

## County plans for road expenditures

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
All four Commissioners in Cooke County have filed annual Road Reports. The report includes the amount each anticipates requiring for the maintenance of his precinct's roads during the coming fiscal year. It also indicates the condition of the roads, culverts, and bridges in that precinct, if any new roads might be opened, the number of traffic control devices defaced or torn down, and what improvements are planned for the fiscal year.

The amount of money each commissioner noted needing follows: Gary Hollowell Precinct #1 - \$935,068.50; Bill Cox Precinct #2 - \$824,331.67; Al Smith Precinct #3 - \$902,037.36; and Virgil Hess Precinct #4 - \$817,435.

Commissioner Hess reported that in Precinct #4 there are two bridges being replaced at this time by TxDOT on the Federal Bridge Program. Sept. 1 is the expected completion date. They are the Black Hollow bridge on CR 411 and the Valley Creek bridge on CR 414.

Since his report in 2005, seven load zone bridge signs and 81 road number signs have been replaced. This re-

placement takes place on a regular basis.

Targeted for repairs and the cost estimated by Hess are: bridge replacement on CR 406 #2 at \$24,000; chip and seal CR 492, 493, 494, and 495 at \$27,000; upgrade ditches and culverts for paving CR 409 at \$10,000; chip and seal CR 409 at \$38,630; and replace culverts on CR 417 at \$4,200.

Hess said that the remaining budgeted money is for continued general improvements and maintenance of all Precinct #4 county roads and will be utilized as traffic, weather, or other conditions dictate. No new road openings are anticipated.

Commissioner Smith reported that 45 road signs have been replaced and replacement is done daily as needed. He said that as far as new roads, the roads in the South Ridge subdivision might be extended.

Improvements designated are seal coats for the following roads and estimated cost: CR 300 \$40,000; CR 320 \$25,000; CR 321 \$35,000; CR 343 \$40,000; and CR 350 \$25,000. Remaining funds are for continued general improvements and other condi-

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## Benefit for Dr. Sharon Gaston to be held in Gainesville

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Cooke County Fairgrounds in Gainesville will be the site of two benefit events this Saturday. A Brisket & Chili Cook-off is slated from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. An outdoor concert follows with gates opening at 4 p.m. and the show kicking off at 5:30 p.m. Proceeds go to Sharon Gaston, DVM. The Saint Jo veterinarian was very seriously injured on Jan. 1 while trying to rescue horses from a wildfire near Nocona. She has been hospitalized for many months and is now in a

rehabilitation center.

Eleven Hundred Springs with Palo Duro Records headlines the concert. Also starring is Mark David Manders, recording artist for Karma Records. Sherman singer-songwriters Jimmie Grottek, Tom Flanery, and Wade Kilgore open the concert. The Quick Draw Band from Saint Jo precedes the performance by Manders.

Ticket price is \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate. To purchase tickets, go online to [www.frontgatetickets.com](http://www.frontgatetickets.com).

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## Fire Department responds to accident



**IN THE HEAT OF THE DAY** - An accident in the westbound lane of Highway 82 near Cooke County Electric Co-op drew Muenster Volunteer Fire Department's first responders, Cooke County EMS, Texas Department of Public Safety officers, and others into the oppressive three digit heat. An SUV and a flat bed truck collided. Nobody was seriously injured. Muenster VFD was kept busy over the weekend as they responded to several calls. On Friday, they responded to a medical call south of Muenster on FM 373. Early Saturday morning they went south again to assist at an accident at the intersection of FM 373 and FM 1630. That evening the Muenster VFD was called to put out a fire caused by a baler owned by Joe O'Dell. Sunday morning they responded to a medical call at a residence north of Saint Jo. With extreme fire danger conditions in place, the area fire departments urge residents to be extra careful and to keep in mind that Cooke and surrounding counties are under a Burn Ban. Aug. 12 is the date of Muenster VFD's Annual Barbecue and Auction. That event is their major fund-raiser each year and allows them to purchase updated equipment and meet other needs.

Janie Hartman photo

## Comptroller's office reports gains in State and local sales tax revenue

According to the Texas Comptroller's office, the state received \$1.49 billion in sales tax revenue in June, up 15.6% compared to June 2005.

It delivered \$412.4 million in July sales tax allocations to cities, counties, and other local taxing entities, up 19.7% compared to last July. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are running 15.9% higher than last year.

"The strong Texas economy continues to generate double-digit gains in sales tax for the state and many local governments," Comptroller Carol Keeton Strayhorn said.

July sales tax allocations of \$277.6 million was sent to Texas cities, up 19.3% compared to July 2005. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax

locations are up 15.1% compared to the same period last year.

Cities in Cooke County received a total of \$454,840.22. That is an increase of 23.40% from the \$368,580.21 received in July 2005. Year-to-date cities in Cooke County have received \$3,057,537.18. That amount is up 14.23% from the year-to-date total of \$2,676,482.75 received by July 2005.

Muenster's July rebate check of \$22,944.30 was an increase of 36.22% from the \$16,842.77 received in July 2005. Year-to-date Muenster's total of \$115,439.19 is an increase of 10.67% from the July 2005 year-to-date total.

Lindsay received \$6,423.52 this July, which is up 13.97% from July 2005. Its year-to-date total of \$50,807.48 is up

23.09% from last July's total.

For Gainesville the July rebate of \$410,240.84 showed an increase of 21.98%. The year-to-date total of \$2,766,751.83 is up 14.01% from last year at this time.

Valley View accepted a July rebate check for \$8,522.54, up 122.95% from July 2005's \$3,822.53. The total to date this year is \$43,658.82. That's an increase of 50.36% from July 2005.

Oak Ridge received \$6,709.02, an increase of 12.22% over last July. Its total to-date of \$38,879.86 is up 4.44% from July 2005.

Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$25.5 million, up 23.3% compared to last July. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 17.2% higher than last year.

Cooke County's share of that total for July is \$168,645.04. That amount is an increase of 27.61% from July 2005's \$132,155.46. Cooke County's year-to-date total of \$1,083,722.33 is up 15.15% from the July 2005 year-to-date total of \$941,061.33.

The 110 special purpose taxing districts around the state received July sales tax allocations totaling \$12.3 million, up 24.8% compared to last July. Ten local transit systems received \$96.9 million in sales tax allocations, up 19.4% compared to a year ago.

June state sales tax collections and July sales tax allocations to local governments mostly represent sales that occurred in May.

## Youths pedal across Texas to benefit autism awareness

Daniel Henscheid and his friend John Britton of Bedford have a dream. The young men seek to raise autism awareness and funds by completing an 870 mile bicycle ride across the great state of Texas. The Ride for a Dream 2006, which is the second annual event, will begin on Aug. 12 at the Texas/Louisiana border and end almost 900 miles later on Aug. 17 in El Paso, Texas.

Daniel is the son of Tom and Mary Henscheid of Arlington, and the grandson of Arnold and Pat Henscheid of Muenster and Louise Morisak, formerly of Gainesville.

Autism is a developmental disability that affects an individual in the areas of social interaction and communication. As many as 1.5 million Americans - children and adults - are thought to have autism today.

Daniel Henscheid and John Britton formed the Jennifer Ann Ride for a Dream/Jennifer Ann Foundation and began the annual ride across Texas in 2005. Their website, designed by Daniel Henscheid, [www.rideforadream.org](http://www.rideforadream.org) was created to share their dream of raising autism awareness and collecting funds for research and development of programs for families of autistic people.

In a matter of two months, John Britton and Daniel Henscheid accomplished the monumental task of organizing and funding a week-long 870 mile bicycle ride across the great state of Texas. The inspiration behind the young men's quest to raise autism awareness is John's 24 year old sister, Jennifer Ann Britton who was diagnosed with autism at infancy.

Jenny is an incredibly social and active member of the Britton family. She is

aware of her ailment, but does not let autism limit her ability to share the love and compassion she possesses in her heart. Jenny's strength during adversity, her desire to fully participate in life, and a desire to conquer her disability motivated John to use his talents to help the autistic community in some capacity.

John knew that if his sister and their family could continue on a daily basis to successfully face the challenges of living with autism, then he could endure a bike ride across Texas. Both call for strength, endurance, courage, patience, and a little help from some friends. But it all started with a dream.

John turned to his high school friend Daniel Henscheid for support, and the ride across Texas soon became a reality. Both young men were home for summer vacation from college. John and Daniel had met while students at Nolan Catholic High School. Daniel graduated from Nolan in 2005, and after studying at the University of Texas at Arlington for a year, was attending Texas A&M majoring in accounting. John graduated from Nolan Catholic in 2004, and after attending St. Mary's University in San Antonio for a year, was preparing to begin his university studies majoring in classical guitar at the Peabody Conservatory of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland. Both young men had continued to hone their athletic abilities by participating in running, cycling, and triathlon events during the school year.

John's proposal to ride across Texas to raise awareness for autism seemed the perfect cause and adventure. The date was set for Aug. 5, 2005 - just enough

time to plan, execute, and make it back to college for the first day of class! Even though the two faced many obstacles, including parental resistance, lack of funds, transportation accommodations, and

publicity, John and Daniel thoroughly and laboriously planned the entire ride and proved that with a dream, desire, and determination, the seemingly impossible is quite possible! They printed and sold t-shirts to help

finance the trip, plotted the route, secured accommodations, trained, soothed their apprehensive parents, and solicited an endorsement from the Autism Society of America while training and working summer jobs.

Eventually John's father, Charlie Britton joined the team as primary navigator and driver. During the ride, he also served as cheerleader, counselor, and goodwill ambassador. John's lifelong friend Randal Bradley came on board as the ride's photographer, videographer, and documenter. Randal kept the ride interesting with his humorous color commentary when the going became rough. Although she did not join John and Daniel on the ride, Ashley Baker helped organize and plan the myriad details for a smooth and successful ride. As a group, the four men were able to finish their journey because of their love for Jennifer Ann and desire to raise autism awareness, but also due to their commitment to their dream.

The team met at the Britton's home on the night of Aug. 4, packed the decorated rented trailer with bikes, food, and supplies, and began the trek across Texas early the next morning. The dream team drove to El Paso for a day of rest before beginning the 870 mile trip on Aug. 6. They planned to average 130 miles per day and finish on the Texas/Louisiana border at the Toledo Bend Reservoir six days later on Aug. 11.

The Ride for a Dream was an adventure of a lifetime for the team and its many supporters at home. They kept in touch with family members on a daily basis, and a blog site was developed by Daniel's mother tracking

the team's progress. The site may be visited at <http://www.nolan Catholics.org/alumni/bike-tour.htm>.

Instead of the intense heat anticipated on a bike ride across Texas in August, John and Daniel encountered cold temperatures, high winds, and torrential rains. They were forced to alter their route when a road was washed away during a particularly fierce rain storm. Flat tires, uneven and rocky highways, rough and hilly terrain, including the Guadalupe Mountains, and fatigue and exhaustion were just some of the hazards of the road.

But what John and Daniel will remember most from the ride is their sense of accomplishment in fighting for a worthy cause. They'll never forget the camaraderie of their team, the friendliness, kindness, and interest of the people they met along the route, and the outpouring of concern and support from their friends, family, and even strangers who followed their incredible journey across Texas.

John and Daniel not only raised autism awareness by bike riding across Texas, talking to anyone who would listen, and conducting interviews with several local newspapers in the small towns they visited, including the Fort Worth Star Telegram, the Nolan Trumpet, and Shield, but the dream team also donated over \$2,000 to the Autism Society of America.

Please join in making the dream come true. Visit their website at [www.rideforadream.org](http://www.rideforadream.org) to learn more about the ride, order a t-shirt, and make a donation to raise autism awareness and support research and development. Daily reports on the ride will be posted beginning Aug. 12.



John Britton, left, and Daniel Henscheid are busy promoting their Ride for a Dream 2006 to raise awareness of autism and funding for research and development of programs for families dealing with the condition. Courtesy photo



Daniel Henscheid, at left, and John Britton pedaled 870 miles last year as they traveled by bicycle from El Paso to the Louisiana/Texas border on the Jennifer Ann Ride for a Dream trip. Their goal was to promote awareness of autism and raise funds for research. Courtesy photo

# DAYS GONE BY.....

## 65 YEARS AGO July 18, 1941

Tiny red spiders kill 35 cedar trees in Muenster cemetery. Obituary: Raymond Bindel of New Mexico, 21 and a relative of Muenster residents, of lightning strike. Dresses advertised for \$2.50 and \$1.00 on sale at The Ladies Shop in Gainesville. Round steak is advertised for 28¢ a pound. Tommy Weinzapfel and Ray Wilde, CCA students at Gainesville, make solo flights. Young Wilbert Vogel, age 10, learns by experience it is not wise to have one end of rope around himself and the other end tied

to a horse; he receives bad bruise and rope burns when horse makes unplanned move.

## 50 YEARS AGO July 20, 1956

Swim pool shows \$400 profit for June. Burglars from Dallas nabbed for break-ins at Ferd Luttmeyer's Sinclair Station and W.J. Miller's Humble Station. New Arrivals: Dwayne to Glenn and Betty Hellman; Donna to Bruno and Dorothy Zimmerer; Gladys to James and Ann Bayer; Julie to Emmett and Mary Sicking. Minute steak advertised at 55¢ a pound. Theresa Mae

Felderhoff is on vacation from work at Muenster State Bank. J.B. Wilde completes 30 years as Chevrolet dealer.

## 25 YEARS AGO July 17, 1981

Lupe Evans selected as Outstanding Citizen by Muenster Jaycees; Mark Lippe is new president for Jaycees. New Arrivals: Erica to Michael G. and Carol Fuhrmann; Virginia to David and Margie Huchton. James Felderhoff celebrates 2nd birthday. Obituary: Janet Gieb, 20, in car crash; Mrs. Leo (Marie) Hoedebeck, 69. Dance at the VFW Hall with music by Hardtimes is advertised.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Dear Editor,

Our public officials have been badly misled about the costs and benefits of wind energy. The bottom line is wind energy is not efficient and does not lower our dependence on foreign oil. The only profitable part of wind turbines is the abundance of tax breaks from our federal government, state government, county government, city government, and schools. The only "winners" in this issue is the wind farm owners, Florida Power and Light. The taxpayers and all residents in

this county are the "losers." Who does your loyalty lie with?

To even imagine what these industrial wind farms will look like scattered among the rolling hills and trees is baffling. The structures are 400 feet tall and the fan is similar in size to a Boeing 747 rotating in the sky. Don't forget about the flashing white and red lights. These are not going away, even when FPL is finished with the tax breaks and packs up and leaves. They will be left stationary, but they will not disappear.

FPL does not have to issue a bond to remove these gigantic monsters for at least 15 years, which most likely will never happen. I urge you to take a drive this Sunday and look at the pristine landscapes. The beautiful rolling hills, filled with green trees, the birds flying in the sky, and maybe the possibility to see a few deer. Now take it all away! Picture 400 foot wind turbines, massive access roads where the trees used to be, transmission towers and electric lines, there are a few birds left, most lying dead by the turbines, and the deer are no where to be seen. So tell me which do you prefer?

This is not some plot out of a science fiction movie. This is our home and wind turbines will quite possibly be our reality *within the next year*. I urge you to EDUCATE yourselves. Talk to your friends and neighbors and get the facts. Research wind energy on the internet or visit [northtexaswindresistance.com](http://northtexaswindresistance.com). Please come to the informational meeting in Muenster on Monday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Muenster Auditorium. Get involved and if possible donate to the North Texas Wind Resistance to help Cooke and Montague County fight this war. This will take everyone, so please do not just sit back and watch this happen.

Joyce Walterscheid  
Muenster, Texas

### To the Editor,

I want to express my concern over the proposed Muenster-Saint Jo Industrial Wind Farm. I do not believe this project is good for the county. I am FIRMLY against tax abatements to be given to Florida Power and Light. I am also against the proposed wind farm until there have been conclusive studies to prove its safety, efficiency, reliability, and increased property values.

First: FP&L had \$11.8 BILLION in annual revenues in 2005. This is a company that DID NOT pay in any federal income tax in 2002 and 2003. They have revenue of \$2.2 BILLION in these years. WHY should our county be giving a company that is not paying federal income tax, a tax abatement. Why is our county not giving the companies that are here incentives to try to grow their businesses.

Second: The wind farms are not safe, several have collapsed. There are the health issues for livestock and humans that live around them. Wind turbines cause stress in farm animals and wildlife because of low frequency noise and vibration, to say nothing of the unfortunate humans forced to live near them.

Third: The wind farms are not efficient. Manufacturers continually underrate the efficiency of turbines, which is

on average 25-30%. When the wind is not blowing, the turbines are having to draw electricity from the grid to run.

Fourth: The wind farms are not reliable. You can visit the Altamont area in California where turbines stand stationary, sometimes bladeless by the sides of the road. If this was such a profitable business and so reliable then isn't that just money lost?

Fifth: Wind turbines destroy farms, ranch, and recreational land values and rob private property owners of their valued investment. Florida Power and Lights' corporate profits obviously are more important to them than the health, safety, and quality of life of this county. This landscape is an expression of the territory, and its APPEARANCE is the result of the human action taken against it.

Residents who care about their property values do not want it. Parents who care about their family's health do not want it. Farmers who want to protect themselves and their livestock from stray voltage do not want it. Landowners who have respect for the beauty of this area do not want it.

I urge you to contact your county commissioner and tell him no tax abatement.

Sincerely,  
Sherry Hacker  
Lindsay, Texas

# County

tions caused by traffic, weather, hazards, etc.

Commissioner Cox noted that 30 roads signs have been torn down or are missing, and that 18 posts and 18 brackets are missing. He plans to open a cul-de-sac at the end of CR 214 at an approximate cost of \$8,000.

Other improvements planned include replacing culverts as follows: CR 224 at a cost of \$7,000; CR 278 \$1,800; CR 200 \$900; Morrow Road \$3,800; CR 215 \$1,400; CR 232 \$2,200; CR 243 with build up of road \$5,000.

A new bridge is planned for West Creek Road at a cost of \$20,000.

Chip and seal is planned as follows: CR 216 \$12,000; CR 211 \$20,000; CR 203 \$20,000; and one mile of CR 207 \$10,000. Gravel for portions of the following and cost: CR 215 \$2,500; CR 208 \$3,267; CR 203 \$10,323; CR 281 \$6,116; Red Top Road \$3,852; CR 200 \$6,000; CR 204 \$2,852; Chisum Road \$3,352; CR 207 \$6,000; CR 241 \$2,000; West Spring Creek Road \$3,852; CR 247 \$5,000; Grave Triangle Road \$3,400; and other roads as needed.

Hot mix is planned for the

following: Hemming Road at a cost of \$4,000; Union Grove \$3,000; North Shore \$5,503; East Spring Creek Road \$6,000; Prairie Grove Road \$4,000. He also plans to patch paved roads with UPM cold mix where needed at an estimated expense of \$2,000.

Commissioner Hollowell reports that Precinct #1 has 30.61 miles of chip and sealed roads and that the majority of them are in desperate need of resurfacing. He is in the process of replacing 4.0 miles of chip and seal road that was no longer effective to repair.

"The price of oil has increased drastically and this effort will consume the majority of this year's and next year's road oil funds," explained Hollowell. "We will continue to make repairs and improve the remaining hard surface roads as funds allow.

I don't foresee any new chip and seal roads before 2008."

Road expected to be opened in Precinct #1 is CR 177 Marquez Estates.

Improvements in progress at this time and the probable cost are replacements of bridges as follows: CR 140 at \$295,593; CR 138 \$389,702; and CR 104 \$351,715. It is hoped that in 2007 bridges on the following roads can be replaced: CR 150, 140, 144, 165.

Reseal coats are planned for CR 107 North at a cost of \$11,000; CR 123 South \$17,387; CR 131 \$14,788; CR 154 \$12,170. Repair to seal coats to CR 115, 106, and 132 at costs of \$10,000, \$10,000, and \$2,000 respectively. Culvert replacement for CR 103/CR 106 is estimated at \$2,000 and on CR 123/CR 162 at \$4,500.



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Sunday, July 23, 2006	Monday, July 24, 2006	Tuesday, July 25, 2006	Wednesday, July 26, 2006	Thursday, July 27, 2006	Friday, July 28, 2006	Saturday, July 29, 2006
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	North Texas Wind Resistance Informal Meeting - MHS Auditorium - 7 pm			Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	
Sunday, July 30, 2006	Monday, July 31, 2006	Tuesday, August 1, 2006	Wednesday, August 2, 2006	Thursday, August 3, 2006	Friday, August 4, 2006	Saturday, August 5, 2006
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm SH Family Parish Mission 7-9 pm	SH Mission 7-9 pm SHY Main Event afternoon	SH Mission 7-9 pm MMH Aux mtg - 7 pm	SH Mission 7-9 pm C of C Board Mtg - 5:30 pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm AARP Board mtg 10 am Stanford House	Texas Hold'em Tournament KC Hall Doors open 6p.m. benefits Joe Caserta

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# OBITUARIES

## Thomas Harris 1935 - 2006

Thomas Henry Harris of Saint Jo died early Sunday morning July 16, 2006 at his home. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Saint Jo under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home. C.E. Cole and Rev. Keith Rogers officiated. Burial followed in Mt. Park Cemetery.

Born Jan. 3, 1935 in Gainesville to Richard and Bettie Harris, Tom graduated from Saint Jo High School in 1953. He played football at Kilgore Junior College and Austin College, graduating from North Texas State College in 1957. He then entered and served in the U.S. Army for six years. Harris worked for Mid-continent Supply for 25 years. He also worked for Rockwell International for six years and for Borden Chemical for five years. After retirement in 1995, he continued farm work and school bus driving.

Tom loved playing sports and later watching his children and grandchildren playing. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Survivors include his wife



Tom Harris

Kathryn; daughter Nancy Sudderth; sons Jeff and wife Carol, and Billy and wife Sandy, all of Saint Jo; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a brother Bill Harris.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a brother Pat Harris; and a sister Dorothy Mouser.

Pallbearers were Jeff, Billy, Scott, Christopher, and Jesse Harris, and Reed Sudderth.

## Sarah DeFrance 1922-2006

Sarah Annie DeFrance, 84, who grew up north of Lindsay and spent most of her adult life in Fairfield, Texas, died Tuesday, July 11, 2006, at Trinity Mother Francis Hospital in Tyler after being seriously ill for three months.

Sarah was born in Muenster on Jan. 25, 1922, to Henry and Sophie Stoffels. On Aug. 9, 1945, she married Frank DeFrance, whom she met while working at Camp Howze. They had 10 children. They lost their daughter Shirley at the age of 10. Frank died in 1984. She is survived by her other children and their spouses: Billy DeFrance and Norma of Lanely, Margaret White and Dale of Fairfield, John DeFrance and Helen of Fairfield, Thomas DeFrance and Andrea of Red Oak, Ronnie DeFrance and Debbie of Odessa, Patricia Barnett and Roger of Red Oak, Kenneth DeFrance and Karen of Dallas, Mark DeFrance and Glisa of Streetman, and Norma Bond and Joe of Fairfield. She had 24 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Locally she is survived by her brother Charles Stoffels and sister-in-law Betty Ann, sister Clara Fuhrmann and brother-in-law Erwin of Gainesville, and sister Lucy Westbrook of Woodbine. She is also survived by her brother Bill Stoffels of Albuquerque, New Mexico, sister Emma White of Garland, and sisters-in-law Catherine Stoffels of Lindsay and Mary Stoffels of Gainesville.

Besides her husband and daughter, she was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers Peter and Henry Stoffels, sister Rose Marie Shrodes, and brother-in-law Hubert Shrodes.

A rosary service was held on Saturday, July 15, at Capps Funeral Home. The Funeral Mass was held Sunday, July 16, at 2 p.m. at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Fairfield. Presider for the Mass was Monsignor Zach from Palestine, Texas. Music for the service was provided by Isaac Davis on the piano and Sarah's nieces Barbara Rohmer, Joan Sedge, Karen Davis, and Denise Dangelmayr. Songs for the Mass were "On Eagles Wings," "Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled," "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," "Precious Lord, Take My Hand," "Songs of the Angels," and "Amazing Grace."

Pall bearers were Ted Fuhrmann, Billy Hoenig, Danny



Sarah DeFrance

Stoffels, Randy Stoffels, Greg White, and Buddy Mullen. Servers were Michael Falkner and Jose Gallegos. The First Reading was done by a nephew, Bob Stoffels. A niece, Wilma Boaz, did the Second Reading. Offertory gifts were brought forward by grandsons Michael DeFrance, Jared DeFrance, and Ryan Bond. Joan Sedge, a niece, read the intercessions. The eulogy was given by a nephew, Alex Fuhrmann, who expressed the thoughts and feelings of Sarah's children.

Her children recalled her love of God and her church and the devoted care she had for her daughter Shirley, who was totally dependant on her. They recounted how she would load her children into the station wagon and brave the traffic in Dallas to go to north Texas so her children would get to know their grandmother, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

While raising her children, she used her skills as a seamstress to make quilts and tailored western shirts for her sons. Her home was usually filled to capacity with family who were greeted by the aroma of her homemade bread or pies. They also had fond memories of playing cards or putting puzzles together into the wee hours of the morning.

They recalled the past three months of her life, when she fought one infection after another while growing weaker each day. The day before she passed away her doctor described her as having the heart of a lion. In the words of her children: "We prefer to think of her as a lioness — proud, brave, a provider for and fiercely protective of her children."

## Lillie Coursey 1919 - 2006

Lillie Mae Coursey of Muenster died at the age of 87 at her residence on Friday, July 14, 2006. Graveside services under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home were held Monday, July 17 at 2 p.m. in Fairview Cemetery in Gainesville. Larry Kremling conducted the services.

Lillie was born to Edward

and Myrtle Briggs Jigout. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law Karen and David Morris of Whitesboro; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Lyton Irving Coursey on Dec. 21, 1988, and her sister Pearl Richardson Martin.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

We are at very important crossroads in the history of Cooke County. Two very major events are threatening our land values, our economy, and our very identity.

First, the Trans Texas Corridor is set to rip through the eastern part of the county, tearing apart farms that have been in families for generations. This will most likely cause school districts to be redrawn, problems with fire safety, EMS and sheriff response times, and the loss of farms that will impact the agricultural support businesses. You can be sure it will raise the taxes of the residents on the western side of Cooke County as property is taken by the state and given to a foreign company to operate for our lifetime. Additionally, surrounding property will lose value causing the WEST to make up the difference. Will the multi-million dollar horse ranchers that have been coming to our county want to continue if it means being next to a super-highway? I think not. A leading rancher, Carol Rose, stated at the TTC hearing that "the equine industry generates \$200 million dollars a year in business for Cooke County." This may prove to be the worst government program in the history of the United States. If we want to move Mexican trucks from the Texas-Mexico border to Kansas City, we don't need a highway; we need an express rail line. Force any truck going North of Austin to put it on the rails. Trains use a fraction of the fuel, take a tenth of the land, and does not cause such a significant disruption of traffic. We missed the opportunity to

fight this early on and are now in a catch up mode. Several of us have made our voice heard but it will take everyone writing their opinion to TXDOT and our elected officials if we hope to detour it, push it up I35, or kill it altogether.

Second, the proposed Wind Farm by FP&L will change the scenery forever (will completely alter our horizons). More than 1,200 people came out to the July Fourth fire work show South of Muenster. Instead of just seeing the beautiful show, observers would have been staring at hundreds of spinning blades on the horizon with their lights competing with the fireworks. FP&L makes money on their investment by using the taxes we pay to the federal government, in the form of tax credits. Cooke County can't change the federal tax credit but we certainly don't need to give them any more tax breaks in the form of abatements as a reward for destroying our views and lowering our property values. The County should not be abating taxes for an incoming business that will only produce 4-8 jobs while negatively affecting our quality of life. Additionally since it will be owned by a FP&L LLC shell, the county should work to make them put up a bond immediately for the removal if the massive towers become non-operational instead of waiting for 15 years when they have made all the money and could be long gone.

It is time we make our voices heard. Call and write your elected officials and TXDOT.   
Drew Springer  
Muenster, TX

Dear Editor,

After reading in last week's Muenster Enterprise that attendance at the city swimming pool was down, I began to think of possible ideas to help the pool and the community. We have this great swimming pool and everyone should be utilizing it.

One way to help boost some attendance and get more people involved is to possibly offer water aerobics. Seniors could have classes in the mornings and other adults in the evenings. The benefits of water exercise could also be extended to helping with those needing physical therapy, diabetes therapy, and cardio therapy among so many others. Coordinating with doctors and the hospital, could help raise interests and participation for such activities. In the evenings, many adults would enjoy being able to relax at the pool with other adults and benefiting from a workout.

Another idea is to have theme days for the children that would involve various community organizations, such as, the churches, Kiwanis, and auxiliary groups. Children could come

and learn about them and their contributions to the community. It has the potential to be beneficial to everyone by the pool gaining swimmers and support, and the organizations would have a chance to convey their missions, and possibly gain future recruits.

Extending hours and days that the pool is open may also help. For instance, keeping the pool accessible after the schools start fall semester. We all know it remains hot into the late months, and people still need to beat the heat. In August, football players start two days and what a better way to help condition their bodies and cool down at the same time than swimming. For those who have put in a full day and need to relax, the pool would be a great place after getting off work and getting their families settled.

Although it may be too late for this season to implement these ideas, this may inspire thoughts and ideas from fellow community members for improvements in the future.

Sincerely,  
Marcy Mullins,  
Muenster, TX

*The family  
of Bertha Wieler Hamric  
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Hospital Auxiliary, the Muenster Public  
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these donations in her memory. Thank you for  
going out of your way to provide for us during  
this time of sorrow, yet celebration of Bertha's  
life and death. We wish to thank the altar  
servers, Eucharistic ministers, and the Catholic  
Daughters for assisting us on the day of the  
funeral. Muenster, as a community, has proven  
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## Double ring ceremony unites Sandmann and Myers

Stacie Marie Sandmann of Lindsay and Matthew Luke Myers of Era pledged their vows of holy matrimony on Saturday, July 8, 2006. Father Ron Scheible, O.S.A. officiated for the double ring ceremony held at 4:30 p.m. in St. Peter's Catholic Church of Lindsay.

Parents of the bride are Ronnie and Gay Sandmann of Lindsay. She is the granddaughter of James Mollenkopf of Muenster and the late Bernice Mollenkopf and Raymond and Rosalie Sandmann of Lindsay. The bride is a 2001 graduate of Lindsay High School. She attended Midwestern State University and graduated in 2005 with a degree in Radiological Sciences. She is self-employed at the Smokehouse in Lindsay.

The groom is the son of Joe and Cindy Myers of Era. His grandparents are Bob and Bobbi Johnson, Betty King, and the late Clyde King, and the late Sarah Myers. He graduated from Era High School in 1998. In 2004 he graduated from the Texas A&M Commerce Fire Academy and is now employed as a firefighter with the Gainesville Fire Department.

Presented at the altar by her father, the bride was wearing a white A-line Oleg Cassini gown with beaded bodice and full organza skirt. She carried a bouquet of red tulips. For sentiment she carried her grandmother's handkerchief and a rosary borrowed from her mother.

Bouquets of white calla lilies adorned the church pews. The altar held white calla lily bouquets also.

Music for the occasion was provided by Ruth Felderhoff, pianist, and Christy Hesse and Jack White, vocalists.

### ATTENDANTS

Margaret Luttmeyer of Sulphur Springs, Texas, friend of the bride, was maid of honor. Serving as bridesmaids were Deanna Miller of Arlington, friend of the bride, Amanda Riley of Valley View and Melinda Dean of Gainesville, sisters of the groom, and Amanda Reiter of Era, friend of the bride. Faith Mollenkopf of Flower Mound was junior bridesmaid. They wore strapless gowns with an ivory top and a claret red tea length organza skirt accented with a ribbon around the waist. Each carried a small bouquet of red tulips. Bride's cousin Grace Mollenkopf of Flower Mound, bride's cousin, was the flower girl.

Serving as best man was Todd Reiter of Era, friend of the groom. Groomsmen included Joe Hoedebeck and Dwayne Dennis, both of Gainesville and friends of the groom, Jacob Green of Era, cousin of the groom, and Brian Sandmann of Lindsay, bride's brother. Jay Mollenkopf of Flower Mound, Mark Mollenkopf of Lindsay, Shane Riley of Valley View, and Jared Stobaugh of Valley View ushered guests.



Mrs. Matthew Luke Myers  
...nee Stacie Sandmann ...

### Do you know something?

Does someone you know have an interesting hobby or an interesting story to share? We'd like to know. Please, call Janet at 759-4311 or e-mail jfelderhoff@ntin.net.

## Schoppas celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Flossie and R.L. "Jack" Schoppa celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 22. Mr. and Mrs. Schoppa were married July 22, 1956 at the Commerce Street Church of Christ in Gainesville by minister Henry Chism.

Mrs. Schoppa is the former Flossie Mae Kidd of Gainesville. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Kidd, graduated with the class of 1952 from Gainesville High School, and taught third grade at Robert E. Lee School for one year after graduating from North Texas State College in 1955.

Mr. Schoppa, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Schoppa of Sweetwater, graduated from Sweetwater High School and North Texas State College. He served with the U.S. Marine Corps in Korea.

The Schoppas have, two sons and daughters-in-law, Jack and Debby Schoppa and Ira and Nancy Schoppa, all of Saint Jo, and four grandchildren Jessica Raschke of Justin, and Maria, James, and Zane Schoppa of Saint Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Schoppa and their sons moved to the Saint Jo/Bulcher area in 1967 on land they purchased from the Kidd family and which was originally purchased from the State of Texas more than 100 years ago by her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Kidd. They both have taught school for many years, Mrs. Schoppa being presently employed by Forestburg ISD. Mr. Schoppa and their sons have land surveying and real estate businesses in Saint Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. Schoppa celebrated their anniversary with their family.



Jack and Flossie Schoppa  
on their wedding day, July 22, 1956

## Ladies VFW Auxiliary hears report on State Convention

The Muenster VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post #6205 held their July meeting Monday evening, July 17.

President Frances Bayer reported on the State Convention held in Corpus Christi at the end of June. The Muenster Auxiliary was honored with three plaques and 19 certificates of recognition at the convention.

Frances also attended a meeting in Princeton for a school and instructions, and a statewide seminar in Sherman.

The Auxiliary is still collecting Campbell soup labels to be sent to the Veterans

National Home to help the children. Last year, the Auxiliary sent 300 labels.

A scrapbook made by Frances included articles and pictures of all Auxiliary projects.

Linda Knabe and Frances Bayer volunteered to help with the swim safety program being held at the Muenster swimming pool for two weeks in July. The VFW and Auxiliary each gave a donation to the program.

Lucille Hesse served refreshments to 11 members. The next meeting will be Aug. 21 in the Post Home.

### Lawnmower safety tips

\* Use proper techniques for lifting, carrying, and bending when removing objects from the yard.  
\* When using a lawn mower for the first time in a season, have it serviced to ensure it's working properly.

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Alric Gonzalez, bride's uncle, presented special liturgy readings. Bride's aunts Jean Mollenkopf, Chellie Mollenkopf, and Lisa Gonzalez presented Offertory Gifts. Eucharistic ministers were Carol Luttmeyer, Judy Secrest, and Donna Hess.

Mass servers were Cade Hess and Kevin Conaway of Lindsay.

Corbin Gonzalez and Krystal Arend distributed programs before the ceremony.

### Reception

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Lindsay Centennial Hall. Decorations included more than 350 white pillar candles. Tall vases of calla lily arrangements with smaller calla lily arrangements adorned the tables.

Avri Gibson of New Braunsfels, cousin of the

bride, and Gayle Ward of Valley View, groom's aunt, registered guests. Debbie Endres did the appetizer table.

Betty Rose Walterscheid created the wedding cakes. Decorating the bride's white cake were gifts stacked atop one another and trimmed with red bows. The groom's cake was a chocolate creation embellished with cascades of chocolate covered strawberries.

Cutting the cakes were groom's aunts Keela Stobaugh, Gayle Ward, and Mary Lou Green. Corbin Gonzalez, Sarah Dieter, Rachel Dieter, Sarah DeBorde, and Whitney Ward served it.

The rehearsal dinner was held Friday, July 7 at the Smokehouse in Lindsay.

Following a wedding trip to Montego Bay, Jamaica, the couple is making their home in Lindsay.

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Gainesville Wal-Mart presented a \$1,000 Literacy Grant to the Bettie M. Luke Muenster Public Library on July 7. Pictured are, from left, Mary Meek, Wal-Mart Community Relations Coordinator Lee Ann Coolen, Library Director Jody Thomas, Ted Magneen, Nancy Murray, and Larry Perez. Courtesy photo

## Debra turns two!

Debra celebrated her second birthday at her home on July 9. Debra is the daughter of Tommy and Dyan Huchton of Muenster. Lunch consisted of BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, and fried squash. Cupcakes and a strawberry cake were also served. Gifts were opened and pictures taken.

Guests included her parents; brothers Dane and Dylan; grandparents Jack and Debbie Brittain, David and Helen Fisher, and David and Margie Huchton; great-grandmothers Trudy Felderhoff and Dorothy Fisher; aunts, uncles and cousins, Bradley, Brandy, and Brittain Fisher, Greg Fisher, Al, Rachel, Sophie, Emma, and Jackson Pentico, Terri, Kyle, Kolby, and Whitley Klement, Janie, Megan, and Meredith Hennigan, Roy, Carol, and Ryan Klement, Kimberly Charles, Troy, Amy, Ryan, Alyssa, and Keith Huchton, Travis, Elizabeth, Madison, and Nathan Huchton, Hank Huchton,

Crystal Berry, Jenny Huchton, Calvin Huchton; friends George, Bernice, Geordan, and Matthew Spaeth, and Lynn Dailey.

Debra's actual birthday is July 13. She shared sugar cookies with all her friends at Tender Loving Care Daycare. She went to dinner with her parents and her brothers and enjoyed cake and ice cream.



Debra Huchton

## Enrollment opens for NTMC birth classes

North Texas Medical Center in Gainesville is now accepting enrollments for its next series of childbirth classes.

The four-week series will get underway at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, and continue each Tuesday evening through Aug. 22. Classes will be held in the NTMC classrooms, unless otherwise noted.

The childbirth series covers the basics of childbirth, as well as provides instruction in relaxation and breathing techniques.

Tasha Preston, RN, BSN, is the instructor for the course.

The size of the class will be limited to 10 couples. Pre-enrollment is required, and it is recommended that women be in their third trimester of pregnancy.

The cost of the class is \$50 per couple. Classes are not limited to parents delivering at NTMC. Call (940) 612-8600 between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays for information and to enroll, or check out the Childbirth Education link on the hospital website, [www.ntmonline.net](http://www.ntmonline.net).

## Cookbook offered by VSC of MHMRST

The Volunteer Services Council (VSC) of Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma has compiled a cookbook that features appetizers and dips, beverages, breads, breakfast, cakes and frostings, candies and cookies, main dishes, other sweets, pies and puddings, salads and soups, and side dishes. The book includes almost 400 recipes.

"This cookbook has some great recipes in it. There is a good variety included with some different recipes and many of the basic recipes we all love. I believe everyone

will enjoy adding this cookbook to his/her collection. The cookbook would make a thoughtful Christmas present or wedding gift," says Harold Wright, VSC chairman.

The cookbooks are available for sale at \$10. The funds raised will be donated to MHMRST through the VSC to help provide client care. The Wal-Mart Foundation gave a grant to match the first \$1,000 raised. To order a cookbook, call 903-957-4865 or pick one up in the Community Relations Office at MHMRST located at 315 West McLain, Sherman.

## TDA announces 3rd kids recipe contest

Hey kids, think you've got the tastiest recipe in Texas? Put on your chef's hat, get your ingredients together and head to the kitchen!

The Texas Department of Agriculture has announced the third annual Kids Kitchen Corral Contest calling on kids from across Texas to submit their own unique healthy recipes for judging.

"Kids love to get creative in the kitchen and add their own touch when it comes to exploring healthier ways to eat," said Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "This contest inspires them to create their own healthy dishes to suit their tastes."

The contest categories include breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snack. Recipes must be original, nutritious, easy to prepare, and contain no more than 10 ingredients.

Nearly 200 recipes - everything from granola mixes to wacky wraps to veggie pasta - were submitted to TDA last fall for the second annual contest. TDA judges narrowed the recipe submissions to 12 finalists, and students from the Travis High School Culinary Arts Program in

Austin put the finalists to the test by preparing and tasting each recipe. Winners to be announced during formal presentations in August.

The contest is open to Texans aged 6 to 18, and entry packets include goodies, flyers, information that promotes good nutrition, and contest details. The deadline for recipes will be in late 2006. Entry packets will be accepted throughout the fall.

All contest participants will receive a certificate of completion and various other items emphasizing healthy eating and exercise.

Entry cards for the contest can be requested by sending an e-mail to [kidskitchen@agr.state.tx.us](mailto:kidskitchen@agr.state.tx.us). To view winning and finalists' recipes from the previous contest and to learn more healthy eating tips and nutrition information, visit TDA's Square Meals Web site at [www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org) and click on the link "For Kids."

Square Meals, TDA's outreach and education initiative, guides educators, nutrition professionals, and parents in improving student nutrition and health. To learn more about Texas school meal programs, visit the Web site at [www.squaremeals.org](http://www.squaremeals.org).

## Learning to swim



Allyson Reeves and Jessica Reeves teach Lane Gustine how to float. Janie Hartman photo



Kalyn Dangelmayr (center) gives swimming instructions to Gabbi Hellinger and Brittney Burba. Janie Hartman photo



Amy Anderle demonstrates to Erin Schniederjan the proper way to do swim strokes. Janie Hartman photo

## Parties honor Amelia on second birthday

Amelia Jean Becker, daughter of Michael and Billie Becker, celebrated her second birthday on July 9. Guests were served prime rib, cheesy potatoes, green bean and corn casserole, and strawberry dessert. Attending the party were her parents; sister Anna Marie; grandparents Linda and Werner Becker; and special friends Beth and Zach Bartush, and Jennifer Fuhrmann.



Amelia Becker

She also had a party in Amarillo with her grandparents Steve and Dana Sandoval and Connie White. Other guests included her aunts and uncles.

## Eat out, help MHMRST

Mental Health Mental Retardation Services of Texoma and El Chico, Sherman, corner of Hwy. 82 and Hwy. 75, are teaming up again to help MHMRST raise funds. El Chico's will donate 10% of the day's sales to MHMRST. Please help MHMRST by going to El Chico's and eating any time on Tuesday, July 25. Tell your wait staff that you support MHMRST.

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## Luke Scholarships



Selected to receive the Norman and Evelyn Luke Muenster Scholarship to the University of North Texas were Kelly Endres and Adam Dangelmayr. The award is renewable for up to three additional years at a minimum of \$1,250 a year. Kelly, a graduate of Muenster High, is the daughter of Phil Endres and Marlene Pagel. Adam, a Sacred Heart High graduate, is the son of Joe and Pam Dangelmayr. Janie Hartman photo

## Chase Self learns about security and defense at CSLC conference

Chase Self, a senior at Saint Jo High School, was selected to attend the 2006 Congressional Student Leadership Conference (CSLC), sponsored by LeadAmerica, at the Catholic University of America, in Washington, D.C. The CSLC is a leadership program for promising young leaders from across the United States and internationally. High school students with a record of academic achievement, extracurricular, or community involvement are invited to participate.

He and the other students participating in the conference select an academic area to study, choosing from among Government & Politics, Global Business & Entrepreneurship, Intelligence, Diplomacy & National Security, Crime Scene Investigation, Law & Trial Advocacy, and Medicine & Healthcare. Or, they may attend Leadership University, an in-depth, intensive leadership development conference for young leaders who want to challenge themselves to excel and realize their full potential.

Self chose to attend the Intelligence, Defense and National Security conference.

At the CSLC on Intelligence, Defense & National Security, students met intelligence officers, military leaders, and policy makers, and learned about the complex issues facing our world today.

The students got a first-hand look at the ways in which our government gathers and uses intelligence to create national security protocols and form defense strategies. They discussed and debated the sensitivities of freedom, privacy, and homeland security. Students explored the roles of domestic and international organizations in intelligence gathering, defense, and both national and global security. They learned how agencies such as the National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Homeland Security, FBI, CIA, and Secret Service operate.

Chase has a grade point average of 4.20 and is in the National Honor Society. He has been recognized, as a 7th Grader, in the Duke University Talent Search and

has also received State Recognition for his scores on the ACT. Chase has been active in football, power lifting, track and field events, and academic UIL events. Chase plans to pursue a career in aerospace engineering and aviation. He is the son of Lynn Self and Pam and Michael Pendergraft, Jr. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Self, and Sue Hachtel of Montague.



Chase Self

## Summertime can mean blues for lawns, gardens

The old song goes "It's summertime and the livin' is easy," but that usually isn't the case for those tending lawns and gardens, said Texas Cooperative Extension experts in Travis County.

Summertime is normally a challenging time for taking care of lawns and gardens, said Skip Richter, Extension horticulturist for Travis County.

"The three main issues people have to deal with are water, insects, and disease," he said. "And the situation is worse than normal this year due to drought." The most common summertime problem with turf grass and plants is watering, he said.

### Lawnmower safety

Make sure that you and other adults and children around you are never barefoot when the lawn mower is operational.

amounts at more frequent intervals results in a greater loss to evaporation because so much of the water stays at the surface. And frequent watering can also promote turfgrass and plant diseases. That's why it's better to give a lawn a good soaking a little less often.

The average lawn should get one-half inch to 1 inch of water every one to two weeks, depending on temperature, type of soil, and amount of sun, he said, with shady areas requiring less frequent watering.

Another common challenge for summertime lawn warriors is take-all root rot, he added. This fungal disease, mainly affecting St. Augustine grass, but also an enemy of zoysia, bermuda and other turfgrasses, is pervasive and can kill the entire plant.

"Take-all frequently leaves lawns with large, blighted, discolored dead areas," Richter said. "It's very common on lawns throughout the state and is a problem that's repeated every summer."

There are two generally effective methods to control take-all, he said.

"One way is to make the soil surface inhospitable to the fungus by applying a top dressing of peat moss or other acidifying product," he said. "Another way to control it is to treat it with a fungicide."

In addition to water and disease, certain insects can be a major challenge during the summer, especially chinch bugs, said Wizzie Brown, Extension entomologist.

"We've seen a much larger number of chinch bugs than is normal this early in the season," Brown said. "Drought-stressed lawns are more susceptible to damage from chinch bugs, and we've got a lot of those in Travis County and throughout the state."

Chinch bugs are small black and white insects with a triangular black mark on each wing, Brown said. They typically feed on St. Augustine grass, but can also feed on bermuda, zoysia, bahia and centipede grasses. Damage from chinch bugs is often confused with "brown patch" and other lawn problems. "To see if you have chinch bugs, part the grass at the edge of the damaged area and visually inspect for them," she said. "That's the best way to determine if it's a genuine chinch bug problem."

There are various means of managing chinch bugs, Brown said. Here are some tips:

- Aerate the lawn and apply a top dressing of soil or peat to reduce the layer of thatch (dead organic plant material on the surface of the soil).
- Do not over-apply fertilizer.
- Do not over-water or under-water the lawn.
- Only use pesticide when necessary to help preserve the beneficial insects.



## Brown Motors Co. installs new telephone system

Chris McNamara, Information Technology Coordinator, and Deano Bayer, Installation/Repair Technician, for Nortex Communications recently completed installation of an Avaya IP406 office phone system at Brown Motor Co. in Gainesville.

The IP Office system replaces an aging telephone system, which was damaged during the April 28 storms that ravaged through the area.

"We were without phone service for about eight weeks," said Charles Brown, owner of Brown Motors Co. "We went to the Nortex cellular store on Saturday after the storm took out our phone system on Friday night and got one cell phone. We used the cell phone until the local company was able to get us temporary lines."

Brown said that, "Alvin Fuhrman, CEO and president of Nortex Communications, suggested I give the office a call since they had installed several phone systems in local business the past few months."

"I spoke with Chris McNamara and worked out what we needed and we were up and running less than a week from the date of our order. Nortex Communications has provided excellent service and we are very pleased with the system. It has some nice features that we didn't have before," said Brown.

Not only did this system replace the damaged phone system, but it brought to the

company new technology. Cordless digital phones allow sales representatives to manage calls while out on the sales lot. The convenience of seeing who is on the phone or who has voice mail was also very well received. The operator can now utilize their computer to more easily manage calls. They can log on to their computer and see an icon for each employee. If they see an x over the icon, they know the person is on the phone and if they see a small envelope, they know the person has a message waiting for them.

With a converged network such as the installed system, a company can receive many benefits including one network for phones and computers, lower total cost of ownership, centralized management, advanced messaging and powerful user applications. The system offers such features as music on hold, voice over IP, advanced call center, unified messaging, interactive voice response, conferencing, security, and an auto attendant, and much more!

"The transition to this new system was very smooth," said Charles Brown. "Nortex, and especially Chris, have really met all our needs for the phone system. The configuration is what we needed for our business and we really like the flexibility of the cordless digital phone. Our employees can be away from their desks and still answer their phones. Plus the speakers on

the outside of the building are much clearer than the previous ones. All in all, we are very pleased with the system and feel it was a good investment."

This is the fifth installation in the area that has been installed by Nortex Communications. "We are delighted to provide this service as we have for many years. It means a lot to us to be able to help other businesses in our area by upgrading phone systems to the latest technology," said Alvin Fuhrman. "I might mention that we have a demo unit available for customers to take a look at and if interested, they can give us a call."

Nortex Communications not only installs telephone systems but also provides telephone, long distance, cable television, Cellular, Internet service including high speed, wireless, and cable modem service to the surrounding areas. Nortex serves the areas of Muenster, Forestburg, Myra, Rosston, Valley View, Lindsay, Lake Kiowa, Collinsville, and Gainesville.

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# SPORTS

## County All-Stars to compete in State Dixie tournament



The Cooke County American Division All-Star team captured 2nd place at the District 8 Dixie League 12 and Under Baseball Tournament. With wins over Lake Cities and two over Grand Prairie, Cooke County qualified for the State tournament to be held July 22 in Carthage. The top 12 teams from across Texas will compete for the State title. Team members include, from left - front - Cole Hunter, Trevor Hess, Blayne Styles, Dylan Hughes, Jordan Sieger, Blake Voth, Jimmy Abner; middle - Connor Fuhrmann, Dean Fleitman, Kameron Heady, Chase Hammer, Blake Boyter, and Tyler Anderle; back - coaches Shannon Hammer, Chris Styles, and Kevin Heady. Courtesy photo

### Underwater tactics with Ken Cook

#### Finding bass at home in riprap

Minus a calendar and temperature changes, there's an easy way to mark the arrival of summer: the massive quantities of pleasure boaters taking to local lakes. Now don't get me wrong, I love being out on the water as much as anybody and I understand that people would want to ski or tube or just enjoy the scenery. But if you are like me and trying to catch a fish, you'd prefer to avoid the traffic.

So when looking for a place to catch bass that's usually off the radar for most pleasure boats, you can either target the really skinny water in the backs of coves or head for the riprap. Though skiers might not enjoy running wide open across the jagged rocks, these areas are home to quality fish just about any time of year. And if you don't have a boat - or if the ramp is too crowded to launch - you can fish these areas from the bank, too.

For those of you who might not know, riprap is a man-made structure of natural rock and/or chunks of concrete that is stacked on the shore to prevent waves from eroding the banks and - in the case of navigable rivers - maintain channel depths. You can find these areas near dams or bridges, and most pros like myself never pass these areas up when fishing a tournament. Riprap usually signals that there is a steep bank with close access to deep water and a current - all recipes for success when bass fishing. Within the riprap there is ideal habitat for crawfish as well as other baitfish that come in from deeper water to feed on the algae. Bass, being opportunistic feeders, move into the riprap looking for easy meals on this type of prey.

For fishing riprap, I like a crankbait like most people. But when the bass are holding deeper than the crankbait will dive, I switch to a spinnerbait with two willow lead blades. This is especially effective in the summer with the numbers of shad in and around the riprap. Blue and metal flake colors match the baitfish, but I put the spinnerbait over the top by adding a Berkley PowerBait 4-inch Bungee Twin Tail Grub. I let the heavy spinnerbait sink to the bottom and fish it with a hop-and-stop retrieve that bounces off the rocks. Because of the abrasive rocks, I rig this bait with 20 pound

Berkley Ironsilk on a high-speed reel and a 7-foot medium action rod.

If the bass are bunched together in a tight spot like a corner or culvert, I will pick up a spinning rod and cast soft plastics on a jig head. I'll cast a PowerBait 3-inch Power Grub on 10-pound Berkley Vanish fluorocarbon line from as many different angles to make sure I get to as many bass as I can in that area.

Though there could be hundreds of feet or a couple miles of riprap, not all areas will hold fish. Look for areas with prominent features or some kind of irregularity like a corner, point or proximity



Quarterback Brad Endres takes the hike from Colton Steelman in 7-on-7 football action this summer. Janie Hartman photo

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Muenster summer Little Leaguers playing on Fischer's team include, above left, Benjamin Yosten; pitcher Clayton Fangman; and hindcatcher Michael Davis. Janie Hartman photos

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# FARM & RANCH

## Texas crop and weather report

July 11, 2006  
Some parts of Texas received much needed rain this week; other parts went begging, reported county agents with Texas Cooperative Extension. "We finally got rain where we needed it; most of the planting is done," said Kyle Stewart, Extension agent for agriculture in Armstrong County. A few producers were still trying to finish up some spots and replant, and some cotton failed and was replanted as well, Stewart noted. "Recent rains have helped the area tremendously," said Justin Scott, Extension agent for agriculture in Cochran County.

"While the rain has been sporadic, it has been generally widespread with local heavier amounts," he said. Burton Williams, Extension agent for agriculture in Hansford County, reported, "Parts of Hansford County received rain last week, but pastures remain extremely dry. What little dryland crops were planted never emerged. ...

(There were) reports of up to two inches; other parts of the county - nothing." In Dawson County, however, severe drought conditions persisted, said Jeff Wyatt, Extension agent for agriculture. "North of Lamesa, dryland crops are non-existent," Wyatt said. "Irrigated crops continue to show signs of stress. ... Precipitation is needed soon for any chance of a good crop for Dawson County."

A somewhat gloomy picture held true for Glasscock County too, said Rebel Royall, Extension agent for agriculture. With drought conditions persisting, "none of the dryland cotton emerged and has been 'disastered out,'" Royall said. "Disastered out" refers to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Crop Disaster Program. Under the program, crops become eligible for disaster payments if crops cannot be planted or production is drastically reduced by adverse weather or natural disasters.

"Drought conditions continue in Wilbarger

County. (There's) not much to report except for dry weather with milder temperatures this past week compared to previous week," said Langdon Reagan, Extension agent for agriculture based in Vernon. "Cattle herds continue to be sold off due to lack of forage and water. Pray for rain!" Reagan said.

Extension officials reported the following conditions for the week: NORTH: Soil moisture remains very short in some areas. Scattered thunderstorms dropped as much as two inches of rain in some parts of the region. Much more rain is needed to return soil moisture to normal levels and replenish ponds and lakes. Crop conditions have worsened due to moisture stress. Farmers do not think recent rains will have much of an impact on crop conditions. Corn is being harvested for silage, and soybeans are being baled for hay rather than going to grain. Cattle are being sold, and hay supplies are looking bleak for this fall. Sorghum ranges from poor to fair condition. Some dairymen have irrigated sorghum that looks good. Winter wheat and oats have mostly been harvested. Cotton on heavy soils is holding on, but cotton on the lighter soils is under severe stress. Range and pasture condition ranges from poor to very poor. Grasshopper numbers are on the rise.

CENTRAL: Except for irrigated operations, continued drought has almost stopped agricultural operations in some parts of the district. Pastures have shown signs of improvement where rain was received. More, however, is needed. Cattle are still maintaining body conditioning well. Most of the corn acreage has been made into silage. Remaining acreage ranges from excellent to poor in yield potential. Grazing and hay supplies are short. Several producers are weaning calves to cut down on stocking rates.

## Grasshoppers thrive in hot, dry weather

While crops and gardens suffer under the hot summer sun, grasshoppers thrive, eating more and growing faster.

And with little to find to eat in the pastures and dryland crop areas, home gardens or watered lawns look like an "oasis" to them.

Grasshoppers lay their eggs along fence rows, ditches and pastures. Eggs of different grasshopper species hatch out at different times, so young grasshoppers can be seen throughout the spring and early summer.

Fungi are one of the main threats to grasshopper eggs. Hot, dry weather limits the growth of fungi and thereby results in a larger proportion of eggs hatching.

And grasshoppers just thrive in hot weather. As insects are cold-blooded creatures, hot weather means their metabolism runs faster, so they eat more and grow faster.

The most successful treatment plan is to spray when the grasshoppers are small. The larger, more mature grasshoppers are harder to kill.

Some insecticides may be safe for home lawns but not for gardens.

Whether treating home landscapes, crops, or gardens, he recommended homeowners and agricultural producers contact the Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in their county.

## Study: Pesticides reduce reliance on oil and labor

Pesticide use significantly reduces U.S. agriculture's reliance on foreign oil and use of migrant labor, according to an updated CropLife Foundation (CLF) study.

For weed control in 2005, herbicides saved farmers 337 million gallons of diesel fuel that would have been needed for mechanical tillage. An additional 7 million migrant workers would also have been needed to pull weeds, the study says.

Other positives about herbicide use included 356 billion pounds of soil saved

from erosion as the result of less soil planting preparation and reduced mechanical weed control, as well as an estimated 20% increase in crop yield (296 billion pounds of additional food and fiber for the year) from reduced weed competition.

"If farmers relied on tillage rather than herbicides, they would have to make twice as many trips through each field, and every tillage trip requires four times the fuel of a herbicide application," said Nathan Reigner, coauthor of the CLF study.

Source: AFBF

## Predators costly to farmers and ranchers

Cattle and calf losses from predator animals totaled 190,000 head or \$92.7 million in value to farmers and ranchers during 2005, according to the Agriculture Department's National Agriculture Statistics Service. Coyotes and dogs accounted for the majority of losses.

Cattle producers used the following methods to control predators: guard animals, 38%; exclusion fencing, 34%; frequent checking, 21.8%; and culling, 19.6%.

Source: AFBF

## COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

WAYNE BECKER  
CEA - AG/NR

### Water wisely

Water is a valued commodity. The way we use it is always an important topic for discussion in the summer. It is important to closely monitor your household irrigation practices, not only for the purpose of conserving water, but also, for the purpose of controlling pollution. Excess application of water and the resulting leaching of chemicals can result in the pollution of surface or groundwater supplies. Leaching can readily occur through sandy soils. Water pollution can occur both as a result of inefficient applications of chemicals and from leaching.

\*Use water only when needed. Look at the grass, feel the soil, or use a soil moisture meter to determine when to water.

\*Do not over-water. Soil can hold only so much moisture, and the rest simply runs off. A timer will help, and either a kitchen timer or an alarm clock will do. Apply only enough water to fill the plant's root zone. Excess water beyond that is wasted. One and a half inches of water applied once a week in the summer will keep most Texas grasses alive and healthy.

\*Use drip irrigation systems for bedded plants, trees, or shrubs, or turn soaker hoses upside-down so the holes are at the bottom. This will help avoid evaporation.

\*Water slowly for better absorption, and never water on windy days.

\*Forget about watering the streets or lawns or driveways. They will never grow a thing. Condition the soil with mulch or compost before planting grass or flowerbeds so that water will soak in rather than run off.

\*Fertilize lawns at least twice a year for root stimulation, but do not over-fertilize. Grass with a good root system makes better use of less water and is more drought-tolerant.

\*Do not scalp lawns when mowing during hot weather.

Taller grass holds moisture better. Grass should be cut fairly often, so that only one-half to three-fourth (3/4) inch is trimmed off. A better looking lawn will result.

\*Use a watering can or hand water with the hose in small areas of the lawn that need more frequent watering (those near walks or driveways or in especially hot, sunny spots).

\*Use water-wise plants. Learn what types of grass, shrubbery, and plants do best in the area and in which parts of the lawn, and then plant accordingly. Choose plants that have low water requirements, are drought-tolerant, and are adapted to the area of the state where they are to be planted.

\*Consider decorating some areas of the lawn with wood chips, rocks, gravel, or other materials now available that require no water at all.

\*Do not "sweep" walks and driveways with the hose. Use a broom or rake instead.

### Ranchers feeding hay early

Many cattle producers are feeding winter supplements already. Dry pastures throughout the state have caused producers to begin feeding hay months earlier than usual. The bare pastures can mean more than increased hay costs, they can mean weak and stressed cattle. Low intake of energy from grass can cause cattle to lose weight, and can have detrimental effects on both immune and reproductive systems.

Farmers and ranchers wanting to buy or selling hay or have pastureland for lease can contact the Texas Department of Agriculture's Hay and Grazing Hotline toll-free at (877) 429-1998 to have their hay and/or pasture listed free on TDA's Web site. Organic hay and feedstuff are also needed too. The hay and grazing hotline information is on TDA's Web site at www.agr.state.tx.us in the "Producer Information" section.

**Dates to remember:**  
July 25 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting, NCTC Little Theater, 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP by July 21 to 668-5412.

Aug. 7-9 - 52nd Annual TAMU Beef Cattle Short Course, College Station;

Aug. 9-10 - Ranch Estate Planning Seminar, College Station;

Aug. 17 - Class training and testing for TDA Private Applicator's Pesticide License, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cooke County Library, 200 S. Weaver Street. RSVP Extension office 940-668-5412 by Aug. 14.

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**WHERE:** Muenster High School Auditorium.

**WHEN:** Monday, July 24, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.

**MORE INFO:** www.northtexaswindresistance.com

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**Feeder Steers (per lb.)**  
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.50; No. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.46, 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.13-1.65; No. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.31, 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.22-1.40; No. 2 & 3, 85-1.22, 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.25; No. 2 & 3, 80-1.14; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.05-1.17; No. 2 & 3, 80-1.05; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 98-1.05; No. 2 & 3, 70-98.  
**Feeder Heifers (per lb.)**  
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.22-1.35; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.22, 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.14-1.25; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.14, 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.12-1.24; No. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.12, 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.10-1.15; No. 2 & 3, 85-1.10; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 1.04-1.14; No. 2 & 3, 70-1.04; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 91-1.04; No. 2 & 3, 50-91.  
**SLAUGHTER CATTLE (per lb.)**  
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**Sheep (per lb.)**  
Feeder lambs, 40-60 lbs., 60-78; Light lambs, 60-80 lbs., 60-78; Fat lambs, 90-120 lbs., 55-70.  
**Ewes (per lb.)**  
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