

## City is agreeable to Trubenbach's easement request

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Plans by Steve Trubenbach to build another building at the location of his business Universal Machining prompted him to ask the City of Muenster to vacate its easement in Block 96. The easement runs east and west and the new facility would be on the south side of the present building. It would be on top of the City's easement.

City Manager Stan Endres said that the City never uses the easement and doesn't anticipate that it would in the future. The Council agreed to his request, so his building plans can progress.

Girl Scout Anne Walterscheid asked permission of the City Council to cleanup and paint bleachers and spruce up other things at the old baseball park. She hopes to attain her Girl Scout Gold Award. She was given permission as long as it is done with adult supervision.

Bolen Construction of Denton was hired to repair Ninth Street between Cedar and Maple Streets. There is still a water flow problem and additional asphalt is required to prevent flooding.

Endres said that Henry Starke's home could flood if the problem isn't corrected. He said that Starke fears that water will jump the curb and flood his home.

In other business, the City

Council:

- Voted against an addendum to the Delinquent Tax Collection contract with Attorney Jim Robertson. It would have allowed an earlier collection of delinquent taxes on personal property. The City has very little to collect in delinquent taxes.

- Reappointed Ben Bindel, Jack Flusche, Troy Sicking, and Clinton Endres to two-year terms on the Muenster Industrial Development Corporation.

- Reviewed paving program for 2007. There will be no additional paving done, just maintenance and repairs. Since quite a bit was spent in the last couple of years, the Council decided to cut back in 2007.

- Paid bills totaling \$74,710.12.

## November proves to be good financial month for MMH

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
An increase in the patient census resulted in a good financial report for Muenster Memorial Hospital during the month of November.

"November is the second highest revenue month we've had in a long, long time," remarked MMH Administrator

Lynn Heller. "October was the greatest. The bottom line is \$121,526, positive bottom line. That brings our year-to-date bottom line to \$223,646. Last year the bottom line in November was \$179,372. The year-to-date figure last November was \$48,690."

The census has been good. Heller said that the census on that day, Dec. 19, was 11. Combined patient day total for November this year was 296 and for last November it was 248. In November, the second highest average daily census was down from 9.29 to 7.73, Heller reported. "The 9.87 average daily census in November is way above what we have been averaging in the past," he added. "I know for a fact that there's been a lot of days that we've run more patients than some of the other area hospitals have run. Some of the consultants have told me that."

Another patient room has been opened for use. According to Heller, The MMH Auxiliary, and gifts from people helped to furnish the new room. Another room is being prepared to open for patient use also. He said that as of Jan. 1 they propose to use the new rooms as private rooms. It was noted by Heller that

a case manager from Harris visited MMH a few weeks ago. Positive comments were relayed. Board member Danny Walterscheid added some of the good comments he heard. Heller said, "We're the only Critical Access Hospital in this whole area. The closest one to us is Electra, and that isn't even in our market. People either go to a nursing home for rehab or they come here for inpatient type rehab. We've got some very pleasant employees, and nurses, and folks. They have the heart of service."

Larry Anderson of J.W. Anderson & Associates, PC attended the meeting to present the Audit Report for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. He gave an unqualified statement of acceptance, which is a good or accurate report. There was an operating loss for the year of \$406,947, leaving an increase in Net Assets of \$107,347. Total cash on hand at the close of the fiscal year was \$496,355.

According to Anderson, the expenses and ratio of expenses/net revenues were in line with other rural hospitals.

Heller inquired as to the future.  
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## "Welcome to Sacred Heart, Father Ken"



Above, members of Sacred Heart Parish gather to welcome their new pastor Father Ken Robinson. Parishioners brought covered dishes to the Community Center for the meal following the Saturday evening Mass. Cathy Fuhrmann photo



Above, Father Ken Robinson, new pastor, breaks bread with parishioners. Below, Betty Ann Flusche, Sug Bindel, and Lucille Hess prepare drinks for the meal. Cathy Fuhrmann photos



## Three Hornets named to All-State Football Academic Team



Senior Varsity Hornets Micah Flusche, Zach Swirczynski, and Brad Endres were named to the Football Academic All-State Team by the Texas High School Coaches Association. Flusche and Endres made the First Team, while Swirczynski earned a spot on the All-State Second Team. Janie Hartman photo

## Court approves color copier; debates electronic voting charges

**By Janet Felderhoff**  
Requests for color copiers are many at the Cooke County Library, said its director Jennifer Johnson-Spence. She requested that the Library be allowed to lease a color copier. She, County Auditor Shelly Saunders, and Commissioners Al Smith and Gary Hollowell were appointed to a committee to study the options and make a recommendation to Commissioners Court.

They found that Xerox offered the best color deal. Commissioners approved the proposed five-year lease at \$302.95 per month. Johnson-Spence said she would take the funds from her N41 Fund. About \$600 a month is made from copies and that will more than cover the lease cost.

Charging entities for using HAVA electronic voting machines was again addressed. County Judge Bill Freeman noted that last year, entities were allowed to use the equipment at no charge. Now there are several that don't work. Since they are still under warranty, they will be replaced at no charge to the County. Freeman said that there will be no more grant money to replace them or to repair them after the warranty is up. He wondered if the County should charge the allowed fee, which is 10% of the cost, plus the materials and time for the County Clerk

to prepare the ballots. The machines cost \$5,400 each, so as much as \$540 a day could be charged. With machines needed for early voting, that would get costly for entities that have not budgeted such an expense.

A member of the audience stated that the machine is never opened at the polling place where he works. Someone wondered how often the HAVA machine is used. It was noted that how much it is used didn't matter since it is required by law to have one available at every polling place.

Commissioner Smith commented, "I would like to see us posturing ourselves so that we are recouping the cost of the ballot and the cost to the County Clerk's office, that is the occurring overhead that is attributable to the fact that someone is having an election. The cost of the maintenance of the machine, although it is a large number, it is a number that we in the County are going to have to cover because we are going to be in compliance whether they use the machines or not." He added that he didn't feel that the County needed to recoup a portion of the maintenance cost and that use of the machine should not cost an entity.

Commissioner Hollowell agreed with Smith on not charging to use the machine as long as the other expenses

such as the cost of the ballots were recouped.

Commissioner Hess suggested letting things as they are through the upcoming May elections. County Auditor Shelley Saunders said that she would contact other counties to see how they were handling the situation. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

District Attorney Cindy Stormer approached the Court on accepting a monetary donation of \$7,500 from a non-profit group, Citizens for a Safer Cooke County. She wanted to use the money on line items to be determined as she saw fit. The County Auditor said that there would be no problem as long as the money was used for operations, but if it were used to supplement salaries, there could be problems.

Problems with using the money to supplement salaries was discussed. Stormer said she could promise the increase as long as she was DA. It was decided to table a decision until legal advice could be sought on the proposal.

Klement Ford was awarded the bid on a transport van for the Sheriff's Department at the previous meeting. On Dec. 28, Klement Ford notified Commissioners Court that it could no longer deliver since Ford discontinued making that vehicle and they had none on their lot.

Polk had one, but it was \$18,157. Saunders said that through the Tarrant County cooperative purchasing agreement, one could be purchased from Sam Pack Ford in Carrollton for \$15,600, a savings of more than \$2,500. The Court voted to rescind the Klement bid and reject all others.

During Public Comment, Wayne Dodson of CR 114 invited members of the Commissioners Court to attend the Cross Plains Rural Transportation meeting on Thursday, Jan. 18 in Wichita Falls. He also encouraged them to consider forming a transportation planning committee. He noted that with the outer loop planned, Cooke County should be involved with east Collin County, Denton County, and Tarrant County. He said it would be built in the next 10-15 years and come along the south border of Cooke County, around Collin County, and around Denton County on the south side of Ray Roberts, according to his understanding.

"Whatever happens in Collin County and Denton County, we don't have a whole lot to say about it," said Dodson. "But I think we need to be part of the process. I think it is important that we are part of the planning process, not reacting afterwards."

In other business, Commissioners Court:

- Approved amendment to contract with Jim Robertson, attorney at law, for the collection of delinquent taxes. In the County, nine entities had approved similar amendments while one voted no, and the City of Muenster was yet to decide. It allows delinquent taxes on personal property to be collected prior to July according to a new law.
- Approved Interlocal agreements with Grayson County and Nacogdoches County for inmate housing at \$42 per day. That is for each inmate.

- Approved lease of a copy machine for the Cooke County Auditor's office at \$205.84 a month with a five-year lease with Xerox.

- Passed a resolution honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commissioner Steve Key will represent Commissioners Court and read the resolution on Jan. 15 during local celebration.

- Approved a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Tarrant County.

- Accepted a Task Force Indigent Defense Grant in the amount of \$23,437.

## I-35 study to be discussed at public meeting on Jan. 16

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting to discuss study of future traffic needs for I-35. The meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 16, at the Gainesville Civic Center, located at 311 South Weaver Street in Gainesville from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The meeting will be conducted as an open house and will highlight a study being conducted concerning future improvements for I-35 from the

Denton County line to the Red River in Cooke County. During the event, the public will have the opportunity to provide input concerning the study, and view maps and potential alternatives for I-35.

The potential project will include the reconstruction of I-35 to provide for future traffic needs and will include adding additional lanes. TxDOT personnel will be available to answer questions and explain materials displayed at the meeting.

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ture of Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Clinics as far as government changes. Anderson replied, "I don't see anything, haven't heard anything. I hope they continue to do this. I think the dollars involved in Critical Access and the rural Health Clinic are so small in comparison to the overall budget that it's just not worth messing with. "The other side of that is that if they don't have the rural hospitals, I think there is a number that closed because they didn't have critical access, who takes care of those patients and have they really saved any money when they go somewhere else? The large hospitals don't necessarily want all the patients that would be coming to them."

The Board reconvened and voted unanimously to waive collection of the St. Richard's Villa property taxes accessed against Travis Heights for years 2004, 2005, and 2006.

In other business, the MMH Board:

- Approved Heller to investigate full requirements for a heliport pad and estimated construction cost.
- Approved Bad Debt Write-offs totaling \$22,180.
- Approved appointment of physicians Sonal Patel, M.D., Michael Woodlands, M.D., and Timothy Rudolf, M.D. to the medical staff as recommended by the MMH Medical Staff.
- Proposed amendment to the tax collection contract with attorney Jim Robertson was tabled.

## DAYS GONE BY.....

### 65 YEARS AGO Jan. 9, 1942

Exes of Sacred Heart High form Alumni Club and hold first meeting; officers are Ray Wilde, president, Martin Klement, vice-president, Cecilia Walterscheid, secretary, Harriette Schoech, treasurer, Bunny Lehnertz, reporter, and Sister Theresina, advisor; 27 of the 30 graduates were present at the meeting. Coldest weather in eight years noted as mercury plunges to 3°. New Arrival: Lillian to Alfons and Margarita Reiter. Wedding: Carl Herr and Ann Berend. *Sergeant York* advertised at State Theatre with prices of 9¢ to 55¢.

### 50 YEARS AGO Jan. 11, 1957

Traffic light at Hwy. 82 and Main Street goes on 24 hour duty. Main Cafe closes. James Hess hurts left hand in oilfield accident. Drought loss to the community is estimated at near half million dollars. New Arrival: Debbie

to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knabe. Fisher's Market & Grocery advertises Kraft's Velveeta Cheese, 2 lb. for 75¢, and White Swan coffee for 95¢ per lb. Hofbauer's Food & Locker advertises Gladiola cake mixes, three for 79¢, and bananas for 12 1/2¢ per lb.

### 25 YEARS AGO Jan. 8, 1982

Fire causes damage to home owned by Al Schmitt and lived in by Jim Hoedebeck family. James Bright reaches Eagle rank in Boy Scouts. Albert and Catherine Voth Kubis observe Golden Wedding. Alfred and Irene Flusche Hoedebeck celebrate 40th wedding anniversary. New Arrivals: Kenneth to Linda and Anthony Grewing; Craig to Tom and Debbie Hartman; Kristen to Kevin and Cathy Creed; Scott to Mark and Susan Metzler; Andrea to John and Lanie Bartush; Rafael to Rafael and Connie Nieto. College Graduate: Cindy Sangster at Baylor.

## Weather service kicks off 2007 Awareness Tour

With the turning of the calendar to 2007, the National Weather Service (NWS) in Fort Worth is ramping up its preparedness efforts for the spring severe weather season. From Jan. 8 through March 31, staff from the NWS Forecast Office will conduct coordination visits with media and emergency management staffs, awareness and safety talks, and storm spotter training classes. The staff currently has 47 stops scheduled for this year's tour.

The tour has three primary goals: to ensure that communications between the Fort Worth NWS Office and emergency officials across north Texas are as efficient as they can be; to increase the number of trained storm spotters across north Texas; and to ensure that citizens in the area are as prepared as they can be for the upcoming severe weather season.

"The Dec. 29 tornadoes

were a dramatic reminder that whenever the atmospheric conditions come together, we can have violent weather. We all need to be ready for the brunt of our storm season, which is typically from mid-March through early June," said Gary Woodall, Warning Coordination Meteorologist at the NWS Forecast Office in Fort Worth.

"During our awareness tour, we aim to enhance the already-strong spotter network, emergency communications and warning system, and level of hazardous weather awareness which is in place."

As in past years, the SKYWARN storm spotter training programs will be a featured part of the awareness tour. The spotter training programs discuss the formation and behavior of storms, the production of severe weather, environmental

clues which can suggest the possibility of a tornado or other severe weather, spotter reporting procedures, and safety tips. Nearly all of the SKYWARN programs are open to the public.

"Storm spotters are a valuable component of the warning system," Woodall stated. "Radar is a great electronic tool, but it sometimes does not tell us the whole story of what's going on around a thunderstorm. Storm spotters complement the electronic data with their visual observations and reports."

This in turn helps us provide the best possible service to north Texans."

The National Weather Service in Fort Worth provides forecasts, warnings, and weather services for 46 counties in north and north-central Texas. For more information on severe weather and the National Weather Service, visit the Fort Worth Forecast Office's website at <http://www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd>. To view the SKYWARN program schedule, go to [www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd/sptrsch.html](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/fwd/sptrsch.html).

## Rev. Harry W. Fisher dies

Rev. Harry W. Fisher died Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster.

Vigil Service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday in Sacred Heart Church, with a visitation to follow. The complete obituary will be in next week's *Muenster Enterprise*.

## Fostering good child care: take smoking outside

"As of Jan. 1, foster parents in Texas will no longer be allowed to smoke in their homes or vehicles," said Courtney Schoessow, Texas Cooperative Extension program specialist for health education and development.

"They need to take it outside." The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services' publication, "Minimum Standards for Child-Placing Agencies," states that "caregivers and other adults may only smoke tobacco products outside" and "no one may smoke tobacco products in a motor vehicle while transporting children in care." For more information visit the agency's Web site at <http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/>.

Smoking doesn't affect only the smoker. Children living in homes with smokers can develop some serious medical conditions too.

According to figures from the Environmental Protection Agency, babies and children who live with adult smokers are "at increased risk of lower respiratory tract infections and are more likely to have symptoms of respiratory irritation like coughing, wheezing, and excess phlegm," Schoessow said.

The EPA estimates, with children under 18 months of age, secondhand smoke causes between 150,000 and 300,000 lower respiratory tract infections, resulting in 7,500 to 15,000 hospitalizations each year.

Children who live with

smokers are also more likely to have ear infections than those who don't, she added. And the EPA estimates as many as one million children with asthma have more - and more severe - episodes each year if they live with adults who smoke.

Opening windows isn't enough, Schoessow said.

Ventilation systems in homes cannot filter and circulate air well enough to eliminate secondhand smoke," Schoessow said. "Poisons from smoke linger in the air up to seven days. People may be exposed even if they are not present while a person is smoking."

Because smoking cessation can be difficult Extension developed its "Put It Outside for Healthier Kids" program, she said. This program will help adults stop smoking - or at least teach them the importance of keeping their smoke away from children. For more information on the local availability of this program, contact any county Extension office.

More information on secondhand smoke and how it affects non-smokers is available on Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/>. Click on the link to HealthHints newsletter and scroll down to the newsletter on Secondhand Smoke. The HealthHints newsletter called "Tobacco Cessation" also gives steps on quitting tobacco use.

Schoessow also recommended getting more information by calling the American Cancer Society at 800-227-2345, the National Cancer Institute Smoking Quitline at 877-448-7848 (877-44U-QUIT), the Texas Department of State Health Services at 800-345-8647, or the EPA at 800-490-9198.

"We need to make all children in the state of Texas as healthy as possible, and secondhand smoke is very harmful to children," Schoessow said.

Anyone who "has concerns about a foster child's care or the behavior of a foster parent, call 800-252-5400," she said.

## In The Service

Army Pvt. Wesley J. Huddleston has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Georgia.

During the nine weeks of training, Huddleston received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, core values,

and traditions. Additional training included development of basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experiencing use of various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

He is the son of Victoria Newton of E. Lone Oak Road, Valley View.

Huddleston is a 2005 graduate of Valley View High.



Fr. Ken seated with Bishop Kevin Vann at the meal on Saturday evening. Cathy Fuhrmann photo

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To my many dear friends in Muenster and the surrounding area. It is with deep affection and appreciation to you all for the many kindnesses shown to me and my Family during my years in Muenster. Thanks for the "Farewell Party" and many "Memories." I am returning to our Motherhouse in New York. Though we are many miles apart, know that I will hold you in memory and prayers. God bless you. Sister Barbara Bernauer, S.A.



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

Sunday, January 14, 2007	Monday, January 15, 2007	Tuesday, January 16, 2007	Wednesday, January 17, 2007	Thursday, January 18, 2007	Friday, January 19, 2007	Saturday, January 20, 2007
Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm Second Sunday video presentation, 9-10:15am, SH Comm. Ctr.	VFW Aux mtg. 7:30pm SHCS no classes	MMH Board mtg. 7pm, Administration Building TXDOT mtg. on I-35, 5:30-8pm, Gainesville Civic Ctr.	Religious Ed classes - 7 pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4pm	
Sunday, January 21, 2007	Monday, January 22, 2007	Tuesday, January 23, 2007	Wednesday, January 24, 2007	Thursday, January 25, 2007	Friday, January 26, 2007	Saturday, January 27, 2007
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# Holiday season is over: now it's time to get ready for the upcoming tax season

Brace yourself. Income tax time is coming. When it comes to getting ready to file your income tax return, remember what the Boy Scouts say: Be prepared. That's the advice of Dr. Joyce Cavanagh, Texas Cooperative Extension family economics specialist. Make sure you have all your forms before you do anything else, she said. Have all your W-2 forms and 1099 forms from any employer or financial institution where you have interest-bearing accounts. "W-2 and 1099s have to be in hand by Jan. 31," she said. "If you're itemizing, you need to keep track of your property tax and interest paid on your home. Don't file too soon - you

might not have all your necessary paperwork yet." This tax season will bring some changes in what can be deducted and what can't, Cavanagh said. As of Aug. 17, 2006, she said, only charitable contributions of clothing and household goods in very good condition are qualified as deductions. And receipts will be required when claiming any cash contributions made after that date. The Salvation Army's Web site at <http://www.salvationarmyusa.org/> or the Internal Revenue Service's site at <http://www.irs.gov/> have more information. Also this year, a credit for the Federal Telephone Excise

Tax will be available on a one-time basis, Cavanagh said. "People will be able to claim it whether they itemize or not or whether they file a tax return or not," she said. "If you don't need to file a return (for example, people who didn't have enough income in 2006) you can file for this on Form 1040-EZT and get the telephone excise tax credit." This amount should be \$30-\$60 "depending on filing status and number of dependents," Cavanagh added. "It's a one-time credit for 2006 returns." And then there's the Earned Income Credit, she said. "People who meet the requirements for Earned Income Credit need to file whether or

not they owe taxes in order to receive (this credit)." The IRS Web site can help in determining whether or not you meet those requirements, she added. All these changes can be extremely confusing, but the good news is: You're not in this alone, she said. If you are using a tax-preparation service of any kind, Cavanagh advised taking a copy of last year's return and the Social Security cards of everyone you are claiming as dependents with you. For more information on this and other financial topics, visit Extension's Family and Consumer Sciences Web site at <http://fcs.tamu.edu/> and click on the link to Money.

# Farm Bureau supports local youth with scholarship money

Texas Farm Bureau invests large amounts of money and time in developing youth leadership. Each year more than \$73,000 in scholarships are awarded to young people from across the State of Texas. These scholarships are awarded through participation in a variety of contests, seminars, and by applications. The Cooke County Farm Bureau would like to announce the upcoming scholarships to all college bound seniors. Applications for each of these programs are available through the area high school counselors and the Cooke County Farm Bureau office. They are also available on the web at [www.txfb.org](http://www.txfb.org) <<http://www.txfb.org>> by clicking on "Youth Activities". Scholarship recipients will be announced no later than May 1.

Young Farmer & Rancher Scholarship Program - For enrolled College agriculture students who are pursuing a degree in agriculture, have completed 45 hours of college credit, and have a GPA of at least 2.5 (official transcript required). They must provide a signed degree plan, and submit two letters of recommendation. Two \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded \$500 per semester for two semesters. Must be a Farm Bureau Family member. Father, mother, or legal guardian memberships qualify. Applications must be postmarked by March 19.

and field service director, Dick Mitchell. The recipient must be a Farm Bureau member family and must have attended the Youth Leadership Conference. Applicant must be a confirmed junior or senior in high school in order to qualify. Applications must be postmarked by March 19.

Young Farmer & Rancher - Each year proceeds from the Young Farmers & Ranchers activities are used to award scholarships to high school seniors who intend to pursue a degree in agriculture. There will be one \$1,000 scholarship awarded. The scholarship will be awarded \$500 per semester for two semesters. Applicants must be a member of a Farm Bureau family. Applications must be postmarked by March 19.

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Dick Mitchell Scholarship - This scholarship started in 1991, and is in memory of former field representative

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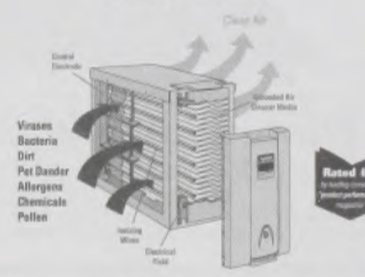
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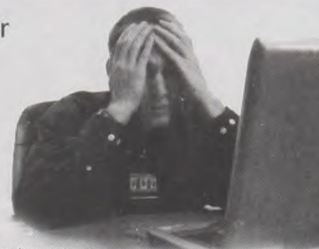
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# LIFESTYLE

## Hoedebecks honored on 60th anniversary

Eugene and Elsie Hoedebeck of Muenster were honored on the 60th anniversary of their wedding when their children and grandchildren hosted a gathering on Saturday, Dec. 30. The family gathered to attend the 5 p.m. Mass in Sacred Heart Church to celebrate the occasion. Following the Mass, the couple received a special blessing from Fr. Jerome Jayasuriya.

The celebration continued at Rohmer's Restaurant with a family dinner. A decorated cake, floral rose centerpiece, a recent picture of the couple, and a book of wishes from friends and relatives graced the memorabilia table.

Terri Cagle and Jeff Hoedebeck then presented the honorees with their gift - a pictorial family history book of their lives, from high school, their courtship, and through 60 years of marriage. The pictorial history book was dedicated to Mary Lynne Hoedebeck, Ronnie Knabe, Gilbert Knabe, and Shellie Hoedebeck. A champagne toast was then offered to salute the honorees.

Gene Hoedebeck of Muenster, son of Fred and Anna Hoedebeck, married Elsie Sanchez of Wichita, Kansas, daughter of Jose and Antonia Sanchez, on Saturday, Dec. 28. Performing the ceremony was the groom's brother Rev. Paul Hoedebeck. The attendants were Miriam Flusche and Norbert Hoedebeck.



Eugene and Elsie Hoedebeck

## Golden Wedding date celebrated by Wilfred and Virginia Hess

The Golden Wedding anniversary of Wilfred and Virginia Hess was celebrated on Nov. 25, 2006 at 4 p.m. with a special Mass at St. Peter's Catholic Church of Lindsay with Fr. Ron Scheible, pastor, officiating. They were married on Nov. 17, 1956.

late Henry Zimmerer. Roger Dieter and his daughter Elizabeth provided music. A special song was sung by the couple's granddaughter, Brianna Rohmer, who sang "Amazing Grace." Liturgical readings were given by Cody Hess and Anthony Reed. Interspersed prayers were read by Amy Reed, Kayla Hess, Delana Rohmer, Clayton Rohmer, and Brianna Rohmer presented the Offertory gifts.

Eucharistic ministers were Marilyn Sandmann, Laurel Neu, Gilbert Kubis, Donna Hess, and Carol Luttmer. Present for the occasion were the attendants of 50 years ago, Alfred Hess, Dorothy Geray Grewing, Wanda Hess Hermes, Gilbert Kubis, Dolores Hess Neu, and Pat Zimmerer Wolf.

The anniversary couple's children and their spouses are Sharon and David Reed of Allen, Rickey and Donna Hess of Lindsay, and Lisa and Terry Rohmer of Muenster. Their seven grandchildren are Cody Hess and Kayla Hess, Anthony Reed and Amy Reed, and Delana Rohmer, Clayton Rohmer, and Brianna Rohmer.

## Jo Schilling is a cum laude graduate

Jo Schilling graduated cum laude from Texas Woman's University on Dec. 16 with a Master of Occupational Therapy. She maintained a 3.69 GPA in her coursework. She was also employed full time at North Pediatrics for Dr. Hedayati.

Therapist in an Interdisciplinary, Family-Centered Care Feeding and Eating Clinic. Her internships were performed at Community Specialty Hospital in Sherman and The Rehabilitation Center in Sherman. She has accepted a position offered by the former.



Virginia and Wilfred Hess

A dinner was served at Centennial Hall in Lindsay, catered by Rohmer's Restaurant. Daughter-in-law Donna Hess, son-in-law David Reed, and son Rickey Hess gave a family history and tribute, along with a musical slide show of the couple's life.

The three tiered anniversary cake was made by Betty Rose Walterscheid. The groom's cake was made by daughter Lisa Rohmer. A dance followed with music by the Doug Martin Band. Wilfred retired from Kroger after 21 years. He was also in the used machinery business for many years with son Rickey Hess and father-in-law Henry Zimmerer. Wilfred and Virginia were the co-owners of LW's Package Store for 23 years. They retired in 2004.

Jo served as both vice president and president of SOTA (Student Occupational Therapy Association). During her direction as president, she implemented and led an OT Department gift drive for the Denton State School residents, as well as other volunteer and fundraising opportunities for the students to be involved in.

The graduation was held at Pioneer Hall on the campus of Texas Woman's University. Jo celebrated with family at The Prairie House in Aubrey. She is the wife of Michael Schilling, and the daughter of Sam and Peggy Sparkman of Lindsay. Jo is the granddaughter of Sam and Inez Sparkman of Muenster, and the late Edward and Betty Sicking.

## Second Sunday highlights Pro Life s Dr. Paul Schenck

Sunday, Jan. 14, Sacred Heart Parish will be holding their regular Second Sunday presentation. This month, a video presentation by Dr. Paul Schenck will be featured. Dr. Schenck will share his story of faith from being raised Jewish to eventually entering the Catholic Church. He is currently the director of the National Pro Life Action League in Washington D.C., and will be the guest speaker at the annual ABBA Banquet in March.

The couple still manages a farming and cattle operation on their farm north of Lindsay. They are members of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

She was chosen as student liaison by her classmates to serve as their voice before the faculty. She was on the Dean's List throughout her tenure. Jo's professional project developed over the course of her Master's studies was entitled: Policies and Procedures for the Role of the Occupational



Jo Schilling

## Winter Safety tips

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- \* Let someone know your timetable and your primary and alternate travel routes.
- \* Keep your gas tank near full to prevent ice from forming in the fuel lines.
- \* Even four wheel drive vehicles will have difficulty on icy roads.

The video presentation will help you become more familiar with Dr. Schenck, and you will learn of the many amazing events in his life that led him to become so highly involved in the pro life work in this country. You will also learn how the pro life work led Dr. Schenck into the Catholic Church.

This session is open to anyone, and all ages are welcome and encouraged to attend. After the video, there will be a brief presentation on the many pro life events that will be held in January in the North Texas area in response to the 34th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision by the Supreme Court which legalized abortion in this country. The meeting will be held on Sunday morning from approximately 9 - 10:15 in the meeting room (SNAP) of the Community Center. Refreshments will be provided.

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# Charles Barfknecht brings artistic touch to leather on saddles and more

**By Janet Felderhoff**

As a kid, the job of keeping the family's saddles in good repair fell to Charles Barfknecht. He said it is a messy and sometimes grueling job, but one that he doesn't mind doing.

"I always had hole punches, strings and straps, a needle and thread and stuff and was fixing the family saddles. It intrigued me," he said.

That was Barfknecht's first taste of the profession that he would pursue. His next encounter came a short time before he graduated from high school. Charles and his cousin discovered a big set of leather tools in the closet in their school's industrial arts room.

They were graduating seniors in the last week of school, so the teacher allowed them to bring in a strap of leather to work with. The duo made belts. "That was the first carving that I got involved in," he recalled.

This led him to purchase a starter set of tools to work as a hobby. Soon he was making Christmas gifts for family members and friends and getting requests to make things.

Repairing saddles is what inspired Barfknecht to begin making saddles. He realized that there was not one part or piece of a saddle that he hadn't made. He just never started from scratch.

"The first one was a hide in the closet project," he admitted. The second was for his son. That saddle was used to cowboy in three states. The saddle is still in pretty good shape, but his son has outgrown the seat, he said.

After that, he made saddles for working cowboys his son knew. Word spread and he began making show saddles and roping saddles and other things. The self-taught saddle maker has been making saddles for 16 years now. "I've learned a lot from what I call the masters now through the years asking, but basically, they are not going to help you out until you've proven yourself a little," noted Barfknecht. Then they would help with tips after you proved that you were serious.

A fully tooled saddle takes about four full days of work, according to the seasoned saddle maker. He pointed to a saddle with carving all over it and noted that it is his personal saddle. "It was long tedious days," he said.

Building a saddle starts with a wooden tree which Barfknecht said is the foundation. A good wooden tree covered with rawhide is his

preference, but he will use a good grade of fiberglass if that is the customer's preference. Next comes the ground seat, which is solid leather or sheet metal covered with leather. It is what gives the seat of the saddle its shape.

"Depending on whether someone is going to rope, cut, barrel race or what, you build different kinds of ground seats, different shapes," Barfknecht explained. "Plus, you literally sculpt this thing to fit the person's anatomy." To do this he measures the person's inseam, takes into account their size, what size waist and pant they have, and builds the saddle accordingly.

To sculpt the seat, the saddle maker scrapes, carves, files, and whatever to get it to the desired shape. That's when the customer gets to assess the comfort by sitting in the forming saddle. "You literally make a custom seat for them," he said.

Parts of the saddle - gullet, the horn, and riggings - are added next. Unless things are perfectly symmetrical on both sides, the saddle will sit crooked on the horse.

Next comes the seat cover and any desired strings, silver, etc. Then the saddle gets a good oiling and saddle soaping to replace the natural oils and tallow that were removed to make the leather workable. The whole thing is then nailed, screwed, and sewn together.

The machine Barfknecht uses can sew one-inch thick leather with ease.

Besides being custom made to an individual's size, shape, and usage needs, a saddle's leather can be designed with patterns of choice. Those designs might be quite simple, but if desired can be very intricate.

Saddles are not the only leather items that Barfknecht creates. He makes an assortment of items that he said are only limited by his or the customer's imagination. He makes belts, purses, wallets, business card cases, checkbook covers, cabinet door insets, and so much more.

Beautiful design patterns emerge as Barfknecht uses leather as his canvas and swivel knives, backgrounders, mallets, and other assorted tools as his brushes. The design gains dimension as he gently lifts and pushes it with expertise.

When designing on leather, Barfknecht first wets the leather he plans to work with. He then draws out the intended design. Next he uses

a swivel knife to cut the design into the leather. Stamps and various other tools are used to raise and texture the design. "When you get through with all your different designs, you do what is called decorative cuts, just kind of accent it," explained the leather craftsman. "That's how you get the dimension. You carve it, then you bevel it around the edges, you background it, and then you put various decorative stamps in it that give it veins or shadowing or whatever.

Then you finally do your decorative work.

"It is absolutely amazing to me what you can do with leather. To think when you take a piece of skin and do such decorative work with it, it is just unbelievable and durable." He said he's seen leather items over 100 years old that still look good. The color darkens, but the leather is still soft and pliable.

Seeing the results of his labor is one of the things Barfknecht likes best about making things. "Plus, this

has naturally always been my interest and to be able to produce something that I love and appreciate is really appealing to me," said Barfknecht. "And I enjoy making something that somebody else is proud of. That really turns me on when somebody comes in and says, 'That's perfect.' That's one satisfying feeling!"

Everyone has God-given talents and the leather craftsman feels that they need to pursue whatever it is. He remarked, "Whatever I do, is

my ministry the way I look at it. It's the way that I try to live an example of what I believe a Christian man is supposed to be and do. I try to do that in everything that I do."

Painting is another self-taught art that Barfknecht pursues. He said that he paints what he loves. The pictures that hang in his shop are of cattle, horses, and cowboys.

Ranch rodeos are what Charles and Jane like to do for pastime. Charles remarked, "I'd rather watch somebody work cows on horses than anything I know of. It's poetry in motion if they are doing it right."

The Barfknecht family has lived in the Lewisville area for four generations. Their family land is now down to about 200 acres and is surrounded by city. People who come out comment that it is like an oasis. He said that other than the planes going over, you don't realize you're so close to the city.

Charles said he hated every time he had to get on the road to go to town. "It's a heck of a thing when I had to move to go back home. I really do feel like I'm back home," he said of his status as a Muenster area resident. He and his wife brought property north of Muenster in 1999, but didn't actually move here until about a year and a half ago.

The Lewisville native said that he had known about Muenster most of his life. His family had cattle pasture north of Capps Corner years ago, and he and his brother would go through Muenster quite often. "We just loved the prairie and the rolling hills, and the scenery, and the open range. It just always appealed to us."

Charles said that he was raised in a traditional German culture and enjoyed eating German food. Muenster is similar to the community that he grew up in and he feels right at home here.



Custom made saddles require many hours of dedicated labor. Charles Barfknecht taught himself the craft. Above, he sews pieces of the saddle; Top right, a few of the many tools used to bring out designs on saddles and other pieces of leather. Below right, Barfknecht's personal saddle, which he said took four days of tedious work to create. Bottom left, a wooden tree is used to begin a new saddle. Janet Felderhoff photos



## Local and area events commemorate the Roe vs. Wade anniversary

Saturday, Jan. 13, Texoma Pro-Life Association's Rally for Life with keynote speaker, Dr. Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 9 a.m. - noon at the Parkside Baptist Church, 301 N. Lillis Lane, Denison. Admission is free and it is open to everyone. Childcare will be available. For more information, contact Philip Melton at (903) 463-7800.

Jan. 14, "Second Sunday" Video Presentation of Dr. Paul Schenck. Come hear the story of his amazing spiritual journey and how God drew him into full-time pro-life ministry. Sunday, 9 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. in the Sacred Heart Parish Community Center Meeting Room.

Jan. 19, Respect Life Mass with Bishop Kevin Vann, Friday, 7 p.m., at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 1206 Throckmorton Street in Fort Worth, marking the 34th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in the United States. For more information, call Diocesan Family Office at (817) 560-3300.

Jan. 20, Rally and March for Life in Dallas with 9 a.m. Rosary at an abortion mill; 10 a.m. Mass with Bishop Gramhann and Bishop Vann at the Cathedral Shrine of the

Virgin of Guadalupe at 2215 Ross (at Peal), Dallas. 11:30 a.m. Rally for Life (Interdenominational). Praise & Worship; 12:35 p.m. March for Life, Prayerful procession to the Federal Courthouse building where Roe v. Wade was originally filed; 1:35 p.m. Jan. 20 and 21, Muenster Knights of Columbus will present the "Red Rose on the Altar" at all weekend Masses, Sacred Heart Parish in Muenster

Jan. 22, A Day of Penance and Prayer for an end to abortion and the culture of death. 8 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Parish; 6:30 p.m. Rosary and Novena

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## ST. RICHARD'S VILLA NEWS

By Elfreda Fette

Tuesday, Jan. 2, residents watched President Ford's funeral. They also had a sing-a-long. In the afternoon, they enjoyed Bible study and socializing.

Wednesday, Jan. 3, music was followed by bingo. The monthly Resident Council meeting was held, followed by exercise. Millie Voth and Lucille Hess brought bananas and cookies to the residents. That afternoon, they watched a John Wayne movie and ate popcorn.

Thursday, Jan. 4, was glamour nails and aroma therapy. The Red Hat Ladies brought "New Year, New Hat." New residents received red hats, and then decorated

them. A snack was served and the theme song was sung. Afterwards, the Romeos met and visited.

Friday, Jan. 5, music was followed by bingo. Janie Thurman and Alma Wolf led the group in the rosary. The highlight of the day was when the new priest at Sacred Heart Parish, Father Ken, visited each resident of the Catholic faith to introduce himself and say a prayer for them. He also gave Communion to those who wanted to receive it. In the afternoon, residents learned about the birds of Texas and read stories.

See St. Richard's pg. 6

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# SCHOOL

## VFW #6205 VOD wins 2nd in District

Muenster VFW #6205 received good news for one of their local 1st place entries in the Voice of Democracy audio essay contest. Ian Barnhill received 2nd place in District I competition for his audio essay which was titled "Freedom's Challenge." Ian is a freshman at Sacred Heart Catholic School and is the son of Monte and Janet Barnhill of Muenster.



Ian Barnhill

District I 1st place went to Jared Elk, the student entry from Denison VFW Post #2773. Brian Newelwe, entry of Lewisville VFW #9168, was the 3rd place winner, and 4th place went to Jennifer Jones, the West Tawakoni #2559 entry.

District I covers an area that includes schools from Bonham, Denison, Sherman, Pottsboro, Gainesville, Muenster, Denton, Lake Dallas, Lewisville, Roanoke, McKinney, Princeton, Farmersville, Greenville, Plano, Allen, and West Tawakoni. The District I Chairman was VFW member John Owens from Allen, Post #2195. Judges were college teachers from the Plano and Allen area. Judging criteria includes originality 30 points, content 35 points, and audio delivery 35 points.

As 2nd place in District, Ian receives a \$500 scholarship toward the college of his choice. The winner of 1st place receives a \$750 scholarship and is the only place in District that advances to

State competition, where the entry will compete against all other district 1st places. There are 25 districts in Texas. Only 1st place in State advances to National competition, where they compete for 20 places for college scholarships totaling \$146,000, with 1st place being \$30,000 and a trip to Washington D.C.

VFW #6205 sponsors the local program by providing the awards of scholarships: 1st place, \$100; 2nd place, \$75; 3rd place, \$50. The Auxiliary to VFW #6205 provides the chairman, who was Frances Bayer, president of Auxiliary #6205.



Muenster 7th grade District UIL participants

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Muenster 8th grade District UIL participants

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## Lindsay, Muenster take top places in academic meet

The 2006-07 Junior High District 14A (East Zone) Academic Meet was held at Era Junior High on Thursday, Dec. 7. Lindsay took 1st place with 863 points. Muenster won 2nd place with 600 points. Collinsville followed with 285 points for 3rd place, Valley View was 4th with 224 points, and Era was 5th with 156 points.

Results from Muenster and Lindsay are as follows:

### 7TH GRADE

**Art:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 2, Lana Heers, M; 4, Breanna Bollar, L; 4, Rishi Patel, M; 6, Allison Pagel, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 2, Lindsay.

**Calculator Applications:** 1, Dean Fleitman, L; 2, Erin Copeland, L; 2, Rancee Morrison, L; 4, Andi Hess, M; 5, Landon Presnall, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Dictionary Skills:** 1, Emily Hellman, M; 2, Megan Caillier, L; 3, Rancee Morrison, L; 4, Stefani Tucker, M; 5, McKenzie Neu, L. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 1, Lindsay.

**Editorial Writing:** 1, Emily Hellman, M; 2, Lucinda Krahl, L; 3, Paige Hen-

nigan, M; 6, Ashton Reynolds, L.

**Impromptu Speaking:** 2, Valerie Nystrom, L; 5, Kaly Dangelmayr, M; 6, Kayla Davis, L.

**Listening Skills:** 2, Taylor Atkins, L; 2, Caitlin Huston, L; 5, Caroline Dieter, L; 6, Luke Crabtree, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay.

**Maps, Graphs & Charts:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 2, Blake Voth, M; 4, Jimmy Abner, M; 5, Amber Hess, L; 6, Cole McAden, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 2, Lindsay.

**Mathematics:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 2, Drew Cooney, L; 3, Andi Hess, M; 4, Landon Presnall, M; 6, McKenzie Neu, L. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Modern Oratory:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 3, Amelia Haverkamp, L; 4, Megan Caillier, L.

**Number Sense:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 2, Drew Cooney, L; 3, Landon Presnall, M; 4, Andi Hess, M; 5, Dean Fleitman, L. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Oral Reading:** 2, Olivia Haverkamp, M; 6, Caitlin Huston, L.

**Ready Writing:** 1, Emily Hellman, M; 2, Lucinda Krahl, L; 3, Valerie Nystrom, L; 4, Caitlyn Huston, L; 5, Cole McAden, M; 6, Jimmie Abner, M.

**Science I:** 1, McKenzie Neu, L; 3, Landon Presnall, M; 4, Emily Hellman, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 2, Lindsay.

**Social Studies:** 4, AJ Summerlin, L; 5, Taylor Atkins, L. **Team:** 2, Lindsay.

**Spelling:** 1, Lucinda Krahl, L; 2, Emily Hellman, M; 3, Valerie Nystrom, L; 4, Lana Heers, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 2, Lindsay.

**8TH GRADE**  
**Art:** 1, Katie Nortman, L; 2, Jessica Block, L; 2, Hannah Weger, M; 4, Taylor, Klement, M; 5, Shane Presnall, M; 6, Vanessa Hess, L. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Calculator Applications:** 1, Allison Metzler, L; 2, Emily Conaway, L; 3, Katie Nortman, L; 5, Brianna Bindel, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 3, Muenster.

**Dictionary Skills:** 1, Katie Nortman, L; 2, Brianna

Bindel, M; 3, Brianna Klement, M; 5, Austin Hermes, L. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 2, Lindsay.

**Editorial Writing:** 1, Katie Nortman, L; 2, Nikita Agarwal, L; 3, Cathy Aston, M; 4, Kailyn Gum, L; 6, Taylor Reiter, M.

**Impromptu Speaking:** 2, Alley Trubenbach, M; 3, Sean Willard, L; 4, Jessica Krahl, L; 6, Kelsey Pagel, M.

**Listening Skills:** 1, Spencer Nielsen, M; 2, Madison Parkhill, L; 6, Alley Trubenbach, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster; 3, Lindsay.

**Maps, Graphs & Charts:** 1, Austin Hermes, L; 2, Christopher Klement, L; 4, Dillon Bayer, M; 5, Amelia Wyrick, L; 6, Garrett Walterscheid, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Mathematics:** 1, Christopher Klement, L; 2, Katie Nortman, L; 3, Madison Parkhill, L; 4, Shane Presnall, M; 6, Brianna Bindel, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Modern Oratory:** 1, Jay Steelman, M; 2, Kelsey Hermes, L; 5, Jessica Krahl, L; 6, Savannah Stoffels, L.

**Number Sense:** 1, Madison Parkhill, L; 2, Shane Presnall, M; 3, Christopher Klement, L; 4, Todd Bezner, L; 4, Garrett Walterscheid, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay; 2, Muenster.

**Oral Reading:** 4, Sean Willard, L; 5, Katelyn Weber, L; 6, Kelsey Pagel, M.

**Ready Writing:** 1, Hannah Weger, M; 2, Cathy Aston, M; 5, Savannah Stoffels, L.

**Science II:** 4, Dillon Bayer, M; 4, Madison Parkhill, L; 6, Brianna Klement, M. **Team:** 2, Muenster; 3, Lindsay.

**Social Studies:** 2, Emily Conaway, L; 4, Sean Willard, L; 6, Spencer Nielsen, M. **Team:** 1, Lindsay.

**Spelling:** 1, Madison Parkhill, L; 2, Taylor Klement, M; 5, Taylor Reiter, M. **Team:** 1, Muenster.

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Wed. - Ham, turkey, and cheese sub sandwich, tortilla chips and salsa, lettuce, tomatoes, bananas, chocolate chip cookies.

Thurs. - Lasagna, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/cheese, oven baked French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, applesauce, graham crackers, ice cream.

### SACRED HEART

Mon. - No Classes.

Tues. - Steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, apples, bread.

Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, green beans, fruit salad, garlic bread.

Thurs. - Salisbury steak, potatoes, gravy, carrots, pears.

Fri. - Hamburgers w/trimmings, potato rounds, dessert bars.

### LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Beef stew, lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, peaches, hot rolls.

Tues. - Grilled chicken melt w/mozzarella on a bun, baked beans, fresh fruit.

Wed. - Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, applesauce, bread.

Thurs. - Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, lettuce salad, peaches, garlic bread.

Fri. - Hamburger w/trimmings, oven fries, ice cream.

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Mon. - Chicken spaghetti or mini corn dogs, green beans, sliced peaches, tossed salad, breadstick.

Tues. - Chicken patty or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, tossed salad, strawberry applesauce, hot roll.

Wed. - Soft tacos, trimmings, pinto beans, chocolate pudding.

Thurs. - Frito chili pie, shredded cheese, corn, tossed salad, fruit mix, chocolate chip cookie.

Fri. - Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, pickle spears, fresh apple, ice cream.

## St. Richard's

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Saturday, Jan. 6, residents watched the NFL playoffs and visited.

Sunday, Jan. 7, residents enjoyed Mass, Little Church, and Communion in the morning. At 3 p.m., Mildred, Buddy, and Friends entertained for the monthly birthday party. Cake and drinks were served.

Monday, Jan. 8, some current events discussed included: President Bush and revised war strategy; Indonesian ferry sinking; Saddam Hussein's trial; stem cells discovered in amniotic fluid.

### Upcoming Events

Jan. 15: History of Martin Luther King, and history of basketball and first Superbowl.

Jan. 16: Bible study and baking time.

Jan. 17: Remember When, and a movie and popcorn.

Jan. 18: Trivia and tea party.

Jan. 19: Storytime and Crazy Hats.

Jan. 20: Games and movie



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Muenster Elementary "Melody Award" winners for the 3rd six weeks from left, Row 1 - Kody Walterscheid, Dane Huchton, MacKenzie Sicking, Breanna Pate, Natalie Chism, Andrew Stoffels, and Carson Trubench; Row 2 - Brittany Green, Emma Wood, Devon Brinkley, Maddie Serna, Treston Lutkenhaus, Alaina Reiter, and Roman Bayer; Row 3 - Fancy Holder, Cody Barber, Katie Pagel, Noel Rodriguez, Lora Walterscheid, and Brandon Hennigan; Row 4 - Dylan Clure, Morgan Flusche, Joyana Zamzow, Garrett Miller, Jack Hogan, and Lauren Rohmer. MISD photo

## Terrific Kids named at Muenster Elementary

Muenster Elementary Terrific Kids for the 3rd six weeks, sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Muenster, were announced. They are:

- PreK - Kenadie Hess, Eve Brogdon, Tyler Carter, and Jace Edington;
- K - Sadie Sandmann, Ryan Huchton, Noah Luke, Warren Williams, Corbin Bayer, and Haley Frank;
- 1st - Matthew Riley, Paige Saucer, Stetson McGrew, Alaina Kubis, Kagen Dangelmayr, Savannah Hermes, Taylor Knabe, Stone Lamar, and Shawn Pumphrey;
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# SPORTS

## Sacred Heart begins District play

Sacred Heart hosted Denton Calvary last Thursday in their first District game of the season. The Tigerettes took a 61-35 victory, with the Tigers winning 52-33.

"It was good to get that first District win and also to get to 20 wins," noted Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "We played without Taylor Torcellini, who fractured her leg. I am pleased with the way the girls adapted to the different rotations."

Kara Felderhoff led the scoring with 17 points. Lauren Creed added 16 while pulling down 24 rebounds. Samantha Wimmer dropped in 10 points with six assists, while Stephanie Krawietz added 9, Jessica Schilling 6, and Kristin LeBrasseur 5 points with five steals.

"Kara is beginning to shoot the ball really well. Lauren is becoming more comfortable running the floor," the Coach

added.  
**SH** 13 18 18 12 **61**  
**DC** 7 4 11 13 **35**  
 Sam Sparkman hit seven 3-pointers and a total of 27 points to lead all scorers in the Tiger District win. After a cold 1st quarter, Sacred Heart scored 35 points to take a 42-24 lead into the final period.

Kevin Kulle added 17 points, with Patrick Mojica, Nolan Hartman, John Krawietz, and Nick Popovich each adding 2.  
**SH** 4 18 20 10 **52**  
**DC** 5 6 13 9 **33**

On Saturday, Sacred Heart traveled to Arlington to take on St. Alban's Episcopal School. The Tigerettes brought home a 76-30 District victory.

LeBrasseur was high scorer with 20 points. Creed and Felderhoff each added 12, with Creed pulling down 13 rebounds. Wimmer scored 10 points, and had seven assists and seven steals.

Schilling scored 7, Krawietz 6, Raynee Hogan 4, Lisa Miller 3, and Shelby Hess 2.  
**SH** 18 27 24 7 **76**  
**SA** 9 5 2 14 **30**

"We have a big weekend ahead as we host Lindsay (Friday) then travel to Wichita Falls (Monday) for a big District showdown with Notre Dame," Coach LeBrasseur added. "Coach Neu has his Lindsay girls at the top of their game and Notre Dame has split games with a talented Windthorst team. We will not be at full strength, so this will be a great challenge for our young squad."

In boys action, the Tigers were handed a 73-54 loss by a much "taller" team.

Kulle was high scorer with 24 points. Theo Otto added 7, Krawietz and Popovich each added 6, Mojica 5, Sparkman 4, and Colby Richey 2. The Tigers hit eight of 14 free throws, and six 3s.  
**SH** 7 13 20 14 **54**  
**SA** 19 22 20 12 **73**

## Tigers come up short

The Sacred Heart Tigers came up 2 points short against the Eagles of Valley View on Jan. 2, falling 36-34. Seven Tigers scored, led by Kevin Kulle's 15 points. Nick Popovich added 6 points, Nolan Hartman 5, Patrick Mojica 3, Colby Richey and John Krawietz 2 each, and a free throw by Sam Sparkman.

The Tigers hit four of nine free throws.

**SH** 6 5 9 14 **34**  
**VV** 10 9 3 14 **36**



Muenster Hornets Brad Endres (11) and Matt Flusche put pressure on a Saint Jo Panther in a Muenster pre-district victory. Janie Hartman photo

## MHS Hornets earn All-State honors



Muenster Hornet Seniors Chad Endres, Cole Harrison, and Micah Flusche received Honorable Mentions on the All-State Football Team. Harrison, as defensive lineman, and Endres and Flusche as linebackers. Janie Hartman photo

## District action starts for Lady Hornets

The Muenster Lady Hornets began District play last Friday in Era, bringing home a 61-31 victory over the Gold and Black Lady Hornets. Muenster dominated the 1st half, having a 20 point lead at the halftime break.

Sandy Endres led the scoring for the Red Hornet team with 20 points. Lindsey Watson and Lia Heers each added 8, with Jordan Ledbetter and Laura Heers both scoring 6. Alison Teafattiller and Megan Felderhoff dropped in 5 apiece, with Rebecca Grewing getting 3 points. Muenster dropped in 70% of their free throws.

**M** 16 14 19 12 **61**  
**E** 6 4 10 11 **31**

The Hornets hosted Prairie Valley in a non-district contest. Brad Endres was high scorer with 17 points. Tanner Herr added 13, Micah Flusche 8, Nick Flusche and Collin Walterscheid 7 points each. Corey Reynolds 6, Matt Flusche 3, and Zach Swirczynski 1.

Muenster hit 20 of 29 free throws.

**M** 9 17 19 17 **62**  
**PV** 10 15 15 10 **50**

## MUESTER WINS JANUARY 2 GAMES

Both varsity Muenster teams took victories, with the boys defeating Saint Jo and the girls defeating Aubrey. The Hornets improved their pre-district season record to 6-4 with a 74-50 win over the Panthers.

Three Hornets scored double digit points, Collin Walterscheid with 18, Nick Flusche 17, and Matt Flusche 14. Brad Endres added 8, Corey Reynolds 7, Micah Flusche 6, and 2 apiece by Tanner Herr and Evan Koehler.

The Hornets hit five 3s and 11 of 24 free throws.

**M** 18 15 24 17 **74**  
**SJ** 18 11 11 10 **50**

The Lady Hornets came from behind in the 3rd period to take a 55-51 win over Aubrey. The win improves Muenster's season to 20-1.

Laura Heers led the Lady Hornets with 15 points. Megan Felderhoff added 13, Sandy Endres 10, Lindsey Watson 8, Alison Teafattiller 4, Sam Endres 3, and Rebecca Grewing 2.

Muenster hit 62% of their free throws.

**M** 9 15 16 15 **55**  
**A** 15 14 9 13 **51**

## Tigers play three in Classic

The Sacred Heart Tigers competed in the KGAF/NCTC Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament before the New Year. The Tigers came up short a total of 24 points in three games.

**GAME ONE**  
 The Valley View Eagles allowed the Tigers to stay in the game, but wouldn't give up

any points for a 43-40 Sacred Heart loss. Kevin Kulle was high scorer in the game with 16 points, which included three 3s. Colby Richey added 11, John Krawietz and Nick Popovich 4 points each, Sam Sparkman 3, and Nolan Hartman 2.  
**SH** 9 9 10 12 **40**  
**VV** 14 8 10 11 **43**

**GAME TWO**

Round 2 matched the Tigers with the Greyhounds of Sidell. A cold shooting 2nd quarter got Sacred Heart behind, in a 58-47 loss. Kulle again outscored everyone on the court, sinking 21 points for the Tigers. Patrick Mojica added 12, Sparkman 5, Hart-

man and Popovich 3 apiece, Krawietz 2, and Josh Yosten 1.

**SH** 17 5 10 15 **47**  
**S** 17 11 13 17 **58**

**GAME THREE**

In the final game, the Tornados from Gainesville State School puffed out a 50-40 victory over Sacred Heart. Kulle dropped in 21 points, including four 3-pointers. Mojica added four more 3s, with Popovich getting 4, and Sparkman 3.

The Tigers hit four of seven free throws.

**SH** 6 9 14 11 **40**  
**G** 10 12 13 15 **50**

Kevin Kulle was named to the All-Tournament Team.

## Texas Game Warden Field Reports

The following are excerpts from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement reports.

**Hunter takes aim at helicopter**

In early November, hunters were calling in to Tom Green County game wardens to complain of a low-flying helicopter that was scaring deer and ruining their hunt. On Nov. 7, the helicopter's pilot was located at a local airport. Upon further questioning, the wardens learned that one of the complaining hunters had given the pilot permission to conduct low altitude flights and land on his property. This was confirmed with the landowner who stated that he had simply forgotten. The pilot said he knew he had messed up when his student pointed out a hunter looking at them through his rifle's scope. The hunter's aim promptly put the helicopter back in the hangar.

**Getting a late start on hunter's education**

A Jeff Davis County game warden was alerted Nov. 6 of a suspicious vehicle spotted on private property. The warden obtained a license plate number for the vehicle and located the two suspects. The men, ages 56 and 67 admitted to staying overnight on the private land and hunting mule deer. They said they

decided to go deer hunting after buying a hunting license at a local store. Neither individual had ever hunted before. The warden explained the term "open season" to the two.

**Warden gets honest answers from young boy**

While patrolling the Davy Crockett National Forest Nov. 4, a Trinity County game warden was informed of a killed, untagged deer. At their camp, the warden spoke with the subjects, three adults and one youth. In response to their hunting, the adults said they

had not seen anything. When the warden asked the young boy, however, he excitedly told him about the deer and asked the warden if he wanted to see it. The deer was hidden in the woods in a cooler back behind the camp area covered with a blanket. The hunter who killed the deer did not have a hunting license and the other two hunters had a license but no hunter's education. Three cases filed.

"We're dove, I mean,

**duck hunting"**

On opening day of duck season, a Bell County game warden noticed a suspicious vehicle parked outside the corps of engineers land outside Lake Belton. The two occupants from the vehicle were walking along the land with shotguns. Assuming they were duck hunters, the warden asked if they had any luck hunting ducks. The two adamantly stated they were not duck hunting but dove hunting. The warden pointed out that dove season was closed. Cases pending.

## DUCKS - NOT LIMITED



The warm winter weather in the area the past weeks have been enjoyed by numerous feathered friends, including the ducks. Small flocks of duck can be found on almost every body of water around Muenster. Janie Hartman photo

## Game Warden Reports

**Deer stand or a free night's stay?**

A lease hunter attempted to get in his deer stand Nov. 4 and encountered a trespasser who was already in it. A Montgomery County game warden was called, and the trespassing man was escorted off the property. After placing the suspect in handcuffs and interviewing him, it was learned that the man was homeless and was actually living in different stands on the lease. Other lease hunters had noticed several stands on the large lease had been tampered with in the past few weeks. The suspect had an extensive criminal and mental health history. He was released to a family member; case pending.

**A team-effort rescue**  
 On the night of Nov. 1, Calhoun County's game war-

den received a call from the sheriff's office concerning five overdue boaters who had launched from the Port Lavaca City Harbor. Port Lavaca Fire Department and Coast Guard assisted in the search. The capsized boaters were pulled from the water and returned to shore. One subject was hospitalized with hypothermia.

**Don't forget to get a receipt**

Inspections on Falcon Lake Oct. 28 turned up a boat with no serial number on the motor. Under questioning, the operator stated he had purchased the motor for \$1,800 cash at a local shop and was not given a bill of sale or certificate of title for the motor. The boat, trailer, and motor were seized pending further investigation by TPWD marine theft investigators.

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# Lady Knights open District with victories

District action began last Friday for the Lady Knights, starting with a commanding 58-32 victory over the Lady Pirates of Collinsville.

Eight Lindsay players put points on the board, led by Chelsea Hermes' 24 points. Brittany Anderle added 14, Amanda Hess 6, and 4 apiece by Christina Eckart and Emily Fuhrmann. Karissa Reiter, Stephanie Neu, and Autumn Murrill each scored 2.

The Lady Knights hit six of 10 free throws.

The Lady Knights hit six of 10 free throws. L 19 9 16 14 58 C 5 6 8 13 32 Tuesday night, the Lady Knights shot down the Lady Eagles of Valley View 74-9 to take their second District victory. Strong defense by Lindsay prevented the cold shooting Lady Eagles from putting points in the basket. Valley View hit only three from the field and three of six free

throws. Anderle was high scorer in the game with 22 points. Eckart added 18, and Hermes 16. Kaileigh Hess and Murrill each scored 5, Fuhrmann 4, and 2 apiece by Reiter and A. Hess.

L 19 14 24 17 74 VV 0 4 2 3 9

The Knights opened District competition at Valley View and were handed a 47-41 loss. Cold shooting the 1st half gave the Eagles a 16-15 halftime lead. Five extra points in the 3rd quarter gave Valley View the win.

Levi Hermes was held to just 10 points in the game. Brian Sandmann also scored 10 points. Jeff Shannon and Travis Endres each added 9, and Garrett Block 3.

The Knights hit eight of 15 free throws.

L 7 8 13 13 41 VV 14 2 18 13 47

## JUNIOR HIGH ACTION

**NOCONA TOURNAMENT Lindsay 29 Valley View 5**  
The 8th Grade Lady Squires took a big first game victory. Scorers included Allison Metzler with 10 points, with Katie Nortman and Jessica Block each scoring 4.

**Lindsay 29 Nocona 23**  
The Lady Squires defeated the host team to take the Championship. Block dropped in 16 points. Bethani Eberhart and Kelsey Hermes each added 4.

**Lindsay 20 Henrietta 24**  
The 7th Grade Lady Squires lost a close opening tournament match. Lucinda Krahl scored 9 points, Taylor Atkins 6, and Megan Caillier 5.

**Lindsay 36 Valley View 13**  
The 7th grade took the Consolation prize home from Nocona. Scorers for Lindsay included Krahl and Atkins with 8 points each, Mandy Hess and Caillier 6 points apiece, and Ranee Morrison and Stephanie Zwinggi 2 each.

**Lindsay 17 Muenster 13**  
The Lindsay 7th grade Lady Squires took a low scoring victory last Thursday. Scoring for Lindsay were Lucinda Krahl and Megan Caillier with 8 points each. Ranee Morrison added 1 point.

**Muenster 38 Lindsay 14**  
The 8th grade Lady Stingers took a big win from Lindsay. Lady Squires putting points on the board were Bethani Eberhart with 6 points, Kelsey Hermes and Jessica Block 4 apiece.

**Muenster 39 Lindsay 23**  
The 7th grade Stingers stung the Squires last Thursday, taking an early lead and building on it for the win. Scoring for Muenster were

Dalton Koelzer with 8 points. Landon Presnall and Chase Hammer added 6 points each. Blake Grewing dropped in 5, Tyler Anderle, Cole McAden, and Blake Voth 4 apiece, and River Stewart 2.

Lindsay's scoring was led by Connor Fuhrmann's 14 points. Dean Fleitman added 5, Greg Knauf 2, and 1 apiece by Drew Cooney and A.J. Summerlin.

M 11 7 6 15 39 L 5 5 8 5 23

**Muenster 37 Lindsay 30**  
In boys 8th grade action, the young Hornets edged out the Knights. Garrett Walterscheid, Jason Luke, and Shane Presnall led Muenster on the scoreboard with 12, 11, and 10 points. Tyler Acuna dropped in 4 points.

Robert Arend scored 10 points to lead Lindsay's pointmakers. Thomas Rohmer added 8, Kyle Johnson 5, Justin Anderle 4, and Todd Bezner 3.

M 8 9 6 14 37 L 12 4 4 10 30

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# JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

**Sacred Heart 23 Valley View 31**

The Sacred Heart "B" team JV Tigers tangled with Valley View on Jan. 2 in a low scoring game. Thad Otto scored 8 points for the Tigers. Chad Walterscheid added 6, Ben Walterscheid 5, and 2 each by Josiah Yosten and Gene Yosten.

SH 6 6 9 2 23 VV 4 13 6 8 31

**Sacred Heart 33 Valley View 47**

A cold 2 point first period put the Tigers in a hole they couldn't get out of. Stephen

Davis led the scoring with 11 points. Nathan Berend added 8, Mitch Hesse 6, Kirk Felderhoff and Tommy Torcellini 3 apiece, and Dylan Flusche 2.

SH 2 11 10 10 33 VV 11 16 6 14 47

**Lindsay 60 Collinsville 17**

It was a one-sided blowout as the Lady Knights dominated last Friday night's victory. Beverly Knabe outscored all players with 24 points. Katelyn Brewer and Cammi Neu each added 10. Hillary Hoelker dropped in 8, with Kayla Hess and Liz

Martin both adding 4.

L 14 18 12 16 60 C 1 8 4 4 17

**Muenster 63 Era 21**

The Lady Hornets improved their season record to 14-5 last Friday with a win at Era. Four Muenster players hit the double digit scores. Brandy Dangelmayr, Hillary Swirczynski, and Shaina Felderhoff each scored 15 points, with Alison Miller getting 11. Amanda Dangelmayr added 4, Jenni Luke 2, and Jackie Klement 1 point.

M 18 18 19 8 63 E 4 8 6 3 21

**Sacred Heart 45 St. Alban's 31**

The JV Tigers racked up another victory Saturday in Arlington. Nine Tigers made points towards the win. Stephen Davis was the game's high scorer with 12 points. Kirk Felderhoff and Tyler Rohmer each added 6. Tommy Torcellini put in 5, Nathan Berend and Kyle Knabe 4 points each, Ben Walterscheid and Dylan Flusche 3 apiece, and Mitch Hesse 2. The Tigers hit only eight of 22 free throws.

SH 8 10 8 19 45 SA 6 3 5 17 31

**Muenster 25 Saint Jo 26**

The JV Lady Hornets almost defeated the Saint Jo varsity team on Jan. 2. Scoring for Muenster were Jackie Klement and Hillary Swirczynski with 8 points each. Shaina Felderhoff added 4, Brandy Dangelmayr and Leah Smith 2 apiece, and

Alison Miller 1.

M 3 3 11 8 25 SJ 5 4 5 12 26

**Lindsay 20 Muenster 17**

The freshman teams got in some play time last Thursday with the Lady Knights pulling out a victory over Muenster. Four Lindsay players made points towards the win. Rachel Brewer scored 8, Natalie Rose 7, Ashley Hess 3, and Abby Anderle 2.

Scorers for Muenster were not available.

L 5 2 4 9 20 M 3 5 5 4 17

**Sacred Heart 38 Valley View 26**

The "B" team JV Tigers got in another victory over the young Eagles. Ian Barnhill led the Tigers on the scoreboard with 9 points, followed closely by Ben Walterscheid, Chad Henschel, and Kyle Knabe with 8 points apiece. David Miller put in 4, and Thad Otto 1.

SH 10 3 10 15 38 VV 8 10 6 2 26

**Lindsay 59 Valley View 21**

The Lady Knights plucked the Eagles Tuesday night. Scoring for Lindsay was Cammi Neu with 11 points. Rose Hermes and Beverly Knabe each added 10, with Katelyn Brewer and Hillary Hoelker 8 apiece. Adding 4 points were Kayla Hess and Liz Martin, with Rachel Brewer and Natalie Rose 2 each.

L 15 18 16 10 59 VV 4 6 3 8 21

## Knights win Classic

The Lindsay Knights took the Championship cup, winning the Holiday Classic basketball tournament with victories over Callisburg, Era, and Melissa.

### GAME ONE

Levi Hermes scored 24 points to lead the Knights to a 51-49 win over the Callisburg Wildcats. Preston Mendez added 16 points, Jeff Shannon 5, Josh Heilman 3, Brian Sandmann 2, and Nathan Martin 1. The Knights made 59% of their free throws.

L 9 13 18 11 51 C 6 16 14 13 49

### GAME TWO

An early lead set the pace of the Knights game with Era, ending with a 54-43


Lindsay victory. Hermes again led all scorers with 28 points. Mendez added 8, and Travis Endres 6. Clayton Starnes, Heilman, and Shannon each scored 3. Martin added 2 and Sandmann 1.

L 15 13 15 11 54 E 5 12 14 12 43











### GAME THREE

In the final game of the tournament, the boys championship, the Knights took a 62-49 win over Melissa. Hermes scored 24 points, which included 10 from the free throw line. Mendez added 20 points, Shannon 7, Starnes 6, Heilman 3, and Endres 2. The Knights hit 22 of 34 free throws and four 3-pointers.

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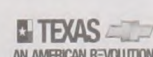
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
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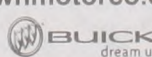
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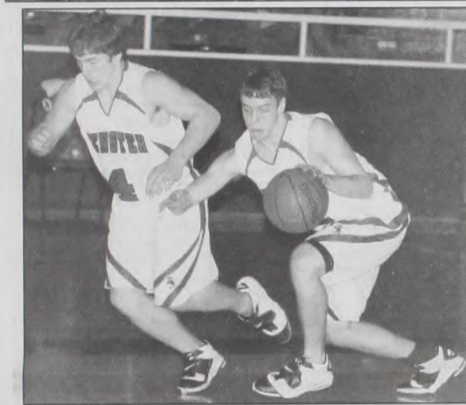
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Yr.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
'50	2.25	2.45	.09	2.53	7.64	5.51	7.71	10.47	4.74	.02	.09	.03	43.63
'60	3.48	1.37	1.80	1.76	3.24	1.17	6.26	1.25	3.19	4.35	.29	3.54	31.71
'70	.36	3.83	2.57	4.83	4.05	1.09	1.09	.13	11.61	1.56	.52	.57	32.21
'80	1.58	1.71	.56	1.72	2.19	1.61	.26	.12	8.94	5.42	1.30	1.73	27.14
<b>1946 to 1955</b>													
<b>10-yr. avg.</b>	1.87	1.93	1.78	2.78	6.43	4.03	2.62	2.16	2.85	2.86	2.00	1.88	33.21
<b>1956 to 1965</b>													
<b>10-yr. avg.</b>	1.84	1.47	2.42	3.51	4.65	3.15	1.98	2.04	3.82	2.84	3.35	2.09	34.15
<b>1966 to 1975</b>													
<b>10-yr. avg.</b>	1.65	2.25	2.71	4.21	4.44	2.55	2.54	3.10	5.30	3.92	1.68	1.83	36.18
<b>1976 to 1985</b>													
<b>10-yr. avg.</b>	1.68	2.14	3.70	2.74	5.29	3.43	1.45	1.31	3.16	5.43	2.38	1.43	34.01
<b>1986 to 1995</b>													
<b>10-yr. avg.</b>	1.71	2.22	2.46	2.91	5.24	3.38	1.51	1.88	3.95	2.69	2.09	2.69	32.73
'90	3.30	3.55	6.63	11.79	6.46	3.45	2.46	3.25	2.31	1.97	3.97	1.38	50.52
'91	2.45	.89	1.99	1.29	4.36	2.54	1.87	3.21	5.30	7.16	1.47	7.36	39.89
'92	3.16	1.65	2.07	1.23	5.35	4.18	.77	.81	5.80	.70	4.45	4.25	34.42
'93	1.98	3.94	3.30	3.35	5.43	3.67	.05	2.11	6.12	7.14	.96	2.84	40.89
'94	1.20	3.49	3.63	5.77	3.59	1.06	4.02	1.10	5.49	5.65	5.20	2.17	42.37
'95	1.48	0.42	3.34	3.34	5.88	3.92	2.89	3.72	0.00	1.42	1.15	2.31	33.94
'96	.78	trace	3.30	3.65	.18	4.50	2.47	5.32	7.75	2.94	5.18	.18	36.25
'97	.49	7.44	2.69	5.31	8.48	3.32	.52	1.47	.97	4.29	1.26	4.91	41.15
'98	4.15	1.89	5.44	1.92	1.00	5.20	0.00	.87	1.82	3.17	2.42	2.67	30.55
'99	2.40	.24	3.62	2.80	6.94	4.41	0.00	0.16	0.99	1.76	0.81	2.49	26.62
'00	1.75	0.70	2.93	2.80	1.00	4.66	2.69	0.00	2.07	7.92	7.12	3.50	37.14
'01	3.78	7.93	4.32	2.15	4.41	1.75	2.23	0.69	3.98	1.61	1.34	2.95	37.14
'02	1.11	3.63	6.43	4.94	2.50	4.42	5.10	0.89	2.06	8.44	1.54	4.07	45.13
'03	.05	3.24	1.07	1.33	4.05	3.07	0.15	1.97	5.31	0.08	2.29	1.11	23.72
'04	1.77	3.87	2.13	5.51	3.16	12.15	5.30	1.85	1.51	6.34	6.82	.71	51.12
'05	1.92	1.79	0.70	0.33	2.48	2.86	3.54	5.53	.23	2.88	.42	.20	22.88
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## Rainwater harvesting in Texas

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The report was prepared by an interagency Rainwater Harvesting Evaluation Committee that was constituted as a result of House Bill 2430 passed by the 79th Texas Legislature.

The Committee was required to study the potential for rainwater harvesting in Texas, and to develop minimum water quality guidelines and treatment methods for indoor use of harvested rainwater. The committee was also required to recommend ways in which rainwater

could be used in conjunction with existing municipal water systems, and ways to further promote rainwater harvesting.

The Committee found that in most areas of the state, rainfall is sufficient to make rainwater harvesting a reliable and economical source of water, even during short-term droughts. Because rainfall is generally harvested in the same location where it will be used, the need for complex and costly distribution systems is eliminated.

The Committee estimated that two billion gallons of water could be generated annually in a large metropolitan area the size of Dallas if 10% of the roof area were used to harvest rainwater. Approximately 38 billion gal-

lons of water would be conserved annually if 10% of the roof area in Texas could be used for rainwater harvesting.

In addition to developing water quality guidelines and treatment methods, the Committee submitted 10 recommendations in its report for promoting rainwater harvesting in Texas. Some of the key recommendations include:

Requiring all new state buildings exceeding 10,000 square feet in roof area to include rainwater harvesting in their design;

Developing incentive programs to encourage rainwater harvesting in new residential, commercial, and industrial facilities in the state; Considering new legislative appropriations to help provide matching funds for rainwater harvesting demonstration projects statewide; and,

Directing state agencies to require facilities using both public water supplies and harvested rainwater for indoor purposes, to use the rainwater only for non-potable purposes.

The Committee's four members represented the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS), and the Texas Section of the American Water Works Association.

The full report is available on the TWDB website at <http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/iwtr/water/docs/RainwaterCommitteeFinalReport.pdf>

# U.S. cattle producers angry at Korea's protectionist actions

U.S. government officials and cattle industry leaders are outraged by Korea's month-long inspection and ultimate rejection of three recent beef shipments—the first shipments sent by the United States to Korea since December 2003.

On Nov. 27, the South Korean Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry said that 8.9 metric tons (MT) of U.S. beef from Arkansas City, Kansas-based Creekstone Farms would either be destroyed or sent back to the United States because it reportedly contained a bone fragment.

A week later, Korea suspended imports of U.S. beef from a plant in Hastings, Nebraska, owned by Premium Protein Products after Korean inspectors said they also found bone fragments in a shipment from that plant.

On Dec. 6, Korean officials said banned bone fragments, ranging in size from 3 millimeters to 10 millimeters, had been found in a third shipment of U.S. beef and the imports would be suspended from the unidentified plant that processed the meat.

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns criticized South Korea for halting the shipments,

saying the Koreans "invented" a standard for imports that was not agreed to by U.S. negotiators.

USDA Deputy Undersecretary Chuck Lambert said the South Koreans "went to great lengths" to find the tiny (0.4 inch, about the size of a peanut) piece of bone fragment in a shipment from Creekstone, which the Koreans held and inspected for nearly a month.

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association is equally outraged, saying the Korean standards are political and protectionist in nature and have nothing to do with food safety requirements since bone is risk—and has never been—a meat material.

At present, 65 countries are accepting U.S. bone-in beef. In 2003, bone-in beef and variety meats accounted for half of U.S. beef exports to Korea. Prior to the ban, the country was the third-largest foreign market for U.S. beef.

On Dec. 1, NCBA appealed to President George W. Bush for "assistance in resolving an increasingly difficult situation regarding the resumption of U.S. beef exports to South Korea."

"Although South Korea fi-

nally agreed to re-open its borders to boneless beef in January 2006, we have seen nothing but protracted stalling since then," NCBA told the president.

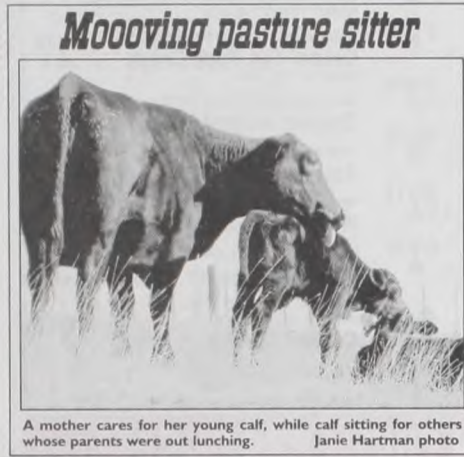
"Their inspectors were extremely sluggish in getting to the U.S. plants; the Korean media continues to make contemptible claims about the safety of our beef; they delayed for nearly a month on deciding the definition of a bone chip; and to top it off, took weeks to actually inspect recent shipments of beef, only to ultimately reject them."

NCBA says this latest development will likely have a detrimental effect on negotiations.

"We've said all along, one of our criteria for this FTA to go forward is full normalization of beef trade," said NCBA Chief Economist Gregg Doud. "Korea has become an unreliable trading partner."

"Creekstone Farms did everything humanly possible to ensure this shipment would pass inspection," said Doud.

"After inspecting nine tons of beef for nearly a month, the Koreans finally found a reason to reject it. U.S. companies won't be willing to take that chance anymore."



A mother cares for her young calf, while calf sitting for others whose parents were out lurching. Janie Hartman photo

## 2006 cattle feeding and cow-calf returns

Red ink was the story for cattle feeders in 2006. Many cow-calf operations did rather well in 2006, despite widespread drought, higher production costs, and lower cattle prices. In 2007, cattle feeders will likely do better than the dismal results posted in 2006. Cow-calf returns in 2007 may be near 2006's if corn prices do not surge, again.

In 2006, annual average cattle feeding returns based on all production costs and feeding in a commercial Southern Plains feedlot were the worst on record (Livestock Marketing Information Center estimates go back to 1975). Average monthly losses per steer sold in calendar year 2006 were about \$75 per head. For the year, only three months had positive returns (January, August, and September) and five sale months had losses exceeding

\$100 per steer. Estimated cow-calf returns over all cash costs of production plus pasture valued at rental rates remained positive in 2006. But, those returns have declined significantly from 2005's due to higher production costs and lower prices for calves and cull cows. In the Southern Plains, LMIC estimated returns over cash costs plus pasture rent were about \$48 per cow. That was the lowest cow-calf return since 2002 and \$87 less than 2005's. In the LMIC calculated cow-calf

returns, the last negative returns year was 1998.

To make money in 2007, cattle feeders will need to put a sharp pencil to their cattle buying decisions. They also will need to stay on top of feedstuff costs much more so than in recent years. Cow-calf operations will face calf prices that are lower in 2007. But cull cow prices are forecast to strengthen. With normal weather, cow-calf production costs will at least stabilize in 2007 and could even be a little below 2006's in many regions. Still, cow-calf returns will be similar to 2006's and well below the profit levels posted in 2004 and 2005.

From the Livestock Marketing Information Center

## COUNTY AGENT'S REPORT

WAYNE BECKER  
CEA - AG/NR

### Allow your summer pastures to recover this year

Management of bermudagrass pastures will be more essential this year. With the stress of the last two years of drought still evident, it is important to monitor soil fertility as well as weed and insect pressure closely in order to allow bermudagrass to flourish this year. Proper management of these possible problems will help give the grass the ability to restore a healthy stand of forage.

In addition to these management tasks, it is arguably even more important to monitor stocking rates. Excessive stocking rates not only compete with the grass but cause numerous other problems that compound the stresses endured by the bermudagrass. According to Dr. Larry Redmon, Extension Forage Specialist, plant vigor is affected by decreasing photosynthesis due to a lack of sunlight-absorbing leaves. This robs the plant of its energy source for metabolic functions and reduces the amount of carbohydrates

stored in the root system for winter.

A reduction in plant vigor reduces plant frequency and abundance and can be a contributing factor in bermudagrass thinning or decline. As a result of overstocking and lack of adequate ground cover, the increased velocity of overland flow of water during precipitation events reduces infiltration rates into the soil for use by plants or for recharge of groundwater aquifers. Subsequently, much of the precipitation is lost from the site, thus reducing forage production potential. This can lead to further reduction in infiltration rates and increases in overland flow.

Finally, reduced ground cover associated with overstocking exposes the soil surface to raindrop impact. Raindrop impact dislodges surface soil particles, which can be removed and lost from the site in precipitation overland flow. Raindrop-dislodged soil particles can also fill pore spaces, thus sealing the surface soil layer forming a crust. The crust that forms has the effect of further reducing infiltration rates and increasing water loss from the site.

Bare soil exposed to wind is also subject to dislodging and removal. Loss of topsoil either as a result of precipitation events or wind is known as erosion. Topsoil forms at extremely slow rates, often requiring thousands of years, thus the loss of topsoil due to erosion can affect site productivity for several generations. Besides loss of topsoil itself, important soil nutrients such as N, P, and K also are lost during the erosion process.

**Dates to Remember**  
Jan. 22 - Marketing Club Meeting, 7p.m., Farm Bureau Building.

Feb. 1 - Cooke County Beef Cattle Improvement Association Meeting, 7p.m., Place TBA.

Feb. 21 - Tri County Farmer and Rancher Symposium, 8 a.m. - 3p.m., NCTC

Little Theatre (5 CEU for TDA Pesticide Licenses).

### Laws and regulations reminder for TDA pesticide license holders

What CEUs do I need?

The Texas Department of Agriculture requires private pesticide applicators to earn 15 hours of continuing education units every five years to maintain their licenses, including two hours of IPM and two hours of Laws & Regulations. Commercial and Noncommercial applicators must obtain five hours each year including one hour from two of the three following categories: Laws & Regulations, Drift Minimization, or Integrated Pest Management.

**New license renewal dates**  
Effective Sept. 1, 2005, each commercial or noncommercial applicator license expires on the first anniversary of the date on which it was issued or renewed.

Also, each private applicator license expires on the fifth anniversary of the date on which it was issued or renewed.

**No CEU carryover**  
Continuing Education Units (CEUs) must be acquired prior to renewal. Extra CEU credit obtained in one renewal cycle cannot be forwarded and used in the next renewal cycle.

### Prepare for 2007

January is a good time to plan out the spring vegetable garden and the landscape for 2007. Seed catalogs can provide plenty of inspiration, but so can a very useful website, aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/ is one of my very favorite sites. If you need to learn more about a specific plant, click on "plant answers", you will be able to learn about soil and fertility requirements, preferred varieties, site preparation, and more.

Remember that this is a great time to do tree trimming, plant woody plants and to prepare soil for the upcoming planting season.

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A noon time luncheon on the wheat field on a warm winter day makes an enjoyable event for a growing calf. Janie Hartman photo

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300-400 lb. \$126 to \$147;  
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500-600 lb. \$106 to \$123;  
600-700 lb. \$96 to \$105;  
700-800 lb. \$92 to \$99.

**HEIFERS**  
300-400 lb. \$117 to \$126;  
400-500 lb. \$106 to \$118;  
500-600 lb. \$96 to \$109.50;  
600-700 lb. \$93 to \$98;  
700-800 lb. \$86 to \$92.

**PACKER COWS**  
Utility Boning: \$31 to \$37;  
Canner/Cutter: \$38 to \$44;  
Bulls: \$56 to \$67.50.

**BRED COWS**  
Choice: \$690 to \$840;  
Medium-Good: \$610 to \$700;  
Medium-Poor: \$460 to \$570.

**COW-CALE PAIRS**  
Choice: \$1000 to \$1105;  
Medium-Good: \$815 to \$925;  
Medium-Poor: \$690 to \$805.

**Feeder Steers (per lb.)**  
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.28-1.47;  
Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.29; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.19-1.47; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.19; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.13-1.23; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.13; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 1.08-1.20; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-1.08; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 99-1.09; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-99; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 91-99; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-91.

**Feeder Heifers (per lb.)**  
200-300 lbs. No. 1, 1.28-1.47;  
Nos. 2 & 3, 1.00-1.29; 300-400 lbs. No. 1, 1.18-1.27; Nos. 2 & 3, 95-1.18; 400-500 lbs. No. 1, 1.01-1.12; Nos. 2 & 3, 85-1.01; 500-600 lbs. No. 1, 99-1.09; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-99; 600-700 lbs. No. 1, 88-98; Nos. 2 & 3, 80-88; 700-800 lbs. No. 1, 80-90; Nos. 2 & 3, 60-80.

**Slaughter Cattle (per lb.)**  
Slaughter Bulls: Yield Grade #1-2, 1.200-2.050 lbs., 57-66;  
Slaughter Cows: #1-3, 44-5050; Cutter, 25-44.

**Stocker Cows (per head)**  
Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: \$700-\$940; Medium Frame: \$500-\$700.  
Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$900-\$1050; Medium Frame: \$700-\$900.  
Baby Calves: Holstein: \$60-\$76; Cross Breeds: \$200-\$305.

**Barrows & Gilts (per lb.)**  
US #1, 230-270: 47-52;  
US #2, 220-280: 41-45.  
**Feeders (per head):**  
100-175 lbs.: \$37-\$85;  
25-30 lbs.: \$20-\$35.  
**Sows (per lb.)**  
Feeder: 400, at least 28-35;  
Light wt.: 400-500: 30-32;  
Med. wt.: 500-600: 30-32;  
Heavy wt.: 600+: 28-32.  
**Borns (per lb.)**  
300 lb. up: 92-95; 200-300 lb.: 10-15; Light wt.: 22-33.  
**Sheep (per lb.)**  
Feeder lambs: 40-50 lb.: 85-100; Light lambs: 60-90 lb.: 85-95; Fat lambs: 90-120 lb.: 60-85.

**Ewes (per lb.)**  
Stocker: 40-55; Thin: 05-35; Fat: 40-60.  
**Bucks (per lb.)**  
Thin: NT: Fat: 45-50.  
**Barbados (per head)**  
Lambs: \$25-\$55;  
Ewes: \$35-\$45;  
Bucks: \$50-\$85.  
**Goats (per head)**  
Kids: 20-35 lbs.: \$25-\$40; 35-55 lbs.: \$25-\$65; 55-75 lbs.: \$45-\$85.  
**Vealings (per head)**  
75-120 lbs. NT.  
**Nannies (per head)**  
Stocker: \$50-\$115; Milk Type: \$45-\$60; Slaughter: \$40-\$65; Thin: \$15-\$40; Fat: \$45-\$85.  
**Bilbies (per head)**  
120 lbs-up  
Breeders: \$90-\$145;  
Slaughter: \$60-\$100.  
**Beer Goats (per head)**  
1/2 Nanny: NT: 3/4 Nanny: NT; Full Nanny: \$80-\$130;  
1/2 Billy: NT: 3/4 Billy: NT; Full Billy: \$90-\$150.

God gives us nuts, but he does not crack them.

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**STOCKER COWS**  
Price: 1 Year 3-4 w/calf  
Large Frame \$750 - \$850, Medium Frame \$600 - \$700, Cow/Calf - Lg. Frame \$900 - \$1100, Pair/Calf - Lg. Frame, Under 250 \$600 - \$750  
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1200-1500 lbs. Gd.-Choice 130-150, Med.-Gd. 100-120, 300-400 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.25-1.40, Med.-Gd. 1.00-1.20, 400-500 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.15-1.25, 500-600 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.00-1.15, Med.-Gd. 95-105  
**HEIFER CALVES**  
200-300 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.20-1.30, Med.-Gd. 1.00-1.20, 300-400 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.05-1.15, Med.-Gd. 95-100, 400-500 lbs. Gd.-Choice 1.00-1.10, Med.-Gd. 95-105, 500-600 lbs. Gd.-Choice 95-105, Med.-Gd. 85-95  
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<b>SHURFINE ASSORTED</b> Saltine Crackers ..... 15-16 OZ. <b>99¢</b>	<b>NESTLE</b> Chocolate Chips ..... 12 OZ. <b>\$1.99</b>
<b>CASSEROLE</b> Pinto Beans ..... 4 LB. <b>\$2.79</b>	<b>NESTLE</b> Chocolate Chips ..... 24 OZ. <b>\$3.69</b>
<b>SELECT GROUP WITH OR WITHOUT BEANS</b> Hormel Chili ..... 19 OZ. CAN <b>99¢</b>	<b>DELMONTE</b> Fruit Cocktail ..... 15.5 OZ. <b>79¢</b>
<b>FAMILY SIZE - 17-24 OZ. BAGS</b> Frito-Lay® Chips ..... REG. \$4.49 <b>2 FOR \$6</b>	<b>DELMONTE</b> Sliced Peaches ..... 15.5 OZ. <b>79¢</b>
<b>ORIG., HICKORY OR BROWN SUGAR HICKORY</b> Hunt's® BBQ Sauce ..... 21.6 OZ. <b>99¢</b>	<b>SHUR SAVING</b> Macaroni and Cheese ..... 7.25 OZ. <b>4 FOR \$1</b>
<b>FRUITY OR HONEY NUT</b> Cheerios ..... 11.5-15 OZ. <b>2 FOR \$4</b>	<b>NESTLE ASSORTED</b> Candy Bars ..... <b>3 FOR \$1</b>
<b>VAN CAMP'S</b> Pork and Beans ..... 15 OZ. <b>2 FOR \$1</b>	<b>SHUR SAVING</b> Grape Jelly ..... 32 OZ. <b>\$1</b>
<b>ASSORTED</b> Ro★Tel Tomatoes ..... 10 OZ. <b>89¢</b>	<b>SHURFINE</b> White Syrup ..... 32 OZ. <b>99¢</b>
<b>SELECT GROUP</b> American Beauty Pasta ..... 24 OZ. <b>99¢</b>	<b>CORN OR RICE SQUARES</b> Shurfine Cereal ..... 16 OZ. <b>\$1.89</b>
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<b>10 LB. BAG</b> Fryer Leg Quarters ..... EACH <b>\$3.99</b>	<b>ADVANCE BREADED STRIPS, PATTIES, OR</b> Chicken Nuggets ..... 12 OZ. <b>2 FOR \$3</b>
<b>COVERED WAGON</b> Sliced Bacon ..... 10 LB. BOX <b>\$9.99</b>	<b>POTATO OR MACARONI</b> Reser's Salad ..... 1 LB. <b>99¢</b>
<b>PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF</b> Rump Roast ..... LB. <b>\$2.19</b>	<b>WISCONSIN - APPROX. 5 LB. LOAF</b> Muenster Cheese ..... LB. <b>\$1.99</b>
<b>FAMILY PACK</b> Beef Cube Steak ..... LB. <b>\$2.89</b>	<b>WISCONSIN MARKET SLICED</b> Muenster Cheese ..... LB. <b>\$2.39</b>
<b>FAMILY PACK - PREVIOUSLY FROZEN</b> Split Fryer Breast ..... LB. <b>99¢</b>	<b>NORTHERN KING LARGE PEELED AND DEVEINED, 31/40 CT.</b> Cooked Shrimp ..... 1 LB. <b>\$5.99</b>
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<b>HONEYDEW</b> Melons ..... LB. <b>99¢</b>	<b>LARGE SNO-WHITE</b> Cauliflower ..... 2 FOR <b>\$3</b>
<b>PEELED</b> Baby Carrots ..... 2 LB. <b>2 FOR \$4</b>	<b>CRISP</b> Celery ..... EACH <b>69¢</b>
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<b>MINNEOLA</b> Tangelos ..... LB. <b>99¢</b>	<b>NORTHWEST</b> Red Pears ..... LB. <b>99¢</b>
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