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Adoption complete



They hatched! Two of the six White Peking duck eggs that this confused male silver pheasant has been sitting on (May 20 Muenster Enterprise) hatched earlier this week. Chris Hess, owner of the birds, noted that the "dad" is showing the instincts of motherhood, watching over and protecting the chicks. Can pheasants swim? It will be interesting to see what "mom" does when these ducklings decide to go for a swim. Janie Hartman photo

Water leaks jeopardize pool use this summer

By Janet Felderhoff Muenster City Council faced a tough decision Monday night as they heard of the grim condition of the Muenster swimming pool and the estimated costs to repair or replace it. The pool is not holding water. Apparently more pipes have de-teriorated. Two years ago, leaky pipes received repairs at considerable cost and these may be worse.

City Administrator Stan Endres reported that after it was filled for the season, they noticed after the first night that a considerable amount of water had been lost. Darrell Charles, owner of Absolute Pools, was contacted. He put them in touch with Mark Lewis of Leak Professionals, a company specializing in locating pool leaks. The company's tests indicated that the pool was leaking down the middle and in other areas scattered out in the pool.

Of the cast iron pipes dug up two years ago, Endres said, "Those pipes were in terrible shape. Those lines that are still in the pool are

just as old as the ones we water, and then at the end of took out two years ago and those were corroded and completely gone. There is no reason to think the ones that are still there are any better than the ones we took out."

A pool company special-izing in that type of repairs said the best thing would be to put in a new pool. Muen-ster can't afford that option, so his second suggestion was to put new plumbing on top of the floor that now exists, then cover that with a new layer of gunite. It is thought that the beds with the sand filters are leaking and need to be replaced. The project would take at least six weeks or longer.

Endres observed, "We are looking at the question of whether we want to continue are held. operating and losing a lot of

A number of prefabricated

carports have been added to

property in the City recently, causing some concern among some citizens as far as safety

in high winds. Another concern was if the carports are in compliance with the setback rule (how far a building

must be from the street). City Administrator Stan Endres spoke with the City's

building inspector Mike Doughty who said that car-ports fall under the regula-

tions of Accessory Buildings and the City's code does ad-

to the house and built as an

extension to the house are

is required before construc-

Carports that are attached

dress them.

the year, if we come up with the money, spend the money to repair it then, or to close the pool because we're losing water. Maybe just leave it open until after the Fourth of July.

Since the ground has become very saturated, the leak has slowed down to 16,000 gallons a day from 24,000 per day. The City es-timates a loss of 1,000,000 gallons of water with the previous leak.

Estimated cost for repair was \$60,000 to \$80,000. They thought a new pool would cost \$200,000 to \$250,000.

Alderman Jewel Otto spoke against closing the pool, especially before the annual swimming lessons

See POOL, pg. 2

Council to rule on portable carports

Riders roll in for **Rumble**

By Janet Felderhoff Muenster Chamber of Commerce hosts its 4th Annual Red River Rumble on Saturday, June 11. The 99mile Chamber fundraiser ride draws motorcycle riders from all over.

Riders rev up and ride out at 9 a.m. from Lone Star Leather on Division Street. They travel north on FM 373 through Marysville, Bulcher, Sivells Bend, Spanish Fort, along 2953 to FM 103 back down to FM 2634 to Lake Nocona down to Capps Corner then south to 677 into Forestburg to FM 1630 to FM 373 and onto Division Street ending at Tony's Tavern. The route promises scenic views of wildflowers, grazing cattle, wind turbines, wineries, and See RUMBLE, pg. 2

All in the way the ball bounces



the July meeting. **By Janet Felderhoff**

During a special meet-ing in May, five bids for ing in May, five bids for street paving were opened and reviewed. Calvert Pav-ing submitted the low bid of \$176,044.12. The company did work for the City two years ago and according to City Administrator Stan Endres, there were no prob-Endres, there were no problems.

Mayor Joey Anderson noted that there was \$147,000 budgeted for street repairs, and of that amount \$142,000 remains. That means about \$34,000 would have to be amended to the budget or taken from another area of the budget.

"Our discussion before was allowed as long as they are built behind the original building setback line for that all these things need to be done whether they're done building setback line for that location. A building permit the Mayor. "If you've been to those places, it's time to do them for sure. Areas targeted to be re-paved are Cedar Street Eighth to Ninth; Sixth Street from Elm to Maple; Seventh Street from Main to Elm; Maple Street from Hwy. 82 to Fourth Street; and 16 areas for patching. Street Commissioner Greg See CITY, pg. 2

Sterling Walterscheid (left) and Lexie Blassingame enjoy the challenge of a ball handling drill earlier this week at the Hornet Basketball Camp. See Janie Hartman photo Sports for more camp pictures.

tion.

Endres recommended that the portable prefabricated carports not be allowed unless they are behind the main building and are ce-mented into the ground and meet all setback regulations. The Council agreed to write an ordinance regarding the prefabricated carports and Bohl remarked, "We are goadd it to the building code at

Patel urges Muenster High graduates to earn success

By Janet Felderhoff

Many years of work, study, and bonding brought fruition to the goals of 31 seniors of Muenster High School on Thursday, June 2 as they formally graduated. Commencement took place at 7 p.m. in the Muenster Hornet Gymnasium.

Muenster High School graduates for 2011 are: Tyler James Acuña, Catherine Michelle Aston, Dillon John Bayer, Briana Nicole Bindel, Llogan Reigh Cheaney, Josiah Malachi Flaming, Aaron John Grewing, Zachary Ryan Gunnels, Michelle Elizabeth Henscheid, Bri-anna Kristine Klement, Taylor Catherine Klement, Devon Lee Kubis, Jason William Luke, Jillian Rori Magee, Ronald Tyler Nelson, Kelsey Victoria Pagel, Zachary Wyatt Pierce, Merle Scott Porter, Jr., Shane Austin Presnall, Kevin Dominic Rader, Kyle Ray Rader, Danielle Caron Sicking, Tanner Scott Silmon, Tiffany Ann Teafatiller, Alexis Catherine Trubenbach, Lacey Ann Trubenbach, Diana Eliza-beth Velasquez, Garrett Alois Walterscheid, Hannah Grey Weger, Sarah Lacy Wheeler, and Calvin Wayne Wimmer.

Catherine Aston offered the invocation. Counselor Kristi Schneider introduced members of the Board of Trustees and Administration

Michelle Henscheid introduced the Class Salutatorian

Briana Bindel.

Briana noted, "We have to commencement to their love- piece of Muenster culture. hate relationship with each other to adventures at recess to Student Council, TMSCA, and UIL experiences to the new world of high school.

In high school, Briana said they quickly found their niches. The class experienced ups and downs and had experiences that left fond memories. The last year especially was remarkable. she said. She thanked their parents and teachers who have been our support system and backbone throughout the years."

Briana imparted this advice to her classmates, "Go out into the world and try everything. Let nothing stop you and always live life without regrets. Do not be afraid to take risks in order to become the person you want to be.

Calvin Wimmer introduced Valedictorian Shane Presnall.

Shane spoke of a fusion of two words by his classmate Aaron Grewing and pro-moted by another classmate Jason Luke. Yer is a combination of yes and sure. He called the word young, annoying, but catchy, and it became the class motto.

"Our fictitious language

means more to us than mere Briana noted, "We have to words," remarked Shane. "It "So let us all go off and study stop and remember that what is the distinct link between and be the best individual makes us who we are would us 31 students, other people we can be. Let us explore in high school, let us never be nothing without our pasts around us, and the rest of the real world outside these forget the bonds that will and experiences." She then the world." He hopes that walls. Let us go out and meet forever connect all of us here recalled some of the class ex- the word will be taken with new and important people. today. Let us all take our periences from kindergarten the graduates as a small

"So let us all go off and study Let us find happiness in all place in the world and savor that we do. But when the our high school memories

and every one of us sits down and reflects the times we had



Brianna Klement assists Alexis Trubenbach with her tassle in preparation for Muenster High School graduation last week. For more graduation pictures, check out School News. Janie Hartman photo

In conclusion, Shane said, moment comes when each for the years to come. Let us walk out of these doors, with diploma in hand, and give a yer one last time.'

Counselor Schneider introduced the guest speaker Mrs. Dolly Patel, who was Muenster High School's 1999 Salutatorian. She received a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Science degree in Accounting with specialties in the areas of Audit & Assurance from Southern Methodist University. She also studied at University College at Oxford University in London, England.

Schneider commented, "In 2002, she worked at one of the Big 4 accounting firms, Deloitte & Touche. Two years later, she and her husband moved to South Padre Island to pursue their dream of entrepreneurship in the hotel/hospitality business. With one goal achieved, they had their hearts set on yet a bigger dream. In 2008, Dolly, her husband, and their daughter moved to San Antonio, where they built, own, and operate a La Quinta Ho-

tel." The graduates were told by Patel, "You have tasted your first big success! Let there be much, much more to follow.'

Patel said one purpose of the evening was looking forward to a successful life backed by further learning.

"In my opinion, you are capable of learning anything," she stated. "There is, how-

See MISD, pg. 6



Funeral services for Louis Bernard Sicking of Muenster were held at 10 a.m., Monday, June 6 at First Baptist Church in Muenster, with Rev. Ralph Gourley officiating. Visitation was Sunday evening at McCoy Funeral Home. Burial was in Hardy Cemetery.

Louis died at the age of 92 at his home on Friday, June 3.2011.

Born Nov. 23, 1918 on his home place southwest of Muenster, Louis worked with his parents and siblings until he was inducted into the U.S. Army on Oct. 10, 1942. He served in the Pacific Campaign until discharged on Jan. 14, 1946. He then returned to Muenster, purchased the home place and continued with farming. He, in 1947, purchased several milk trucks and hauled milk in cans to Sherman. This was a first in Muenster. Later, he purchased other trucks and hauled bulk milk to Dallas. He encouraged other Cooke County dairy farmers to send their milk to Dallas where a better price could be had. Louis continued his dairy business for many years and then began raising calves and chickens and continued farming. He enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren on the farm. They all enjoyed being there with him.

Louis married Pauline Lutkenhaus on April 30, 1953. They were proud parents of six children. Both Louis and Pauline enjoyed lengthy lives on the farm.

Survivors include daughters and sons-in-law Mary Jo and Kelly West of Valley View, Carol Ann and Rod Wilson of Thackerville, Oklahoma, and Rita and Tony Motsenbocker of Callisburg; sons and daughters-in-law Weldon and Ronda Sicking, Wesley and Molly Sicking, and Warren and Shelly Sicking, all of Muenster; 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; sisters Hilda Prescher of Valley View and Dorothy Buttrill

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Louis Sicking

of Haltom City; and brother Victor Sicking of Muenster.

He was preceded in death by his wife; parents August and Augusta Flies Sicking; sisters Annie Hacker, Gertrude Koelzer. Hattie Jetzlberger, Margaret Rainwater, Marie Ford, Cicilia Perryman, and Anges Prescher: and brother Thomas Sicking.

Louis was buried with Military honor, with his grandson Jonathan Klement, who is now in the service, participating in the ritual. Jonathan was honored by presenting the U.S flag at the burial ceremony. The Patriot Riders also provided honors at the cemetery.

Pallbearers were Josh, Shane, and Travis Sicking, Danny and David West, Kyle and Daryl Motsenbocker, Jonathan Sicking, and Jacob Klement.

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more.

After the ride, there will be prizes awarded at Tonv's. a raffle drawing, and bar-bque to sample cooked by contestants in Tony's cook-off contest. Karaoke and a live band are plans for later that day.

Also part of the Red River Rumble are motorcycle skills competitions and a gravity roll. The gravity roll starts on Main and First Streets by Muenster State Bank onto Elm Street. Chamber Director John Broyles noted that each contestant will have two footfalls to get their motorcycle rolling.

Skills competition winners and first, second, and third place ride winners receive cal KCs after elections were prizes. Each entrant receives held. Dick Cain named direcfree T-shirt and Red River Rumble patch. Registration may be done on-line by going to the Muenster Chamber of Commerce website.

POOL

gested waiting a month while seeking prices, with a goal of making it through the swim season. Pool Manager Kim Hess reported that there are pool parties booked through the 15th of August.

In favor of keeping the pool open, Hess added that she has five life guards who just got certified this year at a cost of \$150. Some have not had the opportunity to work and if the pool is closed they will not have the opportunity to recoup the certification fees and their lifeguard suits. She added that the Boy Scouts use the pool for their camp and for their swim tests, it is used for two weeks of swim classes, the local day care uses it weekly, in August, it is used for MISD's cross country workouts, and she, as the manager, purchased over \$900 in concession items.

"I just turned in for the last week \$1,100," noted Hess. We had over 100 people on Sunday.

commented, Anderson The only way I think we would seriously be faced with that (closing) is if the magnitude is so great that we just can't stand it." Alderman Tim Felderhoff said closing is the last thing he'd want to do, but in the event of a drought, it would be something to think about.

"Traditionally, the pool has lost money. It is also a community good that we said Anderson. provide,"

to Muenster.

The other members of the Council agreed that the pool should remain open for the time. Options will be explored.

Muenster's pool is 56 years old. Digging for it began in March 1955. There were several delays including a cement shortage and rain. It did not open until Sunday, Aug. 21. There were 300 and George Mollenkopf. Je- and its residents.

base where we can and it is a lizing the road where we've done that. It holds up real well and I think we need to continue to do that even though it's a little bit more expensive."

Anderson noted that sales tax are tracking ahead of what was budgeted and he feels the income will be higher than expected.

Alderman Bohl recommended that the Council contract with Calvert and go ahead with scheduled repairs. The Council approved his recommendation.

Last month, the Council discussed purchasing an emergency generator for use between the City and Muenster VFD in emergencies. There is a \$10,000 government grant that would help pay for the purchase of one. Endres got a proposal to get

BY.....

Mayor Joey Anderson sug- Alderman Pat Stelzer and kids and parents swimming rome Pagel was appointed as Bohl agreed it is a big asset that day. When it opened, the facility was not yet completed. The bath house and other features were still under construction. The grand opening took place in June of 1956

Serving on the City Coun- ster and the surrounding cil at the time of the pool construction were Mayor Urban Endres, Aldermen Rudy Hellman, Herbert Meurer, John Fisher, John Wheeler,

.....continued from pg. 1 ing ahead and putting down an idea of the cost, which Gainesville Register and on was \$28,125. Endres thinks huge improvement in stabi- he might get a better price elsewhere or for a simpler merous calls and email reversion. The County is getting the grant application together for all entities in the County.

The Council was unanimous in their approval for Endres to advertise for bids.

Mayor Anderson said he feels that there is quite a bit that the City can do in the emergency preparedness area and they need to hold a discussion on it at some point. We're the one's responsible for the water supply and the infrastructure. We need to make sure we've done our due diligence in preparing,' said Anderson.

The Administrator's report included an update on the progress of hiring a new police chief to replace Chief Bob Stovall who is retiring in August. Endres said that they have placed an ad in the of bills totaling \$118,935.69.

the Texas Municipal League (TML). There have been nuquests for information on the position. After more applications are received, a committee of Mayor Anderson, Police Commissioner Pat Stelzer, and Endres will review applications. They hope to have a new chief hired in July to allow a transition period, said Stelzer.

Endres Administrator said that a contractor for the Water District is currently doing the cementing of the parking lot for the Muenster Lake. It should be completed soon.

In other business, the City Council:

 Approved changing the date of the July 4 Council meeting to Tuesday, July 5 to allow everyone to observe Independence Day.

• Approved the payment

65 YEARS AGO June 7, 1946 Bullet crashes into John

DAYS GONE

Walter home; nobody hurt; suspect that it was a stray bullet, probably from the creek west of town; residents urged to be careful when using firearms. John Hoffman elected Grand Knight of local KCs. Pupils of Sr. Leonarda appear in recital. Theresa Mae Pels wins 4th in essay contest sponsored by Fort Worth Press. Almost 12" of rain fell in May. Weddings: Hazel Galloway and Ed Swirczynski; Gertrude Beyer and Ferd Luttmer. John Fisher makes trip to Kansas City with carload of sheep

50 YEARS AGO June 9, 1961

Two local youngsters have arms in casts: 11-year-old Herbie Sicking broke his left arm, and nine-year-old Carl Endres broke his right arm. John Mosman will continue as Grand Knight of the lotor of State Auction Markets. Obituaries: Margaret (Mrs. Frank) Needham, 79; Addie (Mrs. Joseph) Williams, 84; W.B. Wylie, 55. New Arrivals: a son for the Emmett

Sickings; a son for the Victor Sickings. <u>25 YEARS AGO</u> 2 1986

June 6, 1986 Gary Fisher named Outstanding Muenster Citizen of 1986. Muenster wins Governor's Community Achievement Award from Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc. John Bartush opens new Farm Bureau office in Muenster. Sr. Romana Rohmer honored for her years of service as she prepares to transfer from Muenster to Mobile, Alabama. Weddings: Cherilyn Bayer and John Pollard; Andrea Vanasse and Robert Gremminger. College Graduates: Rene Stelzer, NTSU; Jeanna Hartman, STSU; Wes Powell, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. New Arrivals: Nathan to Mark and Mary Kay Sicking; Jayna to Jim and Donna Biffle; Joshua to Tom and Paula Hess; Keith to Stan and Rhonda Dieter.



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supervisor of the project and

Steve Moster as foreman.

The cost of the pool alone was

\$15,000 to \$17,000. That did

not include the bath house,

area has memories of swim-

ming in the Muenster pool

and many learned how to

swim there. Its closing would

be a great loss to the City

Many a child from Muen-

diving board, fencing, etc.

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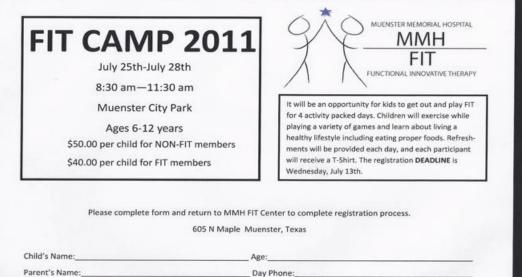
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Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Henry Fleitman Family Reunion, City Park	VFW mtg. 8 pm MMH Aux mtg. 5:30 pm	Library open 10am-6:30 pm 10am-6:30 pm FLAG DAY Sacred Heat	Library open 1:30 -5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg. noon, Center Co-ed V.ball 7:30 MISD old gym rt Vacation Bibl Baseball @Camp		Muenster Museum open -1-4 A	Library open 10:30 am - 2:30 pm
Sunday, June 19, 2011	Monday, June 20, 2011	Tuesday, June 21, 2011	Wednesday, June 22, 2011	Thursday, June 23, 2011	Friday, June 24, 2011	Saturday, June 25, 2011
Muenster Museum CLOSED	VFW Aux. mtg. 7:30 pm	MMH Board mtg. 7 pm	Library open 1:30-5:30 Kiwanis mtg. noon Center Co-Ed V'ball M old gym 7:30 asketball Camp	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm	Muenster Museum Open 1-4 p.m	Library open 10:30 am - 2:30 pm Muenster Swim Program Registration 9-11 am Pool
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Greeting patients and visitors at Muenster Hospital are two of the new volunteers, from left, Harriet Pa-**MMH** photo gel and Jane Barfknecht.

MMH starts new program

morial Hospital, you will more easily identify them. now notice something new. Beginning this week, members of the community have begun to volunteer their time to help better everyone's experience at the Hospital. The volunteer program is something that patients and visitors have never experienced at MMH.

Patients are encouraged to check in with the volunteer on duty rather than entering directly into the business office as they have been doing in the past. The volunteers' main duty will be to greet patients and visitors. Depending on how well the program takes off, more duties may eventually be handed to the new volunteers. Volunteers will be wearing a red office.

If you visit Muenster Me- uniform top to help everyone

When asked why they wanted to volunteer for MMH, most just want to serve their community and are thankful that we still have a local hospital. Some had family members who were patients at one time, and are grateful for the care they were given. They feel this is a way they can show their appreciation to the Hospital. Harriet Scoggins has done a great job leading the volunteer program and preparing the volunteers' schedule. If you're interested in serving as a volunteer and would like more information, contact Harriet at 940-759-4303. Applications are available at the MMH business

Appreciation event offered by SH Alumni & Supporters

Sacred Heart Alumni & year for sponsorships.' Supporters want to thank everyone who has volunteered to help the Alumni over the past years with a day of golf followed by an evening of fun at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, June 18. Any and all Alumni & Supporters (not just golfers) are welcome to attend. They plan to award prizes and provide food and drinks.

Co-chairman John Bartush explained that two years ago, the Alumni & Supporters began the Homecoming Classic in the Fall as a golf tournament to raise large sums of money for the benefit of Sacred Heart Catholic School. This year, they considered canceling the tourney because according to Bartush, "Even though we were the first organization to host a golf tourney in our community as a fundraising event over 30 years ago, we now have to compete with multiple organizations each School.

Muenster Library welcomes Bob and Diann Hultstrand of Frisco are pleased to participants in programs

Muenster Public Library earn a free ice cream coupon has two summer reading programs: "Dig Up a Good Book" for kids ages two to 12, and "Going Global" for teens 13 and up. The summer reading programs started June 1

Instead of canceling the event, they decided to host the tournament as an appreciation for all supporters. Golfers will still compete for cash prizes, but all supporters are welcome to attend the party after the tournament

The party after the tournament will be in the Muenster KC Hall beginning at 7:30 p.m. The evening offers free food and refreshments, numerous door prizes, card games, fellowship, and fun.

The four-person scramble takes place at Turtle Hill with a 1:30 p.m. tee off. There is a \$280 entry fee per team.

To register, contact Bartush at 736-3633 or Rhonda Hartman at 736-6256.

Bartush concluded, yes, donations are still welcome!!" All proceeds ben-efit Sacred Heart Catholic

from Sonic and Dairy Inn

when they complete their

has a free Story and Craft

Muenster Public Library

reading logs.

"Oh announce the engagement and approaching marriage

of their daughter Ashley Ann Hultstrand to Mr. Alan Ray Chapin. The groom is the son of Randy and Linda Chapin of McKinney and Bernie and Joan Pruis of Fort Wayne, Indiana. The bride-elect is a graduate of Salem College in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She is an interior designer with Dawn Henderson & Associates in Dallas. The prospective groom is a graduate of Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan and is employed by Hewlett-Packard in Plano. The couple plans to marry on July 3, 2011 at Redeemer Presbyterian Church in McKinney. Ashley is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Felderhoff of Muenster and the late Wally and Delores Hultstrand. The groom's grandparents are Frances Olsen of Lakeview, Michigan and Donelda Chapin of Greenville, Michigan and the late Leo Olsen and Paul Chapin.

Preston Luke graduates

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Preston V. Luke, son of the pinning ceremony, Pres-ay and Tawni Luke of Val- ton received the Ian Edward Ray and Tawni Luke of Valley View, graduated from Mc-Murry University in Abilene on Saturday, May 14. He received a Bachelor of Science fied a great nurse. in Nursing from Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing, a consortium of McMurry University, Abilene Christian University, and Hardin-Simmons University.

Other ceremonies in which Preston took part included a baccalaureate service for McMurry graduates at Aldersgate United Methodist Church (Friday, May 13) and a nurse pinning ceremony at Abilene^¹Christian University (Thursday, May 12). At Center in Abilene.

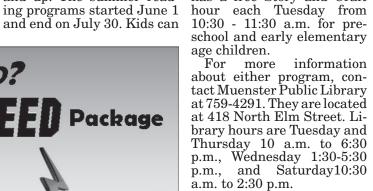
Coakley Memorial Award, given to the male nursing student who best exempli-

Following the graduation ceremony, Preston celebrated with family and friends at Abuelo's restaurant where a meal and special cake were served in his honor.

Preston is the grandson of Lynn and Glenda Vowell of Denton and the late Dan and Dolores Henzler Luke, formerly of Muenster.

Preston has accepted an RN position in the Trauma Center at Hendrick Medical









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Preston Luke



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graduates Krahl from Texas Tech University

Adam Joseph Krahl, son and Judy Krahl, Jonathan, of David and Judy Krahl of Aaron, Jessica, Emily, and Gainesville, and grandson of Mark Krahl. Also Daniel Margie Krahl of Muenster and the late Eddie Krahl and Joe and Viola Schmidlkofer of Gainesville, graduated as a Doctor of Physical Therapy from the Texas Tech Health Sciences School in Lubbock on Saturday, May 21.

The Commencement ceremony was held in the United Spirit Arena on the Texas Tech campus.

Attending the ceremony were family members David

Entrants

and Lauren Russell, Victor Schmidlkofer, and friend Molly Boots.

On Friday, May 20, Adam received his Doctoral hood and recited the Affirmation of Commitment at the City Bank Auditorium in Lubbock. His family was in attendance.

graduation, Following Adam is employed at Baybrooke Village Care and Rehabilitation Center in McKinney.

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Saint Jo Rodeo Parade

Meeting Notice

Gainesville Christian **Women Connection**

Gainesville Christian Women's Connection will hold its June luncheon meeting on Thursday, June 23 at 401 W. Garnett, Gainesville. The special event time is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the catered lunch is \$12. For reservations, call Carol at (940)368-4950 or e-mail her at cijacobsen@hotmail.com by Monday, June 20.

The speaker and special feature will be Esther Herriott, a women's speaker, Bible teacher, certified personality trainer, and free lance writer. She has authored a book entitled THE BEST IS NOW! Learning to Love Every Stage of Life. Themes: Not in Control and Lovin' it and *The Best is Now...Enjoy it*. Music will be provided by Marie Hubbard.

Also, join them on Thursday, June 16 at 9:30 a.m. for the next Prayer Connection led by Pat Cook at Inez Freeman's home at 1003 Kiowa Dr. W., Lake Kiowa. Call Inez at (940)665-7449 or email her at irf@ntin.net to RSVP.

New Arrivals



Chloe, Annabelle, and Bridget Pelzel

Pelzel

Kevin and Bambi Pelzel of Sadler proudly announce the birth of their triplet daughters on Friday, Feb. 25, 2011. Annabelle Caroline Pelzel, Bridget Jo Pelzel, and Chloe Denise Pelzel were born at 2:43 p.m. at Texas Health Presbyterian Plano. Annabelle weighed 4 lb. 3 oz. and measured 16 1/2 inches in length. Bridget weighed 3 lb. 8 oz. and was 16 inches in length. Chloe weighed 2 lb. 11 oz. and was 14 3/4 inches long. Welcoming his sisters to the family is Will, age two years. Grandparents are Sandy Benson of Sadler, Bill and Jozel Benson of Sadler, and Felix and Joan Pelzel of Pilot Point.

The sorrow which has no vent in tears may make other organs weep. Henry Maudsley

It's paradetime in Saint Jo! allowed. Cash prizes will Lasso your favorite horse or crank up your Model T. Don your faded denims or vintage costume. Decorate your float in the theme of "Celebrate Texas" - 175 years, and join in the 54th Annual Saint Jo Rodeo Parade.

Equestrian groups/riding clubs, floats, and individual entries are invited to enter. participants, as well as free No 4-wheelers or ATVs are entry into the rodeo.

First Holy Communion last month at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster. Families celebrated that milestone with parties and family gatherings.

Chloe Hacker

Following her May 7 First Holy Communion, Chloe Hacker celebrated her big day with Erin Hesse at the Hesse home. A brisket dinner was served along with cake and ice cream. Gifts were opened and pictures were taken. Helping Chloe celebrate were her parents Maurus and Sally Hacker; siblings Nathan, Braeden, Landon, Ava, and Caden Hacker; grandparents Chuck Fisher and Maurus and Lynn Hacker; Godparents Jessica Fisher and

Children received their Cheryl Hacker; great-grand-rst Holy Communion parents Damond and Evelyn Herr, aunts Sherry Hacker Fuhrmann; and great-aunt and Joyce Walterscheid, LuElla Fuhrmann.

Families celebrate

Bryce Hacker

The family of Bryce Hacker celebrated the occasion of his First Holy Communion with a family gathering in the home of his grandparents Steve and Dianna Klement. Bryce is the son of LeAnn Hacker and Jimmy Hacker. There was a special cross-shaped cake made by Betty Rose Walterscheid served after the meal. At- Love your neighbor as tending the celebration were Bryce's parents, brother Devon Hacker, sister Jasmine Hacker, grandparents Steve and Dianna Klement and Jim and Linda Hacker, great-grandparents Sis and

Jaden, Čonnor, and Brady Walterscheid. Unable to attend were uncle James Klement and Kannon Klement, uncle and aunt Rex and Lori Huchton, Ethan and Aiden of California, and great-grandmothers Anna Herr and Joyce Rigler.

"The entire law is summed up in a single command: yourself. If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other."

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Sacred Heart Catholic School Montessori Classes of 2010-11

SHCS holds Montessori Moving Up Ceremony

The Sacred Heart Catholic School Primary Montes-sori students entertained their proud families, friends, and teachers at their Moving Up Ceremony on May 19 to mark the end of another very successful year of learning and fun. As guests ar-rived, they were entertained with a slide show of pictures that captured the students' school year. The children were shown engaged in their work and projects, on field trips, celebrating their birthdays, as well as enjoying class parties and special

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The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd lessons, Sister Lilcelebrated their spiritual growth in the songs "This Is the Day," "This Little Light of Mine," and "Everything Grows." The students told Grows." The students told They were enthusiastic in singing "Nursery Rhyme Rap," and the audience got to hear and watch them rock m "APC Pack" in "ABC Rock."

days. Montessori teacher, an-The students opened their nounced the names of the Montessori Pre-K students. Ms. Davidson, Montessori teacher, assisted Dr. Rafael Rondon, SHCS principal, in presenting attendance certificates to the students.

tessori students entertained the overflowing audience in the Community Center with an enthusiastic performance of favorite songs, complete with hand and body mo-tions dergarteners in the fall are: Joshua Akin, Andy Bayer, lian's Religion classes, and Macy Bayer, Clint Bezner, Father Ken's Masses were TylerFelderhoff,AlishaFleitreflected as the students man, Natalie Fuhrmann, Joe

of continents in Tell Me the mained on stage and per-Continents and sang that formed the final song, "First friendship is the motto of Grade, First Grade." A spe-Texas in the "Texas Song." cial guest in the audience

Moving Up Certificates by Following this part of the their teachers and Dr. Ron-

Braden Berkley, Madeleine Fisher, Elise Flusche, Parker Forshee, Laney Haley, Trinity Hess, Mara Juntado, Jackson Knabe, Michael Koesler, Lorelei Nottingham, Charlotte Rondon, Isaac Schil-ling, and Matthew Walter.

Special recognition and certificates were given to three students who had perfect attendance all year: Carter Sicking, Faith Sick-ing, and Madeleine Fisher.

Dr. Rondon offered words of congratulations and thanks to the children, parents, and entire Montessori staff. The students concluded the program with a prayer. Visiting and picture taking followed.

Extremely proud of these children and their accomplishments this year are: Ms. Barbara Davidson and Mrs. Pam Dangelmayr, Montessori teachers; Mrs. Kathy Berres and Mrs. Susan Yosten, classroom aides; Sister Lillian Marie Reiter, Kindergarten Religion; Ms. Angela Proto Hess, Spanish; Mr. Clint Kelley, music; Mrs. Laura Marshall, art; and Coach Jon LeBrasseur, play

Math students recognized at Muenster High School

an end and many students awarded each six weeks to were recognized for their ac- those with a 90 or above avcomplishments. Mrs. Caro-lyn Lutkenhaus' third period Geometry class of Steven Flusche, Tommy Harrison, Trevor Hess, Paul Mouring, Trevor Muller, and Blayne Styles was henored as henored Styles was honored as being the class with the most and their number of stars: consecutive and total days of all homework completed. Classes were encouraged to be consistent in completing and turning in work by records posted on the wall each day. If everyone in the class turned in homework with the required minimum each day. If everyone in the scalar day. If everyone in the with the required minimum each day. If everyone in the scalar day. If everyone in grade, the class received a mark on the poster. A running total was posted with consecutive days of com-pleted homework. If anyone in the class missed the requirement, the class total became zero again. When a class achieved 10 days in a row, the class members each received a small snack as a reward.

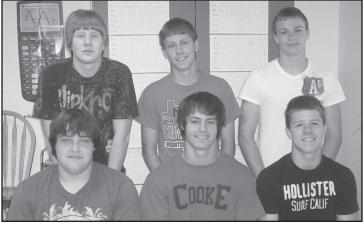
The third period Geom-etry class had 42 consecutive days of all work turned in with the minimum grade requirement. They had a cumulative total of 123 days of completed work from all students. They were treated to a special breakfast during their last class on Thursday.

Students also were encouraged to excel in math through the posting of "Math

The school year at Muen- Stars" with student names ster High School has come to on the wall. The stars were

The following are students six stars - Hannah Bayer, Austin Creswell, Clayton Hess, Sydney Huchton, Adrien Rohmer, and Audrey Taylor Saavaedra; five stars ment, and Shelbi Sicking; three stars - Jamie Magee, Tori Dyess, Miranda Pagel, and Paige Morgan; two stars - Kendi Bayer, Mason Bind-er, Steven Flusche, Colton Moseley, Rachel Mouring, Makayla Pumphrey, Al-yssa Schinigoi, and Shelby Simpson; one star - C.T. Bee-cham Sean Chism Destin cham, Sean Chism, Destin Fleitman, Jace Fredrick, Eland Green, Ashley Hammer, Darrell Hermes, David Hutson, Jamie Mandrell, Garrett Miller, Joe Monday, Trevor Muller, Abby Pa-gel, Nicole Pagel, Jonathan Pierce, Corey Richey, Clay-ton Rohmer, Andrew Rosenbaum, Mariah Rocha, Austin Schroeder, Clint Sidwell, and Cole Walterscheid.

Each of the math stars received a certificate and a doughnut courtesy of Mrs. Lutkenhaus



From left, front - Paul Mouring, Blayne Styles, Trevor Hess; back - Tommy Harrison, Trevor Muller, and Steven Flusche. MISD photo

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Sacred Heart 2nd Grade students enjoyed learning about Loyalty Day. Muenster VFW Auxiliary President Frances Bayer brought pamphlets that explained the May 1 special day that is set aside each year to reaffirm loyalty to the United States of America. The students posed for this picture with Frances, who also brought several patriotic activities for them to do.

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less dedication, it will consume your thoughts. "The price will be failure.

At times, things will not go well.' Another word of advice

from Patel was to surround yourself with inspiring people with a positive mind set, who deal with problems and tackle new subjects in a good manner, to observe how they stay on top and how hard they work. "Dig in and get the snow-

ball started down the hill." encouraged Patel. "Each success will bring improved enthusiasm, a new energy, and things will just keep getting better.

Patel told the graduates that starting now, they will create their own paths and she hoped that each of them would go about it positively. "There is a saying that at-titude determines altitude," Patel noted. "No matter what you plan next... I hope you are able to go about it positively, with a smile on your face.

Principal Sharon Browning and Board of Trustees President Steve Trubenbach presented diplomas. Coach Courtney Christenson performed the traditional turning of the rings and Counselor Schneider turned the tassels.

Superintendent Clay Richerson presented the Člass of 2011. Garrett Walterscheid then offered closing remarks and the benediction.

Scholarships and Grants Tyler Acuna - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott Dual Credit Scholarship (DCS) Fall & Spring \$192; Muenster ISD DCS Fall & Spring \$350.

Cathy Aston - Tank & Nan-cy Nelson Chicken Express Scholarship \$250, NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96;

Dillon Bayer - NCTC Leo & Mabel Šcott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCSFall & Spring \$280, Nortex Communications \$500, Saint Jo Riding Club \$500, Muenster Jaycees \$750, Edgar Dyer Memorial Scholarship \$1,000, Texas Tech University College of Agriculture MF & Virginia Landwer \$1,500.

Briana Bindel - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$288; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, The Law Offices of Jim A. Robertson Scholarship \$500, Kiwanis Club of Muenster \$500, Cooke County Youth FairMissyDangelmayr\$500, Patrick R. Harris Memorial \$500, NASCOGA Scholarship \$500, Muenster KCs \$750, Catholic Life \$1,000, University of Texas Grant \$1,500, Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo \$16,000.

Llogan Cheaney - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS Fall & Spring \$192; Muenster ISD DCS Fall & Spring \$350, NCTC Mary Josephine Cox \$200, NCTC Robert & Frances Farmer \$600.

Josiah Flaming - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, Cooke County Electric Co-op \$1,000.

Aaron Grewing - NCTC Florence Estes Scholarship \$500, Herman DeVry Scholarship \$1,500 per semester up to \$13,500.

Zachary Gunnels - NCTC Florence Estes Scholarship

Michelle Henscheid NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$192; Muenster ISD DCS \$350, Muenster High School NHS \$500, Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Scholarship \$1,000, Foundation for Rural Education and Development through Nortex \$1,500, Communications Texas A&M Federal Grant

ing, Allie Walterscheid.

8th Grade: Trey Anderle, Emily Brogdon, Trevor Cheaney,

Jonathan Cooley, Aaron Da-

vis, Kyla Haverkamp, Chance

Herr, Noel Rodriguez, Zachary

Kendi Bayer, Mason Binder,

Jared Endres, Erin Hess, Shel-

by Klement, Jamie Magee, Jori

Magee, Garrett Miller, Jaisal

Patel, Mariah Rocha, Adrien

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Trevor Hess, Hunter Klement,

10th Grade: Steven Flusche,

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Taylor Klement - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$210, Zachary Swirczynski Me-morial Scholarship \$500, The Texas Education Grant \$2,800, Hardin's Simmons University Dean's Scholarship \$32,000.

Devon Kubis - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$288; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, NCTC Marion Green Scholarship \$600.

Jason Luke - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, Hazelwood Exemption Grant up to 150 credit hours 87,525.50.

Jillian Magee -NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, NCTC Bill Cypert Memorial Scholarship \$600.

Kelsey Pagel - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$140, Muenster State Bank Scholarship \$600.

Scott Porter - Muenster ISD DCS \$280, Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Scholarship \$1,000.

Shane Presnall - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$210, Dale Hansen's Scholar Athlete \$250, The Law Offices of Jim A. Robertson \$500, Muenster NHS Scholarship \$500, The State of Texas Valedictorian Certificate \$9,600, Baylor President's Gold Scholarship \$14,000, Boston College \$14,800, Fordham Dean's Scholarship \$14,800, \$17,300.

Danielle Sicking - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$280, NCTC PolyPipe Scholarship \$600.

Tanner Silmon - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$280.

Alexis Trubenbach - Muenster ISD DCS \$420, TCU Scholar Award \$32,000,

Lacey Trubenbach - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS Fall & Spring \$192; Muenster ISD DCS Fall & Spring \$420, Muenster Memorial Hospital David M. Bright Memorial Scholarship \$2,000

Diana Velasquez - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$192; Muenster ISD DCS \$140, NCTC Sallie Bass Scholarship \$600.

Garrett Walterscheid NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott

Muenster ISD DCS \$350, DCS Fall & Spring \$192; Muenster ISD DCS Fall & Spring \$280, Kiwanis Club of Muenster \$250, Texas Electric Cooperative Loss Control Advisory Committee Educational Scholarship \$325, Gene Henry Fuhrman Scholarship \$500, Zachary Swirczynski Memorial Scholarship sponsored by Peterbilt Employees \$1,000, Texas Rural Electric Women's Association Scholarship \$1,500, Texas Telephone Association Foundation 4 yrs./\$1,500 total \$6,000.

burg Baptist Church Graduate Recognition Scholarship \$100, NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$192; Muenster ISD DCS \$350, First State Bank Muenster Branch \$500, Oklahoma State University Non Resident Achievement Scholarships \$35,000. Sarah Wheeler - NCTC Fisher/Huchton Memorial

\$500. Calvin Wimmer - NCTC Leo & Mabel Scott DCS \$96; Muenster ISD DCS \$350, The Law Offices of Jim A.

Gene Henry Fuhrman Scholarship \$1,000, Cooke County Electric Co-op \$1,000, Muen- ster Memorial Hospital David M. Bright Memorial Scholarship \$2,000, Ronald McDonald House of Charities United States Scholar (laptop) \$2,000, University of North Texas Norman & Evelyn Luke Muenster Scholarship \$5,000.

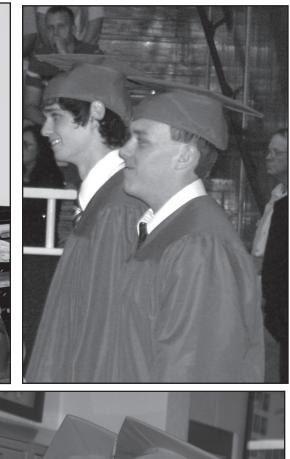
Of the total \$338,145 awarded in scholarships to MISD seniors, \$239,845 was accepted.

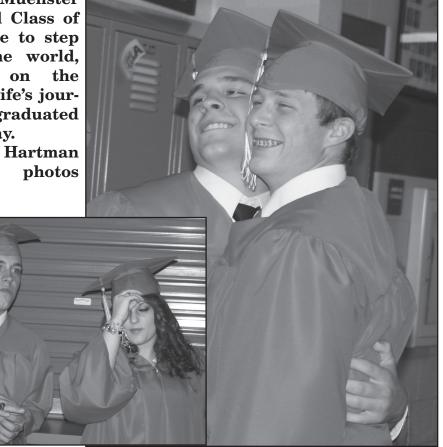


Members of Muenster High School Class of 2011 prepare to step out into the world, embarking on the next leg of life's journey as they graduated last Thursday.

> Janie Hartman photos

Hannah Weger - Forest- Robertson Scholarship \$500





Lindsay Banquet celebrates student achievements

Lindsay High School held Juniors, sophomores, and Krahl; Pre-Ap English 2, Dar-its All Awards Banquet on freshmen were presented ryl Block; Ag - Junior, Alicia Block; Spanish 2, Stephanie

Brittany Pagel, Miranda Pagel, Sydney Huchton. 10th Grade: Jeonglim Cho, Lauren Rohmer.

MISD Honor Roll

Sixth Six Weeks "A" HONOR ROLL 7th Grade: Jordan Buddy, Mason Davis, Abby Luttmer,

Alison Morris, Alaina Reiter,

Samuel Saucer, Claire Sch-

neider, Kimber Walterscheid,

8th Grade: Kassie Dan-

gelmayr, Morgan Flusche, Car-

oline Gressett, Tara Gunnels,

Rachel Hare, Kalee Henni-

gan, Mikaela Lamar, Makavla

Moster, Kristen Reiter, Georgia

Taylor Saavedra, Lora Walter-

9th Grade: Hannah Bayer,

Austin Creswell, Clayton Hess,

Reagan Weger.

scheid.

Brooke Walterscheid. 11th Grade: Lana Heers,

Emily Hellman, Andrea Hess, Rishi Patel, Landon Presnall. 12th Grade: Michelle Hensc-

heid, Lacey Trubenbach, Calvin Wimmer.

"A/B" HONOR ROLL 7th Grade: Mahayla Bohl, Chase Deeken, Dalton Hess, Cassandra Horsman, Zane Kemp, Trace Klement, James Lee, Nicole Rains, Kelsie Sick-

11th Grade: Luke Crabtree, Andi Felderhoff, Daniel Fleitman, David Fleitman, William Hanes, Paige Hennigan, Angela Morgan, Allison Pagel.

12th Grade: Catherine As-ton, Briana Bindel, Llogan Cheaney, Brianna Klement, Taylor Klement, Ronald Nelson, Shane Presnall, Danielle Sicking, Tiffany Teafatiller, Alexis Trubenbach, Garrett Walterscheid, Hannah Weger.

May 22 in Centennial Hall. LISD Board President Bruce Bezner and Superintendent Dennis Holt welcomed guests.

Academic UIL coaches Carol Luttmer, Sheila Baekgaard, and Linus Fuhrmann and One Act play Coach Sami Womack presented awards to students in those areas, noting their accomplishments.

Principal Phillip Hall presented awards in Music, Pep Club, and Cheerleading.

Coaches Cody Bounds, Bridget Anderle, Robin Hess, Lynn Cook, Don Neu, Greg Lane, Blake Crutsinger, and Russell Glascock presented awards and spoke of achievements in football, volleyball, cross country, boys and girls basketball, softball, golf, tennis, boys track, and baseball.

Principal Hall and Athletic Director Cody Bounds then presented special awards.



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Class awards as follows: Ag Hellinger; Algebra 2, Megan Sophomore, Bryan Fortune; Schumacher; AP English 3, AP Chemistry, Lucinda Krahl; Biology, Shea Garner; English na Hall; Chemistry, Megan 2, Claire Williams; Life Nu- Schumacher; English 1, Nicole trition & Wellness, McKenzie Popp; Physics, Lucinda Krahl; Neu; Ag - Freshman, Matthew Pre Calculus, Lucinda Krahl; Huston; English 3, Ashton Spanish 1 Natasha Agarwal;

Caitlin Huston; BIM, Savan-Reynolds; Geometry, Travis Theatre Arts, Sabrina Stof-

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Lindsay Lady Knights fall at State

lost the State Semi-Final game to the now State Champion Shiner Comanches by a score of 16-4. "We struggled defensively, charting seven errors in the game. Our pitcher Taylor Atkins also struggled in the circle," noted Coach Robin Hess. "Ranee Morrison came in and did a

The Lindsay Lady Knights of the girls. We had to fight ward to next year," the coach st the State Semi-Final through some adversity and commented. we still managed to score 4 runs.'

Hess added that when you only have two hits and seven errors, you are not going to win many ball games. "It just wasn't our day and I guess it just wasn't meant to and 2 RBIs; and Taylor Atbe. We had a great season, great job. I am very proud and I already am looking for-

The Lady Knights finished their season with a 31-12 record

For Lindsay, Alyx Ethington had a run, a single, and an RBI; Erin Copeland, 1 run; Ranee Morrison, 2 runs kins a double and an RBL



Janie Hartman photos



Working on ball handling skills - Clockwise, upper left - Caitlyn Reamy; Megan Rohmer; Jack Broyles and Joseph Cochran; Brenton Wilson; Stetson McGrew; and Savannah Bohl.

Game Warden Reports

Fishermen not sheepish about sheepshead Matagorda County game wardens David Janssen and Aaron Koenig, along with Fort Bend County game warden Barry Eversole were patrolling West Matagorda Bay March 27 when they made contact with a commercial shrimp boat coming in from the Gulf of Mexico. While inspecting the boat's cargo, the wardens discovered seven sacks of sheepshead buried under a large quantity of shrimp. One hundred five fish were seized and sold to the highest bidder. Charges for exceeding the possession limit of sheepshead are pending.

Not quite "Jaws," but close Brazoria County game warden Scott Jennings received notification on March 29 that a commercial fishing vessel had arrived at Freeport with an eight-foot short-fin mako shark. The crew said the shark leaped into the stern of their boat while they were weighing anchor. Once on board, the fish flipped over their heads, landing forward beside the center console. The crew told Jennings that at one point they had considered abandoning the boat to the shark. Since they couldn't safely remove the shark from the boat without harming it, they telephoned National Marine Fisheries Service agent Charles Tyer and arranged to purchase a federal highly migratory species permit so that they could legally land the shark.

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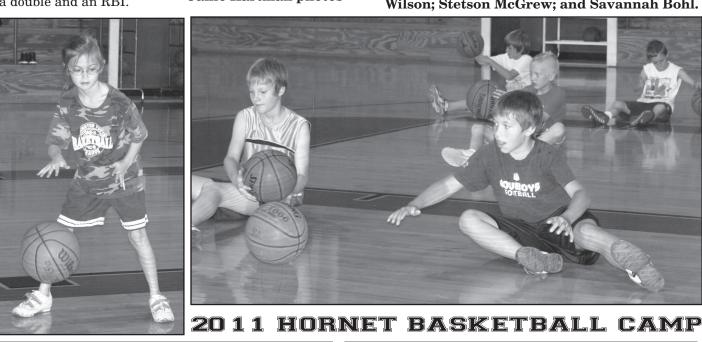
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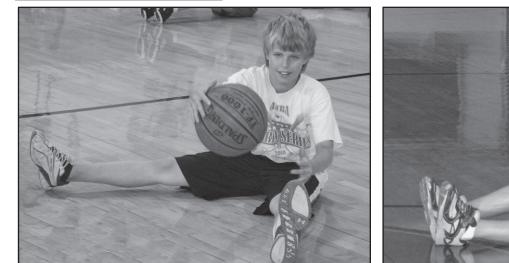
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Drought third-worst in Texas history

Is this the worst Texas drought ever?

The answer is no, but it certainly is one of the worst, according to Dr. John Nielsen-Gammon, Texas A&M University professor and Texas state climatologist.

"Based on Palmer Drought Severity Index values, this is the third-worst drought Texas has ever seen in the month of May," Nielsen-Gammon writes in his blog, the Climate Abyss. "Records go back to 1895. May also marks the end of the driest eight-month period on record."

The worst droughts remain those in 1918 and 1956, according Nielsen-Gammon.

Nielson-Gammon's blog is hosted by the Houston *Chronicle* and can be found at http://blog.chron.com/climateabyss/.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, nearly 30% of the state remained in what is termed an "exceptional" drought, which means a once in 50-year occurrence. Half the state was experiencing either a severe or exceptional drought. Only parts of north central and northeast Texas were not at least abnormally dry as of May 31.

It may not be the worst drought ever, but lifelong farmers throughout the state are telling Texas AgriLife Extension Service agents this is the driest they've ever experienced.

"Weather continued to be hot and dry," said Mark Brown, AgriLife Extension agent for Lubbock County. "Blowing dust from gusting winds occurred on several days. Irrigation continues where feasible. May ended with 0.26 inches of moisture recorded, making this year the driest five-month period on record for Lubbock.

And while a few weeks ago, rains may have greened things up in East Texas, the region remains in a drought, according to AgriLife Extension agent reports.

"We are in bad need of rain," said Clint Perkins, AgriLife Extension agent for Wood County, about 100 miles east of Dallas. "Hay

I have reports that the first cutting is one-quarter to half of normal.

"Corn, milo and cotton are under severe droughtlike conditions and stressing," said Pasquale Swaner, AgriLife Extension agent for Falls County, near Temple. 'Stocker cattle producers have shipped cattle to feedlots. Pasture conditions are severe, with little hay production across the county."

More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/.

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the including summaries:

North (Cooke County, east and three counties south): Lack of rain, increased temperatures, and winds of 15 mph and higher dried out soils and hammered forage growth. Soil-moisture levels were from very short to adequate. The wheat harvest was 40% to 50% finished. From early reports, yields were a little above average; some farmers reported yields of 60 to 70 bushels per acre. Some farmers have unharvested wheat in low-lying fields that were still wet from the previous rains. Corn was

production is starting with in fair to good condition and drastically decreased yields. beginning to tassel. Grain beginning to tassel. Grain sorghum and soybeans were in fair to good condition. Ranchers were harvesting early season hay, with yields reported as being slightly below average. Cotton farmers were nearly finished planting, as were sunflower growers. The oat harvest was completed. Peanuts and rice were both in very poor condition. Rangeland and pastures were in fair to good condition. Livestock were in fair to good condition.

> **Rolling Plains** (Montaque County, west, three cgunties south and seven west): The region was dry, windy, and with highs above 100 degrees. Cotton producers were planting on irrigated fields, but even applying enough water to plant has proven to be a challenge. In the areas that received rain, producers were fighting blowing sand and soil erosion. In some cases they were performing a light tillage operation called 'scratching" to loosen up caked soil and allow cotton plants to break the surface. Some cotton farmers had to replant. Only limited dryland cotton acreage was planted. Stock-tanks water evaporated because of wind and high temperatures. Cattle were suffering. Producers were bringing in hay and further culling their herds.

Vilsack, **First Lady** unveil replacement for Food Pyramid Acknowledging that the

Food Pyramid was confusing for most people, First Lady Michelle Obama and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced a new symbol to represent the Dietary Guidelines called "My Plate." It takes the place of the food pyramid, which the government has used in various forms since 1992.

"My Plate" is a circle divided into four sections that contain fruits, vegetables, protein, and grains; it is designed to emphasize that fruits and vegetables should make up half the plate.

The Dietary Guidelines are jointly issued and updated every five years by the Departments of Agriculture (USDA) and Health and Human Services (HHS); the most recent version was released in January, and for the first time included two references to soy products in the Executive Summary.

The recommendations include increasing the intake of soy products and fortified soy beverages. Vegetarian and vegan meal patterns, that include soyfoods, also make their Dietary Guidelines debut as adaptations to the USDA Food Patterns.

<<<<< See "Plate" at left

Feeder Heifers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.40-1.80; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-

30; <u>300-400 lbs.</u>: No. 1.30-1.45; Nos. 2 & 3,

..10-1.25; <u>400-500 lbs.</u>: No. 1, 1.20-1.35; Nos. 2 &

, 1.05-1.20; <u>500-600 lbs.</u>: lo. 1, 1.20-1.25; Nos. 2 &

3, 1.05-1.15; <u>600-700 lbs.</u>: No. 1, 1.15-1.18; Nos. 2 &

1.00-1.11; 700-800 lbs.

County Agent's Report

Lawn watering 101

To keep your lawn healthy, water it only when the grass needs it. Often, automatic watering systems are set with very short watering intervals and they run almost every day. This does two things: promotes diseases caused by fungi and wastes most of your water because more evaporates than soaks into the soil.

When you do water, wet the soil to a depth of six inches Don't water again until the grass shows symptoms of drought stress—a dull bluish color, rolled or folded leaves, and persistent footprints. This usually occurs in five to 10 days, depending on the weather.

Follow these steps to determine how long to water in order to apply the right amount.

1. Set out five or six open-top cans randomly around the lawn (tuna or cat food cans work best).

2. Turn on the sprinklers or irrigation system for 30 minutes

3. Using a ruler, measure the depth of water in each individual can, and record the depths.

4. Calculate the average depth of water from all of the

5. Use a garden spade or a soil probe to find out how deeply the soil was wet during the 30-minute period. The probe will push through wet soil easily, but it will be more difficult to push through dry soil. When you know how much water was applied in 30 minutes and how deeply that volume of water wet the soil, determine how long you must water to wet the soil to a depth of six inches.

Example: If the sprinklers sprayed 0.5 inch of water in 30 minutes and wet the soil to a depth of three inches, you would need to apply one inch of water to wet the soil to a depth of six inches. To do so you must water for one hour.

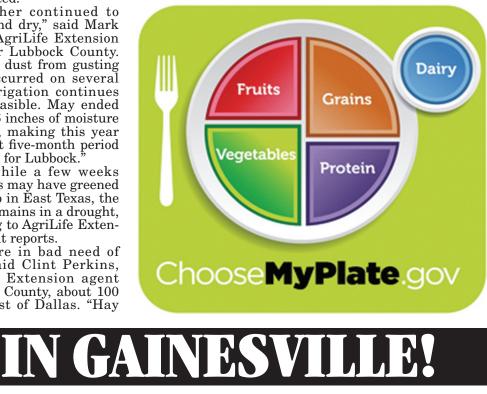
Run-off from watering a lawn can waste a significant amount of water, which is costly and a poor use of a limited natural resource. The factors determining how quickly runoff occurs are the type of soil and the application rate of the sprinkler system. Do not apply water faster than the soil can absorb it.

1. Check the lawn while watering. If water begins running into the streets or gutters, note how long it took before run-off occurred. This is the maximum amount of time you should water at one time.

2. Stop watering and allow the soil surface to dry (30 minutes to one hour).

3. Begin watering again and continue for the amount of time you've determined. With an automatic irrigation system, change the timer to the new, shorter time.

4. Continue this cycle until the appropriate amount of water has been applied to wet the soil to a depth of six inches. New-style irrigation controllers allow you to water several times a day, so that you can program them to prevent run-



THE NEW GAINESVILLE LIVESTOCK AUCTION, LLC. www.gainesvillelivestock.infoSold at Friday's sale JUNE 3 were **1517**, compared to **1579** the previous week. Sold at Tuesday's sale JUNE 7 were **309** Goats, **109** Sheep, and **116** Hogs. The numbers from last week were 224 Goats, 113 Sheep, and 52 Hogs. Results follow: Feeder Steers (per lb.) 200-300 lbs.: No. 1, 1.45-Stocker: .35-.45 Thin: NT; Fat: NT. Stocker Cows (per head) Pregnancy-tested, 3 to 9-year-olds - Large Frame: Bucks (per l \$850-\$1200; Medium Frame: \$700-\$900. Cow/Calf Pairs w/calves Lambs: \$20-\$50; Ex-fears Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.40: Bucks (per lb) <u>300-400 lbs.</u>: No. 1, 1.45-1.75; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.35; <u>400-500 lbs.</u>: No. 1, 1.30 Image: N1 Frag: N1 Barbardo (per head) Lambs: \$20-\$50; Ewes: \$40-\$60; Bucks: \$60-\$190. Goats (per head) Coats (per head) Video 600 (per head) Coats (per head) under 250 lbs. - Large Frame: \$1050-\$1400; Me-dium Frame: \$900-\$1100. Baby Calves: Holstein: Nos. 2 & 3, 1.15-1.25; 500-600 lbs.: No. 1, 1.28-1.40; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.10-1.20; 600-700 lbs.: No. 1, 1.25-1.36; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.05-1.17; 700-800 lbs.: No. 1, 1.20-1.29; Nos. 2 & 3, 1.05-1.16. N/T; <u>Cross Breds</u>: \$150-\$300.

Barrows & Gilts (per lb.)

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<u>US #1, 230-270</u>: .80-.85; <u>US #2, 220-280</u>: .70-.80.

Goats (per head) <u>Kids: 22-60 lbs.</u>, \$20-\$40; <u>30-65 lbs.</u>, \$30-\$65; <u>55-75</u> <u>1bs.</u>, \$50-\$90. <u>Yearlings (per head)</u> <u>75-120 lbs.</u>, \$90-\$135. <u>Nannies (per head)</u> <u>Stocker:</u> \$65-\$130; <u>Milk</u> <u>Type:</u> \$70-\$75; <u>Slaughter</u>, <u>\$90-\$130; Thin</u>, \$35-\$55. <u>Billies (per head)</u> <u>120 lbs-up</u> <u>Breeders:</u> \$130-\$160. <u>Slaughter:</u> \$85-\$120.

Feeder, 400 or less: .35-.59; Light wt., 400-500: .52-.55; Slaughter: \$85-\$120. Boer Goats (per head) <u>1/2 Nanny: NT; 3/4 Nanny</u> NT: Full Nanny: NT. <u>1/2</u> Med. wt., 500-600: .51-.55; Heavy wt., 600+: .52-.55 Boars: (per lb.) Billy: NT; 3/4 Billy: NT; Full **Dates to remember** June 9 – Two Part Pro-

gram: **Part 1** – Pasture Herbicide Result Demonstration Field Day; 4:30 at Cross N Ranch OR meet at NCTC parking lot at 4:00 to carpool. *Part 2* - Basic Ag Summer Seminar; 6:30 – 8 p.m. NCTC Little Theater. Pre-registration requested: Contact Tracy (Noble Foundation) at 580.224.6411.

USA TODAY analyzes U.S. tax burden

Americans are paying the smallest share of their income for taxes since 1958, a reflection of tax cuts and a weak economy, a USA TO-DAY analysis finds.

The total tax burden - for all federal, state, and local taxes - dropped to 23.6% of income in the first quarter. according to Bureau of Economic Analysis data. By contrast, individuals spent roughly 27% of income on taxes in the 1970s, 1980s, and the 1990s.



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