

Weather causes destruction throughout week

Brutal storm slams Cooke County last Friday

By Janet Felderhoff
Much needed rainfall came with a high price to about a third Cooke County last Friday night. Buildings and trees through the middle of Cooke County, excluding Muenster, were twisted and mangled from straight-line winds. Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher said that winds were steady at 60-70 mph with gusts of 90 to 100 mph. The gusts were equivalent to a category two hurricane.

No funnel clouds were officially seen on radar in the area. But reports came from various individuals who said that they saw funnels and even watched them go up and down.

Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Herbie Knabe noted that cells were seen near Muenster that had the potential to turn into tornadoes. He said that someone said that they had taken a photo of a tornado that evening, but he'd not yet had an opportunity to

view the picture to confirm the sighting. According to the National Weather Service, there were no tornadoes seen on radar in the Cooke County area.

Wind damage began near Rosston with trees down. Near Hood it got worse with some barns sustaining damage. Fletcher said it exploded near Lindsay at the junction of FM 1630 and FM 3108 where the really high winds hit. Significant damage occurred near CR 306. Two mobile homes were destroyed south of Lindsay. Two people were injured. Destruction continued down Hwy. 82 into Gainesville to the junction of I-35. Businesses along Hwy. 82 taking the brunt of damage included Metals Sales, Future Equipment, the Major rig Company, Gainesville Municipal Airport, and Brown Motor Company. Large trees were either uprooted or broken in half. Debris covered the roadways and roadsides. For a time, I-35 was shut down around Gainesville.

It was about here that the winds began to lessen in speed, but the hail started to increase in size. Fletcher said it transitioned from a wind event to a hail event. Reports came of golf ball to baseball size hailstones.

A fire started at the Outlet Mall in Gainesville from the storm. One firefighter went to the hospital, but was released.

Power outages occurred in about 4,000 homes. In the Lindsay area, electricity was restored Friday night. Many Gainesville area customers didn't get power back until Saturday or even early Sunday morning as crews from area electric companies worked to repair damaged lines.

Red Cross assisted about nine families who were displaced from their homes. Anyone needing Red Cross assistance is asked to contact Sharon at 940-665-4365.

Fletcher said that the State people have visited to assess
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A mobile home and a camper trailer south of Lindsay were totally destroyed by strong winds. Shauner and James Shellhorn and their 3 children lived in the home owned by Ricky Pittner. Dan Martin, living in the trailer, also lost all his belongings. See page 4 for more storm pictures. Picture by Janie Hartman

Lightning generated fire destroys home Tuesday

By Janet Felderhoff
Despite the efforts of four fire departments, fire destroyed a home on CR 343 about 1/4 mile off of FM 1630 Tuesday morning. A lightning strike ignited the blaze that eventually consumed most of the 6,000 square foot home. It is a double home owned by Clay and Patsy Hamilton and Leonard Keesee.

According to Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Herbie Knabe, the fire started in the home owned by the Hamiltons. A cleaning lady was present at the time, but either didn't know how to use the phone or couldn't because it was damaged, so she went to a neighbor's and had them call the fire department.

There is a common attic between the two homes. Knabe said this contributed to the

difficulty in stopping the spread of the fire. Muenster got the call at 9:03 a.m. and arrived on the scene, which was nine miles from Muenster, at 9:11 a.m.

Knabe said that more water was used on this fire than any other house fire he'd been to, and they still were unable to overtake the flames. He estimated that they were using between 700 to 900 gallons of water per minute.

Working on the scene were area volunteer firefighters and five trucks from Muen-

ster, two from Rosston, one from Myra, and two from Forestburg. "We just didn't have enough resources," Knabe said.

At one point Knabe felt that they were getting ahead of the fire, but that was early before all of the pump trucks were set up and they ran out of water, thus losing the ground they'd gained.

Some watching the fire expressed surprise at how hot it was and how the water didn't seem to be able to douse the flames.

Muenster gardens open to Parade of Gardens tour Sunday

By Janet Felderhoff

It no longer has to be a mystery as to what floral wonders are tucked behind the garden fence of several Muenster area gardens. Cooke County Master Gardener Association is hosting its annual Parade of Gardens on Sunday, May 7 from 1-5 p.m. This year it features several gardens in and around Muenster and will take place rain or shine. Admission is \$7. On Sunday tickets may be purchased at the Muenster Antique Mall, 405 E. Division Street (Hwy. 82). Maps to the host gardens will be presented there. Also at that

location on Sunday there will be demonstrations and friendly plant people present to discuss your garden questions.

Participating in the 2006 Parade of Gardens besides the Muenster Antique Mall are Stephen and Kay Broyles at 407 West Ninth Street; Jerry and Monica Hess, 829 S. FM 373; Carl and MaryLee Alford, 6868 S. FM 373; Claude and Nancy Walter with Miss Kitty's Bird and Bath, 7448 S. FM 373. Visitors are also encouraged to tour Keep Muenster Beautiful's projects in



A home in the Freemound Community was destroyed Tuesday morning after being hit by lightning. Firefighters attempts to extinguish the flames failed. Photo by Janie Hartman

Candidates run for positions in local elections

Walterscheid challenges Fisher for City Council seat

By Janet Felderhoff
Incumbent Gary Fisher must defeat Robert Dale Walterscheid in the May 13 election in order to retain his Place 1 City Council seat. Place 2 held by John Pagel and Place 4 held by Jewel Otto were also up for election. Those incumbents filed for another term and drew no opposition.

Early voting began Monday May 1, and ends at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9. Early voting can be done at City Hall during regular business hours. Exceptions to that are Friday, May 5 and Monday, May 8 when extended hours will be kept for early voters. On those two days, early voting can be done at City Hall from 7 a.m. to noon and from 1-7 p.m.

Each candidate was presented with written questions and given a limited amount of time to return their answers. Those questions and the responses follow:

Reason for seeking this position?

Fisher - In mid-2004 when I was asked to serve a vacated position, I accepted the coun-

cil seat because I felt it was time in my life to serve the city-community. The word "community" means "everyone coming together for unity". And only with everyone making an effort to be of service can a community survive. It was my time.

Walterscheid - First - to serve my community, to give something back to this town. Second - To help better our Police Department and help keep our Volunteer Fire Department like it is.

Qualifications for this job:

Fisher - I have had great learning experiences serving with the Kiwanis Club, Chamber of Commerce, Keep Muenster Beautiful, Keep Texas Beautiful, Cooke County College Endowment Board, Scoutmaster, and countless other community projects.

But I feel I am best qualified because my attitude has always been doing what is right for the majority of the people, regardless if I get criticism from a few. Serving in a City position attracts more criticism, and having the background of serving

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Two Muenster ISD trustees draw opponents in election

By Janet Felderhoff
Muenster ISD Board of Trustees has three positions with terms that expire in May. They are Places 5, 6, and 7 currently held by Jim Endres, Ronnie Felderhoff, and Neil Huchton, respectively. All incumbents hope to serve another term, but only Endres is unopposed.

Seeking Felderhoff's Place 6 seat is Mel Walterscheid and for Huchton's Place 7 seat is Steve Trubenbach.

Each candidate was given a set of written questions. Their answers follow:

Qualifications for position, including prior community service:

Felderhoff - I have served as a member of the Muenster Zoning Board, Muenster City Council, and as the Mayor of Muenster. I've served as a Board member and chairman for the Texas Grain and Feed Association, Chairman of the TGFA Legislative committee, member of the National Grain and Feed Association Membership and Feed Mill committees, and current member of the N.G.F.A. Board of Directors. I've served on both State and National Arbitration boards and have a vast amount of experience dealing with contracts and legal matters. My past business experience and experience serving as a current MISD Board member provide me with the information I need to make the best decision for the District.

Prior community service includes 28 years as a member of the Muenster Volunteer Fire Dept., one of the founders of the Friends of Muenster FFA and 4-H, teacher's aide for the CCD program, and Muenster Booster Club president.

Walterscheid - Business owner and operator for 25 years. A previous elected

member to the Board of Directors for the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. Married, father of four, a member of Sacred Heart Parish. (I think it should be a prerequisite that you either have children or grandchildren enrolled in MISD to be on the Board - so you have a vested interest in the students, teachers, and the future of MISD).

Future of MISD - Businessman for 20+ years.

Trubenbach - Upon graduating from Muenster High School, I earned an Associates Degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology at TSTC in Waco, Texas. I currently own and operate Universal Machining Industries, Inc. located in Muenster. I also manage a cattle operation in Cooke and Montague Counties. My wife Melissa and I have two children, Lauren and Wade. Lauren will be attending MISD Kindergarten this Fall. I feel that my present involvement in day-to-day business activities make me qualified for this position. I am a former Muenster Jaycee officer and volunteer, and a current member of the Muenster Industrial Board.

Reason for seeking election to position?

Felderhoff - MISD is one of the top school districts in the state. I want to offer my business talents to help maintain a superior education for our children. We must maintain a healthy educational environment and continue to bring the best teachers to MISD. The top priority of the MISD campus is the construction of a new Lunchroom. With my past building experience (dealing with engineers and architects) I can help the District get the best value for the funds put toward a new lunchroom. I am not afraid to ask questions to make sure
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Sacred Heart golfers medal at state



Golfers bringing home medals include (left to right): Nolan Hartman, Diana Knabe and Mitch Sellers. Muenster Enterprise

Germanfest 06



Friday's storms dampened the Germanfest temporarily. Saturday and Sunday saw big crowds invade the park for entertainment including Side Street Circus, pictured above.

Photo by Janie Hartman

OBITUARIES

Lloyd Daile Mitchell

1932 - 2006

Lloyd Daile Mitchell of Saint Jo died at the age of 74 on Wednesday, April 26, 2006 in Nocona. Funeral services were held Friday, April 28 at the First Baptist Church in Saint Jo with Rev. Keith Rogers officiating. Services were directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Saint Jo.

Daile was born Jan. 15, 1932 in the Bulcher area. He graduated from school in Saint Jo, and served in the U.S. Army. He married Annie Ruth Baker on July 10, 1953.

He was a longtime member and deacon of the First Baptist Church. Having been raised on a farm/ranch near Saint Jo, he continued this occupation throughout his life. He began his oil field career in 1955 with Berry Oil Company, and continued working with Felderhoff Oil Company after their purchase of Berry Oil. He worked more than 30 years, holding many positions in the companies. He retired as a driller and then continued working as an oil field consultant.

Daile loved his work, his ranch, his cattle, and hay baling. He was a great family man, enjoying their company and welfare. His grandchildren were highlights of his life.

Survivors are his wife of Saint Jo; daughters Dialetta Patterson of Wichita Falls, and Cecelia McCuistin of Sanger; son Nathan Mitchell of Decatur; mother Bertha Mitchell of Gainesville; four grandchildren; sister Odessa Hacker of Muenster; and brother Jack Mitchell of Kilgore.

Preceding him in death were his father Floyd Mitchell, and granddaughter Melissa Norsworthy.

Delphia Winchester

1914 - 2006

Delphia Beatrice Winchester, age 91 of Whitesboro, died Thursday, April 27, 2006 in Whitesboro Nursing Home. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 30 at 2 p.m. at Huff Funeral Chapel of Whitesboro with Rev. James Crow officiating. Burial followed at Mt. Tabor Cemetery in Grayson County under the direction of Huff Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Honorary pallbearers were John Dennis, Burrell Scarbrough, J.B. Scarbrough, James Scarbrough, Billy Morrow, and Jack Harwell.

Delphia was born Oct. 16, 1914 in Cedar Mills, Texas to William Henry Meek and Lillie Bertha Mills Meek. She married Charles Franklin Winchester in December of 1975. A member of Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Sandy Springs, Texas, she was a seamstress. She was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include her son Charles William Winchester of Whitesboro; two sisters



Delphia Winchester

Edith Crawford of Roswell, New Mexico and Rachel Cunningham of Ravenna, Texas; nine grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, daughter Frances Stone, and two sons Dean Winchester and Hugh Leon Winchester.

DAYS GONE BY.....

by Elfreda Fette

65 YEARS AGO

May 2, 1941

Obituary: Henry Bernauer, 61. Muenster is due another epidemic of measles - this time the German measles, not the recently experienced red measles variety. Wet weather continues to halt farming. Earl Lehnertz now ranks as Private First Class and has awards for pistol marksmanship. New Arrivals: Patrick to Albert and Agnes Hess; a daughter to the Clifford Hudspeths; Linda to Alex and Odella Lutkenhaus. Rt. Rev. Msgr. A. Dangelmayr is in St. Paul's Hospital while recovering from an automobile accident.

50 YEARS AGO

May 4, 1956

Contractor arrives to begin work on new sewer plant. Grain crop outlook brightens after 1.58 inch rain. Men in Service: Eddie Fette receives separation papers. Five hundred children join in ceremonies to honor and crown May Queen. New Arrivals: a son to Louis and Pauline Sicking;

Donald, adopted son of Albert and Lois Hoehn. Dogpatch costumes add fun to Sadie Hawkins party at the VFW Hall. Members of the Dizzy Dozen Birthdays Club entertained their husbands at dinner in the Blue Room of the Main Cafe Wednesday night. Billy Joe Reiter, 12, son of Mrs. Hilda Reiter, was bruised and shaken, but otherwise unharmed, after a motor scooter accident.

25 YEARS AGO

May 1, 1981

This year's Germanfest is a success; biggest and best German Fun Run has 2018 finishers out of 2040 registrations. Jill Walterscheid qualifies for State in Shot Put. Bobo and Virginia Jaska, former Muenster residents, win prestigious title of Aggie Parents Of The Year. Wedding: Linda Wallace and Lesley Richardson. Golden Wedding Anniversary observed by Leo and Marie Hoedebeck. New Arrivals: Russell to David and Pam Fette; Preston to Jim and Liz Luke; Christel to the Bill Hopfers.

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others for the past 23 years has given me the confidence I am on the right track.

Walterscheid - I have owned my own business for 35 years. I have had hard times and bad, just like our City has had. I have what it takes to help run this City with budgeting and spending.

The person elected to this position serves as the police and fire commissioner. Do you feel the local police department is doing sufficient traffic control?

Fisher - NO! The most important aspect of any police department is safety of citizens. Safety comes with education. Education takes place several ways. First, there should be programs to teach the proper traffic and safety rules. This "prevention" comes over a long time as adults are re-taught and new drivers see the practice. Second, those who continue the unsafe practices are educated with citations.

Daily I witness accidents waiting to happen: running the red light, excessive speeds upon entering town, speeding in school zones, failure-to-yield, failure to stop for pedestrians at designated crosswalks, excessive speeds in congested areas such as Main and 2nd, Oak and Walnut Streets near the ballpark. I recognize them because I am in a business which shows me the consequences to human life and property when people choose bad practices. I know I am not alone in seeing these bad practices because many citizens have voiced their concern as well. If elected I would like to see the Council approve a long term program to correct these problems. We do not need to wait until a tragic incident to do the job.

Walterscheid - No. We need more traffic control on our streets and especially on (Hwy.) 82. We have people running the only red light in this town and also speeding 10 to 15 m.p.h. above the posted speed limit all day and night.

Do you think that two officers are adequate to

cover the City, especially with recently annexed properties?

Fisher - No, but before we run to spend more taxpayers money we must first learn to walk. Getting the maximum results with the least expense can come from both active and passive methods of enforcement. The Council needs to promote both. The position of Police Commissioner can only recommend, not implement. As an appointed official, I have suggested various programs, but as an appointee I felt it was not time to push a comprehensive plan until I am elected by the people.

Active methods involve properly using officers in activities such as radar presence, targeting offense types, using citations if necessary. Our Police Department needs to form a volunteer or auxiliary division. Like the Fire Department volunteers, these volunteers become the eyes and ears of the active officers, assisting when asked. Some instances would include funerals, traffic control during special events, during accidents, disasters, as well as spotters to relay suspicious activities.

Passive methods include published education programs in newspapers and inserts to water bills, speed bumps to eliminate need of patrolling specific areas, placement of stop signs to slow traffic in neighborhoods, and live-on caretaker arrangements on the newly annexed lake park land. The newly annexed subdivisions will present little need for patrolling because those people will watch each other's property. That is the benefit of a small town, with most people doing the right thing without having to establish Neighborhood Watch programs.

Another passive program I would like to suggest is regarding burglary or break-in of businesses at night. I do not have information that shows night-patrolling has resulted in any arrests of a burglary-in-progress. Once

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damage. FEMA assistance will be applied for, but is not a certainty. He requests that property owners who were not insured for storm damage sustained or who were underinsured, should contact him at 940-668-5435 Mondays through Fridays. Even if it's for water damage that occurred to home interiors due to broken windows from the storm, people should report their property damage, he said. The amount of damage determines FEMA money.

Muenster Volunteer Fire Department set up for storm watch. When the severe weather hit, Muenster sent two trucks to Lindsay to assist and another truck and four firemen south on FM 1630 where a mobile home was destroyed and people injured. During that time, there was a car fire near Klement Ford in Muenster and they responded to that call.

Rainfall measuring anywhere from 4.5 inches to 8

inches were reported. Muenster's official report kept by Janette and Bob Hess was 4.55 inches. Rain fell quickly causing some flash flooding of roads. Deep ruts were cut in gravel roads where streams rushed across when the harditches were unable to handle all of the water.

Germanfest was closed down at around 8 p.m. due to the rain and concern for safety.

On the subject of safety - Ray Fletcher urges anyone who does not own a NOAA all hazards radio with SAME technology to get one now. It is vital to safety. Fletcher said that it is the only thing that is going to wake you in the middle of the night in the event of a dangerous situation such as tornado, chemical spills, etc. If you need help with what type is best or where to purchase one, Fletcher is happy to assist all who contact him at 668-5435.

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Sunday, May 7, 2006	Monday, May 8, 2006	Tuesday, May 9, 2006	Wednesday, May 10, 2006	Thursday, May 11, 2006	Friday, May 12, 2006	Saturday, May 13, 2006
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Parade of Gardens 1-5 pm Muenster Hornet Day First Baptist Church 10-noon St Anne's Society mtg 3 pm Community Center SNAP room	VE Day - Fly your flag VFW Meeting - 8 pm Cooke County Pro Life-7 pm Grand Ave Baptist Church	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30 SNAP Center MMH Aux mtg. and officer installation 7pm	Religious Ed closing Mass 6:30pm followed by class MISD Board Mtg 7:30 pm CC Breakfast Mtg 7:30 am SH Alumni & Supporters Mtg, 7:30 pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Muenster Historical Commission mtg 8 am	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm MISD no school AARP membership luncheon 11:30 am Stanford House	Election Day 7am - 7 pm County 4-H horse show Rosston Cemetery Ass'n mtg & lunch, Rosston Methodist Church, 10:30 am
Sunday, May 14, 2006	Monday, May 15, 2006	Tuesday, May 16, 2006	Wednesday, May 17, 2006	Thursday, May 18, 2006	Friday, May 19, 2006	Saturday, May 20, 2006
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm SHS Choir Annual Spring Concert - S.H. Church - 6 pm Mother's Day	VFW Aux. Meeting -7:30 pm Deadline to purchase SHHS All Awards Banquet Tickets	Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30 SNAP Center MMH Board mtg. 8pm	SHHS All Awards Banquet - Community Center - 6:30	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm SHCS dismissed at noon	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm SHHS graduation	Armed Forces Day - Fly American Flags Jaycee \$ Raffle - Community Center - 6 pm

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Walterscheid - My wife April and I have four children whose ages are 10, nine, seven, and five. Three are currently enrolled in elementary school at MISD. My family and the future of MISD is my first reason for seeking election.

Second: My office is the highest tax paying entity in the school district. I would like to see that the tax rates be kept as low as is feasible to run the school and keep the quality of education as high as possible.

Huchton - To help maintain a quality education for our children.

Trubench - I want to be involved in the future growth and activities of MISD to ensure the continued success of our school.

Property has been donated to the school district for the Ag department. What do you think should be done with it?

Felderhoff - The land donated to the MISD will be a valuable asset to the District. An Ag barn needs to be built so that students that do not have a place to house an animal for a FFA project may have the opportunity to participate. Children must be taught where food and fiber come from so they never take it for granted. By having an Ag barn, students will have a better understanding of how food is produced.

Walterscheid - I think a good Ag department is important to any rural school

district, but I am not aware of any donated land.

Huchton - We are exploring ideas for this property, which included an Ag barn with possible classrooms.

Trubench - Agriculture is the backbone of our heritage. Settlers in this area prospered while raising crops, livestock, and poultry. The Agriculture program at MISD has and will continue to enhance our academic programs and benefit our local Agricultural Industry. The donated Real Estate should be used for the intentions to which it was donated. A building should be constructed with facilities for animal habitation and for showing the students' animals and other projects.

The idea of adding additional spring sports has been discussed. Would you be in favor of the additional sports and how do you feel it might affect academics?

Felderhoff - I've served on the MISD Board for three years and baseball was discussed the first year and has not been formally brought up again. I played baseball in high school and enjoyed it very much. The addition of spring sports can be included in the current curriculum if there is enough interest. The cost of another spring sport can be minimal if additional coaches are not needed, and the District uses the existing City baseball fields. I'm as big a sports fan as anybody, but our foremost responsibility is the education of our children. We cannot lower our academic standards to simply

accommodate a sport. A sport can help build character and self-esteem, but it must not be a detriment to academics!

Walterscheid - I would not be in favor of anything that would hurt academics, but as the enrollment grows,

include the required facilities and expenses associated with the programs.

The Board is currently discussing building a new cafeteria. How would you fund it?

Felderhoff - After listening to several architects,

this project could come from the State and from our current funds. Pending a review of the budget, a Bond may need to be generated.

What do you feel is the most pressing building issue at MISD and do you feel that a bond would be the best way to fund new construction?

Felderhoff - A new cafeteria is vital to MISD. Currently the District has a lunch room capable of feeding 165 children. This year there are 550 students attending MISD. According to the needs assessment, the Cafeteria is the #1 building priority for the District. A responsible bond package is how it should be funded.

Walterscheid - From everything I've heard, the cafeteria is the most pressing building issue at MISD. It seats approximately 160 while enrollment is over 500. Lunch has to start at 10:45 for some, so the kids can have a place to sit and eat. The Board is already working on this and I'm not sure exactly how far along they are with it or their cost estimates.

Huchton - A cafeteria is what is needed at this time. Also the Ag facility could be considered. If we did both projects, a bond would possibly be considered.

Trubench - The most pressing building issue is certainly a new cafeteria. This will be a facility in which all the students and faculty in our school can use and enjoy. All funding options

need to be considered before making the decision to generate a bond.

How do the upcoming changes in State funding impact the local school?

Felderhoff - State funding of public schools is a mess. The State used to fund over 70% of the cost of running the school districts, now it is less than 50% with the balance from local property taxes. Inflation has increased property values and the state refuses to recognize that the cap amount is not adjusted for inflation. State funding of public school districts will change. Hopefully the Legislators will stop playing politics with our children and pass meaningful funding for public schools. Until it is known what will come out of Austin, it will be hard setting next year's budget.

Walterscheid - We don't know what the changes will be, so we can't know the impact on the school at this time.

Huchton - Until the Special Session is over, we really don't know how much of an impact it will have on us locally.

Trubench - The exact details of the changes have not been determined. If the direction given by the courts is followed, the Personal Property Rate should decrease and the State should make up the difference. The State will then mandate what its extra contribution should be used for. This will have an effect on the budget at MISD.



if softball or baseball was proposed to get more students involved in extra-curricular activities and if the budget would allow it, I would not oppose it.

Huchton - We always are trying to balance athletics and academics and if our site base management team feels this is something the community and the parents want, then we will try and implement the program.

Trubench - The issue of adding spring sports should be carefully considered. The decision should ultimately ensure continued success of our athletic programs without having a negative impact on our academic programs. There are many factors involved in making this decision. Some of which consider the current involvement of these sports with other schools in our District. Other considerations

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they occur, few are solved. It is costly for the small businesses. School vandalism is also costly. Night time patrolling consumes a majority of the police patrolling time, and likewise so goes the budget.

We can count the number of businesses that are prone to break-in. As a Council and Police Department we can do what many towns are doing, which is to encourage digital camera alarm systems. These alarms not only trigger a call to a cell phone, they record digital images inside the business which can be viewed from any computer world-wide. The images are also stored off-site (and away from the hands of the thief), giving a powerful identification tool for authorities and courts. By suggestion and education from our Police Department we can encourage businesses to invest in these alarm systems. The businesses must trust they will be used by our police. It can cost businesses as little as \$500 because most businesses already have computers. The laptop the Police Department now owns could easily be adapted to allow viewing from patrol cars.

Walterscheid - No I think with the escalating problems with drugs and new properties being annexed we might need to rethink our police manpower, which with two policemen it is hard to be everywhere at any given minute. We really need help from our County law enforcement to help with problems, and especially when our officers are on their day off. To help patrol our streets as our City grows and expands we need to do the same.

Do you think that the City should spend more or less money on street paving projects?

Fisher - The street infrastructure is probably Muenster's most important visible asset. It sets us apart from every other smaller community. A community tends to attract the type of people who expect and practice quality if the City itself keeps up its quality of life. I have always felt maintenance of our streets is important, and we should protect our investment. That is why it is so important to watch spending on everything else, allowing the City to focus on water, sewer, trash collection and streets. We should encourage civic groups to tackle community improvement projects such as the Jaycees have done on the new ballpark, as it is the least expensive way to develop non-essential assets.

Walterscheid - The City spends a lot of money on streets when contractors can get to the work. I think if we keep on the same pace reworking our streets, in a few years we will have all good streets. Which we have good streets compared to other towns our size.

Do you feel that the Volunteer Fire Department is adequately supplied with equipment and other necessary support?

Fisher - Muenster has the best volunteer fire department in North Texas. That comes from support by taxpayers of Muenster, rural supporters through the annual BBQ, and a lot of hard work from Chief Knabe and

volunteer members. The Department has a solid plan of acquiring equipment they need when they need it, and does so with the help from everyone in the area. Chief Knabe is the guiding light to wards lower insurance rates for those inside the City limits as he properly uses the model set forth by the Texas Department of Insurance and the ISO on fire prevention and

code enforcement. This effort saves the typical homeowner/taxpayer more than two times more on insurance than what they now pay in taxes to the Water District and City of Muenster combined. The benefit to taxpayers is pronounced, and thanks to our Fire Chief and Council members for supporting this effort. Muenster also has an excellent water and sewer system, saving those who build inside the city limits \$10,000 to \$15,000 (septic and water well) that could be spent on the home itself. As a City, we should promote this information to encourage people to build inside the city limits, or be annexed into the city voluntarily. It helps everyone.

Walterscheid - The City has supported the Fire Department, except one aspect. Our Fire Department deserves a decent retirement, which they do not have right now. They do have a small retirement, but it was set up when the Fire Department



Bobby Dale Walterscheid



Gary Fisher

was formed. We need to support our Volunteer Fire Department. They put countless hours in and they deserve a decent retirement. This retirement program needs to be updated; right now if you retire at 20 years, you receive \$25 which this won't even pay your water bill. The Fire Department has been trying to get this redone for two years now, but cannot get a few councilmen to support it. I think we need to get this fixed and support our V.F.D., Police, and City employees.

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Strong winds rip through Cooke County area

Clockwise from top left, damage at Gainesville airport; Cooke County Fairground Show Barn; Trees in Reed Cemetery south of Myra; (bottom) Metal Sales; (below) Future Equipment on Hwy. 82 and the farm yard of Albert Zimmerer, Hood community.
Photos by Janie Hartman



Proposed Muenster-Saint Jo Industrial "Wind Farm"

Hard point summary of the following article:

- What: Industrial wind energy turbines, the BIG ones
- Where: three locations, just north of Muenster and all around the Saint Jo area
- When: very likely very soon
- How BIG:
 - Concrete foundations 14 feet in diameter, 28 feet deep in the ground and weighing 167 TONS
 - Towers are 262 feet tall, about twice as tall as the Muenster water tower
 - Blades are 131 feet long, the circumference of the "fan" is about the same as that of a Boeing 747 Jumbo Jet airliner.
 - Total height to tip of blade at top of rotation is almost 400 feet, about 3 times the height of the water tower
 - The generator on top of the tower weighs about half again more than a D-9 Caterpillar bulldozer.
- Visibility: about 60 miles
- Effect on surrounding property value: what could you reasonably expect?
- Learn more: Search for "Wind Energy" and visit www.windwatch.com and www.stopillwind.org

Background:

I learned about this project when a land owner brought a pamphlet and a letter to me and asked what I knew about it. After a review of his letter and pamphlet I decided that I had better learn more about this proposed project as it will directly affect me, my family, my property, and, probably my entire way of life.

As a landowner, concerned citizen, real estate broker, and appraiser I am concerned about a number of questions. I have done considerable research and talked to many of my fellow ranchers and folks in the area. What I have learned leads me to believe that the entire area will be affected and that prudent and diligent examination of all available information should be conducted to ensure sound judgment and reasoning in the decision making process.

The decisions that are made with regard to this "proposed" project will have historic consequences for us all. Our grandchildren's grandchildren will appreciate our prudent and diligent consideration of as much information as possible and a sound decision making process. The potential impact of industrial wind farms on the entire community moves us beyond the realm of personal land use issues and directs our attention to the protection of our quality of life and the vision of our entire communities.

Please keep in mind that I am not an expert and that the information presented here should not be considered definitive, but a suggested starting point for your own considerations.

Confidentiality Agreements and Time Line:

I understand that this proposed project has been in the works for about a year now, probably longer. I also understand that the wind energy company requires the signing of a CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT before they will discuss the project with land owners. So, this has been a fairly well kept secret for a long time now. You can thank your neighbors who signed confidentiality agreements for your not knowing about it until now. Since I have not been approached by the energy company and I have not signed anything with anyone, I feel it is my duty and obligation to share what I have learned about this project with others who may be affected by it as I am.

Dollars and Sense:

So, why would anyone want these things on their property? MONEY, of course. I understand the actual income to the land owner is about \$4,500 to \$15,000 per wind mill, per year, depending on the price of electricity and the amount of electricity generated by each wind mill. So, say, 5 wind mills on your property at, say, \$10,000 each per year, equates to \$50,000 per year in income. I would pose the question is the income generated by a few wind mills greater than the appreciation in property value WITHOUT the wind mills over, say, 5, 10, 20 years?

Of course it is the energy companies who are making the really big bucks. The cost of a wind mill seems to be about \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) per mega watt rating of the generator. A 1.8 mega watt generator turbine costs about \$1,800,000. There are likely significant government subsidies and/or tax breaks for power companies that develop wind farms. So your tax dollars are helping to pay for them.

Land requirements:

Spacing is approximately 800 to 1,200 feet apart running east and west with about 5 acres between towers. They are spaced about one-half mile to three miles apart north and south. Wind turbines need to be further apart north and south to allow adequate area for the turbulence created in the wind to stabilize after passing through the blades of the turbine.

I have heard that the actual area of land used for each wind mill is only about one-fourth of an acre per wind mill. I suspect that refers to the actual ground that the tower occupies and the land occupied by about a 30 foot wide road between the wind mills, and NOT the actual amount of land required for proper spacing for each tower. According to the article published in the Gainesville Daily Register on Friday, April 7, 2006, which references FPL Energy's own website as a source, the wind farm southwest of Abilene is comprised of 147 turbines spread over a 22,500 acre site. That equates to about 153 acres per wind mill and not one-fourth of an acre.

How BIG are they anyway?

So how BIG are these things, really? Well, let's start at the ground and work DOWN first.

Foundation: The foundation for each turbine tower is a 14 foot diameter concrete and steel cylinder set up to 28 feet deep in the ground and weighs 167 tons. Did you get that? 14 feet across, 28 feet deep and 167 tons. Think about Camp Howze and all those little concrete piers still sticking up out of the ground since World War II. How long might these 167 ton chunks be there after the wind mills are obsolete?

Tower: The tower, I would assume, takes up most of the 14 foot diameter of the foundation and is 262 feet tall. How tall is 262 feet when looking at it vertically? For comparison purposes the Muenster water tower is about 135 feet tall so just the tower alone is about TWICE as tall as the water tower. Think about that. Think about how far away you can see the Muenster water tower and then think about wind mills with towers TWICE as tall as the water tower scattered about the country side.

Blades: The blades are about 131 feet long. So from ground to top of blade at highest point during rotation is 393 feet. The circumference of the fan is similar to that of a 747 Jumbo Jet. And they like to place them on the highest elevations possible to maximize wind currents, which also maximizes visibility.

Generator: The power generator mounted on top of the tower to which the blades are attached is as large as a school bus and weighs considerably more than a D-9 Caterpillar bulldozer. You should see the crane it takes to get the thing up that high.

Lights: I understand that there are flashing lights (white during the day and red at night) atop the towers to warn aircraft, and can be seen for miles. Some who live near wind turbines report that sunlight passing through the turbine's blades can cause a strobe effect, with light pulsing through the house. Like any tall structure, the towers will cast shadows on neighboring areas.

Size Comparison Comment: Try to imagine a fan the size of 747 Jumbo Jet airliner turning on a D-9 bulldozer that is sitting on top of a pole as tall as two water towers. I like to think of them as GIANTIC, one legged, three armed, Cyclops, MONSTERS.

Roads: Roads are straight, flat and approximately 60 feet wide during construction so that they can get all of the extra LARGE equipment needed to the site. After construction is complete they narrow the roads and maintain them for ongoing service of the turbines. I understand that the finished roads, while not being paved, are equivalent to any good paved Farm to Market roads we have in this area.

Personnel and Equipment Access: Similar to an oil lease, power company personnel and equipment will be visually inspecting each unit on a regular basis and maintenance will be on-going. As with any large equipment, there are always things to go wrong.

Transmission of Power Generated: Trenches are dug for cables between the towers and, if the site is some distance from a source to transmit the power to its final destination (most likely the D/FW metroplex area), then pylons and overhead transmission lines may be necessary for connection.

Noise and vibration: There are differences of opinion about the amount of noise and vibration emitted by wind turbines, ranging from those who consider it negligible to those who say they have suffered headaches and difficulty sleeping. In addition to the sound of the blades slicing through the wind particularly when the blades pass the tower, some report a low-frequency noise that is felt as a vibration. Some believe that just the noise factor alone has made their property hard to sell.

Site Preparation:

Vegetation is generally bulldozed, and/or clear cut in order to stage construction activities and would likely not be allowed to grow back due to safe operation of the turbines and on-going maintenance practices.

Safety:

The main concerns with safety seem to center on the blades, which apparently weigh up to 1.5 tons. The tips are moving at about 180 miles per hour, and when broken off have planed as far as 300 yards. In cold weather, lumps of ice can form on the blades and be thrown off. So there is some concern about wildlife and livestock safety around the windmills.

Visibility:

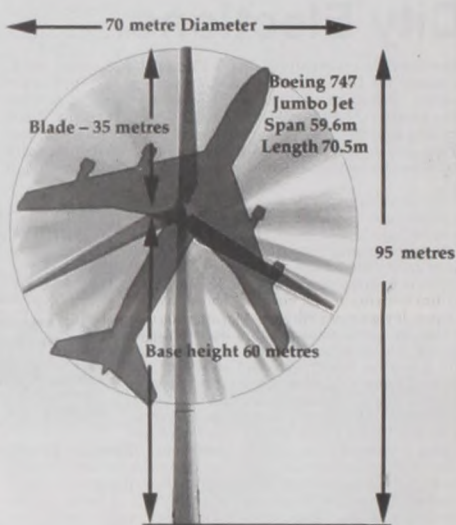
I have seen the ones west of Abilene from a distance of what I am fairly sure is at least 60 miles. And I have seen some out in California up close, and if you haven't seen them, they do look HUGE up close.

Locations - Where will they be?

So where are they going to put them anyway? Given the clues I have been able to gather, I began putting maps together. Of course I can not predict any specific properties but I can likely estimate some general areas that might look promising for such a project. I have learned that they prefer higher elevations and that they are looking at areas north of Muenster and east and west of Saint Jo, and that there are three separate locations. So I began with just that information and a good set of topographic maps.

There is a ridge with higher elevations running east and west from southeast of Marysville at what is known as Wolf Ridge. This location is very close to the intersection of County Road 422 and 411. This series of higher elevations runs generally from Wolf Ridge, west in the general vicinity of County Road 422, 421, crosses FM 373 south of Turtle Hill Golf Course and continues on in the general vicinity of County Road 430 and 431 to Tyler Bluff at FM 2382 north east of Saint Jo. Scaled on a series of topographic maps, I estimate a straight line distance from Wolf Ridge to Tyler Bluff to be roughly 12 miles.

In the area west of Saint Jo there is another series of high elevations from just west of Saint Jo, generally





Tuesday's House Fire

Muenster VFD were among firefighters battling a house fire Tuesday morning. Clockwise from left: a temporary water shortage; saving what items they can; plenty of water; making all attempts possible to save the house; Myra VFD pumps water from the backyard lake.

Photos by Janie Hartman



north of Muenster. There are also a large number of spotty high elevations in the Dye Mound Area so that area could be under consideration as well.

Clues to the third location are not as obvious and so there is a bit more guess work involved in estimating the location of this site. There is another ridge of higher elevations known as Nubbin Ridge north of Marysville. This ridge runs generally in the area of County Road 410 southwest of Sivel's Bend to the west generally in the area of County Road 408 and 417. This ridge of higher elevations appears to be much shorter on the maps and is probably about 4 or 5 miles long.

Please remember that these are simply my own personal estimations, or "hunches", that are based on a few very vague clues and a little bit of research.

Data Analysis:

Assuming that my estimations are reasonably accurate, if the series of higher elevations north of Muenster is approximately 12 miles long and tower spacing is at, say, every 1,000 feet, that equates to approximately 63 wind mills in just one line. I understand that a second line is very possible as well. So, it could be double that number or more, give or take a few. And that is just in one of three areas.

More on Visibility:

Remembering that the tower alone is TWICE as tall as the Muenster water tower, if my estimations of locations for the Muenster-Saint Jo Wind Farm are anywhere close to accurate, then I would say that if you are playing golf at Turtle Hill, they will likely look like they are actually "hovering" above you while you putt. If you drive north out of Muenster you will probably be in "shock and awe" at the first bend in 373 north of town. If you live anywhere around Muenster on a reasonably high spot with a nice long view, you will likely have a nice view of several MONSTER wind mills before long. Consider a big circle of the area where these wind mills will likely be visible. Lets start to the north, I would think that they would be very visible from Ardmore, Oklahoma, which is only about 30 miles away. Then going southwest to, say, at least Nocona area. Turning to the south, probably to the Bowie area, then on around to the south to probably at least to the Forestburg area, over to Era and Valley View area, swinging on around to the northeast to about Whitesboro and on around to Ardmore again. I would not doubt that they would be visible coming west from Sherman and Wichita Falls and possibly the Denton area.



Legal considerations:

Some power companies do business through formation of a legal entity such as LLP (Limited Liability Partnership), LLC (Limited Liability Corporation), and SPE (Special Purpose Entity) in order to limit their legal liability. This may increase the risk to the land owner entering into contract with them. A landowner can look at the signature line on a contract to see if the contracting entity is a LLP, LLC, or SPE.

Landowners come out ahead financially only if they are fairly compensated, recognize risks and disadvantages as well as advantages, and have adequate protection in the contracts they sign. Landowners should consider obtaining a good contract lawyer who will protect their interests in dealing with the energy company. Several landowners can consider joining together to retain a lawyer to minimize legal expenses.

It is very important for a landowner to understand all terms in the lease agreement, which allows the developer access to his land, both during construction and for ongoing maintenance. There should be a provision in the contract for dismantling and removal of the towers if and/or when they become damaged, not profitable, or simply worn out.

Corporations typically set up LLC, LLP and SPE entities and allow them to have only limited cash assets so in the event something does happen the land owners may, or may not, have the financial coverage from the power company to deal with maintenance, removal or damages.

I understand that the lease for the land is either for 50 years, or possibly 25 years with another 25 year option. Either way, consider what can happen in 25 or 50 years. What was the price of electricity 25 years ago? What will the price be in 25 years? What will the value of real estate in this area be in 25 or 50 years as it is now? Or value WITH a bunch of gigantic monsters planted all around?

Long term considerations:

The useful life of an industrial wind turbine is about 25 years. The energy company should establish a decommissioning fund for the dismantling of turbines, and it is important that it is sufficiently funded to ensure that turbines which are no longer in use are properly dismantled and removed. Lack of sufficient funding may result in the landowner's having to pay for the wind mills to be removed. A recommendation is that a cash bond be posted in advance for this purpose and that it be held in escrow by an independent third party.

Wildlife and Livestock:

Some have reported that stray voltage negatively affects their dairy cattle and that horses can be startled by noises and light flickers caused by the strobe effect of the blades turning. Some say that livestock get used to the wind mills whirling around.

The primary issues with wildlife seems to be with birds and bats. The blades move so fast that birds don't see them.

Questions, Comments, and Property Value:

Remember, we are now faced with decisions which will have historic and long term consequences for our entire area. Generations to follow us will appreciate our prudent and diligent consideration of as

much information as possible and a sound decision making process. The potential impact of industrial wind farms on the entire area is at stake.

If you have wind mills on your property then you will receive income from them as long as practical for the energy company. Your property value may be similar to a simple capitalization of the income that your wind mills produce plus a few bucks per acre for the dirt. I would guess that if you needed to sell your land and wanted to retain the wind rights, or at least the income from the wind mills, that you might experience some difficulty in doing so.

As a real estate broker and certified appraiser I am having trouble thinking that my property value will increase as a result of those things being in the area. Instead, I am of the opinion that the presence of these industrial wind mills would create an "external obsolescence" on surrounding property for miles around and I would consider these as something similar to a large trash dump landfill, or a large airport, or a high voltage power transmission line (except on poles TWICE as tall as a water tower), or a nuclear waste facility being located in close proximity to my property. What effect do these types of facilities generally have on neighboring property values? Not too pleasant to think about is it?

I pose the following questions.

What is the primary factor driving rural property values in this area? I would submit that it is the long, scenic views of pristine countryside. Who are the folks creating the property values in this area? Yes, folks from the D/FW metroplex. Is it reasonable for even one moment to think that those folks would find our pristine countryside views any MORE attractive if the landscape included 400 foot tall industrial wind turbines? Or might they deem our views as less attractive? I would submit that the aesthetic and intrinsic value created by the beautiful countryside views in this area would be significantly diminished by the presence of monster wind mills.



You may view the economic impact not from a real estate point of view, as I do, but from a simple local economics point of view. Think of all the folks from the metroplex that come to this area on weekends, just driving around, riding bicycles or motorcycles through the countryside, shopping in local stores, dining in local restaurants. Why do they come here? Why not go some where else? Well, what if we have monster industrial wind mills scattered over the country side? Will they still prefer to come here over someplace else that doesn't have wind mills scattered around? They may come for a while just to see the uniqueness of the monster wind mills, but I would think the fun would wear off of that fairly quickly.

You probably would not be surprised to know that during my research for this article, I have had a number of conversations with people from the D/FW metroplex area. I made a point to ask them what their opinions would be of this area if these wind mills are built and the resounding response is that they would not consider buying property in the area at all - at any price - if the wind mills were here. They would just go somewhere else.

Conclusions:

It seems to me that there is a lot at stake for individual landowners and for the entire community as a whole when considering the installation of industrial wind farms in our area. Some recommendations on how to protect the interests of the landowners and the community are:

- Educate yourself. Talk to friends and neighbors and visit websites.
- Organize meetings and invite attorneys, real estate brokers and certified appraisers who could offer advice to landowners and residents about how to document the "pre-development value" of their land and homes. This could be useful in the future.
- Consider a community-wide pilot project to demonstrate size of the structure, noise and vibration, light effects and visual impact.
- Require that all wind farm proposals are subject to thorough environmental assessment and economic feasibility testing before development is permitted, and that effects of approved developments are closely monitored.
- Consider a six-month renewable moratorium on wind farm development in order to learn more about the long-lasting effects on our communities.
- Build a website to post news, articles, comments, suggestions, etc., specifically for your local project.

Learn More:

For more information you may search on any search engine for the words "Wind Energy". Some specific websites of interest include:

- www.fplenergy.com
- www.windwatch.org
- www.stopillwind.org
- www.vestas.com
- www.appalachiantrail.org
- www.delcwind.org
- www.gardnermountain.org

While I am all for alternative energy sources, I am not in favor of destroying our natural views in this area with these things. I can not even imagine taking the drive out north of Muenster with these "MONSTERS" hovering overhead. I truly hope that this will cause enough "human energy" to be generated to cause enough meaningful conversations and questions to be asked to stop this "proposed" project if it is not already too late. I hope that you feel compelled to carry this article with you every where you go and discuss it with everyone you see.

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LIFESTYLE

Harold Nortmans celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Harold and LaVern Nortman celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a party hosted in their honor on Saturday, April 22 at Conrad Hall in Lindsay. Approximately 125 guests, including the couple's children, grandchildren, siblings, nieces and nephews, and close acquaintances were in attendance.

The couple's wedding was held April 12, 1956 at Saint Peter's Catholic Church in Lindsay. The late Gene Block of Lindsay served as best man, and the late Dorothy Nortman Hermes of Lindsay was maid of honor. Billy Bierschenk of Valley View served as groomsmen, and Virginia "Sweetie" Metzler Noggler of Lindsay was a bridesmaid. Serving as flower girls at the original wedding were Darlene Hess of Dallas and Elaine Fuhrmann Hacker of Myra, nieces of the bride.

Children and grandchildren of the couple include David and Barbara Nortman of Fort Worth, Michael and Brandi Nortman of Dallas, Jennifer Nortman and Stephen Nortman, both of College Station; Danny and Linda Nortman of Lindsay with Amy, Amber, and Katie; Deana and David Tharp of Lindsay with Jenna; and Debra and Donald Neu of Lindsay with Stephanie, Cammi, Courtney, and Ryan.

Anniversary guests enjoyed a buffet-style meal of roast beef, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, and salad, prepared by Joanie Wyrick of Myra. A

three-tiered anniversary cake prepared by Claudia Zimmerer of Lindsay was served for dessert. A champagne toast was offered in their honor by Danny Nortman.

Prior to gathering for the

reception, guests attended a special anniversary Mass at St. Peter's Church, which was concelebrated by Father Nicholas Fuhrmann of Subiaco, Arkansas (cousin of the bride), Father Robert Strittmatter of Fort Worth

(cousin of the groom), and Father Ron Scheible of Lindsay (pastor of St. Peter's).

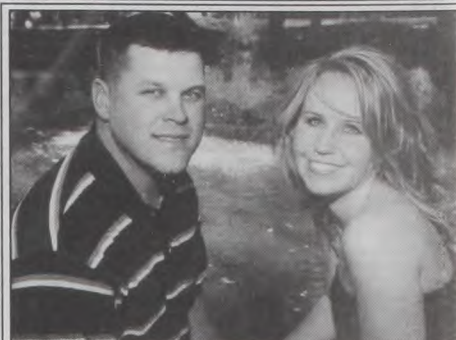
Grandsons Michael Nortman and Stephen Nortman served as ushers. Altar servers were granddaughters Cammi Neu, Amber Nortman, and Katie Nortman. Liturgical passages were read by David Nortman, and intercession prayers were read by Deana Tharp. The Offertory gifts were presented by Jennifer Nortman, Stephanie Neu, Amy Nortman, Courtney Neu, Jenna Tharp, and Ryan Neu, grandchildren of the couple. Eucharistic ministers were Danny Nortman, Linda Nortman, Debra Neu, and Michael Nortman. A piano prelude was performed by Amy Nortman. The parish's Saint Cecilia Choir performed musical selections during the holy Mass.

At the reception, guests enjoyed hearing the recitation of a family history, presented by Danny Nortman, David Nortman, and Debra Neu, along with a musical slideshow.

The couple has resided in Lindsay their entire married life, on farmland previously owned by Harold's parents. Harold is a retired machinist and LaVern is a retired homemaker. The couple still manages a farming and cattle operation at their homestead. Their parents are the late Walter and Ella Nortman and the late Henry S. and Katie Fuhrmann.



LaVern and Harold Nortman



Herbert Sicking of Muenster and JoAnn Sicking of Forestburg announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Jessamy J. Sicking of Forestburg to Brian A. Hermes of Lindsay. The future groom is the son of A.J. and Charlotte Hermes of Lindsay. The couple plans to be married on Saturday, June 24, 2006, in Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Muenster with Father John Ohner, O.S.A. officiating. Miss Sicking is a graduate of Sacred Heart High School and a 2005 graduate of the University of North Texas. She is an elementary teacher at Hawk Elementary School in the Denton ISD. Mr. Hermes is a graduate of Lindsay High School and attended Midwestern State University. He is employed with Key Energy. After their marriage, they plan to reside in Lindsay.

NEW ARRIVALS

Hacker

Mike and Michelle Hacker of Gainesville joyfully announce the adoption of a son, Alexander John Hacker, on March 15, 2006. Alexander was born in Kudymkar, Komi-Permyatski, Russia on May 9, 2003. His grandparents are Maurus and Lynn Hacker of Myra, and Jim and Judy Luster of Gainesville. Great-grandparents are Diamond and Evelyn Fuhrmann of Lindsay, Ray and Wauwema West of Gainesville, Alton and Nelda Luster of Era, and Dorothy Plumlee of Gainesville.

Herr

Doug and Melanie Herr of Gainesville proudly announce the birth of their daughter Addison Riley Herr Addison was born Saturday, April 22, 2006 at North Texas Medical Center at 6:29 a.m. weighing 7 lb. 10 oz. and measuring 20 1/4 inches in length. She joins siblings Chandler, Nicole, age 10, and Landrie Lane, age 2 1/2. Grandparents are Ronnie and Alma Herr of Gainesville, Janice Bayer of Muenster, and David Bayer of Muenster. Great grandmother is Louise Bayer of Muenster.

AREA EVENTS

Ranch Rodeo in Saint Jo

The Saint Jo Riding Club is sponsoring a Ranch Rodeo to benefit the Montague Child Welfare Board at the Saint Jo Riding Club Arena on Saturday, May 20 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

Businesses or individuals interested in sponsoring events or placing an ad in the Rodeo program can contact either the Riding Club or the Child Welfare Board at 940-

894-3999 or P.O. Box 343, Montague, TX 76251.

Cruise Nights in Decatur

Cruise Nights on the Courthouse Square in Decatur will be held every first Saturday May through October (excluding July). The first show of the year is Saturday, May 6, with registration beginning at 4 p.m., judging at 7 p.m., and awards at 8 p.m. For more information call 940-627-2741.

Emma turns two!

Emma Rae Bayer, daughter of Craig and Rita Bayer, turned two years old on April 24. She celebrated on Sunday, April 23 with a party at her home. The theme of the party was Winnie the Pooh. A Winnie the Pooh cake and matching cupcake tree was made by Emma's mother. The party was held in the backyard, which was decorated as the Hundred Acre Woods. A picnic style lunch was served to go along with the theme.

Those helping Emma celebrate were her parents; brothers Jake and Andy; grandparents Charles and

Carolyn Bayer and Regina Pels; Godmother Debra and Jason Sicking; Godfather Adam Taylor; uncles, aunts and cousins Doreen, Steve, Nick, and Laura Taylor, Janet and Danny Voth, Cheryllyn and Kalyssa Pollard, and Will Taylor.

NEW ARRIVAL

Voth

Darren Voth and Brandi Graves of Gainesville announce the birth of their son Dawson Brice Voth on Tuesday, April 25, 2006. He was born at 4:43 p.m. at North Texas Medical Center weighing 7 lb. 3 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Dawson joins sibling Blake Voth, age 11. Grandparents are Robby and René Graves and James and Frances Voth. Great-grandparents are Eunice Graves and the late Robert Louis Graves, Ronny and Margaret Warren, Augusta Walterscheid and the late Alphonse Walterscheid, and Joe Voth and the late Alvina Voth.

Rosston Cemetery Association

The annual memorial and business meeting of the Rosston Cemetery Association will be held Saturday, May 13 at 10:30 a.m. at the Rosston United Methodist Church. There will be congregational and special singing followed by a memorial message by

Rev. David Dunson. After a short business meeting, lunch will be served at the Community Building at noon. For more information call Mary at 940-768-2282 or Mark 940-466-9477.



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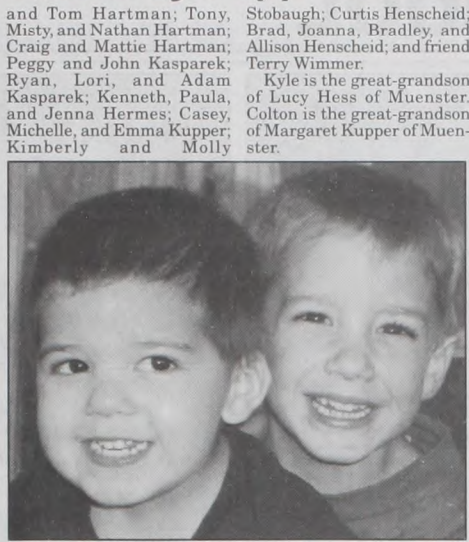
Celebration shared by Popp cousins

Cousins Kyle Popp and Colton Popp shared a birthday party on Sunday, March 12 in Kyle's home. Kyle, son of Frank and Amy Popp of Lindsay, turned five on March 8. Colton, son of Andy and Jennifer Popp of Lindsay, turned two on March 9.

On their birthdays, they shared goody bags and treats with their friends at Donna Reed's Daycare.

The theme of the birthday party on the 12th was dinosaurs. The children enjoyed playing outside, opening presents, and hitting a dinosaur piñata. Guests were treated to homemade birthday cake and ice cream.

Those attending were their parents; Kyle's sister Nicole and brother Jack, and Colton's sister Kaitlyn; grandparents Henry and Jeanette Popp, Billy and Lisa Kupper, and Carol Henscheid; great-grandmother Anna Borysowicz; aunts, uncles and cousins Debbie



Colton Popp and Kyle Popp



Parade of Gardens

The Cooke County Master Gardener Association will be hosting their annual Parade of Gardens this Sunday, May 7. Gardens featured are in and around Muenster, including Carl and MaryLee Alford's garden.

Janie Hartman photos

BAPTISMS

Swirczynski Walterscheid

Ryan Anthony Swirczynski, born Dec. 19, 2005 to Amy and Glen Swirczynski, and Isabella Marie Walterscheid, born Jan. 9, 2006 to Danny and Nannette Walterscheid, were baptized on Sunday March 19, 2006 in Sacred Heart Church by cousin Rev. Kyle Walterscheid.

Ryan and Isabella both wore the baptismal dress made by their great-grandmother, Theresia Felderhoff, which was worn by Ryan's mother Amy, and Isabella's dad Danny, and brothers, uncles, aunts, and cousins. Each wore a slip made by grandmother Theresa Mae Walterscheid.

Godparents for Ryan are uncle and aunt Greg and Julie Walterscheid. Godparents for Isabella are aunt Laurie Walterscheid and cousin Eric Walterscheid.

After baptism, everyone went to grandparents Sylvan and Theresa Mae Walterscheid's for a steak dinner.

Attending were Rev. Kyle Walterscheid, parents Danny and Nannette and brother Isac Walterscheid, and Amy and Glen and brother Seth Swirczynski. Also Greg, Julie, Eric, Alexandra, and Hilary Walterscheid of Highland Village, Laurie Walterscheid, Ryan's grandmother Paulette Swirczynski and uncle Paul Swirczynski, great-grandmother Clara Endres, and Isabella's grandparents Roger and Nancy Henley.

Fisher

The sacrament of Baptism was received by Joseph Paul Fisher on Sunday, April 2, 2006 at St. Peter's Church in Lindsay with Rev. Ron Scheible officiating.

Joseph is the infant son of Jimmy Don and Laura Lutkenhaus Fisher. He was born on Feb. 8, 2006, joining his brother Nicholas and sister Samantha Fisher.

Parents and Godparents aunt Donna Neu and uncle Michael Lutkenhaus presented Joseph Paul for his Baptism. He wore the cotton eyelet baptismal gown worn

by four generations of the Lutkenhaus family. The gown was made for Joseph's great-grandfather the late August J. Lutkenhaus in 1920 by his great-grandmother Luttmir. It was embellished with a First Communion cross belonging to Joseph's father, from his maternal grandparents Walter and Kathleen Lutkenhaus, and a silver baby ring from his paternal grandmother Nancy Price. Baby Joseph was wrapped in a white fringed blanket from his Godmother Donna Neu.

Joseph was baptized at the font in front of St. Joseph's altar. He shared his baptismal day with infants Emily Metzler and Thomas Fuhrmann, as they also received the sacrament of Baptism.

Attending the Baptism in church with Joseph and his family were great-grandparents Dorothy Fisher and Armella Lutkenhaus, grandparents Donny and Ina Fisher, Nancy Price and Tex Pagel, and Walter and

Kathleen Lutkenhaus. Other guests included Kaylee Price and Dave with Damian Yosten, George and Tricia Lutkenhaus with George Jr. and Andrew, Benny Reimer, Sheila Smith, and Rick and Kathy Arend.

After the baptismal ceremony, family and friends joined Joseph for lunch at the Fisher home west of Lindsay. The table was decorated with fresh flowers, candles, and a cross shaped baptismal cake decorated by Roger Dieter and Donna Neu.



Joseph Fisher

Letter to the Editor, Muenster Enterprise

May 1, 2006

I think you people over in the western part of the county were among the first to realize a few years back that things were not right at NCTC, such as the costly construction projects, the rising debt, the increase in taxes and the general unease of the faculty and staff. You recognized, and you went into action to correct the situation. It hasn't been smooth sailing at the Board level these past two years, but there has been a lot accomplished. When the county voters got behind the movement and replaced three out of seven College Regents the corrections started taking place. Together we've stopped decline of the vo-tech sector, and started rebuilding, held the line on taxes, stopped the steep increase in tuition for our students, and for the first time questioned the favorable financial treatment of out-of-district students.

I do not want to see that momentum die, because we are not finished yet. There are concerns that have not yet been addressed. The expenditures on lawyers and their lawsuits needs to be brought to a swift conclusion. The funds wasted there are needed in repairing infrastructure at our home campus in Gainesville. There are a lot of good things about to happen there and we have to have the infrastructure to support it. Expansion is another matter. Any expansion must be self-sustaining from now on. No more increasing debt and taxes, it is time to concentrate on reducing debt.

I ask that you support me in this election for position of College Regent. I have the time and desire to work for the benefit of the college, students, and taxpayers. To do the job right requires a lot more time and effort than an occasional meeting of the Board. I pledge to continue the work you started two years ago. Let me help finish what you started.

Ken Coolen,
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Vote May 13, 2006

ELECT

Ken Coolen

Position #2

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WEEK OF MAY 8-12

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 Wed. - Turkey, potatoes, gravy, green peas, peaches, bread.
 Thurs. - Barbecue sandwich, potato wedges, celery sticks, pudding cups, apples.
 Fri. - Field Day - Lunchroom Closed.

MUENSTER ISD
 Mon. - Hot dogs w/cheese, oven baked French fries, pinto beans, peaches, blueberry muffins.
 Tues. - Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes w/gravy, black-eyed peas, pears, hot rolls.
 Wed. - Ham and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, chips and salsa, carrot sticks, apples, cookies.
 Thurs. - Pizza pockets, lettuce salad w/dressing, carrot sticks, applesauce.
 Fri. - No School.

LINDSAY ISD
 Mon. - Cheese enchiladas w/chili, pinto beans, Spanish rice, applesauce, bread.
 Tues. - Grilled chicken melt w/mozzarella, baked beans, pineapple, banana pudding.
 Wed. - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, peaches, bread.
 Thurs. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, mixed fruit, garlic bread.
 Fri. - Hamburger w/trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

ERA ISD
 Mon. - Nachos w/ground beef, pinto beans, tossed salad, pear half, wacky cake.
 Tues. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce or chicken nuggets, green beans, sliced peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.
 Wed. - Salisbury steak or fish sticks, mashed potatoes, brown gravy, tossed salad, fruit mix, hot roll.
 Thurs. - Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, orange half, pickle spears, peanut butter cookie.
 Fri. - Hamburger, sliced cheese, potato wedges, trimmings, ice cream.

Tickets available for May 17 SHHS Awards Banquet

Sacred Heart High School's All Awards Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. in the Community Center. It is sponsored by Sacred Heart Alumni and Supporters for the purpose of bestowing academic and athletic awards for achievement

of students during the past school year. The awards ceremony will follow a meal. Tickets are \$7 each and are available at the school office through Monday, May 15.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Editor,
 We are only a little over a week away from making a major decision regarding the future of our local community college, NCTC. The May 13th, Saturday, election for two Regents will decide whether we continue seeing our tax money poured down a rat hole, paying Dallas lawyers for litigation, or settle at minimum cost to the college and taxpayers. The two Regents to be elected will have the deciding vote on the Board.

There are two places for candidates on the ballot - Position #1 and Position #2. All three candidates for Position #1 are in favor of firing the lawyers and settling the litigation against the former professor. So it is the election for Position #2 that will really decide the litigation issue and determine whether NCTC starts spending on the second million dollars of lawyers' fees. There is a clear line of distinction between the two candidates: One has stated, until a few days ago, that he is in favor of "hiring the best lawyers, and following their advise" - that is exactly what wasted the first \$1-million spent on lawyers. On the other hand the opposing candidate remains constant - he will vote to settle, and stop wasting our tax money on lawyers.

Most of us believe it is time to fire the Dallas lawyers so that there will be funds available for the repairs needed at the Gainesville Campus. But it will not happen unless you remember to vote.

John G. Aytes
 Muenster



Cooke County Republican Women, represented by Sharon McCormack, vice-president, programs (left), presented a cash donation to Derrell Comer (right), president Board of Directors Cooke County Family Crisis Center. The Republican Women have an ongoing fund raising effort to benefit the Crisis Center. It is part of a "Caring For American" project encouraged by the National and State Federation of Republican Women.

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The Muenster Elementary Music Department presented *The Music Man Jr.* in the Muenster ISD Auditorium. Performances were Tuesday, Thursday, May 4, and Friday, May 5, at 7 p.m.



Spring concert to be presented by Sacred Heart School Choirs

Sacred Heart School is proud to announce the date for the Spring Concert presented by the Junior High and High School Choirs. The concert will be on Sunday, May 14 at 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church. Both choirs have matured remarkably according to Mrs. Fran Schully, and she is very proud to present them with their yearlong accomplishments.

The High School Choir will perform their selections from TAPPS competition. They include a medley from "Les Miserables", "All Things Bright and Beautiful", and "Greensleeves". Brittany White and Joelle Fuhrmann will perform their solos that took them to State competition recently at Mary Hardin Baylor University in Belton.

One of the most challenging pieces is a medley of "Christ Has Triumphed, Alleluia and Worthy is the Lamb". The choir will also do various pieces from earlier concerts. Several other students are presenting solos and small ensemble selections. The community is invited to come and enjoy some beautiful music.

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NCTC and local businesses offer job training program to graduating seniors

A preparatory program for students interested in a career in the machining industry is now being offered as a summer program to seniors from both local schools. Grant money will fund a portion of the cost.

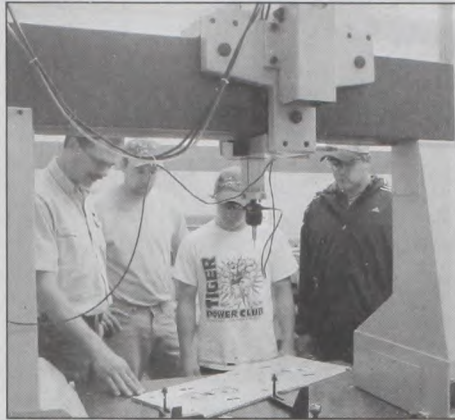
NCTC designed a 10 week summer technology academy for graduating seniors that will provide students from Muenster ISD and Sacred Heart High with a Precision Machining Certificate upon completion of the program. Muenster ISD took the senior students interested in the program on a tour of Universal Machining owned by Steve Trubenbach and Superior Machining owned by Giles Walterscheid. "We have facilitated a presentation on the MISD campus with NCTC to explain the program to our students," remarked Muenster ISD Principal Curtis Eldridge. "Mr. Trubenbach was present to answer questions and provide technical information to our students."

Interested students from Sacred Heart also took a tour recently to see what was offered.

Trubenbach agreed to provide funds for textbooks needed for the summer program and to hire graduating students in the fall of 2006 when they complete the summer academy and enter the internship requirements of the program. The local business that hires a participating student will reimburse that student when they are hired for any textbook and tuition expenses that were not paid by the grant fund.

Eldridge explained, "Our plans began with a brainstorming meeting on Feb. 16 with the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce, local school administrators, and area plant managers. The plant managers discussed the skills they need for their employees. The college and school districts discussed what they could offer in the required skill areas. We provided ideas and curriculum initiatives that would help both the high school and the local college."

"A tremendous amount of time and effort has gone into the development of this program. This is an excellent opportunity for our students graduating this year."



Steve Trubenbach and David Fleitman, from left, give tour of Universal Machining to Sacred Heart students Neil Bayer and Arlie Bayer. Deborah Wood photo

Area Event

Scrapbook convention
The 10th Annual Great American Scrapbook Convention will be held June 8-10 at Arlington Convention Center. Hours for Thursday and Friday are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$10 at the door or online. For more information, call 801-627-3700.

MISD April Students/Teachers of the Month



Students and teachers for the month of April were announced at Muenster ISD. Teachers of the month were high school science teacher, Nancy Perryman and Pre-K teacher Jill Reiter. Students of the month were junior Amber Fuhrmann, 6th grader Rishi Patel, and 1st grader Logan Wann. Pictured are, from left, front - Logan Wann and Rishi Patel; back - Jill Reiter, Lou Heers, Elementary principal, Nancy Perryman, Amber Fuhrmann, and Curtis Eldridge, JH/HS principal. MISD photo



Sacred Heart Catholic School 2nd grade visited the Fort Worth Zoo on April 25 as part of their studies of life in different regions of the world. Their favorite animals were the big cats and the colorful rainforest birds. Students pictured are, from left, front, Hope English, Catherine Fleitman, Alana Endres, Mahayla Bohl, Katie Luttmir, Kyle Grewing, Ethan Henry, and Daniel Hesse. Back row - Garrett Trubenbach, Jacob Neusch, Zachary Flusche, Jared Dangelmayr, Grant Springer, Michael Fleitman, Will Green, Kason Reeves, and Ramsey Hernandez. Courtesy photo



On April 8, a handful of 7th and 8th grade Sacred Heart Youth (SHY) junior members donated their time to do service work at the Muenster Public Library. At left, Leah Hess and Victoria Endres help sort children's books; above, Leaha Smith and Ginger Bartush straighten the books on the shelf; below, Amanda Dangelmayr, Sydney Hoedebeck, and Kristin LeBrasseur, seated, along with Garrett Walterscheid and Toby Dyess also put in volunteer time at the library. SHY photos



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Planting perennials, shrubs, and trees, especially native species, makes your land more ecologically stable as well as beautiful. By choosing hardy, low-maintenance species, you can conserve water, save energy, and promote healthy soil. You will do less mowing, less watering, and need less fertilizer.

Perennials create spectacular garden displays full of flowers and fragrance - sustainable beauty that returns every year! Planting a variety of flowers helps maintain the health and diets of songbirds and butterflies.

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Suggestions to make your property more eco-friendly:

1. Leave grass clippings on the lawn. They will release nutrients back into the lawn and reduce your fertilizer needs by up to 50%.
2. Use compost. Compost improves soil quality, supports beneficial microbes and allows for better water retention.
3. Use an organic slow-release fertilizer once a year. Do a soil test to determine what nutrition your soil needs.
4. Water your lawn and garden during the coolest part of the day - usually the early morning.
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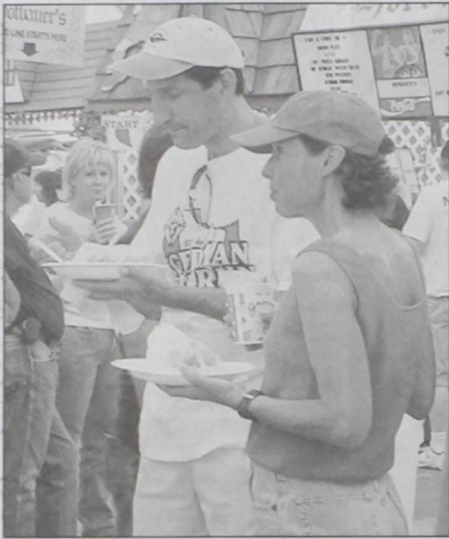
Jason Boland and the Stagglers



Don, Jack and ??? perform during a band break.



Preparing food.



In the food tent there's plenty to eat.



A crafter selling his talents

2006 Muenster Germanfest

photos by Janie Hartman and Scott Wood



Above, at the dunking booth; at right, a rock climber



Face painting, one of many activities for the younger generation at the Fest.



A race down the big slide.



Entertainment of all kind at the Fest



A favorite every year in the Tanze Halle - Alpenfest.



Some choose not to ride in the Bicycle Rally, but take cover in town as morning showers dampen the race.



Cooling off after the run.



Wearing their German heritage.



Swinging to the German music of Alpenfest.



Side Street Circus entertains.

SPORTS

Tigerettes win Regional meet

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes won the first TAPPS 2A Northern Regional Track and Field Meet held last week at All Saints High School in Fort Worth. The Tigerettes settled for 7th place. Nine girls and five boys have advanced to the State finals to be held May 5-6 in Waco. The top four Regional finishers get one more week of track.

The Tigerettes earned two gold, six silver, and eight bronze medals at Regional, while the Tigers brought home a silver and three bronze. Gold medals went to Samantha Wimmer in the 800m run and Sarah Whitecotton for her discus throw. Brittany White got two silver medals for the hurdle events, setting a new school record in the 300m hurdles, beating Andrea Bauer's old record. Also winning silver was the 800m relay team of Kara Felderhoff, Lisa Miller, Sam Wimmer, and Lauren Krahl.

Bronze medals went to Paige White in two events, Krahl in two events, Miller, Wimmer, and B. White.

Adam Dangelmayr got the lone silver medal for the Tigers in the discus. Earning the bronze were Colby Richey, Mark Fleitman, and Josh Yosten.

Team totals gave the Tigerettes and Colleyville Covenant Co-Championship, both with 101 points. After the flip of a coin, Sacred Heart took the championship trophy home. Bethesda followed in 3rd place with 76.

In the boys division, Colleyville Covenant won with 135 points. The Tigers scored a total of 38 for 7th place.

The first place times and distances from Regional and the Sacred Heart finishers were as follows:

GIRLS DIVISION
300m Hurdles: 1. 48.13; 2. Brittany White, 49.08.
3200m Run: 1. 11:47.61; 3. Paige White, 12:49.06; 6. Sunni Bayer, 13:57.08.
400m Relay: 1. 51.46; 6. Kara Felderhoff, Lisa Miller, Sarah Whitecotton, Kalyssa

Pollard, 54.76.
800m: 1. Samantha Wimmer, 2:27.9; 3. Lauren Krahl, 2:30.60.
100m Hurdles: 1.16; 2. Brittany White, 16.08.
800m Relay: 1. 1:51.96; 2. Felderhoff, Miller, S. Wimmer, Krahl, 1:55.62.
Discus: 1. Sarah Whitecotton, 111' 9".
Triple Jump: 1. 36' 4.25"; 7. Whitecotton, 30' 9.5".
Pole Vault: 1. 11' 0"; 3. Taylor Torcellini, 7' 0"; 4. Lauren Krahl, 6' 0"; 5. Joelle Fuhrmann, 5' 6".
1600m: 1. 5:36.89; 3. Paige White, 5:55.96; 4. Charlotte Bartush, 6:02.28.
1600m Relay: 1. 4:10.03; 3. Krahl, Miller, Wimmer, B. White, 4:25.80.

BOYS DIVISION
800m: 1. 2:06.91; 5. Theo Otto, 2:09.71.
110m Hurdles: 1. 15.64; 5. Colby Richey, 16.13.
800m Relay: 1. 1:31.45; 6. Sacred Heart, 1:42.02.
300m Hurdles: 1. 41.54; 3. Colby Richey, 42.4.
1600m: 1. 4:47.64; 3. Mark Fleitman, 5:02.39; 5. Tim Otto, 5:21.88.
Discus: 1. 141' 6"; 2. Adam Dangelmayr, 118' 7"; 4. Nolan Hartman, 116' 2".
Triple Jump: 1. 42' 3"; 3. Josh Yosten, 39' 6.5".
Directions to the State Track finals are in Waco. Take I-35 South to Valley Mills. Take a right on Valley Mills to Clay. Go right on Clay.



State bound! Seven Muenster High School students will be competing at the UIL State Track Meet in Austin. They are, from left, front - Jace Koesler, Justin Ferguson; back - Michael Faries, Jordan Walterscheid, Coach Randy Zamzow, Dustin Wimmer, and Derek Endres. Janie Hartman photo



Competing at the TAPPS State Golf Tournament from Sacred Heart Catholic High School were, from left, front - Joelle Fuhrmann, Shannon Hartman, Diana Knabe, Mitch Sellers, Hannah Hess, and Charlotte Bartush. Back - Coach Jeff Lawson, Tyler Rohmer, David Walterscheid, Nolan Hartman, and Colby Richey.

Sellers gets the gold!

The TAPPS State Championship Golf Tournament was held last week at the Walden Golf Course in Houston. Sa-

cred Heart Tiger Mitch Sellers was the boys individual champion, winning by two shots with a score of 153. The Tiger team finished 3rd with a team score of 738.

Nolan Hartman scored a 182 for 7th place, Colby Richey 191, Tyler Rohmer 229, and David Walterscheid 214.

Midland Classical took the championship scoring 704, followed by Temple Holy Trinity 727, Sacred Heart, Amarillo San Jacinto 775, Hallettsville Sacred Heart 799, and Fort Worth Hill 800.

On the girls side, Diana Knabe finished individually in 8th place, scoring 231. The Tigerette team came in 5th place with 975 strokes.

Shannon Hartman scored 237, Joelle Fuhrmann 251, Hannah Hess 256, and Charlotte Bartush 277.

McKinney Christian and Midland Classical tied for 1st place with a score of 928. McKinney won the playoff for the championship. Abilene Christian was 3rd scoring 953, followed by Hallettsville Sacred Heart 956, and Muenster Sacred Heart.

Muenster runners, hurdler State-bound

Six gold and four silver medals were awarded to Muenster athletes at the 1A Region 3 Track and Field Meet in Abilene.

Senior Lady Hornet Jacé Koelzer won the Regional 100m hurdle and 300m hurdle races with championship times of 15.08 and 46.45.

Also winning gold and setting a new Regional record was the Hornet 800m relay team. Michael Faries, Jordan Walterscheid, Derek Endres, and Justin Ferguson ran a 1:30.80 race for the Championship and new record time.

The 400m relay team of Walterscheid, Ferguson, Dustin Wimmer, and Endres settled for 2nd place, clocking in at 44.04. All of the above

advance to the State meet in Austin.

Also participating at Regional was Dustin Wimmer in the 200m race, finishing 6th with a time of 23.39. Chris Steelman's time of 2:10.87 in the 800m was good enough for an 8th place. Distance runner Johnny Green finished the 3200m run at 11:01.95 for 11th place and the 1600m at 5:08.95 for 14th. Jenna Felderhoff competed in the pole vault, tying for 9th place at 8 feet.

The Hornets finished in 5th place as a team at Regional with 37 points. Roscoe won the meet with 68. The Lady Hornet team finished 9th with 20 points. Lindsay won Regional with 87.

Tigerettes win Bi-District

The Sacred Heart Tigerettes won the TAPPS bi-district softball match against the McKinney Christian Lady Mustangs last Thursday. The District 3rd place Tigerettes took a 7-4 win from the District 2 champions.

In the 1st inning, Sacred Heart scored five runs on three hits, with McKinney committing three errors. "That 1st inning and Debra's (Yosten) pitching gave us the game," noted Coach Beth Bartush. The inning started with Nicole Bayer hitting a single, followed by a double by Christina Koesler and a single by Diana Knabe.

It was then three up, three down for a 5-0 first inning score. After a scoreless 2nd inning, the Lady Mustangs got three runs on one hit, with the Tigerettes committing two errors for a 5-3 score going into the 4th.

Yosten and Bayer got single hits in a scoreless 4th. A Koesler hit scored two runs in the fifth inning. With two outs, two strikes, and two on base, Taylor Torcellini bunted the ball down the first base line to fill the bases. A Yosten hit caused an error before the third out. McKinney scored a run on a hit for a 7-4 score.

The 6th and 7th innings were scoreless.

"Debra (Yosten) played her best game all season," commented Coach Bartush. She

had seven strikeouts and two walks.

The Tigerettes had seven runs, seven hits, two base on balls, six strikeouts, and four errors. The Lady Mustangs got four runs, seven strikeouts, and two walks.

Sacred Heart played their next round on Tuesday at Waco against a district runner-up, Shiner Saint Paul falling 8-4. See next weeks paper for game story.

GAME WARDEN REPORTS

Theoretically, that was a bad idea ... On March 6, two Van Zandt county game wardens wrapped-up an illegal alligator case almost two years in the making. The original tip came from a beautician at a nail salon who informed the fiancée of one of the wardens of a subject killing a five-foot alligator from a county road 21 months prior. After some extensive backtracking, wardens located the shooter, who immediately confessed to the crime. The shooter said he had shot the alligator, and then much to his dismay ran into a game warden the very next day. The shooter asked the warden about theoretically hunting alligators and was informed it was highly illegal to kill them. The shooter returned home and buried the alligator in a very deep grave with the bucket of a tractor. The case ended with the shooter and accompanying wardens digging up the alligator in a remote cove pasture with the same tractor.

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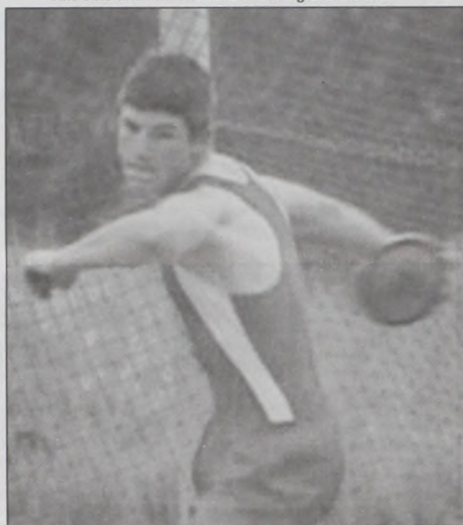
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MHS Hornet golfers compete at Regional

The Lady Hornet golf team traveled to Abilene on April 24-25 to compete in the Regional IA golf tournament. The Lady Hornets finished 2nd at District and were awarded the honor of going to Regional. The team finished with a two-day total of 907. The girls carded a team 460 on Monday. They followed up with a 447 on Tuesday.

Scoring was as follows: Mara Erickson, 99 and 106 for 205; Megan Dangelmayr, 109 and 113 for 222; Brandy Dangelmayr, 123 and 112 for 235; Jenni Luke, 129 and 116 for 245; and Noel Barnhill, 133 and 129 for 265. The

team has garnered some invaluable Regional experience and good things are to be expected of them in the future, according to Coach Eddie Green.

Senior Jordan Walterscheid also qualified for Regional with a 2nd best medal score at District. Jordan was very consistent with a pair of 85s for the two days and posted a total of 170. "Jordan has been on the golf team for four years and will be greatly missed, along with seniors Derek Endres and Noah Barnhill," concluded Coach Green.

Muenster Jaycees continue improvements at Jaycee ball park



The Muenster Jaycees had a work party at the Jaycee ball complex last week to put down grass, the newest improvement to the facility. The new grass covered the area around the new sidewalk and handicap parking area.

Janie Hartman photos

Lindsay golfers compete at Regional Golf Tournament

The Lindsay Regional golf qualifiers made a good showing in Abilene April 24 and 25. The boys team finished 6th out of a field of 16 teams. Chris Dieter led the team with solid rounds of 79 and 78. He finished in 7th place overall in a field of 92 boys, and just missed qualifying for the State Tournament by two shots.

"The 2006 season, I'm sure, was the best ever for the Lindsay boys team. We played in eight tournaments and placed in the top three in six, winning the Sanger Invitational in March," the coach concluded.

Krystal Arend, who qualified as an individual by winning the District meet earlier in the month, shot 93 and 99 to finish at 11th place in a field of 92 girls. "Chris and Krystal were both right in the hunt to qualify to State until the final group of golfers came in," noted Coach Dan Hamric.

Other scores for Lindsay were seniors Brad Arend at 87-82 and Derick Murray with 86-87. Sophomore Keith Hermes, 92-90, had an errant driver that kept him from going low in each round.

Lauren Creed, who also qualified individually, shot a 109-105. "Lauren, who qualified both as a freshman and a sophomore, gained a lot of experience and should have a real crack at Austin next year," added Hamric.

Hamric noted that the 2007 season looks very promising for Lindsay, as the entire girls team will be returning, and the boys will only lose Arend and Murray.

Lady Knights win Regional

The Lindsay Lady Knights earned 87 points at the Regional Track Meet in Abilene April 28 - 29 to take the Region 3 Championship. Knox City and Alvord followed with 58 and 46 points.

Chelsea Hermes earned four gold medals and a silver to lead the Lady Knights. Hermes clocked in at 2:21.89 in the 800m run and 5:24.76 in the 1600m for 1st places. She also cleared 5' 4" in the high jump and leaped 35' 7.25" in the triple jump.

The 1600m relay team of Hermes, Karissa Reiter, Rose Hermes, and Stephanie Neu finished in 2nd place at 4:06.77.

Bringing home 3rd place medals was the 800m relay team of Autumn Murrill, Reiter, Brittany Anderle, and Neu with a time of 1:50.34. Alvord nudged out Lindsay in the 400m relay, giving the Lady Knights a 4th place finish.

The relay, run by Murrill, Reiter, Amber Nortman, and Anderle clocked in at 51.55.

Elizabeth Neu also settled for a 4th place after throwing the shot 34' 5". Christina Eckart's 105' 8" discus throw was good enough for 5th, as was Stephanie Neu's 26.78 200m dash.

Competing in the triple jump were Lady Knights Brittany Anderle and Autumn Murrill. Anderle finished 6th with a jump of 33' 7.25" and Murrill 13th at 31' 2.75".

The Knights were also represented at the Regional meet. In the field events, Adam Kasparek threw the discus 132' 6" for a 7th place. Gary Anderle also finished in 7th in the shot with a toss of 46' 6". Joey Block tied for 10th place in the high jump, clearing 5' 6". and Alan Trammell's long jump of 19' 2.25" put him in 13th place.

On the track, the Knights 800m relay team of Keith Hermes, Travis Endres, Josh Jones, and Trammell finished in 7th place, clocking in at 1:34.64. Jason Metzler settled for 12th in the 800m run with a finish of 2:15.43.



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2006 Home Hospice Golf Tournament winners announced

Home Hospice held its 5th annual golf tournament on Sunday, April 2, at Turtle Hill Golf Course in Muenster.

This year's tournament was a memorial to Phil Slater, who was a wonderful friend and a dedicated volunteer of Home Hospice.

Golf tournament co-chairs were Jane Dudley and Dan Hamric.

Fifty-three teams participated in this two person scramble

The tournament raised \$9,100 for Home Hospice. The money is used for the benefit of patients and families at a time that the need is greater than ever; and many of the families are financially devastated by the high cost of the illness.

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The day-long conference, billed as the largest and most comprehensive such program ever to focus on the meat goat industry for this region, is open to all breeders, potential breeders, and all other persons interested in learning more from some of the top authorities in the field.

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Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) project inspector on the Muenster Lake construction, Raymond Lee (at left) accepts a certificate of merit from Dr. Larry Butler of the State NRCS office. The award goes to employees who have exceeded the standard performance criteria in their job. Lee's suggestion to raise the upstream berm by five feet using on-site excavated rock from the auxiliary spillway saved the NRCS and the Muenster Water District in excess of \$100,000.00. This allowed that money to be used for other option items and construction cost. Lee received the award at the Muenster Lake site. NRCS photo

The USDA reported a 54% reduction in the rate of E. coli 0157:H7 positives for raw ground beef samples from fiscal year 2003 to 2005.

Feeding 3 to 3.5 pounds of whole soybeans per cow per day is safe. The cost ranges from 25-29¢ per cow per day or 9¢ a pound.

Don't feed soybeans in

Farm pond management is topic of upcoming workshop

The Noble Foundation is co-hosting a free pond management workshop at Lake Fannin (north of Bonham) on Tuesday, May 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. This workshop is co-hosted by the Fannin County Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Fannin County Soil and Water Conservation District.

The workshop will include an electrofishing survey demonstration; fish measuring and releasing; fish identification; seine survey and aquatic animal identification; sport fish pond management; and a question and answer session. A fried catfish lunch will be provided.

To register, contact the Fannin County Soil and Water Conservation District at (903) 583-9513 ext. 3.

troughs, but pour or scatter them on the ground.

Meat from pasture-finished beef cattle has a higher conjugated linoleic acid (CLA) content, which is linked to prevention of heart disease, cancer, obesity, and diabetes.

Brazil is expected to log a record 2.35 million metric tons of beef and beef products worth \$3.1 billion in 2005.

The IRS ruled that allowing family members to live rent-free on rental property is not tax deductible as a loss in rent.

Cocklebur is easily controlled with 2, 4-D amine at a broadcast rate of one pound active ingredient per acre. Also a 1% concentration of 2, 4-D mixed with water can be sprayed on the young plants.

Cocklebur can be toxic to livestock. The seedlings hold a toxic agent through the cotyledon stage.

In January, beef-cow numbers were up 1% from last year at 33.3 million head, and beef replacement heifers were up 4% to 5.96 million.

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Feeder Steers (per lb.)	Stocker Cows (per head)	Ewes (per lb.)
200-300 lbs. No 1, 45-162; Nos 2 & 3, 115-145; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 122-145; Nos 2 & 3, 100-122; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 115-130; Nos 2 & 3, 100-115; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 109-121; Nos 2 & 3, 85-109; 600-700 lbs. No 1, 100-115; Nos 2 & 3, 70-100; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 90-95; Nos 2 & 3, 70-90.	Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9 year-olds, Large Frame: \$800-\$925; Medium Frame: \$600-\$800. Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$1000 to \$1150; Medium Frame: \$700-\$1000. Baby Calves: Holstein: \$75-\$110; Cross: Breeds: \$180-\$345. Barrows & Gilts (per lb.) \$2.41; 200-270: 58-67; \$2.20-280: 50-58.	Stocker: 50-65; Thin: 25-40; Fat: 45-55. Bucks (per lb.) Thin: 45-50; Fat: 45-50. Barbados (per head) Lambs: \$750-\$845; Ewes: \$30-\$50; Bucks: \$65-\$100. Goats (per head) Kids: 20-35; \$22-\$50; 35-55 lbs. \$30-\$75; 55-75 lbs. \$50-\$80. Yearlings (per head) 75-120 lbs. \$80-\$110. Nannies (per head) Stocker: \$50-\$95; Milk Type: \$45-\$70; Slaughter: \$60-\$90; Thin: \$35-\$55; Fat: \$60-\$90. Bills (per head) 120 lbs up Breeders: \$110-\$145; Slaughter: \$75-\$110. Burr Goats (per head) 1/2 Nanny: 75-110; 3/4 Nanny: 75-100; Full Nanny: \$85-\$145. 12 Billy: NT; 34 Billy: NT; Full Billy: \$75-\$200.
Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs. No 1, 125-138; Nos 2 & 3, 120-125; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 120-137; Nos 2 & 3, 110-120; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 112-120; Nos 2 & 3, 100-112; 500-600 lbs. No 1, 105-115; Nos 2 & 3, 90-101; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 95-101; Nos 2 & 3, 80-95; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 82-93; Nos 2 & 3, 80-82.	Feeders (per head): 100-175 lbs. \$45-\$90; 25-90 lbs. \$25-\$50. Sows (per lb.) Light wt. 400-500: 25-33; Med. wt. 500-600: 28-32; Heavy wt. 600+: 28-32. Bovars (per lb.) 300 lb up 05-10; 200-300 lbs. 20-25; Light wt. 30-3750.	Sheep (per lb.) Feeder lambs: 40-60 lbs. 110-137; Light lambs: 60-90 lbs. 100-110; Fat lambs: 90-120 lbs. 75-95.

COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

Activity of pecan nut casebearer appears earlier this year

Unseasonably warm weather earlier this spring appears to be a likely explanation as to why pecan nut casebearer moth activity is early this spring. Captures of moths in pheromone traps are 1-2 weeks earlier than usual in many areas of the state. For this reason, growers should begin monitoring their orchards for casebearer eggs 2 weeks earlier than usual and be prepared to control this pest if infestations warrant.

The pecan nut casebearer is the most common and damaging insect pest of the pecan. The small, dark-colored caterpillar tunnels into the pecan fruit just after pollination in the spring, destroying the nutlet and others in the cluster. Larvae leave a mass of black waste webbed together on the small nut. Tunnels nuts shrivel and fall from the tree. Because casebearer larvae feed directly on the pecan nut, their damage directly reduces the number of pecans at harvest.

Pecan nut casebearer is most damaging in May and early June in north Texas, although a subsequent generation in mid-summer can sometimes be a problem. In most years and in most commercial orchards, pecan nut casebearer numbers are sufficient to justify an insecticide treatment. Careful scouting to determine infestation levels of eggs is necessary to determine if treatment is necessary. Some nut loss due to feeding by pecan nut casebearer may even be beneficial as thinning the fruit load on some varieties can result in better quality nuts at harvest.

A single, well timed application of a foliar-applied insecticide is usually effective for casebearer control. The optimum time for applying an insecticide for pecan nut casebearer is usually mid- to late May in north Texas. Predicting casebearer activity is more

difficult this year because the hot days in late April have been followed recently by cooler temperatures. As insect development is temperature driven, unusual weather conditions can influence timing of insect activity. Based on date of trap captures this year, the anticipated optimum spray date for north Texas is estimated to be May 9-13. This date is 9 days earlier than last year's prediction.

Pecan growers should inspect their orchards for pecan nut casebearer eggs to determine the optimum time to treat in their specific orchard. Pecan growers must also decide if an insecticide application is economical based upon the number of casebearer eggs present and the crop load.

For homeowners with only a few trees, spraying for casebearer may be more trouble and cost than the savings in pecans. Letting nature provide what pecans she will at harvest, and making up the difference by buying pecans in the fall can often be a better solution. In addition to the need for powerful sprayers and expense, spraying large trees can risk the threat of drift of insecticide onto nearby gardens, landscapes and neighbor's property. Also, use of broad spectrum insecticides such as malathion and carbaryl can kill beneficial insects, leading to outbreaks of aphids and other pests.

Products available to homeowners include

formulations of malathion and carbaryl and spinosad and which are labeled for pecans. Spinosad products, such as Green Light Lawn and Garden Spray with Spinosad, are effective against pecan nut casebearer and are less toxic to many important beneficial insects than are many other insecticides. In fact, the active ingredient, spinosad, is derived from a naturally occurring soil micro-organism and one commercial formulation of spinosad, Entrust®, is approved for organic production by the USDA National Organic Standards Board.

Sawflies
Have you noticed holes in the leaves of your trees this year, giving them the appearance of a lace doily? Possibly you think it more resembles the aftermath of a shotgun blast. The culprit could be the larvae form of an insect called sawfly or a rose slug.

These primitive wasps are called sawflies because females of most species have a saw-like structure on the abdomen tip used to insert eggs into plant tissue. Larval stages are caterpillar-like, with a well-developed head capsule and 3 pairs of true legs behind the head, hairless body. Some sawfly larvae are slug-like, appearing slimy, unsegmented and translucent, greenish to black, while others appear wax-covered in some of their developmental stages. Adults vary from 3/4 to 2 inches long.

Mouthparts are for chewing. Most sawflies are somewhat host-specific. The elm sawfly feeds on elm and willow. Conifer sawflies, such

as the loblolly pine sawfly, can occasionally cause serious injury to pines and other evergreens by feeding on foliage, tunneling into buds or boring into shoots. Larvae of the blackheaded ash sawfly, and brownheaded ash sawfly, feed on red and white ash. Common sawfly larvae feed together (gregariously) and may hold their abdomens coiled over the edge of the leaf. On broadleaved tree leaves, larvae usually feed on the underside of the leaf. On oaks, sawfly larvae skeletonize leaves, while on pecan sawfly larvae produce round holes of various sizes in leaf tissue. Some species are leaf rollers, web formers, leaf skeletonizers, leaf miners or cause plant galls. Even though adults are rarely seen, they can sometimes be found on flowers.

Dates to Remember
May 7 - Parade of Gardens tour, Muenster Area, 1 to 5 p.m., tickets \$7
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