

Report presented on County storm shelter grants

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

There are 87 Cooke County residences that now have a tornado shelter thanks to a storm shelter/safe room grant program. The grant will pay half the cost up to \$3,000 for each approved storm shelter.

During the May 13 Commissioners Court meeting, Cooke County Emergency Management Coordinator Ray Fletcher updated the Court on the grant program's progress. The program is at its midway point.

Fletcher reminded Commissioners that the program was advertised in May 2011, submitted to the State in January 2012, and received FEMA approval in May 2012.

On July 24, 2012, a kickoff meeting informed the public and sign up began. The first

150 applicants were notified to proceed and were given a deadline of May 31, 2013 to have their shelter installed and inspected.

The first quarter (October 2012) saw 45 shelters completed and \$96,273 reimbursement. The second quarter (January 2013) another 13 reimbursements of \$28,167. The third quarter report and reimbursement request was submitted in April for 20 shelters and \$42,268.

Fletcher said that reminder calls went out to all uncompleted of the first 150 about the May 31 deadline. The fourth quarter report will be done in July. So far, nine more shelters have been completed. Of the first 150, 87 shelters are completed and to date five removed themselves from the list. The remaining 58, if not completed by May 31, will be

notified and removed from the list.

"Of shelters completed, a savings of \$75,000 has resulted allowing 25 additional shelters," said Fletcher. There is a \$3,000 rebate allocated per shelter. If all \$3,000 is not used, it is returned to the County to be allocated towards another shelter.

In early June, the County will authorize approxi-

mately 84 new participants on the wait list to proceed. Their completion deadline is March 31, 2014. There are 284 people on the wait list.

Ray Hall, a member of the Pioneer Valley Property Owners Association (POA), spoke to the Court regarding the possibility of the Cooke County Sheriff's Office patrolling Pioneer Valley. In

meeting with the POA, Sheriff Terry Gilbert made them aware of a statute by the State. It allows the County to deem the private roads public for traffic regulation and enforcement if the request is officially made by the property owners or representatives.

Hall explained, "It's not like we are asking them to come in and do traffic en-

forcement. When the Sheriff's deputies are in the Valley and they see something that might give them justifiable cause to stop someone and possibly inspect the car for contraband or something like that, they don't have to wait until they are out of the Valley. They can inspect the car while they are in there."

"This statute has nothing to do with the County spending money to maintain the road condition. We are not asking for that at all. We are asking the County to designate for traffic control the roads in Pioneer Valley that are private to be deemed public."

Sheriff Gilbert confirmed that it would be beneficial to his officers also. He requested that the legalities be investigated before proceeding so all is done correctly. County Judge John Roane asked the Sheriff to consult with JP Precinct 4 and the County Attorney's Office and then bring the matter back to Commissioners Court for action.

Pam Harrison of the County Clerk's Office requested the use of County Records Management funds to purchase State-required equipment and software (two scanners and two Acrobat software) for records preservation. This is to keep them in compliance with a new mandate concerning appeals and civil cases.

Harrison noted that the mandate doesn't become ef-

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"Wet" votes win

Cathy Krahl
Staff Writer

Voters in Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 overwhelmingly approved the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages, including mixed beverages, in a special election Saturday, May 11.

The unofficial results are 750 for and 263 against. The majority of the pro votes came from voting Precinct 22 in Lake Kiowa where 365 voters, more than half of total 'yes' votes, were cast. Two precincts, 15 in Myra and 17 in south Muenster, failed to get even one 'no' vote.

Neil Huchton of Muenster is in the process of building a store in Era.

"Since the area went wet, I'm sure we will offer beer and wine at the store," he said.

Huchton had a petition to

have a wet/dry election in his business in Muenster. His Neil's Valero on Highway 82 is similar to the new Era store. He will manage both.

With southern Cooke County now wet, the City of Valley View must decide if they will remain wet or try for an election to see if the residents want to go back to being dry. In Precinct 11 in Valley View, the vote was 187 for the legal sale of alcohol and 104 against. Some of those votes came from outside the incorporated area.

Newly elected Valley View Mayor Glenn Lance, who was sworn in Monday night, doesn't see a problem and believes it will help with the taxes. But he will get feedback from the town's citizens before a decision is made about another election.

"People that already drink

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Main Street gets new coat



Joe Warren photo

Work crews were busy putting a new layer of asphalt on Muenster's Main Street Wednesday. The re-topping is planned for more of FM 373 in the Muenster area.

Muenster ISD addresses staff, building issues

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At the May 8 regular meeting of the Muenster ISD Board of Trustees, a one year, 10 month probationary contract was approved for Michelle Stevens as a

teacher for 2013-14. She will teach English Language Arts in the Junior High.

Following an executive session, the Board approved Jason Acheson as assistant principal with a \$57,000 salary per year for 2013-14. He currently serves as a teacher

and girls basketball and golf coach.

Freeman, Shephard, & Story were selected by the Board as auditors for the 2013-14 school year. The cost will be \$22,500.

The Board approved the ESC XI Service Agreement Contract for \$39,700 with an increase of \$2,800 for the TXeIS System and PEIMS as presented.

Jason Lowe of First Financial gave a presentation of

TRS Active Care Health Insurance, Gap Insurance, and Health Savings Accounts.

During his regular construction update, Charlie Price said that the Ag shop is 80% complete. He discussed the maintenance building. Various sites were considered for the new maintenance building.

Price informed the Board that the cost of the press box revamp would be \$11,317 for

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SHCS Choir earns State TAPPS honors



SHCS photo

Sacred Heart High School Choir, from left, back - Kevin Flusche, Omar Colmenero, Ethan Henry, Nick Zimmerer; middle - Bailey Walterscheid, Lindsay Miller, Devan Henry, Madeline Hanson, Elizabeth Turner, Alana Endres, Payton Dill; front - Sarah Miller, Alix Lembke, Samantha Palmer, Brooke Henry, Megan Powell, and Christina Rohmer. See story on page 5.

Help Misty stand up to cancer

Join in the fight against cancer by attending the "help Misty Vogel Cameron stand up to cancer" fish fry, bake sale, live auction, and raffle. It will be held at the VFW Club in Muenster on Saturday, May 18.

The fish fry and bake sale will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the live auction starting at 7 p.m. The food is being donated and prepared by Select Energy Services and Herkey Biffle.

Show your support, enjoy great food, and have a good time!

Scam attempt reported

Muenster resident Linda Walterscheid reported receiving a telephone call this week that she feels certain was an attempted scam. The caller offered to come to her home to show her an offer that would give her 10% more on dividends. She told him that he could take it by her husband Bob's mechanic shop.

The caller gave her the phone number (918) 829-4046. When Bob called it, he told the person who answered that he was going to call the police. The person asked him not to call the police because the number was at a bus stop and he just answered the phone there sometimes.

Linda feels that it was an attempt to get personal information to use as a scam and warns anyone else getting a similar call not to let them come to their home or to give out information.

Muenster begins Click It or Ticket May 20

As motorists take to the roads this Memorial Day holiday, Muenster Police are urging everyone to buckle up. Beginning May 20, law enforcement officials will be out in full force, taking part in the 2013 national Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement and cracking down on motorists who are not belted.

"As we kick-off the busy summer driving season, it's important that everyone buckles up every time they go out, both day and night - no excuses," said Muenster Police Chief Mark Blankenship. "Our officers are pre-

pared to ticket anyone who is not wearing their seat belt - CLICK IT OR TICKET."

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 52% of the 21,253 passenger vehicle occupants killed in 2011 were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash. As noted, deaths involving seat belt nonuse are more prevalent at night than during the daytime. According to NHTS, 62% of the 10,135 passenger vehicles occupants killed in 2001 during the overnight

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Tigers achieve a three-peat



Courtesy photo

Sacred Heart Catholic School's 2A TAPPS State Track & Field Championship team, from left, back - Coach Clayton Truebenbach, Hayden Schilling, Joe Bartrush, Isaac Reeves, Jamie Proctor, Aaron Davis, and Coach Dale Schilling; front - Isac Walterscheid, Austin Aldridge, John Paul Hesse, Justin Brown, and Keith Metzler. See story on page 6.

Lady Hornet State Medalist



Courtesy photo

Muenster's Amber Walterscheid brought home the Bronze State medal in the 300m Hurdle race. See Sports for more track.

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the metal. Security costs and options received attention. Superintendent Clay Richerson said recently of the construction on the elementary building, "The construction is moving along quite well at this time. We have had some good weather the last two weeks and several crews are taking advantage of the weather. Welders are welding metal rafters, roofers are laying the metal roof, and brick layers are laying brick inside and outside the building. We are hoping to move in during the Christmas break."

Other business conducted by the Board included:

- Set a budget workshop meeting for May 15 at 8:15 p.m.
- Heard that delinquent tax collection for April was \$2,852.43.
- Approved the student transfers at the discretion of the transfer committee at the Elementary School and Junior High/High School for the 2013-14 school year.
- Tabled a decision on the bid submitted by TASB for Risk Management for the 2013-14 school year. Another company wishes to bid.

fective until January 2014, but her equipment crashed and her new one isn't compatible with the others in the office. Also, getting new equipment sooner allows more time for her to do training.

The cost of the new equipment is around \$2,400. The Court approved the request.

The Court proclaimed the month of May as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month. The proclamation said in part, "As today's so-

ciety is finding more citizens involved in motorcycling on the roads of our country; and motorcyclists are roughly unprotected and therefore more prone to injury or death in a crash than other vehicle drivers;

"It is the responsibility of all who put themselves behind the wheel, to become aware of motorcyclists, regarding them with the same respect as any other vehicle traveling the highways of this country; and it is the

responsibility of riders and motorists alike to obey all traffic laws and safety rules;

"Urging all citizens of our community to become aware of the inherent danger involved in operating a motorcycle, and for riders and motorists alike to give each other the mutual respect they deserve."

The Court urged all citizens to do their part to increase safety and awareness in the County.

Commissioners declared May 18 as M-o-o-ving Thru' the Mud with Landon Day. Landon Tipps was diagnosed with hypothalamic hamartoma (HH). He had frequent "laughing spells" where he would spontaneously laugh, up to 120 times a day, in a pathological pattern preceding every seizure as the seizures worsened. Landon had his last surgery September 27, 2011 and is doing well.

Landon's mother Wendi Tipps formed a non-profit organization, the Friends of Landon, to design a mud run for children benefiting Hope for HH to provide information and support to HH patients, caregivers, and health care providers and to promote research toward early detection, improved treatments, living with HH, and a cure.

The first M-o-o-ving Thru' the Mud with Landon, May 19, 2012, raised \$15,000 for Hope for HH and has the historical distinction as the first organizational fundraiser worldwide to benefit Hope for HH. On Saturday, May 18, Landon's family and friends will host a Second M-o-o-ving Thru' the Mud with Landon to raise awareness about HH and to benefit Hope for it.

In other business conducted at the May 13 meeting, Commissioners Court:

- Appointed Francis West to the Cooke County Child Welfare Board.

- Approved 2013 Homeland Security Grant Project money of \$19,500 to be spent on the purchase of about 17 handheld radios for use by Sheriff's deputies, constables, fire departments, or EMS. The radios will have displays and the older ones do not.
- Approved request by County Attorney Ed Zielinski to apply for a grant through the Office of the Attorney General to partially fund a victim assistance coordinator.
- Approved a memorandum of understanding between Cooke County Sheriff's Office and Tarleton State University through its federally funded Rural Law Enforcement Initiative for participation in the Rural Law Enforcement Information Technology Program. Sheriff Gilbert hopes to apply for free computers to be placed in each of the patrol vehicles.
- Approved the contracts between Cooke County EMS and Fleitman Backhoe Company for the inspection of the septic system located at EMS #4, 125 CR 425, Muenster and between Cooke County EMS and Lake Kiowa Landscaping for the inspections of the aerobic septic system for EMS Station 3 located in Woodbine for a one year term beginning June 1, 2013.
- Approved Sheriff's Office applying for a grant through the U.S. Department of Justice for the purchase of bullet proof vests.
- Approved EOG Resources, Inc. installing a temporary water transfer line on CR 343.
- Approved the indigent cremation of Rodney Earl Leeper.
- Approved an agreement between Sherman Moore and Precinct 1 to clean and reshape a ditch between 200 and 400 blocks of CR 183.

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hours were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash.

Tragically, these national statistics are mirrored locally. "Seat belts save thousands of lives every year, but far too many motorists are still not buckling up, especially at night when the risk of getting in a crash is even greater," said Chief Blankenship. "We want everyone to have a safe summer, but it requires an important step on the part of motorists - clicking that seat belt."

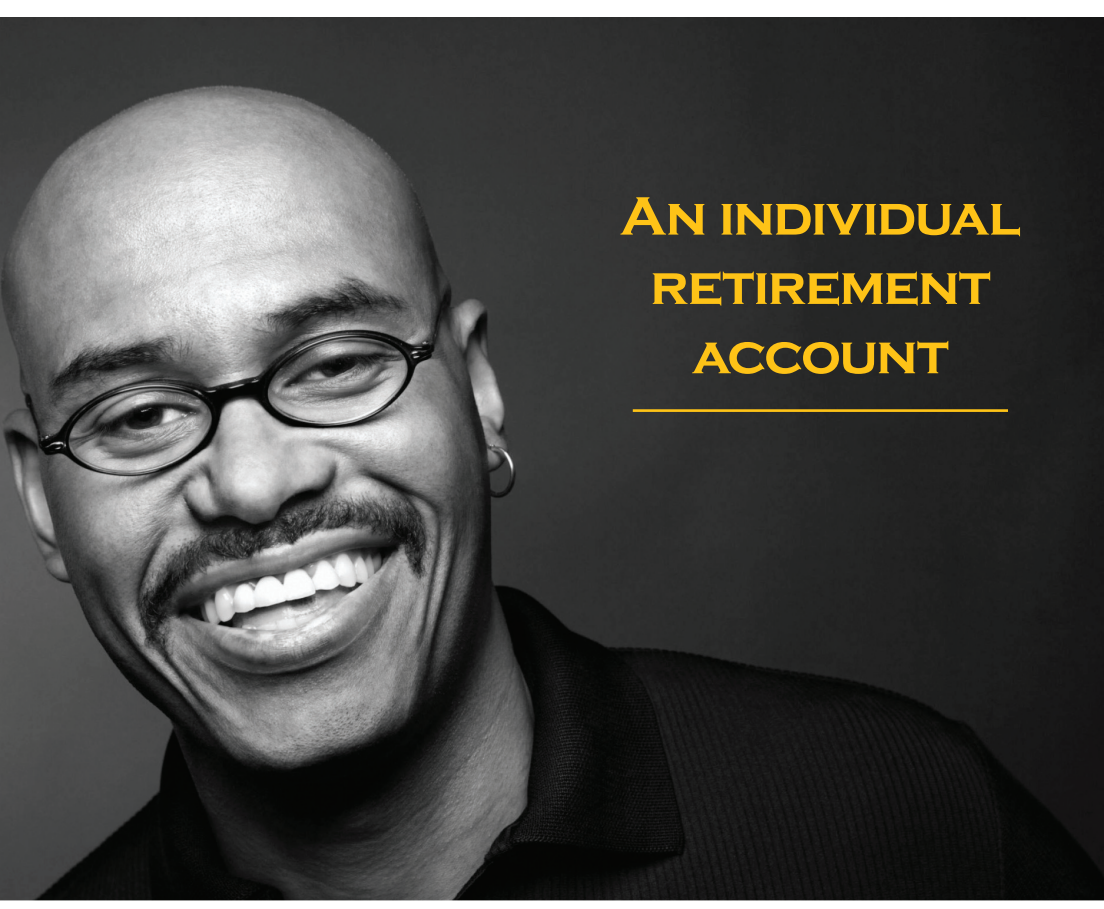
In 2011, seat belts saved an estimated 11,949 lives nationwide according to NHTSA. While this year's CLICK IT OR TICKET enforcement mobilization runs from May 20 through June 2, officers are out enforcing seat belt laws year round.



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Construction of Muenster ISD's new elementary building is moving along smoothly. Pictured above is one of the safety corridors (hallways) that will serve as a safe place during the event of a tornado.

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- Arthur Rubinstein

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Wet/dry vote results

Local option liquor election	10	11	12	14	15	17	22	Total
Precincts	10	11	12	14	15	17	22	
Registered Voters	1506	2082	682	252	235	409	1660	6826
Ballots cast	150	291	98	28	1	19	426	1013
Local Option For	84	187	77	17	1	19	365	750
Local Option Against	66	104	21	11	0	0	61	263

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in Precinct 4 will still drink," he said. "This election won't turn people into drinkers."

He has issues with people who drink and drive. The election may well keep people safer as those who do buy alcohol, won't have to drive as far. "If you drive a few blocks to buy alcohol, it will be safer to drive home, especially if you are one who opens that bottle on the return ride," Lance added.

Concerning taxes gained from alcohol sales, Lance thinks it can do nothing but help with funds, how much the city will gain has yet to be seen.

"Alcohol is already here," he said. "Now the taxes will stay here."

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Sunday, May 19, 2013	Monday, May 20, 2013	Tuesday, May 21, 2013	Wednesday, May 22, 2013	Thursday, May 23, 2013	Friday, May 24, 2013	Saturday, May 25, 2013
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 K C Breakfast 8-10 am KC Hall	VFW Aux mtg. 7:30 pm M. Jr. Hi. Awards Banquet	Library open 10 am-6:30 pm M Elem. Awards Cerm. 2 pm SH All Awards Banquet 6 pm MMH Board mtg 7 pm	Library open 10 am-5:30 Religious Ed Mass 7pm Kiwanis mtg, noon	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm MHS Awards Banquet SH Montessori Moving On 7pm SH Field Day	Museum open 1-4 pm MISD NO SCHOOL SH Senior graduation 6:30 pm	Library open 10:00-2:30
Sunday, May 26, 2013	Monday, May 27, 2013	Tuesday, May 28, 2013	Wednesday, May 29, 2013	Thursday, May 30, 2013	Friday, May 31, 2013	Saturday, June 1, 2013
Museum open 1-4 pm	MEMORIAL DAY 2013 MISD & SH NO SCHOOL	Library open 10 am-6:30 pm	Library open 10 am-5:30 pm MISD Kindergarten Grad. 7 pm	Museum open -1-4 Library open 10 am-6:30 pm	Museum open 1-4 pm MHS grad. 7 pm SH last day of school SH 8th grade promotion AARP Board mtg. 10am	Library open 10:00-2:30

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Obituaries

Leonard Bindel 1932 - 2013

Memorial Mass for Leonard W. Bindel of Goldthwaite is set for Friday, May 17 in St. Peter's Catholic Church of Goldthwaite at 10 a.m. Visitation was held at the church at 7 p.m. on Thursday.

Leonard died at the age of 81 on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at Hamilton General Hospital in Hamilton.

Born March 13, 1932 in Muenster to Frank and Marie Fleitman Bindel, Leonard married Sylvia Boerner on Feb. 9, 1954 in Pilot Point. They moved to Goldthwaite in 1981. Leonard was a licensed master plumber and a member of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Survivors are his wife Sylvia of Goldthwaite; children and spouses Gloria and Sam Bell of Goldthwaite and James and Angela Bindel of Brownwood; six grandchild-

dren; two great-grandchildren; sisters and brothers-in-law Gertie and Arnie Wimmer of Muenster, and Marcella and William Kormer of Pilot Point; brother and sister-in-law Harold and Sug Bindel of Muenster; and sister-in-law Ida Mae Bindel of Muenster.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister and brother-in-law Adeline and Tommy Livingston; and brothers and sisters-in-law Gilbert and Joyce Bindel, Gerald and Carolyn Bindel, and Wilfred Bindel.

Pallbearers are Brook Bindel, Garrett Bell, Scott O'Brien, Robert Vasquez, Fred Kemper, and Conrad Boerner.

Memorials may be made to: St. Peter's Catholic Church, Goldthwaite; Mills County Museum, Goldthwaite; Legacy Plaza, Goldthwaite.

Clyde Bennett 1935 - 2013

Graveside service for Clyde Bennett, age 77 of Gainesville, was held Saturday, May 11 at Oak Grove Cemetery. Mr. Bennett died May 9, 2013 in Dallas.

Born Oct. 17, 1935 in Gainesville to Ira and Mary Bennett, Clyde retired from Armco Steel, Parker Electric, and served as a Marine in the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years Ruth of Gainesville; children David and

Karla Bennett, Andy and Kathy Barnes, and Steve and DeAnn Bennett; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and siblings Irene Cady, Monroe Bennett, Thelma Springer, Wanda Walters, Jack Bennett, and Faye Johnson.

Pallbearers were grandsons Chris, Bryce, Shaun, and Braeden Bennett, and Stephen and Stuart Barnes.

Linda Glenn 1948 - 2013

Visitation for Linda Diane Glenn, age 65 of Gainesville, was held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 16 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

Ms. Glenn was born April 12, 1948 in Gainesville to J.W. and Louise Glenn. She died May 12, 2013 in Gainesville.

Survivors are daughter Diane Lowry and husband Jeff of Gainesville; sons Joey Serna and wife Katherine of

Marietta, Oklahoma and Anthony Leon Tullos and girlfriend Christy of Gainesville; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; sisters Jeannie James and husband Harold, Judy Glenn, Cindy Hollar, and Patsy Serna; brothers Johnnie Glenn and wife Dolores, Bobby Glenn, Kenny Glenn, and David Glenn and wife Rhonda.

She was preceded in death by her parents and son Shannon Ray Tullos.

Thomas Perryman 1930 - 2013

Funeral for Thomas "Tom" Leroy Perryman, age 82 of Houston, formerly of Gainesville, are set for 2 p.m., Friday, May 17 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery. A visitation was held at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 16 at the Funeral Home.

Tom was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma to Vernie and Goldie Rist Perryman on

Nov. 9, 1930. He died May 13, 2013 in Houston.

Survivors are his wife Roselie Perryman of Meridian, Mississippi; sons Alan Perryman of Socorro, New Mexico, and Vern Perryman of Houston; sisters Ida May Bush of Cabot, Arkansas, Goldina Collins of Skiatook, Oklahoma, and Sharon Elliot of Independence, Missouri.

65 YEARS AGO May 14, 1948

Stockholders okay capital expansion at mower factory. Joe and Emma Hundt, first couple married in Muenster church, observe 50th anniversary. Wedding: Anna Marie Klement and Alfred Bayer. Thelma Kathman and Dolores Lehnertz graduate

from Saint Joseph's Nursing School. Bernice Luttmeyer is new clerk at Jacob Pangel's store. Tonsillectomies: John Fleitman, Tresa Mae Spaeth, Frankie Sandmann. Relax Theatre advertises *Singapore*, starring Fred MacMurray and Ava Gardner.

50 YEARS AGO

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Every morning when school is out, I fear for all the teenagers that want to have fun and think it has to include beer drinking. Plain and simple, it is underage drinking. When I was substitute teaching, a group of boys justified the behavior by telling me ... "we have to do this, it's in our German culture!" I reminded them that intelligence and hard work and common sense is in their German culture too ... and they would be better off doing that! Of course, some students who did not have any German heritage were using the same excuse ... because that's all it is ... an excuse for reckless behavior.

Parents do their best with giving advice to their teenagers, but it is the teenager who makes the decision with how "wild" their antics are. All I am asking is that teenagers make decisions based on the side of caution. Everyone has that little voice inside that tells you ... "maybe I should not be following along with this" ... but that voice might be subdued immensely if you have consumed too much alcohol.

Now parents have to worry about cell phone use while driving ... no matter what laws might be put in place, it still comes down to the thinking of the individual. Driving while texting is a dangerous habit and not worth what could possibly happen. Driving while talking on the cell phone might be unwise in heavy traffic; but your eye is on the road.

My brother said something that is so very true ... "the saddest of all funerals is for a young person." Funerals for grandparents are sad, but also a celebration of life lived and memories left behind. The funeral for a young person leaves the sadness of what could have been and never will be ... leaves a hole in the heart of the ones who love you.

As a young child attending the funeral of a young person, I naively told my mother I was so glad the mother had some other children and then she would not have to be so sad. My mother put it in perspective for me like this: she had me hold up my hand of five fingers; then she folded down my thumb to show it missing. She told me ... "now you only have four fingers and you would have to go on living this way ... but you would always miss the finger that you do not have." She said it is the same if you lose a child. You will always miss that child for the rest of your life. A parent is supposed to outlive their children. That's the natural order of longevity.

Graduation 2013 is here. So young people, have fun ... it is a rite of passage. Just use common sense and try to stay out of harm's way. It is not worth taking unnecessary chances that could lead to dire circumstances.

Remember whatever happens to you happens to everyone that loves you ... for the rest of their lives.

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May 17, 1963

Kenneth Selby survives 12,500 electrical volt jolt while helping TP&L install a light pole in Leonard Park; after mouth to mouth resuscitation, only minor burns on his left hand fingers and toes of both feet are evidence of the accident. College degrees: Theresa Fisher, Physical Education; Charlie Herr, Pharmacy. Obituary: Andy Hofbauer, 55. New Arrivals: Patricia to George and Louise Schmidlkofer; Patricia to the Vincent Beckers. Weddings: Eunice Krauf and Tim Wimmer; Sherri Batis and Steve Krahl.

25 YEARS AGO May 13, 1988

Oath of office adminis-

tered to aldermen elected Saturday to City Council: Pat Dennis, Place 1; Aubrey Tuggle, Place 2; Claude Klement, Place 4 - none were contested races. Muenster High School State UIL Literary winners are Jenny Wimmer and Jamie Walterscheid; Lucy Fuhrmann and Jolanda Wimmer are State UIL Literary winners from Lindsay High School. Wedding: Melissa Dill and Timothy Pelzel. Mike Walter, Subiaco Academy student, receives Honorable Mention in photography competition. New Arrivals: Theresa to Bob and Jeanne Greathouse; Savannah to Carl and Denese Maclin; Diana to Duane and Mary Lin Knabe.


Muenster subject of letter in "Three Cheers" column

A letter in the May 13, 2013 Three Cheers column of *The Dallas Morning News* gave a pat on the back to the residents of Muenster and to Muenster's Germanfest. The writer told how much he and his wife enjoyed Germanfest.

He continued with explaining how his left her coat in Muenster, and his e-mail to the Chamber to see if it was turned in. To their delight, it had been turned in. When they retrieved the coat, they learned that there were several cell-phones and wallets with money inside of them that had been turned in to the Chamber.

He mentioned the wonderful people living in Muenster and that "just do what is right" is alive and well here.

The family of Della Schmitt would like to thank everyone for their support and outpouring of love during our difficult journey with Mom. Words cannot express how much this meant to us. Also, thank you to everyone who made her funeral Mass so heartfelt and special. I'm sure she is smiling down on all of us. We have received so many blessings by way of food, donations, flowers, Masses, cards, etc... that we have decided to make an additional donation to Sacred Heart Alumni & Supporters in lieu of sending individual thank yous. Please know that you hold a special place in our hearts.



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Pictured, from left - Christina Rohmer, Adrien Rohmer, Lauren Rohmer, and Bailey Walterscheid of Girl Scout Troop 4687 were recently honored at the annual Gold Award Gala in Fort Worth along with their families. The girls were individually recognized for their Gold Award projects, and they received their Girl Scout gold pins. The Gold Award is the highest award in Girl Scouts. The award symbolizes outstanding achievements in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development.

Beattie named Southern Oregon Business Banking Region manager

Washington Federal has named Julia (Bright) Beattie vice president and Southern Oregon Business Banking Region manager, announced Tom Kasanders, Washington Federal's Business Banking Group manager and executive vice president.

Previous to accepting this position, Beattie served at South Valley Bank & Trust as vice president and commercial lending officer for over nine years. In October 2012, Washington Federal acquired all South Valley Bank & Trust's deposits and loans. In April 2013, South Valley branches began operating as Washington Federal offices. "Julia's knowledge and understanding of the Southern Oregon area will be key to serving both existing and new Washington Federal busi-

ness clients. We're excited to have her on board," said Kasanders.

Beattie has extensive experience within the lending and finance arena, both from various businesses and financial institutions. She is the former chief financial officer of a helicopter operating company in San Jose, California, and served as a lending officer with Western Bank for nearly 10 years.

Beattie is highly involved in the Medford community. She currently serves as a Central Point Rotary Club member, Gordon Elwood Foundation Board & Grant Committee member, and Shepherd of the Valley Catholic Church administrative council member.

Beattie earned her undergraduate degree in Economics and Finance from Baylor University and holds a MBA with a concentration in Finance from the University of Texas. In her leisure time, she enjoys skiing, attending her three children's sporting events, reading, and exercising.

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The engagement and approaching marriage of Michelle Lee Pool of Gainesville to Adam John Schumacher of Lindsay is announced by her parents Larry Dallas Pool, Jr. and Lee Ann Pool, both of Gainesville. Parents of the future-groom are Tim and Linda Schumacher of Lindsay. Grandparents of the couple are Richard LaFlamme of Callisburg, Rebecca LaFlamme of Gainesville, Jane and Larry Pool, Sr. of Gainesville, Richard and Florence Schumacher of Gainesville, and Marge Fuhrmann of Gainesville and the late Aloys Fuhrmann. The couple will be married on June 8, 2013 at 4 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Gainesville. Brent Gentzel and Fr. Raymond McDaniel will officiate. Miss Pool graduated from Gainesville High School in 2009 and is attending North Central Texas College. Mr. Fuhrmann graduated from Lindsay High School in 2008 and is attending North Central Texas College. Zodiac Aerospace, U.S. employs him as a sheet metal deburr operator. Following the wedding, the couple will make their home in Gainesville.

Notices

Diabetes Support Group
A meeting of the Diabetes Support Group will take place in the North Texas Medical Center Board Room on Tuesday, May 21 from 7 to 8 p.m. Shelly Rains, R.Ph. CDE will present Sick Day

Management and "Traveling With Diabetes." Rains is a diabetes educator at Home-town Pharmacy.

Individuals with diabetes, family members, and anyone interested in learning more about diabetes are encour-

aged to attend this FREE program.

For more information, call Joan at 940-768-8120.

Gainesville Christian Women's Connection

Christian Women's Connection May brunch will be on Thursday, May 23 at The Stanford House, 401 W. Garnett, Gainesville. The event time is 10 to 11:30 a.m. The brunch will be catered by Lone Oak Ranch & Retreat.

The keynote speaker will be Marcia Wilson and her theme is "Consider It All Joy." Music will be provided by Maggie Sykes.

Special feature will be the "Antique Road Show" by Louise Wisdom and Carol Jacobsen. If you have a special treasure, please bring it.

Are you new to this area and looking for friends? Then join them for this special occasion. You will be welcomed with open arms.

For reservations, call Deborah Barecky at 940 372-9646 or e-mail her at Love-Triumphs@yahoo.com by Thursday, May, 16.

Cooke County Library

The Cooke County Library will be closed Saturday, May 25 and Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day weekend. The Library will open back up on Tuesday, May 28 at 10 a.m. with regular hours.

United Way encourages participation in Phase II Day of Caring on May 30

Cooke County United Way announces their Phase II of the local "Day of Caring" event. The event challenges the community to LIVE UNITED and promote volunteerism countywide. Phase I Day of Caring was a work project held last month helping those in need with minor yard work. More than 20 volunteers broke up into eight teams working around Gainesville and Valley View.

Phase II Day of Caring is a collection project. These are items most frequently used by the agencies and distributed to their clients. Items requested include: fans, bottled water, paper towels, toilet paper, fruit juice boxes, six-speed blenders, 18 oz.

jars of peanut butter, adult diapers, and Ensure nutrition shakes/drinks. The collected items will greatly benefit the agency and assist them in re-directing expenses for these stocked items.

The event will be held on Thursday, May 30 from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with two drop off points

First State Bank Conference Center (East California Street in Gainesville) and Cooke County Electric Cooperative (Hwy. 82 in Muenster). Volunteers will be on hand for the collection and donors can even drive up and drop off!

If you cannot make the drop off day, you can bring your collection to the United Way offices located at 715 East California Street in Gainesville. The final collection day is Friday, May 31.

United Way would like to encourage civic groups, churches, and businesses to make this a friendly competition to see who can collect the most! This can be a fun event while your participation will be making a differ-

ence here in Cooke County. The group/team turning in the most collected items will be recognized. Just to note, a case of water will count as one item.

Event partners are Cooke County Electric Cooperative, First State Bank, Gainesville Daily Register, KGAF Hometown Radio, and members of T.E.A.M.

"This is a great opportunity to make a donation to those agencies that help citizens of Cooke County who can't afford, either financially or physically, to brave the heat in the coming months. Every donation is a tremendous help, so make sure you let everyone know about Phase II of Cooke County United Way's Day of Caring," commented Spencer Flint, Day of Caring coordinator and Board member.

Cooke County United Way is creating a better tomorrow and inspiring hope by the joining of hands and opening the hearts of the volunteers and citizens of Cooke County. For more information, call Cooke County United Way (940-665-1793).

Have something to share?

Do you have a passion for a hobby, topic, or a skill that you'd like to share? You can find a great outlet to do just that at Lifelong Learning, the continuing education division of North Central Texas College. Instructors are being sought for community education classes that will be held in the Fall 2013 semester.


Requested topics include dance, foreign languages, art, cooking, crafts, and more. They definitely encourage new ideas on lectures and workshops too. You need not have a degree, but should have some expertise in your field.

To propose a class, e-mail Brandy Fausel at bfausel@nctc.edu or call 972-899-8346.

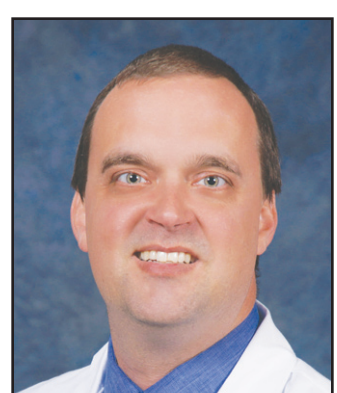
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Family celebrations

Children of Sacred Heart Parish made their First Holy Communion on April 20 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Many celebrated the occasion with family and friends. Stories of their celebrations follow:


Michael Koesler

Michael Alfons Koesler, son of Max and Cindy Koesler, celebrated his First Communion day with a party at his home. Guests were served a barbecue lunch and cake and ice cream. Michael enjoyed opening his gifts and having pictures made. He wore a jacket made by his grandma Mary Ann Koesler that his Dad wore on his First Communion day. Those attending the celebration included his parents; sisters Samantha and Stephanie; grandparents Mary Ann Koesler and Duwayne and Sharlene Schilling; aunts, uncles, and cousins Joe and Kristy Koesler and Benjamin, Charley, and Max;

James and Sue Yosten; Godparents Duane and Mary Lin Knabe; Tina and Kenadie Hess; Erica, Emily, and Audrey Szymanski; Charlie and Jacque Schilling and Joan, Duwayne, and Mary; Carol, Abby, Danny, and Timothy Luttmer; and great-aunt Betty Simmel. Michael made a special stop before his party to see his great-grandpa Charlie Wimmer.

Rebecca Klement

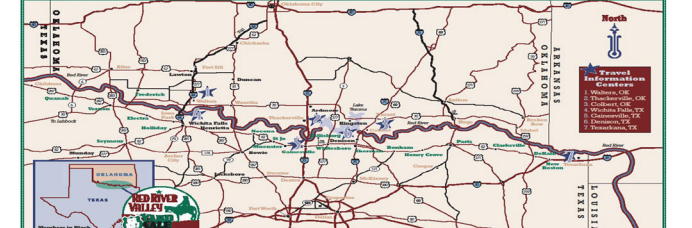
Rebecca Lou Klement, a Sacred Heart Parish First Communicant, was honored on her big day with a special lunch given by her parents Scott and Zonya Klement at their home. Guests were served barbecue and all the trimmings. Her cake was in the shape of a cross. She received a special pearl and crystal necklace and a Rosary bracelet from her family. Those attending included her great-grandma Lucille Zimmerer; grandparents Roland and Zoe Ann Bell and Robert and Gloria Klement; Godparents David Drennan and Amanda Klement; siblings Toby and Tori Dyess, Tressa Jones, and Katherine Klement; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.



Get on the MAP!

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SCHOOL

SHHS Choir takes 6th at State Meet

Sacred Heart Catholic School's High School Choir competed at the TAPPS State Meet for 1A/2A/3A schools. The entire choir competed as a unit, and many of the students competed individually. The Choir scored a 1 on their piece, which is the highest score given.

Members of the High School Choir are Omar Colmenero, Payton Dill, Alana Endres, Kevin Flusche, Madeline Hanson, Brooke Henry, Devan Henry, Ethan Henry, Alix Lambke, Lind-

say Miller, Sarah Miller, Samantha Palmer, Megan Powell, Christina Rohmer, Elizabeth Turner, Bailey Walterscheid, and Nicholas Zimmerer.

Students who received a 1 on their solo work were Alana Endres, Madeline Hanson, Lindsay Miller, Sarah Miller, Christina Rohmer, and Elizabeth Turner.

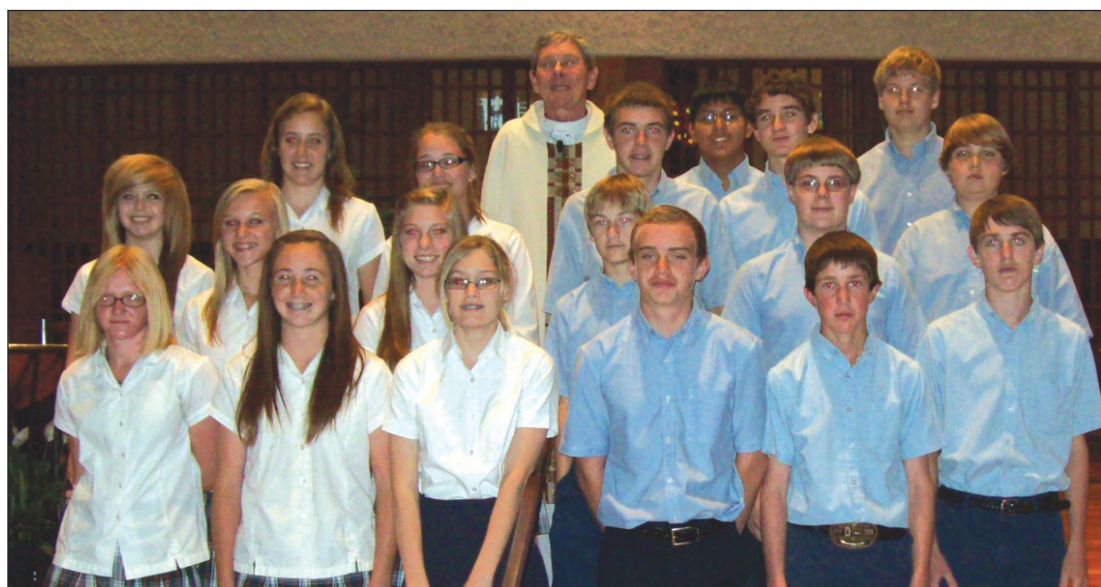
A women's ensemble consisting of the following students also received a 1 - Lindsay Miller, Sarah Miller, Madeline Hanson,

Elizabeth Turner, Devan Henry, and Bailey Walterscheid.

Because of the hard work of all of these students, Sacred Heart placed 6th overall in the State among 2A schools, and 13th out of all 40 schools that attended the event including the larger and smaller schools.

Clint Kelley is Sacred Heart School's music teacher and the choir director.

The Choir held its Spring show on Tuesday, May 14 in Sacred Heart Community Center.



SHCS photo

Sacred Heart Catholic School 8th Grade students at Diocesan 8th Grade Mass celebration, from left, front - Emily Bayer, Amanda Aldriedge, Samantha Koesler, Tyler Walterscheid, Cody Dangelmayr, Hudson Eddleman; middle row - Rylee Reiter, Leah Knabe, Avery Truebenbach, Treston Lutkenhaus, Devin Sicking, Benjamin McCoy; back- Alane Bartush, Katy Bezner, Reverend Monsignor Stephen J. Berg, Mark Davis, Javier Iglesias, Nick Turner, and Anthony Bayer.

SH 8th Graders attend Diocesan Mass

Wednesday, May 8, 8th graders from Catholic schools across the Fort Worth Diocese met at Saint Andrew Catholic Church in Fort Worth for the annual 8th grade Mass where the main celebrant was Rev. Monsignor Stephen J. Berg, Diocesan administrator, Diocese of Fort Worth. Concelebrants were guest priests from the Diocese. The theme of the 11 a.m. Mass was "Year of Faith."

Mass began with an introduction and the processional instrumental "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" as banners from each school were carried in and displayed. Mass continued with readings from Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 and John 16:12-15. During the homily, Monsignor Berg spoke of a five-day Silent

Retreat he attended and that he discovered how God uses nature and all his ways to communicate; how much work it is to be quiet. He continued, telling the students that there are things in society that you will have to say "no" to. One voice will lead you, it is the voice of Jesus. Among all the voices will be the voice of truth, God. He will guide you to all truth. You must be open to the word that says "yes", the word of Jesus Christ.

Catholic School Superintendent Don Miller gave closing remarks. He stated that an opportunity to meet with the students is a really good day, and the hope that springs forth from family, parish, and schools. He asked the students to "believe in Christ and to trust

in yourself," and to remember the priorities in life, God, family, church, and school.

Participating in the liturgy from Sacred Heart were Devin Sicking as banner bearer, and Javier Iglesias with Presentation of the Gifts.

Attending with the class were Dr. Rafael Rondon, Dan Aedo, Beth Bartush, and Annette Bayer.

Lunch Menus

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Mon. - Rib sandwich, sweet corn, green beans, mixed fruit. AM: Bologna and cheese sandwich, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.

Tues. - Frito chili pie, glazed carrots, lettuce topping, fresh honeydew. AM: Turkey and cheese sandwich, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.

Wed. - Chicken quesadilla, Mexicali corn, refried beans, sour green applesauce. AM: Ham and cheese sandwich, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.

Thurs. - Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cantaloupe. AM: Tuna salad, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.

Fri. - No school. LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Beef soft taco, lettuce, refried beans, rice (9-12), salsa, jalapenos or tomatoes, pears.

Tues. - Pizza, corn, lettuce, fruit, carrots.

Wed. - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, bread, fruit.

Thurs. - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, peaches, bread.

Fri. - Chicken sandwich w/ trimmings, tator tots, fruit, ice cream, raw broccoli.

ERA ISD Cafeteria's choice menu to be released Friday, May 17 (unavailable for newspaper publication).

Lindsay FFA member nominated for office

Lindsay FFA Chapter President Matthew Huston was recently elected to serve as an Area V FFA officer for 2013-14. Huston was selected from a field of four candidates in the District 1, Area V Association. Area V is one of the largest area associations in the state of Texas with 10,828 FFA members strong in 125 FFA chapters being led by 232 Agriculture Science teachers/FFA advisors and includes seven districts.

The area officer election process includes four different criteria. Each candidate is required to complete an application, test, interview, and then present a speech to a voting delegation.

In the interview portion, Huston spoke with a panel of agriculture county agents and ag science teachers. The testing was over facts and information related to agriculture and FFA history. Finally, Huston gave a speech to the district voting delegation.

On May 18, Huston will attend the Area V FFA Convention in Prosper where he will be introduced with his fellow Area Officer team. These seven members will once again interview, test, and give a speech to a voting delegation who will select the Area president and

Area 1st vice-president for 2013-14. Some of the responsibilities Huston will have over the next year will be to provide instruction for Area and District FFA conferences and leadership for the Texas FFA Association. He will begin with attending the State Leadership Conference in Clifton June 8 - 13.

Matthew's selection makes him the first Area V Officer in the history of Lindsay FFA. He will be a senior at Lindsay High School this Fall. His parents are Tom and Kelly Huston and he is the grandson of Bob and Jolene Fuhrmann of Lindsay and Ben and Mary Huston of Sanger.



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CDA scholarship winners Brittany Pagel, left, and Amber Walterscheid.

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SPORTS

Tigers take State!

The Sacred Heart Tigers took the TAPPS 2A State Championship with only eight participants and set the bar higher for students that come behind them as they set a new school record on the 4x200 meter relay at 1:33.22 seconds. The Tigers notched up 84 points to take an 11 point victory against runner-up Hallettsville Sacred Heart at 73 points. Sacred Heart's winning effort came from winning in the relays.

Coach Dale Schilling called the effort by his Tigers "Tremendous" and coined that his track team has earned an elusive "3-peat" by winning the state track title for the past three years running. This is Schilling's 15th State Track victory coaching at Sacred Heart.

The Boys took first place in all three of their relays. The 4x100 meter relay team of Keith Metzler, Austin Aldriedge, Kason Reeves, and Justin Brown took first with a time of 44.55 beating out Shiner St. Paul by a slim 1.38 seconds. The same Tiger team faced stiff competition from Shiner again in the 4x200 meter run, but brought a photo finish win home by 0.14 seconds.

Senior relay member Aldriedge said after the meet, "Now that is how you do it!" Aldriedge continued, "Great way to end senior year."

The Tigers' 4x400 meter team of Metzler, Brown, John Paul Hesse, and Joe Bartush smashed the competition by three seconds putting in a 3:34.88 effort on the charts. Individual results include Hesse's first place finish on the 800 meter run with a time of 2:00.52 seconds. Hesse also posted a first place finish in the 1600 meter run at 4:50.23 seconds.

Other individual results at the track meet that brought home points include Hayden Schilling's fifth place effort in shot put. Aaron Davis also took sixth in the pole vault and 300 meter hurdles.

Other participants at the meet were: Christopher Bartush who finished in eighth place in the 100 meter run at 11.76 seconds. Austin Aldriedge finished ninth in the 200 at 23.95 seconds.

The Tigerettes qualified for State and ran well. Sara Davidson brought home a ninth place finish at 28.36 seconds in the 200 meter run for the

Tigerettes. Mikayla Fleitman earned tenth place in the 800 meter run at 2:39.50 seconds. Mikenzie Fleitman was in 13th place at 2:41.60 seconds. Bailey Walterscheid earned ninth place in the 100 meter hurdles, and 12th in the 300 hurdles. Walterscheid

heid also placed ninth in the pole vault at seven feet, and a 13th place, 4 foot 6 inch effort at the high jump. Mikaela Bartush put a seventh place effort in the shot put at 30 feet, 4.5 inches. Morgan Hesse finished tenth at 29 feet, 2 inches.



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And they're off! The start of the TAPPS State 800m race.

Hunting accidents on decline

According to a new report from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD), hunting accidents and fatalities in Texas are continuing their steady decline.

The report indicates that there are fewer than three accidents per 100,000 hunters in Texas.

Last year, there were 25 hunting-related accidents—five of which were fatalities. Officials say that number is small compared to the number of hunters in Texas—1.15 million.

TPWD officials attribute the drop in accidents to new hunter education requirements.

To view the full report, visit http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/publications/learning/hunter_education.

Hess competes at State



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On May 2 and 3, Erin Hess made the trip to Austin for the second year in a row to compete in the UIL Class 1A State Golf Tournament. The two-day competition was held at Lion's Municipal. Erin's finish of 182 placed her 12th out of 72 girls, shooting a 90 in round 1 and a 92 in round 2. Top individual score was 158. Erin finished the two-day round with pride, knowing it was a privilege to be at the State Tournament. She is a junior at Muenster High School, and under the direction of Coach Jason Atcheson. Erin is gearing up in preparation for a run at the opportunity to compete again at the State Tournament and a chance to win her senior year.

Just a thought

Home is the place where we are treated best and grumble most.

Hornets Baseball continues

The Muenster Hornets won the Area round baseball playoff series last Friday in Forth Worth over the Axtel Longhorns out of District 13.

In game one, Blayne Styles pitched the complete game shutting out the 'Horns in a 1-0 victory. Andy Flusche had the big hit to score a runner.

In game two, every Hornet team member contributed to the 12-2 victory. Trevor Cheaney was the winning pitcher.

Muenster now advances to the Regional Quarterfinal round facing the District 13 champions, the Dawson Bulldogs. The Dogs advance after defeating Dodd City in

Area last week. Game time will be Friday, May 17, at 7 p.m. at Saginaw. Saturday's game will begin at 1 p.m.



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Hornet Trevor Cheaney pitched Muenster's 2nd game against Axtel last Friday.

Walterscheids at State

Amber and Cole Walterscheid, Muenster's only representation at last weekend's UIL State Track and Field Meet, came home with 3rd, 5th, and 6th place finishes.

Amber received 3rd place in the 300m Hurdles with a time of 47.07. She also placed 5th in the Triple Jump with a

leap of 34'11". At the Regional meet, Amber extended the school's record in the event by jumping 35'2", breaking Brooke Endres' record of 33'10" set in 2003.

Cole also competed at the State meet and was awarded 6th place in the Long Jump with a 21 foot jump.

Whitesboro Tennis Camps

Whitesboro Parks and Recreation Department will co-sponsor a tennis camp with the WISD Tennis Program and Coach Vince Sharp. The camp will be June 3 - 7. Children ages 6-10 will meet from 8 to 10 a.m., and ages 11 to 14 will meet from 10:15 to 12:15. The camps will be at the Hayes Primary School tennis courts.

More info about this and other PARD programs may be found at their website, www.whitesborotexas.com/pard. The camp registration form can be found at this site. Call the PARD at 903.564.5964 for more info.

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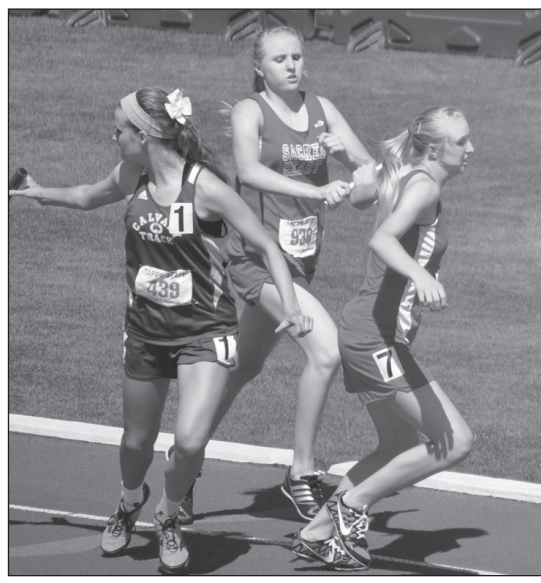
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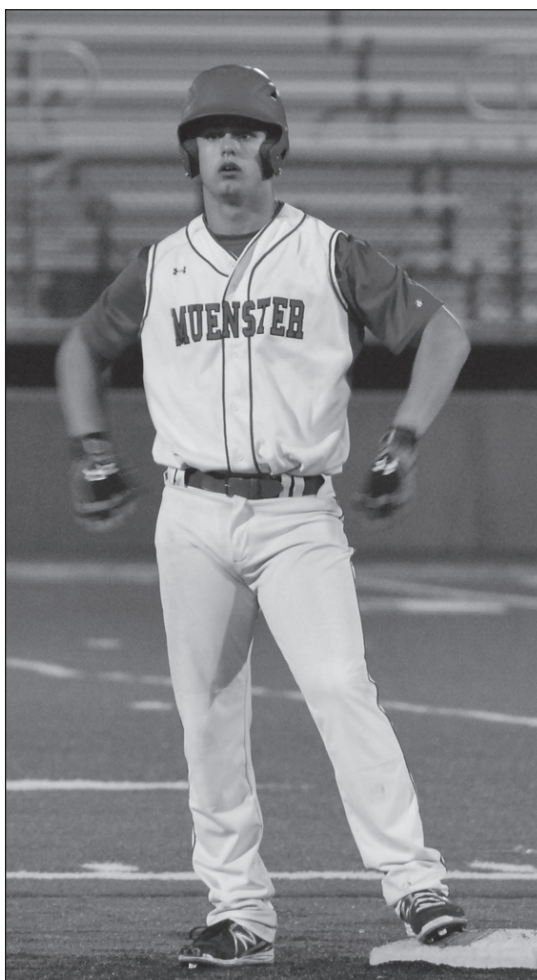
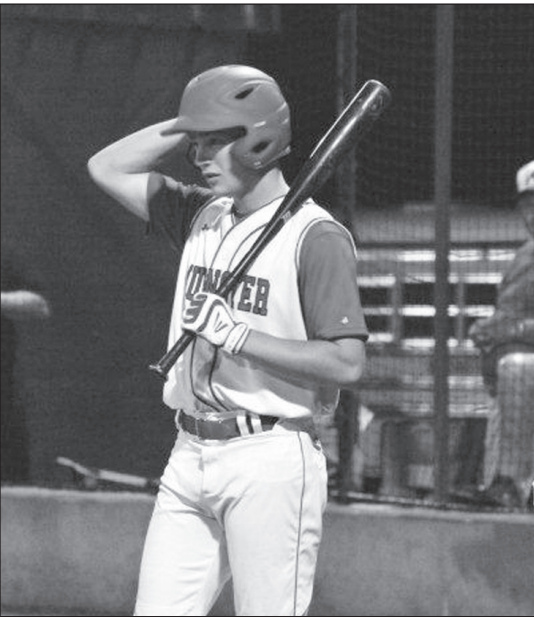


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**Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed
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To: All interested Agencies: USACE, FEMA; USEPA; NRCS; USFWS; THC;
 TPWD; TCEQ; TCOG; Cooke County Historical; Cooke County Emergency
 Management Coordinator; City of Muenster Floodplain Administrator.

This is to give notice that the City of Muenster, Responsible Entity under
 Part 58, has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Orders 11988
 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart
 C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management,
 to determine the potential affect that its activity in the floodplain and
 wetland will have on the human environment for the Texas Community
 Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) for non-entitlement cities
 and counties through the Texas Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural
 Affairs under TxCDBG Contract #712241.

The City of Muenster is intending to replace sewer line to prevent frequent
 blockages and maintenance issues. The City plans to install approximately
 two thousand one hundred eighty-four linear feet (2,184 l.f.) of eight-inch
 (8") sewer line, eleven (11) manholes, pavement repair, and all associated
 appurtenances. The construction activities, engineering, and project
 administration shall be financed through \$125,000 of TxCDBG funds and
 \$24,576 of City funds.

The area proposed for construction will comprise approximately 0.996
 acres (±) and of that area approximately 0.711 acres (±) will be in the
 floodzone and of that area 0.496 (±) acres in Zone AE and 0.275 (±) in
 Zone X. Immediately adjacent to the construction area is a NRCS Soil
 Conservation Lake and associated dam constructed primarily for flood
 control and soil conservation.

The sewer lines to be replaced were installed in the 1940's and the lake in
 the mid-1950's. The lake, although silted in, at its deepest point is about
 10 feet deep. Wildlife consists of ducks, geese, deer, rabbits, squirrels,
 skunks, some fish, and other small animals associated with floodplain
 and wetland areas.

The proposed project and areas of construction are located in the Western
 part of Muenster, Cooke County, Texas; generally bound by HWY 82 to
 the South and Maple Street to the East, as follows: 1) Alley west of Maple
 Street, between 3rd and 4th Streets (From: Manhole; To: Maple Street); 2)
 Maple Street (From: Alley between 3rd and 4th Streets; To: Approximately
 275 l.f. south); 3) To location located southwest cross-country (From: Maple
 Street; To: Manhole, located approximately due east of 2nd Street); 4) 6th
 Street (From: Alley between Maple & Willow Streets; To: Alley between
 Willow & Ash Streets); 5) Alley between Maple & Willow Streets (From:
 Manhole located north of 9th; To: 8th Street); and, 6) Cross-country (From:
 A manhole approximately 320 l.f. north of 9th Street and approximately 18
 l.f. east of Cherry Street; To: A manhole approximately 89 l.f. southeast.

The City of Muenster is interested in discussing alternatives to this
 project, securing public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that could
 result from the project, and discussing possible measures to minimize any
 adverse impacts. A public hearing is scheduled at 5:15 PM, on Thursday,
 May 30, 2013, at City Hall to discuss the proposed project. Persons with
 disabilities that wish to attend this meeting and need assistance should
 contact Mr. Stan Endres, City Manager, in City Hall at 940-759-2236 to
 arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services
 for the meeting should contact Mr. Endres at least two days before the
 meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may
 be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in
 the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity
 to express their concerns and provide information about these areas.
 Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public
 educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can
 facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with
 the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter
 of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate
 in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be
 put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the City of Muenster at the
 following address on or before June 4, 2013, City of Muenster, P.O. Box 208,
 400 N. Main, Muenster, TX 76252-0208 and 940-759-2236, Attention: Joey
 Anderson, Mayor, during the hours of 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to
 5:00 PM. Comments may also be submitted via email to Stan Endres:
 cityofmuenster@ntin.net.

A more detailed description of the project and FEMA flood maps are
 available for citizen review at City Hall, Muenster, Texas.

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FARM & RANCH

FSA resumes farm payments

After two months of suspension, farm payments from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency (FSA) resumed May 8.

FSA Administrator Juan Garcia made the announcement that the payments for

the 2011 Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments Program, the Noninsured Crop Assistance Program, and the Milk Income Loss Contract Program will all continue as they did prior to the suspension due to seques-

tration.

Payments were suspended March 4 to allow the FSA time to assess the impact of the sequestration and to determine the least disruptive process possible for carrying out required cuts.

To avoid reducing the programs, the FSA will transfer funds to avoid reducing program payments.

Sign-up periods are currently underway for many of the FSA's programs. For program enrollment deadlines and additional details, visit http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/newsReleases?area=newsroom&subject=landin&g&topic=ner&newstype=newsrel&type=detail&item=nr_20130508_rel_0083.html.

Cheap natural gas means more nitrogen fertilizer

Quoted in a Canadian fertilizer newsletter, Todd Dysle, a crop nutrient supply manager for CHS Inc., suggested the long-term prospect of cheap North American natural gas will cause a resurgence of nitrogen fertilizer production in the U.S. and Canada. Sources pointed out that at least 20 fertilizer projects have been announced over the past few years.

Those same sources argue the domestic markets only have room for production from a few of those projects, which may eventually cause the U.S. to become a net exporter of nitrogen fertilizers.

Source: Doane's Agricultural Report



AG TALK

By Gene Hall
Public relations director

Private property rights still matter

The last sentence of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States reads: "...nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation."

That's the full, incontrovertible, and absolute justification for private property in these United States. Some think our First Amendment, freedom of speech, is the sole constitutional reason for American greatness. I'm on board with most of that. However, it's the Fifth Amendment—guaranteeing the right to use private property—that is the economic foundation of our freedom.

Some believe this is a quaint and outmoded idea. Because of environmental concerns or the public's interest and desire to use private lands, some argue that folks should have "freedom to roam." In fact, this is what they call it in Europe: Farmers and private landowners there have to check with authority before they do anything with their land. They are pretty much powerless to prevent folks from roaming their property at will. This is one of the bad ideas our ancestors crossed the ocean 400 years ago to escape.

Recently, a Texas County Commissioners Court closed access to a private road that people had been using to gain access to a popular river site. A flood had washed out the public access. There was public outcry, but these commissioners' action was both courageous and correct. The landowner did not want uninvited guests and that's the end of it.

Some "visitors" consider the world their trash receptacle. Then there is the tendency of misguided souls to discharge firearms at various levels of inebriation. Things get muddled when people start talking about what the owner of private property "needs to do" or "should allow." Beyond protecting the environment as it relates to that property, what happens on private land is not the business of anyone else.

We have eminent domain, a nasty law that is a necessary evil. Under the Fifth Amendment, private property can be taken for the public good, but only if you pay the owner for it. Some like to get around this by regulating the property and paying nothing. This, too, is now illegal in Texas.

We can discuss rights under our constitution. But they all count, and they all count equally. If we are going to tinker with the Fifth Amendment, the Second Amendment, or any other, we should not be surprised if someday we learn that the First Amendment is "no longer in the public interest."

Federal stay in whooping crane case protects Texas water

The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals has granted an emergency stay on a U.S. District Court judge's orders that could potentially shift state control of water resources to the federal government.

U.S. District Court Judge Janis Graham Jack recently ruled in favor of an environmental group in its case against the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), the San Antonio River Authority, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, and the Texas Chemical Council. The suit alleged that TCEQ's water management practices led to the disappearance or deaths of 23 endangered whooping cranes. It further contended the deaths of these cranes was a "take" in violation of the Endangered Species Act.

"The stay is good news for all Texans. It prevents the implementation of the U.S. District Court ruling that potentially allows the federal government to dictate to Texans what we can do or cannot do with our water," said Regan Beck, assistant general counsel for Public Policy at Texas Farm Bureau. "Our organization will continue to be involved in this case as it moves through the appeals process."

Beck said Judge Jack's ruling would have prevented TCEQ from approving new water permits and would have required the agency to apply for an Incidental Take Permit and then develop a Habitat Conservation Plan. In addition, domestic and livestock users—which are currently exempt from permitting—would have been more closely monitored. And, water permit holders who hold a vested property right in the water permits could have lost some of those rights.

"From her ruling, Judge Jack believes that federal law preempts state law when regulation takes water away from the cranes," he said. "States, not the federal government, regulate their own water."

Her ruling—if allowed to stand—could cause a domino effect as other endangered species are listed, allowing all surface water in the state of Texas to come under federal rule, Beck said.

"Texas Farm Bureau is very concerned," Beck said.

"We think Judge Jack's ruling is one of the biggest threats to Texas right now—our water and how we allocate the use of that water."

Meat cuts get confusing new monikers

By Amanda Hill
Texas Farm Bureau

I came across a news story this morning from NBC's *Today Show* that reported a group within the meat industry is moving toward renaming some of our favorite meat cuts in order to make them "more consumer-friendly."

The group heading up the new meat monikers is the Uniform Retail Meat Identification Standards—URMIS, for short. They claim that consumers are confused by names of meats like rump roast, pork butt, and others. So, to clarify the consumer's choice of pork and beef, URMIS has suggested new

names for more than 350 cuts in your local meat case.

What are some of the new meat monikers you might look for? If you're planning on serving up a juicy pork chop for dinner, look instead for "Porterhouse chops," "Rib-eye chops" and "New York chops."

Need a pork butt for your dad's famous slow-cooked, pulled pork sandwiches? Keep an eye out for a "Boston roast" instead.

If pot roast is on the menu at your house, you'll need to find a Denver roast—even if the cow came from right here in the Lone Star State.

I don't know about you,

but these names confuse me more than the meat cuts I'm used to buying at the grocery store. When I pull out my favorite family recipe, I'm going to look for what Mom or Grandma wrote on the recipe card—not what URMIS renamed the cut of meat.

The news story did note that the new meat monikers are voluntary and at the discretion of the grocery stores. And, like everything in our free market society, the consumer will have the final say.

I just hope I'm not the only person wondering which city my meat will be named for next week.

Texas leads states in surface trade with Mexico

Texas led all states in surface trade with Mexico in 2012 at \$145.8 billion, according to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS).

This is the fourth time on record that Texas has had more than \$100 billion in trade with Mexico by surface modes of transportation in a calendar year.

Five commodities more than doubled in the value of Texas-Mexico trade in 2012 over 2011. The most notable was pearls and precious stones, which increased by more than \$2 billion from the previous year.

Five of the top 10 states with U.S.-Mexico surface trade in 2012 saw double digit percent increases from 2011.

Source: TxDOT

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- MRS. FRESHLEY'S Dessert Cups** 6.5 OZ. **99¢**
- KRAFT SELECT VARIETIES Mayo or Miracle Whip** 30 OZ. **\$3.79**
- NABISCO SELECT VARIETIES COOKIES Chips Ahoy!** 9.5-13 OZ. **2 FOR \$5**
- ASSORTED VARIETIES Gatorade Drinks** 8 PK./20 OZ. **\$4.99**
- LIBBY'S SELECT VARIETIES Canned Vegetables** 11-15.25 OZ. **79¢**
- ASSORTED VARIETIES Ranch Style Beans** 15 OZ. **69¢**
- WAN CAMP'S Pork & Beans** 15 OZ. **69¢**

- CASSEROLE Pinto Beans** 4 LBS. **\$4.49**
- SHURFINE PUPPY, GRAVY, OR CHUNK Dog Food** 3.5 LB. **2 FOR \$4**
- FABRIC SOFTENER Snuggle** 64 OZ. **\$2.79**
- LA COSTENA WHOLE Jalapeños** 26 OZ. **99¢**
- 100 CT. BAMBOO SKEWERS OR 3-WAY CAN OPENER PLIER Good Cook Items** EACH **\$1.99**
- SHURFINE ASSORTED FLAVORS Cake Mixes** 18.25-18.5 OZ. **4 FOR \$5**
- ASSORTED VARIETIES Jell-O Gelatin** 3.3 OZ. **79¢**
- ASSORTED FLAVORS UNSWEETENED Kool-Aid Drink Mixes** 2 QT. **5 FOR \$1**
- ORIGINAL OR PICANTE COCKTAIL Clamato Juice** 64 OZ. **\$4.59**
- LIBBY'S ASSORTED VARIETIES Canned Fruit** 15-15.25 OZ. **4 FOR \$5**
- 12-PACK CANS Coca Cola** 12 OZ. **3 FOR \$10**
- 12-PACK CANS Dr. Pepper** 12 OZ. **3 FOR \$10**

Fresh Produce

**FRESH CROP
Seedless
Watermelons**
EACH **\$3.99**



**FAMILY FAVORITE!
Yellow
Corn**
5 \$1
FOR

- JUMBO SWEET Vidalia Onions** 1 LB. **99¢**
- NEW CROP CALIFORNIA APRICOTS Peaches or Nectarines** 2 LBS. **\$5**
- PEELED Baby Carrots** 1 LB. **99¢**
- CRISP GREEN Broccoli** LB. **\$1.29**
- FRESH BUNCH Cilantro** 3 FOR **\$1**

- FRESH BUNCH Green Onions** 2 FOR **\$1**
- BLACKBERRIES OR BLUEBERRIES Fresh Berries** 6 OZ. **2 FOR \$5**
- RED RIPE Strawberries** 1 LB. **2 FOR \$5**
- FRESH EXPRESS OLD FASHIONED Cole Slaw** LB. **79¢**
- GOLDEN Pineapple** EACH **\$3.99**

**24-PACK
CANS OR BOTTLES
Bud &
Bud Light**
\$21

Dairy & Frozen Foods

- BROWN OR GOLD RIM ICE CREAM Blue Bell** 2 FOR **\$9**
1/2 GAL. TUB
- GOOD COOK PLASTIC Ice Cream Scoop** EACH **\$1.99**
- SHURFINE ASSORTED VARIETIES Whipped Topping** 8 OZ. **4 FOR \$5**
- SHURFINE WHOLE OR SLICED Strawberries** 16 OZ. **2 FOR \$4**
- SELECT VARIETIES Edward's Pies** 26-36 OZ. **\$5.99**
- STOUFFER'S SELECT VARIETIES Sandwiches or Entrees** 6-20 OZ. **2 FOR \$5**
- RED BARON ASSORTED VARIETIES Deep Dish Pizza** 10.8-11.2 OZ. **2 FOR \$5**

- TATERS OR CRINKLES Shurfine Potatoes** .32 OZ. **2 FOR \$4**
- SHURFINE Corn on the Cob** 4 CT. **2 FOR \$4**
- GOOD COOK Corn Skewers** 6 CT. **99¢**
- SHURFINE ULTRA PASTEURIZED HALF & HALF - ONE PINT OR Whipping Cream** HALF PINT **89¢**
- SHURFINE Sour Cream** 16 OZ. **4 FOR \$5**
- TANGY FLORIDA OR SMOOTH CALIFORNIA Sunny D** 8 PACK **\$2.99**
- SWEET, UNSWEET OR SPLENDA SWEET Red Diamond Tea** GAL. **2 FOR \$5**
- BLUE BONNET Soft Spread** 45 OZ. **\$2.79**

Health & Beauty Care

SELECT VARIETIES AIM OR PEPSODENT Toothpaste 6-6.4 OZ. TUBE **79¢**

- WESTERN FAMILY EX. STR. CAPLETS Acetaminophen** 100 CT. **\$2.99**
- WESTERN FAMILY CAPLETS Ibuprofen** 100 CT. **\$2.99**
- WESTERN FAMILY SELECT VARIETIES Eye Care Drops** 5 OZ. **\$1.69**
- WESTERN FAMILY ASSTD. ANTISEPTIC Mouth Rinse** 33.8 OZ. **\$1.99**