too quickly, and the time to make serious decisions about the future arrive soon enough. But you can help your middle school students make good choices about coursework so that they arrive in high school prepared to take high-level courses. And you can explore, in fun ways, possible career choices that match a student's interests, along with the courses required for particular careers. Your influence in their choices now can make life a little easier later.

Rose Rennekamp is the vice president of communications for ACT. She is a mom and has a master's of education in guidance and counseling.

NCTC unveils lineup of classes

Bigger, better, more varied, more beneficial, more fun—all of these describe the new lineup of spring semester courses offered through the North Central Texas College Division of Lifelong Learning (DLL).

The DLL offers a wide array of continuing education courses for both personal and professional enhancement, according to staff member Scott Pulte. He also noted that classes are designed for all ages, interests, and needs. A full catalog of all the various courses and programs offered for spring is available online by going to the NCTC website at www.nctc.edu and clicking on the link to Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning at the left side of the main page.

Pulte said one particularly notable new program just added to the curriculum is one for home schoolers. High school math and art classes are on the schedule for the home school community. "We want to open the doors of opportunity for assisting parents with their upper level instructional demands," he said.

For the computer enthusiast, the college's DLL continues to offer a variety of courses ranging from learning how to use a computer to specific software applications. Upcoming class titles include: First-Time Computer Users; Beginning MS Word; Beginning Excel; Intro to Internet; Desktop Publishing; How to Buy a Computer; and PC Maintenance/Upgrading.

For those seeking to obtain their GED equivalency, a semester-long GED prep course is offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings beginning Jan. 17. The open enrollment course allows for registrations at any time during the semester.

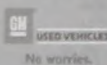
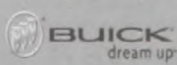
There is an unlimited variety of special interest classes, Pulte said, in subject areas ranging from art, communications, finance, and CPR to Spanish, flight ground school, golf, building self-confidence, and even film making. "If we don't have what you want on the schedule," he said, "contact us, and we will try to create it. It's not too late to register, and prerequisites are not required for most classes. Simply register for the class, pay the minimal course fee, and you're ready to learn!"

For more information, contact the NCTC Lifelong Learning Division at 940-668-4272.

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Sacred Heart Parish hosted a daylong retreat for Confirmation candidates Sunday. The group is pictured above. Courtesy photo

SCHOOL

Davis named First in District I VFW Patriots Pen contest

District I VFW has named Isaac Davis, one of the 1st place winners of the local Patriots Pen essay contest, as the 1st place winner on the District level. His essay of "Who Are Today's Patriots?" will advance to State competition to vie for the top 10 places in the State. Those winners will receive a Savings Bond award and the chance to win 1st place in State which gives the essay advancement to National competition.

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary #6205 sponsored the local essay contest. Frances Bayer, local chair-

person, received word of the 1st place win from the District chairpersons, Charlene Elliot of Sherman VFW Auxiliary #2772 and John Owens of Allen VFW #2195.

Isaac Davis and Ian Barnhill, both 8th grade students of Sacred Heart School, competed on the District level. Both essays were highly marked by the District judges. Ian received an Honorable Mention. Glenda Mitchell is their teacher.

Only 1st place advances to State and receives a District I award of a \$200 Savings Bond.



Isaac Davis accepts award from his teacher Glenda Mitchell. Courtesy photo

MUESNTER ISD HONOR ROLL

3rd Six Weeks
All "A" HONOR ROLL
7th Grade: Michelle Henscheid, Hayley Hess, Shane Presnall, Taylor Reiter.
8th Grade: Lia Heers, Eric Hellman, Levi Trubenbach.
9th Grade: Jordanne Hellman, Tanner Herr.
10th Grade: Cletus Fuhrmann, Craig Grewing, Laura Heers, Alison Miller, Kim Patel, Alison Teafatiller.
11th Grade: Brad Endres, Micah Flusche.
12th Grade: Abby Endres.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL
7th Grade: Tyler Acuna, Cathy Aston, Briana Bindel, Logan Cheaney, Lindsay Kelley, Brianna Klement, Taylor Klement, Shennell Stringer, Alexis Trubenbach, Lacey Trubenbach, Hannah Weger, Shelby Womack.
8th Grade: Erin Endres, Shauna Felderhoff, Jackie Klement, Tyler Pagel, Corey Sicking, Delana Sicking, Chris Valliere, Natalie Valliere, Sara Walterscheid.
9th Grade: Noel Barnhill, Dane Beznar, Paul Crabtree, Brandy Dangelmayr, Samantha Endres, Jared Flusche, Matthew Flusche, Shelby Hess, John Rohmer.
10th Grade: Mara Erickson, Ricky Grewing, Cassie Hale, Garrett Hennigan, Dillena Hundt, Jeremy Milan, Heaven Minton, Hillary Swirczynski, Drew Vavra, William Vogel, Lee Walterscheid.
11th Grade: Casey Bewley, Don Lee Caswell, Melissa Cox, Megan Felderhoff, Amber Fuhrmann, Evan Koessler, Josh Patrick, Zach Swirczynski, Michael Valliere, Britney Wann, Krystal Wolf.
12th Grade: Noah Barnhill, Stephanie Buhman, Megan Dangelmayr, Keisha Davis, Derek Endres, Katie Endres, Travis Felderhoff, Brianna Fleitman, Karen Flusche, Crystal Fuhrmann, Jesse Hess, Eric Johnson, Casey McAden, Lanelle Muller, Kristen Osborn, Chris Steelman, Leah Vinson, Keith Walterscheid.

3rd Grade: (Cheryl Presnall) Mason Binder, Sydney Huchton, Shelbi Sicking, Audrey Taylor Saavedra, Joyana Zamzow. (Cassie Freeman) Clayton Hess, Manah Wimmer. (Deb Klement) Hannah Bayer, Kylie Hess, Shelby Klement, Garrett Miller, Jaisal Patel, Adrien Rohmer, Cole Walterscheid.
5th Grade: (Debra Sicking) Austin Hennigan, John Horsman, Christina Rohmer. (Leigh Hale) Hunter Klement, Lauren Rohmer, Payton Sanders, Amber Walterscheid, Brooke Walterscheid.
6th Grade: (Jennifer Walterscheid) Cameron Heady, Lana Heers, Emily Hellman, Paige Hennigan, Cole McAden, Stefani Tucker, Blake Voth. (Karissa Rohmer) Luke Crabtree, Kalya Dangelmayr, Adria Flusche, Andrea Hess, Allison Pagel, Landon Presnall. (Jim Van Vleet) Caitlin Beavers, Taylor Endres, Andi Felderhoff.

"A-B" HONOR ROLL
1st Grade: (Melanie Miller) Devon Brinkley, Matthew Smith. (Kim Fleming) Treston Lutkenhaus, Carrie Nasura, Seth Sampson, Emma Wood.
2nd Grade: (Kim Budish) Emily Fette, Devon Hacker, Justen Nasura, Rogelio Orocio, McKenna Proffer, Nicole Rains. (Lisa Pagel) Dalton Bartel, Natalie Fangman, Trace Klement, Abby Luttmir, Katie Pagel, Skylar Ruttman, Claire Schneider, Lane Serna, Dalton Williams.

3rd Grade: (Amy Anderle) Tyler Boaz, Trevor Cheaney, Karson Heady, Kaleb Hennigan, Jeremy Hess, Brianna Rohmer. (Dianne Endres) Emily Brogdon, Colton Call, Kassie Dangelmayr, Rachel Hare, Kyla Haverkamp, Chance Herr, Mikinzie Hess, Tressa Jones, Delaney Wright.
4th Grade: (Cheryl Presnall) Kendi Bayer, Ashley Hammer, Lawrence Haverkamp, Darrell Hermes, Fancy Holder, Cristan Medlock. (Cassie Freeman) Mary Helen Bayer, Jared Endres, Jace Fredrick, Eland Green, Madison Knabe, Rachel Mouring, Makayla Pumphrey, Peyton Reiter, Austin Schroeder, Clint Sidwell. (Deb Klement) ShyAnn Bartel, Destin Fleitman, Erin Hess, Amber Knabe, Juan Orocio, Abigail Pagel, Bradley Wilburn.

5th Grade: (Debra Sicking) Brianna Bayer, Tori Dyess, Jordan Fredrick, Trevor Muller, Michelle Sicking, Travis Sicking, Emily Vance. (Leigh Hale) Rosalee Bayer, Steven Flusche, Tommy Harrison, Page Herr, Trevor Hess, Paul Mouring, Miranda Pagel, Tony Schmiederjan, Alyssa Stewart.
6th Grade: (Jennifer Walterscheid) Chase Hammer, Olivia Haverkamp, Nicole Pagel, Rishi Patel, Chloe Schneider. (Karissa Rohmer) Tyler Anderle, Blake Grewing, Mark Jones, Jamie Salisbury, Kendra Walterscheid, Jace Wann. (Jim Van Vleet) Kacie Cole, Shelby Dangelmayr, Daniel Fleitman, David Fleitman, Christopher Green, Demi Koelzer, Kendall Reiter.

3rd Six Weeks
"A" HONOR ROLL
1st Grade: (Melanie Miller) Dawson Anderle, Emily Bayer, Katie Bell, Brennan Binder, William Felderhoff, Zina Haverkamp, Katie Hutson, Amy Luttmir, Christopher Patten, Sawyer Sanders, Madalyn Serna. (Kim Fleming) Morgan Eldridge, Bradley Henscheid, Bryce Herr, Blake Hogan, Bailey Klement, Bailey McCoy, Tehya Morgan, Macie Pagel, Logan Wann, Cassidy Wright.
2nd Grade: (Kim Budish) Roman Bayer, Jordan Buddy, Trey Anderle, Jonathan Cooley, Morgan Flusche, Caroline Gressett, Tara Gunnels, Makayla Moster, Rielly Neal, Georgia Taylor Saavedra, Lora Walterscheid. (Dianne Endres) Brandon Hennigan, Mikaela Lamar, Collin Pagel, Kristen Reiter, Noel

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

WEEK OF JAN. 16 - 20 MUESTER ISD

Mon. - Corny dogs, macaroni and cheese, beans, pineapple, blueberry muffins.
Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.
Wed. - Chicken patty sandwich, chips and salsa, lettuce, tomatoes, bananas, cookies.
Thurs. - Chicken strips, creamed potatoes w/gravy, black-eyed peas, pears, hot rolls.
Fri. - Barbecue sandwich, oven baked French fries, beans, pickles, onions, applesauce, ice cream.

SACRED HEART

Mon. - Pizza, carrot sticks, pineapple chunks.
Tues. - Ham, black-eyed peas, green salad w/spring mix, fruit salad, bread.
Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, green beans, strawberries/bananas, bread.
Thurs. - Steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, corn, apricot cobbler, bread.
Fri. - Hoagies w/trimmings, tortilla chips, pudding cups.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Soft tacos w/trimmings, refried beans, Spanish rice, apple crisp.
Tues. - Beef stew, pickle wedges, peaches, batterbread.
Wed. - Ham and cheese submarine sandwich w/trimmings, potato chips, fresh fruit, jello.
Thurs. - Lasagna, green beans, lettuce salad, peaches, bread.
Fri. - Chicken on a bun w/trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

ERA ISD

Mon. - Chicken spaghetti or mini corn dogs, green beans, sliced peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.
Tues. - Frito chili pie, shredded cheese, corn, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, chocolate chip cookie.
Wed. - Chicken patty or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, fruit mix, hot rolls.
Thurs. - Crispy tacos, trimmings, pinto beans, cornbread.
Fri. - Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, orange half, pickle spears, ice cream.

Healthy lunch items

Prepare your child's favorite sandwich using whole grain, honey wheat bread for a slightly sweet taste with added texture.



Sacred Heart 2nd Graders gather around their Jesse tree. Courtesy photo



On Wednesday, Jan. 4, Dillena Hundt, drum major of the Muenster Hornet Band, received the honor of being named to the All Region Band from the Association of Texas Small School Bands. Dillena will travel to Abilene on Jan. 13 and 14 to rehearse with a renowned music director and present a concert. Students who participate are from 1A to 3A classifications. The concert will be held at Hardin-Simmons University on Saturday, Jan. 14. Pictured, from left: Mike Garrett, band director; Melissa Zamzow, assistant band director; Dillena Hundt; and Curtis Eldridge, JH/HS principal. Courtesy photo

Jesse tree created by SH 2nd Grade

The second grade class of Sacred Heart Catholic School celebrated the Advent and Christmas seasons with the Jesse tree. Just like the Christmas tree, the Jesse tree has beautiful decorations. But instead of having stars and lights on it, it has the promises that God made to all His people, promises made out of love. Each day the class read a Bible story from the Old Testament, and then placed an ornament representing that story on their Jesse tree.

The tree is named after Jesse, the father of David, the great king of Israel. The reason for this name is that some of God's most important promises of all were made to Jesse and to his son David. They were promised that God's only Son would be born in their family.

Sacred Heart Catholic School Second Grade found that celebrating Advent and Christmas with the Jesse tree was a beautiful way to share the retelling of the greatest story of all!

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Notice of Muenster ISD School Start Date
 Muenster ISD is considering a waiver from the Texas Education Agency to start the 2006-07 school year on Aug. 11, 2006. The District is inviting comments from parents, community members, business leaders, and students who may be in favor of or against the starting date.

Please contact David Manley, superintendent, or Curtis Eldridge, JH/HS principal, with comments at 940-759-2282 or via mail at Muenster ISD, PO Box 608, Muenster, TX 76252. Public hearings will be held at the regular School Board meetings scheduled for Jan. 18, 2006 and Feb. 15, 2006 in the MISD Administration Building, 135 E. 7th St., Muenster, TX.

Healthy lunch items
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SPORTS

District basketball begins with Muenster victories

The Muenster Lady Hornets began District action last Friday with an 83-28 victory over the Lady Eagles of Valley View. The win improves Muenster's season record to 19-1.

Megan Felderhoff and Alison Teafatiller burned the boards with 29 and 25 points. Danielle Bindel added 7, Jacé Koelzer 6, Lindsey Watson 5, Sam Endres and Rebecca Grewing 4, and Sandy Endres 3. Muenster hit 16 of 19 free throws and five 3 pointers.

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The Hornets did not play.

Muenster captured two District wins Tuesday night when the Collinsville Pirates attempted to sink the Hornets' winning streak.

It was win number 20 for the Lady Hornets as they pulled out a one-sided 75-38 win. After a slow 1st period, Muenster out-scored the Lady Pirates by 13, 10, and 10 points each quarter to stretch their lead.

Alison Teafatiller led all scorers with 20 points, which

included four 3s. Sandy Endres added 15, with Danielle Bindel and Megan Felderhoff each scoring 8. Lindsey Watson dropped in 7, Laura Heers 6, Sam Endres 5, Rebecca Grewing 4, and Jacé Koelzer 2. Muenster put in seven 3 pointers and hit 67% of their free throws.

M	14	23	18	20	75
C	10	10	8	10	38

The Hornet game results were not available at press time.

Junior High Basketball

Sacred Heart 15 Lindsay 63

The 7th Grade Squires took a big win from the "B" team Cubs Monday night.

Scoring for Sacred Heart were Ryan Felderhoff 5 points, and 2 apiece by Calvin Wimmer, Zach White, Chad Walterscheid, Josh Biffle, and Bob Bartush.

Robert Arend dropped in 26 points for Lindsay. Justin Anderle scored 10. Kyle Johnson, Tyler Hundt, and Madison Parkhill each added 6. Travis Rohmer put in 4 points, Austin Hermes 3, and Todd Bezner 2.

SH	4	5	4	2	15
L	10	22	16	15	63

Sacred Heart 20 Lindsay 47

Ian Barnhill scored 10 points, but it wasn't enough to pull out a win. John Knabe added 9, and Garrett Berend and Gene Yosten 2 points apiece for the "A" team Cubs.

Lindsay's 8th Grade Squires were led on the scoreboard by Colton Hermes and Ryan Haverkamp with 18 and 15 points. Dax Fleitman added 5, Austin Reiter 3, and 2 each by Wes Morrison, Ross Jones, and Clay Mueller.

SH	7	4	5	4	20
L	19	10	10	8	47

Sacred Heart 7 Lindsay 34

The "B" Lady Cubs fell to the 7th Grade Lady Squires Monday. Karli Anderle made all 7 points for Sacred Heart.

Seven Lindsay players found the basket, with Jessica Block scoring 8, Vanessa Hess and Allison Metzler 6 each, Bethany Eberhart, Keacey Hermes, and Alli Martin each added 4, and Katie Nortman 2.

SH	0	2	2	3	7
L	10	6	10	8	34

Sacred Heart 26 Lindsay 37

Kristin LeBrasseur scored 17 points, but the "A" Lady Cubs could not pull out a win over the 8th Grade Lady Squires. Rebekah Hesse, Megan Hesse, and Elizabeth Marshall each scored 2, with Raney Hogan, Sydney Hodebeck, and Jessica Krahel getting 1 apiece.

For Lindsay, Katie Dieter was high scorer with 12 points. Cammi Neu and Kristin Martin added 6 each, Alex Cooney 5, and 4 each by Haley Hughes and Abby Anderle.

SH	6	8	8	2	26
L	10	11	6	10	37

Muenster 51 Valley View 7

The "A" Lady Stingers had no competition against the Lady Birds last week. Lia Heers was high scorer with 22 points. Shaina Felderhoff added 8, with Amanda Dangelmayr, Jackie Klement, and Taylor Klement each adding 6. Delana Rohmer put in 2 points and Delana Sicking 1. The win improved the Muenster team's season record to 6-1.

M	22	5	16	8	51
VV	0	1	6	0	7

Muenster 34 Valley View 9

Nine "B" Lady Stingers scored in their victory over the Lady Peepers. Taylor Reiter led all point makers with 10. Hayley Hess added 8, Michelle Henschel 4, Jacy Steelman 3, with Cathy Aston, Bianca Velasquez, Caleigh Wood, and CJ Harrison each getting 2. Natalie Valliere rounded out the score with a free throw.

M	6	7	8	13	34
VV	2	4	1	2	9

Lindsay 56 Era 6

The 7th Grade Lady Squires brought home a big one-sided victory last Tuesday, dominating the Lady Bees. Bethany Eberhart scored 16 points to lead Lindsay. Jessica Block added 12, with Allison Metzler and Vanessa Hess each getting 8. Keacey Hermes put in 6, Katie Nortman 4, and Emily Conaway 2.

L	18	16	14	8	56
E	4	0	0	2	6

Lindsay 38 Era 24

The 8th Grade Lady Squires edged out the Lady Bees last Thursday. Katie Dieter led all scorers with 13 points. Alex Cooney added 10, with Kristin Martin and Cammie Neu each scoring 6. Haley Hughes put in 2, and Abby Anderle 1.

L	15	7	6	10	38
E	8	4	4	8	24

ALVORD TOURNAMENT

The Muenster junior high girls teams participated in the Alvord Tournament last Saturday, winning three of four games.

Muenster 33 Bowie 8

The "B" team Lady Hornets won big over the Bowie 7th graders. Taylor Reiter scored 8, Bianca Velasquez and Jacy Steelman 6 apiece, Hayley Hess 4, with Michelle Henschel, Cathy Aston, Natalie Valliere, and Jodi Abner each scoring 2. Yolanda Del Rio put in 1 point. Only one of six free throws were made.

M	4	9	8	12	33
B	0	4	2	2	8

Muenster 56 Bowie 15

The "A" team Lady Hornets defeated the Bowie 8th grade. Three Muenster players scored double digit points. Taylor Klement put 14 points on the board, with Delana Rohmer and Amanda Dangelmayr each getting 10. Jackie Klement and Shaina Felderhoff each scored 6, with Lia Heers and Erin Endres getting 4 apiece, and Delana Sicking 2. The Lady Stingers were 12 of 17 at the free throw line.

M	15	9	17	15	56
B	2	2	4	7	15

Muenster 17 Alvord 39

The Alvord Lady Pups held the "B" Lady Stingers to only 17 points. Only four Muenster players scored. Tiffany Teafatiller put in 6, Steelman 5, Reiter 4, and Aston 2 points.

M	5	6	0	6	17
A	9	8	12	10	39

Muenster 37 Alvord 29

The "A" team brought home the championship with a big win. Heers was high point maker with 15. Klement added 9, Felderhoff 4, Rohmer 3, and 2 apiece by Dangelmayr, Klement, and Erin Endres. Muenster hit half of their free throws.

M	10	5	15	7	37
A	3	7	9	10	29

Sacred Heart starts District at Abilene with a win and a loss

The Tigerettes began District action Saturday in Abilene with a close, hard-fought 49-45 win over Abilene Christian, improving their season record to 14-5.

"This was a big win for us over a very good basketball squad," noted Coach Jon LeBrasseur, adding that Whitney Wimmer hit 15 points the 1st half, and Stephanie Krawietz 10 in the 2nd half.

Wimmer had a double/double, 17 points and 10 rebounds. Krawietz added 12, and Kara Felderhoff, in her

"best outing of the year" added 10. Samantha Wimmer dropped in 7 points and had seven assists, with Nicole Bayer scoring 2, and Hannah Hess 1. Shannon Hartman got four steals.

SH	8	17	13	11	49
AC	10	9	13	13	45

In the Tiger game, Sacred Heart was handed a District loss, 79-39 from the Abilene team, who jumped into the lead early and never looked back.

Tim Otto was high scorer for the Tigerettes with 14 points. Theo Otto added 9, Colby

Richey 6, Nolan Hartman 5, Josh Yosten 3, and Mark Fleitman 2.

SH	10	9	7	13	39
AC	23	23	7	26	79

Muenster Knights of Columbus to sponsor youth Free Throw Championship

All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2006 Kof C Free Throw Championship. Knights of Columbus, Muenster Council #1459 will hold its competition on Sunday, Jan. 22 at 1 p.m. at the Muenster ISD Gym.

All contestants on the local level will be allowed 15 free-throw attempts. Ties will be settled by successive rounds of five free throws per contestant until a winner emerges. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information contact: Coach Jeff Pressnall at 759-2371.

The K.C. Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually with winners progressing through the local, district, and state competition. Last year more than 179,000 participated in over 3,000 local competitions.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with more than 1.7 million members in more than 12,500 local councils. Last year, Knights donated 60 million volunteer hours and \$130 million to charitable and benevolent causes, sponsoring projects to benefit their church, councils, communities, families, and youth.

JUNIOR VARSITY ACTION

Muenster 51 Valley View 22

Three Lady Hornets scored double digit points in last Friday's game at Valley View. Alison Miller and Hillary Swirczynski each dropped in a dozen points, with Brandy Dangelmayr getting 10. Jenni Luke scored 6, Tori Wright and Jordan Ledbetter 4 each, Krystal Wolf 2, and Mara Erickson 1. Muenster hit 53% of their free throws.

M	16	19	12	4	51
VV	4	0	4	14	22

LINDSAY TOURNAMENT

January 7

Lindsay 27 Van Alstyne 20

The Lady Knights squeezed out a first round victory. Julie Hanson put in 9 points, Karissa Reiter 6, Hillary Hoelker 4, Kayla Hess 3, Madisen Burrows 3, and Beverly Knabe 2.

L	10	4	7	6	27
VA	3	4	1	12	20

Lindsay 30 Krum 19

The Lady Knights took the tournament championship with a big win over Krum. Emily Fuhrmann led all scorers with 12 points. Stephanie Neu added 6, Knabe 5, Burrows 4, Hoelker 2, and Reiter 1.

L	8	6	7	9	30
K	4	0	4	11	19

Lindsay 66 Era 7

The JV Lady Knights began District play with a big one-sided victory. Eight Lindsay players contributed points to the win. Emily Fuhrmann scored 19 points, Hillary Hoelker 12, and Kayla Hess 11 to lead Lindsay. Stephanie Neu and Beverly Knabe each added 8, Karissa Reiter 4, and 2 each by Julie Hanson and Elizabeth Martin. Lindsay was four of six in free throws.

L	10	17	16	23	66
E	2	1	1	3	7

Muenster 50 Collinsville 18

The Hornets got their first District win Tuesday. Matt Flusche was high scorer with 18 points. Nick Flusche added 10. John Monday 6, and 4 each by Garrett Hennigan, Matt Beaver, Evan Koelsler, and Brandon Bindel. Muenster hit 67% of their free throws.

M	20	16	8	6	50
C	5	4	3	6	18

Muenster 43 Collinsville 25

The Lady Hornets improved their record to 10-4 Tuesday night with District victory number two. A 10 point lead in the 1st quarter set the pace of the game. Hillary Swirczynski was high scorer with 11 points. Alison Miller added 8, Jordan Ledbetter 7, Jenni Luke 5, Tori Wright and Jordanne Hellman 4 each, Brandy Dangelmayr 3, and Cassie Hale 1. Muenster connected only four of 14 free throws.

M	16	7	16	4	43
C	6	5	5	9	25

TPWD REPORTS

Drive by shooting . . . A

Val Verde County game warden filed 11 cases on four Houston residents for hunting dove over a baited area; hunting migratory birds (dove) from a motor vehicle and hunting quail in a closed season. The cases came about after the warden received information that a particular area might be baited. After locating the bait, the warden walked into the area and waited in the brush, where he soon heard the suspect vehicle and then observed the subjects shooting from the vehicle at dove and quail. He was able to follow the vehicle on foot and observe the suspects shoot several times before they stopped at a feeder full of maize. Cases and restitution pending.

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Sacred Heart falls to Lindsay teams

It was a long night for the Sacred Heart basketball teams Tuesday in Lindsay, as the Tigerettes and Tigers fell to the State-ranked Lady Knights and Knights.

In girls action, the Tigerettes did not warm up until late in the 4th quarter. "Lindsay has a good ball club," commented Sacred Heart Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "Coach (Donald) Neu had the clutch hitting on all cylinders."

Lindsay took a 27-13 score in the locker room at halftime. After a cold 3rd quarter, both teams dropped in 18 for a final 51-35 score.

Whitney Wimmer led Sacred Heart with 20 points. Hannah Hess added 6, with Sam Wimmer, Taylor Torcellini, and Stephanie Krawietz each getting 3. The Tigerettes hit nine of 12 free throws.

Lindsay's leading scorer was Chelsea Hermes with 13 points. Brittany Anderle and Mallory Block each added 7. Stephanie Metzler 6, Kaleigh Hess and Lauren Creed 5 apiece. Amanda Hess 4, Allison Hundt 3, and Christina Eckart 1. The Lady Knights were 12 of 19 from the free throw line.

SH	6	7	4	18	35
L	17	10	6	18	51

Knights ready for District

Last Saturday, the Lindsay Knights hosted a team from Bonham in a tough pre-district workout. The Knights took an early lead and held on for a final 63-52 win.


Seven Lindsay players scored points toward the win. Brandon Huckaby and Levi Hermes led all scorers with 16 and 15 points. Christopher Creed added 10, Jeff Shannon 8, Michael Eckart 7, Dustin Hughes 5, and Travis Endres 2. The Knights were 14 of 25 at the free throw line.

L	14	14	20	15	63
B	10	7	16	19	52

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BOATING WITH HANK PARKER

Boat Control in Windy Conditions

Many anglers will say that the wind can act as both a hindrance and a help while out on the water. Sometimes erratic and disruptive, stronger winds can cause problems when casting or driving to your intended destination. While in some cases anglers are challenged with it, there are other times when the wind can be used to your advantage. Whether using the winds to drift while fishing or to energize inactive fish, windy conditions are sometimes viewed as a positive. By simply monitoring and evaluating weather conditions, every angler can have a distinct advantage before leaving shore.

With today's technology, many boats are better able to handle windy conditions. Improved designs and innovative features help to combat stronger winds, but as waves grow larger even the most advanced boats require a steady hand at the wheel. Any angler caught in a storm

while out on the water should abandon any thoughts of racing home at top speeds. I realize that the desire to get home grows as conditions worsen, but anglers who maintain a reasonable speed will have a greater control over their boat.

If driving directly into the wind, the boat will be going up and over each wave and then declining into the trough. This is when speed is crucial. Remember to adjust the speed of the boat so it gently goes over the top of each crest. As the boat descends into the trough, reduce the speed and keep the bow of the boat raised so that it will not be buried into the upcoming wave. Maintain a hand or foot on the throttle at all times and adjust the boat's speed to each wave. As the waves grow bigger and steeper, quartering the waves might be a better option. By steering the boat so that it meets the waves at an angle rather than perpendicular, the rough motions will be avoided.

In the instances where you are traveling in the same di-

rection as the waves, maintain enough speed to stay ahead of the crests. Waves often come in sets, so use that to your advantage when preparing to enter and exit rough waters. In any direction, make sure to study the waves, check the balance of your boat and keep the bow up.

Another helpful fishing tactic in windy conditions is drifting over flats. Drifting allows anglers to cover water efficiently and is very effective in heavy waves or when covering large areas. Controlling your boat while drifting involves positioning weight in the boat and using the motor as a rudder. A heavier, balanced boat will drift better in high winds. If the wind is so strong that the boat drifts too quickly, use one or more drift socks (large bags on ropes) to slow down.

So the next time you experience stronger winds and waves, keep these tips in mind. Always be prepared for the day's weather and never take on more than you can handle.

The First Step for a Better 2006

For many anglers and boat owners, the onset of winter means an end to the boating season. As temperatures continue to drop around the country, it is now time to start thinking about the final preparations that will guarantee your next season starts off on the right track. The time and energy that you spend now protecting your boat will not only enhance your boat's performance, but it will save you both time and money next season.

The first step to winterizing a boat, as when you are preparing for a departure, is to make a checklist of all the tasks that are needed to be accomplished. The owner's manual for both your boat and motor are great resources to help ensure that no task is left off your list. Once your checklist is complete, remember to store it in a safe place so that it can be used again next year. If you are a new boat owner or if you have questions, ask an experienced friend for assistance or call a professional.

The following is a list of protective measures that should be incorporated into your checklist. First, fill the fuel tanks and add the appropriate amount of stabilizer. Remember to run the engine long enough to get the treated gas into the fuel line and engine. If the fuel tanks are left untreated over the winter, the gasoline will deteriorate into the varnish and gum,

making starting difficult.

Next, it is time to flush the enclosed cooling systems. You can purchase a flushing kit from your local boat dealer. Also, remove the block plugs and drain all the water from the inboard/outboard engines. This will clean out any rust flakes and sediment that has accumulated. Then, pump in anti-freeze to avoid trapped ice pockets and be sure to use an environmentally safe product.

Now, it is time to fog the engine with oil in order to prevent rust. Follow the instructions that come with the product, making sure to spray some of the oil into the cylinders through the spark-plug holes once the engine has cooled down. Remember to check the spark plugs and replace them as necessary. Next, replace the oil and oil filter on the four-cycle engines.

Once complete, change the lower unit gearcase lubricant on the engine to prevent water that is trapped in the gearcase from freezing. Another helpful tip is to disconnect the battery cables and then remove the battery from the boat. Clean the terminal ends of the battery and store the battery in a cool dry place.

Another good idea is to check your prop for nicks and damage. If left unchecked, blade damage can cause vibrations that could ruin other engine parts and the drive system. Other items on your checklist should include: draining water from the bilges and leaving the tran-

som drain unplugged, examining trailer tires, greasing wheel bearings on trailer and replacing as needed, checking bulbs and electrical contacts on trailer and consulting your owner's manual for tips that are particular to your boat, engine, and trailer.

Now is also a good time to inspect and store electronic equipment. First, unplug power cords and remove the fish finders from the boat. They should be stored inside away from the extreme winter cold. These products work just as good in January as they did in August, but prolonged storage in cold is not recommended. Apply antioxidants to terminal connections to reduce oxidation potential, and inspect components looking for cracks in transducer or cables.

Once you have fully serviced, inspected, and cleaned your boat, it is now time to cover and store the boat for the winter. When covering the boat, remember to allow air circulation under the boat cover to prevent mildew.

It may sound like a lot of work, but all of these steps are crucial in order to keep your boat at its best condition. Whether you decide to do it yourself or request the services of a marina, winterizing your boat is the best thing you can do to assure a successful new season. By following these steps, you will be ready to hit the water like the pros instead of being stranded on land like a rookie.

Outdoors with Gary Klein

Spot and stalk whitetail deer

Sometimes, a day spent in a deer stand might give you more glimpses at songbirds and squirrels than trophy whitetails, so you've got to have a Plan B. If you don't have a Plan B, you need to learn how to spot and stalk whitetails.

Whitetails may be some of the most easily spooked animals in the world. With keen eyesight, astounding hearing, and a nose that would make any hound dog jealous, they often know what's what long before any other animal in the woods. Still, advancements in technology give the hunter some hope. High-tech optics, range finders, and ultra-quiet scent-lock suits can all be used to get you within gun or bow range of an unsuspecting whitetail. But there's no substitute for a little game planning.

A lot of people try to stalk deer while they are bedded down. While untold numbers of deer have been taken this way, think back to your time

in the field. Remember how when you were perched on the side of the hill, glassing the bottoms: anything that moved caught your eye. Deer are the same way; they bed down in places that give them commanding views, the wind in their favor and escape routes. Try stalking an animal that is moving from a bedding area to a feeding area - or vice-versa.

When spotting animals, I like to wear my Cocons with an amber lens. The sunglasses fit over my prescription glasses and protect my eyes from glare and UV, plus the amber lens gives me the crisp contrast in color that I need to detect subtle movements.

In stalking, time is your enemy. Once an animal is spotted, you must close the distance as fast as possible without being detected if you want to be successful. If you spot an animal from a long distance, plan your stalk

quickly and close the distance as fast as you can. In order to make a successful final approach, you need to rely on stealth. Some people take off their boots while others put thick wool socks over their boots to minimize noise.

To stalk successfully, you should keep yourself in good shape. Most times you will have to cross long distances in a short amount of time and nothing will blow a stalk like huffing and puffing or the thud of a weary hunter's heavy feet. A regular walking schedule will help with this.

The final must have for stalking is patience. Deer are unpredictable and sometimes you might have to spend a few minutes or even a few hours hunkered down in the grass to get the right shot. But you've invested this much time to get within close range of the buck, a little while longer won't hurt you. Besides, the harder you work for that trophy, the sweeter the results.

Team Raintree/Advantage Tips

Hunting in the dark

I call pretty much as I would in a turkey calling contest.

By Bill Jordan

When you go turkey scouting you should certainly look for turkey signs, but you should also familiarize yourself with the terrain. The goal is to learn the terrain well enough to get around it in the dark.

Many times I've had to go into the woods in pitch black darkness, without a flashlight, to set up close to a gobbler I had roosted the evening before. A veteran turkey hunter once told me, "If you can see your feet, a gobbler in a tree can see you."

Also get a feel for the lay of the land. Where do trails lead? Are there alternate routes to a spot? How do the ridges, creeks, and swampy areas relate to each other? Find fences, deep gullies, creeks and any other obstacle that might keep a gobbler from coming to you. By learning where the trails and obstacles are, you will know where and where not to set up to try to call a gobbling bird.

Early season callings

By Michael Waddell

I like aggressive turkey calling, the type some turkey hunters refer to as "contest style" calling. It's loud, raucous and aggressive, and many turkey hunters believe such calling isn't worthwhile for real turkey hunting. That's not true; it can be very effective in certain conditions.

There is a time for loud and aggressive calling and it usually comes at the beginning of the season. The gobblers aren't yet call shy. Depending on conditions, they may not yet be fully turned on or may be just coming to the peak of breeding interest. Either way, mimicking a hot, lusty and aggressive hen is a good play.

Of course when a gobbler is close, you don't want to literally blow him away with loud calls. But, when looking for an active gobbler, don't be afraid to cackle, cutt, and yelp long and loudly. When I'm trying to stir up a gobbler or call one from a long distance,

Hunting the sign

By Bill Jordan

I was a deer hunter before I was a turkey hunter and I have great faith in good woodsmanship when hunting anything. All wildlife species have food and cover preferences and generally follow a daily routine if undisturbed.

Knowing the terrain and the habits of local turkeys can really help your hunting. I keep a journal on my regular hunting areas, compiling a year-to-year database of known turkey feeding and loafing areas. After a season or two, I have a good idea how turkey movement patterns will change as the season progresses.

Unless I get hooked up with a hot gobbler early on, I often head for areas of known turkey activity or where scouting has shown a lot of sign. I usually set out a decoy or two, conceal myself, and call regularly. In the early season, hens go about their normal feeding pattern. Gobblers of course are looking for hens. So getting close to turkey activity areas is a good bet for success.

Learning turkey talk

By Terry Rohm

"Learning on the job" isn't a good way to approach turkey hunting. Today's advanced turkey call designs make good calling technique much easier to master than it used to be, but they can't make up for lack of preparation. A bit of pre-season practice helps any turkey caller and it is vital if you are trying to master a new call type.

The many turkey hunting videos available are a good and enjoyable way to learn what turkeys sound like. As you watch them, also watch how the live turkeys respond to calling. This is a great learning tool that has become available only in the last few years. The purely instructional videos and audio tapes go into specific instructions in great detail.

Also look at the many "novice friendly" call types that are available. The "push-pull" type box is one of these. These and some others designed especially for young people are great ways to start the learning curve on turkey talk.

Safety first turkey hunting

By Larry Weishuhn

Turkey hunting has become very popular and some turkey hunting locations have become very crowded. Turkey hunting safety is a top priority.

Don't wear "gobbler-head" colors - red, white, and blue. Even the top of a white T-shirt behind the open collar of a camo shirt stands out in the woods. Consider exposing a swatch of fluorescent orange while you are moving through the woods.

Always sit with your back protected by a tree or rock that's wider than you are. Pick set-up positions that give you a long (longer than shotgun range) view to the front and sides. This is particularly important if you use decoys. Never carry a decoy fully exposed through the woods.

If you see another hunter approaching your camouflaged location, speak up in a loud and clearly human voice. Never try to signal with your call or wave your hand. Most important, always be absolutely sure of your target and what is behind it before you pull the trigger.

Words of Wisdom

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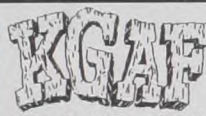
Let the refining and improving of your own life keep you so busy that you have little time to criticize others.

When an old person dies, a library is lost.

First you forget names, then you forget faces, then you forget to pull your zipper up, then you forget to pull your zipper down.

Fathers are pals nowadays because they don't have guts to be fathers.

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Lady Hornet Lindsey Watson (14) goes in for a lay-up against Collinsville.



Above - Hornet Brad Endres works to set up a play.



At left - Derek Endres waits for teammates to get in position.



Megan Felderhoff and Laura Heers move down court.



Danielle Bindel moves in for two points.



Tanner Herr controls the next play.



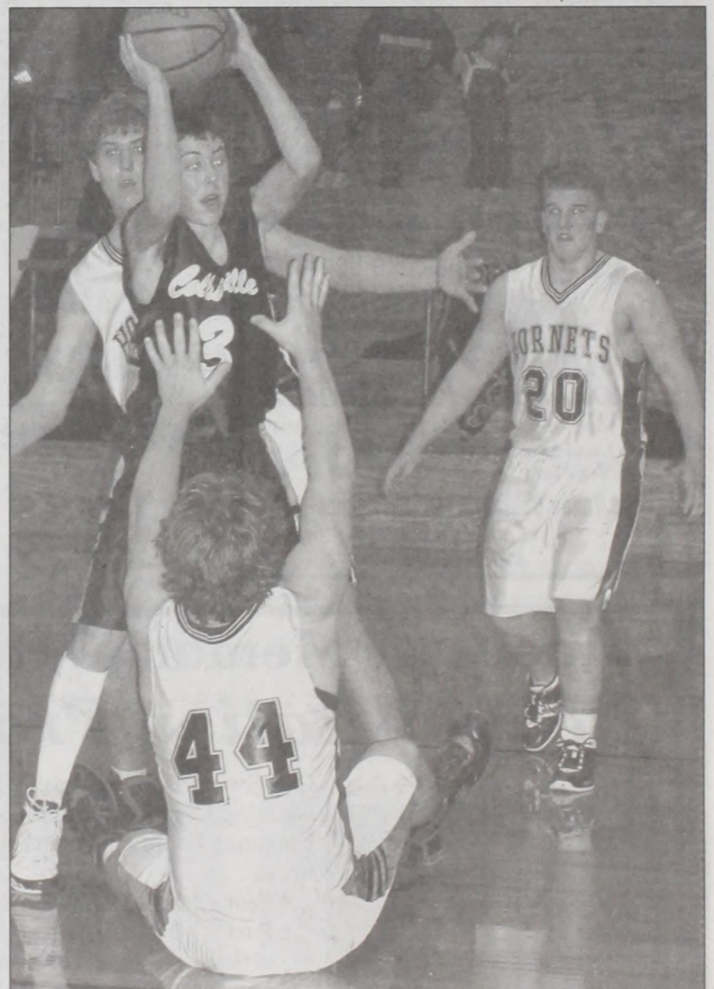
Ryan Hennigan and Jordan Walterscheid battle for the rebound.



Zach Swirczynski puts pressure on a Pirate.



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Theo Otto (30) takes advantage of a Nolan Hartman (20) block to get the ball into play.



Mark Fleitman takes the rebound.



Lady Knight Allison Hundt (11) gets away from Hannah Hess (on floor) as Sam Wimmer (10) moves in.



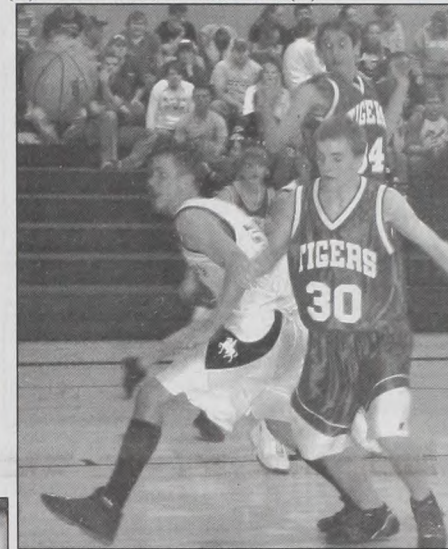
Shannon Hartman (32) and Hannah Hess sandwich Lady Knight Christina Eckart in a battle for the rebound.



Reaching for a rebound - Theo Otto and Josh Yosten.



Under the basket, Tigerettes Hannah Hess, Whitney Wimmer (21), Stephanie Krawietz (41), and Lady Knights Autumn Murrill (23), Christina Eckart, and Lauren Creed (25).



Theo Otto (30) and Mark Fleitman (34) battle a Knight Jeff Shannon for a loose ball.



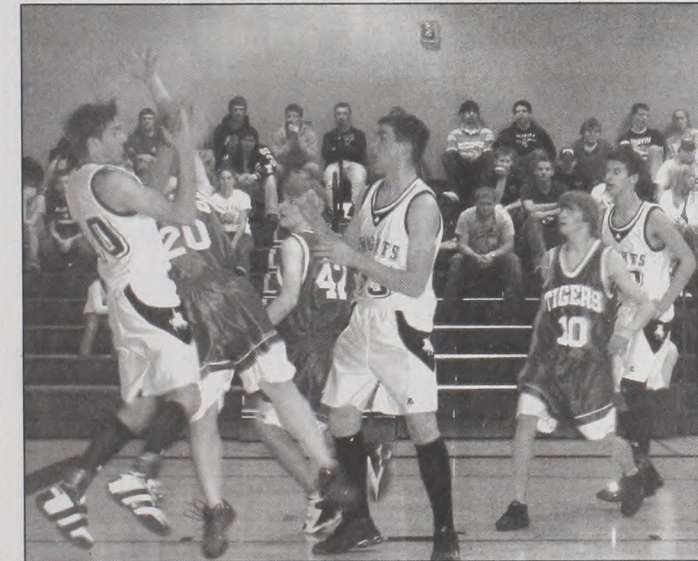
Nolan Hartman (20) and Mark Fleitman attempt to get around Knight Malcom Martin (14).



Sacred Heart senior Whitney Wimmer.



Stephanie Krawietz (41) looks down court after getting the rebound.



Action from the Tiger-Knight game - Kristopher Creed (10), Nolan Hartman (20), Josh Yosten (42), Michael Eckart (33), Colby Richey (10), and Dustin Hughes.

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TAHC proposes compulsory premises ID

Premises registration will become compulsory in Texas on July 1, 2006, under proposed regulations for Texas' premises and animal identification program.

Commissioners for the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) approved proposed regulations during their Dec. 6 meeting. Public comments on the proposal are now being accepted.

All persons who are owners, managers, or caretakers for locations where livestock, exotic livestock, poultry, or exotic poultry are handled will be required to register their premises with the TAHC and submit the \$20 two-year fee. Renewal and fee payment will be required every 24 months thereafter.

Prior to July 1, 2006, premises in Texas may be registered at no charge, and the premises identification number will remain valid through June 30, 2008.

Although the seven-character premises identification number will not change, the premises registration must be renewed July 1, 2008, and every 24 months thereafter.

At renewal, the proposed regulations provide for a yearly premises registration fee of \$10, paid biennially. The \$20 two-year registration fee is to be submitted to the TAHC at the time of registration renewal.

Privacy and compliance
Under the proposed regulations, information collected by the TAHC for premises or animal identification is exempt from public disclosure requirements under the Texas Public Information Act.

Although TAHC commissioners always urge voluntary compliance with agency regulations, the proposals include penalties for non-compliance.

The Texas Agriculture Code (law) may be found on the TAHC Web site at <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us> by selecting the "Statutes and Regulations" link on the front page.

Comments will be accepted on the proposals until 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, 2006. They may be submitted to comments@tahc.state.tx.us, faxed to (512) 719-0721, or mailed to Delores Holubec, TAHC, Box 12966, Austin, TX 78711-2966.

Why these regulations were proposed

During the 2005 legislative session, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1361, authorizing the TAHC to develop and implement an animal identification system consistent with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Animal Identification System (NAIS).

HB 1361 (Chapter 161.056 of the Texas Agriculture Code) also authorizes the TAHC to determine when premises identification will be required and to assess and collect fees for premises registration.

As the NAIS is phased in, TAHC's program also will evolve. TAHC commissioners have proposed regulations at this time for premises identification only. Premises identification is the foundation for all other components of the NAIS.

The goal of the NAIS is to enable animal health officials to identify locations where infected or exposed animals have been and to track animal movement from those locations within 48 hours, in the event of an animal disease outbreak. Three main components comprise the system:

Premises identification defines a geographic site, such as ranches, farms, feedlots, livestock markets, slaughter establishments, rendering, or carcass collection points, veterinary clinics, livestock show, fair or exhibition sites, quarantine facilities, laboratories, ports of entry, or any other facilities where animals are handled. These include cattle, horses, mules, asses, sheep, goats, and hogs; exotic livestock; domestic fowl, such as

chickens, turkeys, and game birds; and poultry and exotic fowl.

The premises number is a unique seven-character code, issued by the TAHC or USDA. Owners or managers can register their premises and obtain the unique code online at the TAHC web site <http://www.tahc.state.tx.us>.

Applications also may be obtained at many Texas Cooperative Extension offices, livestock markets, veterinary clinics, or from livestock and poultry associations.

As of early December, more than 4,200 premises in Texas had been registered. In the entire United States (including Texas), about 160,000 had been registered.

A person who owns or manages two or more locations and commingles animals may register the locations under one premises number. However, if a person maintains livestock on multiple locations but does not commingle the animals, then each location should be registered separately.

Animal identification, when implemented, will require that certain species of animals be tagged with a uniquely numbered 15-digit electronic identification device when they are moved from their herd of origin, or are commingled with animals from other premises. The device is intended to remain with the animal for life. If a device is lost, the animal can be retagged.

Under the National Animal Identification System (NAIS), still in development, premises numbers will NOT be imprinted on the animal identification devices.

The unique seven-character premises identification and the 15-digit animal identification device number will correlate only in records. Each animal identification device will be individually numbered.

In the NAIS, some species, such as commercially produced swine or poultry, may be identified by group/lot numbers, provided the animals are held and managed as a group throughout the pre-harvest production process.

Animal tracking, the final component of the national plan, will involve recording and reporting those animals moved, sold, commingled, or slaughtered. This component, when implemented, will enable efficient tracing of animals for disease eradication efforts.

Additional NAIS information and links can be found on the web site http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/animal_id/index.shtml.

Tips for drought feeding: rotational grazing; creep feed nursing calves; wean early; drylot cows; reduce cattle; fertilize pastures.

Drought & Ponds
Dr. Billy Higginbotham, Extension wildlife and fisheries specialist, even though concerned with the drought, looks for a silver lining.

"Numerous ponds have or will go dry if runoff rainfall does not fall within next 30 to 60 days, even in normally rainfall-blessed East Texas," Higginbotham said. With a few exceptions because of the heavy rainfall from Hurricane Rita, most East Texas counties have had an extremely dry year. The rest of East Texas remains as bone dry as the rest of the state and the ponds show it," he said.

That's the bad news as far as fish-stocked ponds are concerned. The good news, he said, is that ponds with low-water levels can sustain fish longer in the winter than the summer. This is associated with the fact that cold water holds more dissolved oxygen. Also, fish, being cold blooded, have slower metabolisms in cool water and thus require less oxygen.

"In fact, in ponds managed for largemouth bass, we routinely recommend a winter draw down of three to four feet to increase the availability of forage fish to the bass population," Higginbotham said. "However, we also want those ponds to refill during February in order to be ready for the spring spawning season."

Other advantages posed by low-water levels include the ease of renovation and weed control, he said.

With low-water, it's easier for pond owners to repair or build shore-side structures such as fishing docks or boat-houses.

"In addition, extremely shallow areas prone to summer weed infestations can be deepened now to a minimum of two to three feet to remove habitat for many undesirable weed species that otherwise would flourish during the upcoming summer," Higginbotham said.

And low-water levels may give some control of aquatic weeds by exposing them to

below freezing temperatures. But the silver linings of low-water levels go only so far. "Our current low water levels may be able to sustain fish populations in January and February, whereas these same levels in July and August will be disastrous for some heavily stocked ponds," he said.

Higginbotham continues to get phone calls from concerned pond owners looking for remedies. The situation is so dire in certain areas that some pond owners have resorted to filling ponds with well water.

This remedy will work as long as pond owners find a way to dissipate any gases such as carbon dioxide present in the well water and increase its oxygen content before it enters the pond. Aerating the well water by directing it to splash against a barrier, such as rocks or a board, should do the trick, Higginbotham said.

"It's also a good idea to know the quality of the well water prior to pumping it on top of your fish. Just because it's good to drink does not necessarily mean it's good for fish," he said. "Parameters such as pH, total alkalinity, and total hardness should be tested to make sure that you are not creating more prob-

lems than you solve by adding water."

Because of the volume of water needed, replenishment from a well is an expensive proposition, Higginbotham noted. Not all ponds may merit the expense. Pond owners should ask themselves if the fish population is worth saving or if livestock depend upon it for a source of drinking water. If the answer to both questions is "no," then it might be a better choice to wait until the water level is replenished by rain; then restock with fish.

"With appropriated stocking and management strategies, restocking can result in good fish populations in as little as one growing season," he said.

Dates to Remember
Jan. 18 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Association Meeting; 7 p.m., Cooke County Fairgrounds.

Feb. 22 - Tri-County Farmer and Rancher Symposium; 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., NCTC Little Theatre (5 CEUs, \$10 fee).

Feb. 24 - Marketing Club Meeting; 7 p.m., Gainesville Farm Bureau Building.

Feb. 28 - Texas Beef Quality Producer program (BQA Training); level 1, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.; level 2, 3-5 p.m., NCTC Little Theatre.

USDA new energy strategy

USDA has new energy strategy to help farmers and ranchers mitigate the impact of high energy costs and develop long-term solutions. The strategy includes both short- and long-term efforts to assist producers and support the development, production, and use of renewable fuels.

A USDA Energy Council has been formed to examine departmental programs and ensure producers are included in national energy discussions. USDA's Risk Management Agency will hold a workshop in the spring to seed ideas and discuss how to create risk management tools

to manage the impact of energy-related costs.

Because high energy costs can impact producers' ability to borrow funds, the Farm Service Agency will seek approval to redirect funds to support producers who need credit. The Natural Resource Conservation Service has developed an online energy calculator to estimate the diesel fuel usage and costs associated with various tillage practices.

The energy calculator, a USDA Energy Fact Sheet, and details of USDA's energy-related loan and grant programs are available online at www.usda.gov/energy.

U.S. - Mexico border fence approved

The U.S. House approved 700 miles of border fencing between the United States and Mexico and urged the Department of Homeland Security to study the feasibility of similar barriers along the Canadian border. House members voted 260-159 on Dec. 17 in favor of the proposal, which was added as an amendment to H.R. 4437, an immigration bill that was still under consideration at press time.

The \$2.2 billion Southwestern barrier would include three sections in Texas—a 51 mile stretch from Del Rio to Eagle Pass; 176 miles from Laredo to Brownsville; and 88

miles stretching from El Paso westward to Columbus, N.M. California Rep. Duncan Hunter, who introduced the proposal, said the fence would drastically curtail illegal immigration and combat a surge of violence and smuggling. He called for a 30-mile fence to be constructed by the end of 2006 near Laredo, which has seen a 30% increase in homicides as a result of the spreading drug violence.

Opponents say the plan faces huge right-of-way issues, inevitable environmental challenges, and potential eminent domain proceedings to allow government to take the land.

USDA helps battle fires

Prolonged drought, warm temperatures, low humidity, and high winds fueled a devastating series of wildfires in Texas and Oklahoma in December and early January. Hundreds of thousands of acres were burned and hundreds of homes destroyed. Several lives were lost.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture responded to calls for assistance by sending heavy air tankers, helicopters, planes, and Forest Service firefighting specialists to the area. The wildfire level is expected to remain high through January. —US Department of Agriculture

Cattle Feeders QSA Program meets Japan requirements

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has approved Texas Cattle Feeders Association's (TCFA) Quality Systems Assessment (QSA) Program for Age and/or Source Verification of Cattle. This clears the way for TCFA feedyard members to become approved to produce cattle for the Japanese market. With the Japanese market now open to U.S. beef, the age of cattle must be verified through a USDA-approved QSA program.

Feedyards must implement the training, procedures and recordkeeping outlined in the TCFA program and pass an onsite audit conducted by TCFA staff. In turn, the feedyards are required to train, evaluate, and audit cattle suppliers to ensure that records exist to document when the first calf was born in each calving season. —Texas Cattle Feeders Association

Ag Briefs

One in six counties face a food shortage this year because of severe drought.

Fifty years ago, half of the U.S. farm families were poor. Today, reports estimate that between five and 14% are poor.

During the 1930s, there were 30.4 million people working and living on 6.3 million farms. By 2000, farm numbers dropped to 2.1 with 5.9 million, or 2% of the total U.S. population on farms.

Cattle should not be on wheat pasture until there are six to 12 inches of top growth and the crown root is developed, so cattle cannot pull the plants out.

One bushel of soybeans equals 1.5 gallons of bio diesel.

One bushel of corn equals 2.8 gallons of ethanol.

The top five foods in 2005 were cilantro, chocolate, nuts, honey, and beef, according to Kraft Food and Family Magazine.

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<p>Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.40-1.70; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.40; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.30-1.72; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.05-1.30; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.20-1.45; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.25; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.30; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.14; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.04-1.16; Nos. 2 & 3, 82-1.04; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 1.01-1.10; Nos. 2 & 3, 79-1.01.</p> <p>Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.29-1.41; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.29; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.40; Nos. 2 & 3, 96-1.14; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.18-1.40; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.18; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.18-1.29; Nos. 2 & 3, 90-1.18; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.01-1.13; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-1.01; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 90-1.05; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-90.</p> <p>Slaughter Cattle (per lb.) Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.20-2.00; #3, 56-67; Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 46-51; Calfers: 21-46.</p>	<p>Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy tested, 3 to 9 year-olds - Large Frame: \$750-\$990; Medium Frame: \$450-\$750.</p> <p>Cow/Calf Pairs (weaners under 250 lbs.) - Large Frame: \$1000-\$1220; Medium Frame: \$700-\$1000.</p> <p>Baby Calves: Holstein: US #1, 230-270; 48-51; US #2, 220-280; 42-48.</p> <p>Feeder Heifers (per head): 100-175 lbs. \$35-\$55; 22-30 lbs. \$10-\$40.</p> <p>Sows (per lb.) Feeder, 400 or less: 30-38; Light wt., 400-500: 36-38; Med. wt., 500-600: 35-37; Heavy wt., 600+: 35-37.</p> <p>Boars (per lb.) 300 lb. up: 75-110; 200-300 lbs.: 20-24; Slaughter: 30-35.</p> <p>Sheep (per lb.) Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs., 90-100; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs., 90-100; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs., 85-90.</p>	<p>Ewes (per lb.) 120 lbs. up: (Per lb.) 35-50; Fat: 50-60.</p> <p>Bucks (per head) Thin: 45-55; Fat: 35-40.</p> <p>Barbados (per head) Lambs: \$40-\$65; Ewes: \$30-\$75; Bucks: \$65-\$110.</p> <p>Goats (per head) Kids: 20-35 lbs. \$20-\$45; 35-55 lbs. \$30-\$65; 55-75 lbs. \$45-\$75.</p> <p>Yearlings (per head) 75-120 lbs. \$75-\$122.50.</p> <p>Nannies (per head) Stocker: \$55-\$120; Milk Nanny: \$45-\$85; Slaughter: \$55-\$90; Thin: \$15-\$50; Fat: \$65-\$90.</p> <p>Billies (per head) 120 lbs. up: Brooders: \$85-\$110; Slaughter: \$75-\$95.</p> <p>Boer Goats (per head) 1/2 Nanny: \$85-\$100; 3/4 Nanny: \$85-\$100; Full Nanny: \$90-\$185; \$55-\$90; Thin: \$15-\$50; Fat: \$65-\$90.</p>
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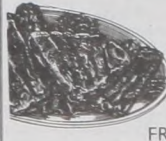
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