

Blazing bales doused by swift first responders



Joe Warren photos

Around 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, the Muenster VFD responded to a fire north of Muenster. A metal trailer was being used to haul eight round bales of hay to a place near Abel Cemetery. The hay caught fire. Although they are not positive of the cause, Muenster Fire Chief Herbie Knabe said that the probable cause was tires rubbing against the metal trailer causing sparks that ignited the hay fire. He said that it took the 11 firefighters who responded about two hours, 8,000 to 9,000 gallons of water, and 10 gallons of wetting foam to douse the fire. Lloyd Walterscheid, below, assisted by using a tractor and forklift to remove the burning bales from the trailer. Once off the trailer, the flames quickly flared up.



Hospital adopts FY 2014 budget

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

With six of its nine Board members present at the June 18 meeting, the Muenster Hospital Board of Directors adopted a budget for the 2014 fiscal year. The amount approved was \$9,417,405.08. Net operating expenses were projected at \$10,365,091 and net operating revenues were projected at \$112,285. That is for the Hospital, Clinic, Home Health, and Retail Pharmacy.

MMH Administrator Michael Kent commented, "We had every department manager work on their budget, talk about their needs for the upcoming year." He added that Board President Ronnie Weinzappel sat in on some of the budget meetings as did Board member Kenny Klement and Secretary John Aytes. Kent and CFO James Tackett also attended them.

Kent noted that the budget has some patient room remodels built in, a bariatric bed, and computer in preparation for the addition of Meditech, the required electronic health records program.

Weinzappel said, "It was interesting listening to the department heads talk about their wants and then what they really needed. James and Michael questioned a lot of their whys and ifs and buts. I thought it was a real good exercise with all the department heads."

After looking over the budget and questioning some items, the Board unanimously approved the proposed FY 2014 department budget.

Following an executive session, the Board voted to renew the contract of Kent. The new contract begins on July 1, 2013 and extends to June 30, 2015.

During his CEO report, Kent told of attending a Stakeholder Planning Session regarding Rural Health grants. He was invited to a meeting with the Rural Health Department of the Texas Department of Agriculture. This is the organization now handling rural Health grants. Kent was appointed to one of the working committees of the organization to help with rural grants.

CNO Diane Neu reported an average daily census for May of 8.55 patients. There were 73 patients seen in the Emergency Department, 10 patients were seen in the Wound Care Clinic, and there were seven in Cardiac Rehab. There were two surgeries and two stress tests in May.

In other business, the MMH board:

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Commissioners appoint Klement to TAPS Board

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

Cooke County Commissioners Court tagged Precinct #4 Commissioner Leon Klement to fill the County's elected official position on the TAPS Board. Beginning with the July 10 meeting, Klement replaces Precinct #2 Commissioner Gary Hollowell. Hollowell has served three terms in that position since 2007. He said he termed off last month and needs a replacement.

Commissioner Al Smith remarked, "I would definitely brag on Gary's Board performance there."

When Hollowell joined the TAPS Board, they were in debt, but that problem was solved by the Board. Smith said they had some leadership problems, but are now under good leadership.

Hollowell said, "It's a good organization and had a good executive director now."

Klement was nominated for the position by Hollowell. The appointment passed 3-0-1. Commissioner Klement abstained and Judge Roane was absent due to illness.

Commissioner Smith conducted the meeting in the absence of Judge Roane.

Following an executive session, Commissioners voted unanimously to fund one deputy for Courthouse security for this fiscal year. They also were unanimous in their vote to allow Sheriff Terry Gilbert to add one corporal position to accommodate a 4th shift. This is in title without compensation at this time.

During the agenda item action concerning the FY 2013-14 Budget, Commissioner Hollowell observed, "I see that there is about \$2 million in increases in this budget over last year's. There will be much debate over the next few weeks over what we do fund and what we shouldn't fund. I don't anticipate any significant increase in revenues coming in."

He said to fund that \$2 million would be about 8¢ on the tax rate. "In my opinion, we're going to have a real tough time funding the requests that we are coming to us."

Commissioner Klement added that he understands that there will not be any

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Cooking for Customer Appreciation



Joe Warren photo

Muenster State Bank held its Annual Customer Appreciation Cookout last Friday serving hog dogs, BBQ, and slushies. Pictured are Bank officials Brandon Bayer, front, and Henry Weinzappel.

Hummingbird nest discovered at Hess home

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

Danna Hess recently made a discovery that will provide a fun learning experience for her family. She spied a tiny hummingbird nest outside her kitchen window. Danna, her husband Brian, and their daughters Erin and Halle live in the country south of

Muenster.

They kept most of the area around the home they built there in its natural state. She said they are surrounded by big Red Oak trees.

Sharing the story of her found treasure, Danna said, "The limb the nest is on is literally five feet away. I was chit chatting on the phone one morning and would have

never even seen it, except the momma bird landed on the nest. The nest is smaller than a golf ball!"

Using a Canon SLR T3 Rebel camera with a good zoom lens, Danna shot pictures of the hummingbird's nest through her kitchen window. She used a step ladder outside to snap the pictures from above the nest.

Danna said, "The first day I lifted my daughter, Halle, up to check for eggs. There were none, then two days later there were two tiny eggs that were smaller than jelly beans! She sat on them for about 10 days, and they hatched! They are about as big as your thumbnail!"

"We love watching her sit and feed them everyday.

I never have touched the nest...she always flies off and waits for us to leave."

According to Danna, the baby birds were about five days old on Tuesday when she captured photos of them to share with our readers.

Sharing more about her resident hummers, Danna remarked, "We have two quart size feeders, that I fill

every other day, with a 4:1 ratio of sugar to water, and food coloring. We have about 10 birds that hang around. The males are ruby throated, and females are green and white."

Many people are fascinated by hummingbirds. They put out feeders and plant flowers that appeal to the

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Danna Hess photos

At left, a female ruby throat hummingbird sits patiently on eggs in her nest waiting for them to hatch. Above left, two hummingbird eggs smaller than jellybeans. Above right, hungry, five-day-old hummingbirds depend on their mother for food. The babies are so tiny that one weighs about .62 grams. Three of the babies would weigh less than a dime.

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- Write Offs of Bad Debts for the month of April totaling \$1,099.32.
- Approved matching David Bright Scholarship fund in the amount of \$2,000.
- Approved renewing Blue Cross Blue Shield of

Texas as the District's employee insurer. There is a rate change of 5.1% increase, which equals \$29.22 per insured employee. The Hospital pays 100% of the employee's insurance.

Texas House passes SB 5, Pro-Life omnibus bill

Monday morning, June 24, the Texas Legislature passed SB 5, the Pro-Life omnibus bill aimed at preserving unborn life and improving safety standards for abortion providers in the State of Texas.

SB 5 accomplishes four main goals. It prohibits abortions after 20 weeks, a time at which it has been shown that the fetus can experience pain. It improves women's health care by requiring that abortions, like other similar procedures, to be performed in ambulatory surgical centers which have greater health and safety requirements than current abortion clinics. It requires doctors performing abortions in Texas have credentials for a hospital within 30 miles of where they are performing an abortion. Lastly, it also increases restrictions on abortion inducing drugs.

"SB 5 will save thousands of unborn lives each year, while additionally protecting Texas women from the low health and safety standards currently found in abortion clinics," said Springer. "I am proud to have played my part in passing this critical bill out of the Texas House."

The House passed SB 5 on Second Reading at around 4:30 that morning. After a two-hour break, the Representatives came back and debated the measure for several more hours until they reached final passage around 10 a.m. The bill was returned to the Senate, where would have to beat Tuesday night Special Session deadline to pass into law. It was not voted on by the deadline due to a filibuster.

Gov. Rick Perry has the option of calling another special session to address the bill.

If you have any questions or comments feel free to contact Rep. Springer's Capitol office by phone (512) 463-0526 or by email Drew.Springer@house.state.tx.us.

DAYS GONE BY.....

**65 YEARS AGO
June 25, 1948**

Al Trubenbach's practically new Ford Sedan and garage are destroyed in a fire. Electric organ replaces old pipe organ in Sacred Heart Church. C.J. Hellman, age 8, has appendectomy. Obituaries: G.A. Stelzer, 59; Mrs. Mary Schad, 68. Willard Hartman is employed at the Shanty. Bill Hoehn has gone to Umbarger to be employed. New Arrivals: Leon to Joe and Marie Knaut; Mary to John and Olivia Wimmer; Dwayne to Gary and Caroline Hess; Wayne to Bernard and Adeline Sicking; Donald to James and Angeline Eckart; a son to Billy Ray and LaVerne Jones.

**50 YEARS AGO
June 28, 1963**

Jaycees are building two tennis courts in City Park. Drownings in lake tragedy take the lives of Mrs. Ernest E. Bode (the former Rita Popp), age 34, and her nine year old daughter Susan Kay. "False Alarms Ain't Funny Firemen and Council Agree" heads article on practical jokers who have been

turning in false fire alarms. New Arrivals; Theodore to Denis and Della Walterscheid; Colleen to Herbert and Lil Fette; Margie to Arnold and Aileen Knabe. Obituary: Cora (Mrs. Joe) Schad, 71. Weddings; Elizabeth Reed and Leon Fleitman; Lynette Sicking and Cyril Hermes; Dorothy Appel and Scott Knapp.

**25 YEARS AGO
June 24, 1988**

Muenster Jaycees name Alphonse Felderhoff Outstanding Citizen for 1988. Jack Murdock hired as principal at Sacred Heart. Obituaries: Joseph J. Neut 84; Anna Bump, 74. Wayne Becker receives 4-H scholarship of \$4,000 from Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth. Wedding: Karen Williams and Ronald Joe Evans. Sr. Henriann Fuhrmann celebrates Golden Jubilee. New Arrivals: Chad to Clarence and Kellye Hess; Dustin to Wendell and DeAnn Black; Kayla to Stan and Rhonda Dieter; Grant to Glenn and Eileen Georgia.

AGENDA MEETING DATE - July 1, 2013

The following is the Agenda for a regular meeting of the Muenster City Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room on Monday, July 1, 2013.

- Call meeting to order at 6:30pm
- Opening prayer.
- Approve minutes of the regular meeting held on June 3, 2013.
- Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.
- Consider any other business to come before the Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Review and possibly approve proposal for 2013 Street Maintenance Program.
- Discuss Fire Safety Inspections Program, make any needed changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Conduct a public hearing for the City initiated rezoning of several properties throughout the City.
- Consider approving ordinances on zoning changes discussed in public hearing.
- Review and possibly approve Eagle Scout Project in City Park.
- Discuss regulating the parking of vehicles, boats, trailers etc. and low overhanging tree limbs on City streets.
- Review City Policy regarding employees uniforms and boots, approve any recommended changes.
- Approve employee wage increase due to receiving wastewater license.
- Discuss mosquito spraying, take any needed action.
- Review Preliminary Plat of Lakeside Meadow Subdivision Unit II.
- Receive monthly update on Police Department from Chief Blankenship.
- Receive status report on City Projects and Activities. Take any needed action.
- Review and act on monthly bills.
- Adjourn.

Brenda Simpson, City Secretary

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great increase in the property values this year. "We are going to have to be careful how we handle this. A lot of our economy is based on the oil industry and that does fluctuate quite a bit."

Mehdi Razi, a representative of Gabriel, Roeder, Smith, & Company spoke to the Court regarding GASB-45. It was an accounting report on the County retiree medical benefits.

This program rewards long-time employees. The County paid the monthly insurance premium for retired employees until age 65. A couple of years ago this plan was changed with certain restrictions placed on who qualified by when they were hired, years of service, and age at retirement.

He said that due to this change, the County's long-term liability dropped from \$2 million to \$1.4 million.

EMS Director Kevin Grant reported on the EMS payroll status. He said the Department is about \$63,000 to \$66,000 over budget.

Commissioner Smith noted that he felt they had identified the problem. He said that they now knew how to budget for it and should eliminate the problem.

Budget hearings took place on Monday afternoon, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

In other business conducted during the June 24 meeting, Commissioners Court:

- Took action on contracting with a vendor to repair the DPS building roof.
- Approved Parker Electric

replacing the light fixtures in the DPS building at a cost of \$8,950.

- Approved write off of FY2008 and FY2009 ambulance billings that could not be collected (\$1,329,746.70).
- Accepted a deed for a parcel of land located on Hwy. 82 belonging to Cooke County.

Approved a contract with the Texas Department of Transportation and Cooke County to allow a detour from FM 922 to Krahl Road, located in Precinct 2.

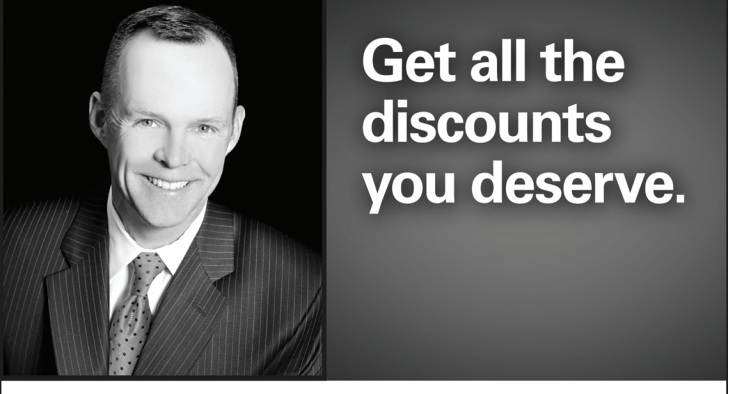
Approved a contract with EOG Resources, Inc. for a temporary water transfer line on CR 328.

Approved ratifying the Judge's signature requesting an increase in the funding amount for the Safe Room Hazard Mitigation Grant in the amount of \$310,000 at no cost to the county.

Approved out-of-state travel for Phyllis Griffin, 4-H AgriLife Extension Agent, so that she may take local 4-H kids to the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Approved cell phone allowance for Jail nurse.

Accepted an insurance settlement in the amount of \$5,100 on a 2007 Ford Crown Victoria that was totaled in an accident.



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Sunday, June 30, 2013	Monday, July 1, 2013	Tuesday, July 2, 2013	Wednesday, July 3, 2013	Thursday, July 4, 2013	Friday, July 5, 2013	Saturday, July 6, 2013
Museum open 1-4 pm	City Council mtg. 6:30 pm	Library open 10 am-6:30 pm	Library open 10 am-5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg, noon	Museum closed Library closed <i>Happy 4th of July</i>	Museum open 1-4 pm AARP Board mtg.	Library open 10:00-2:30
Sunday, July 7, 2013	Monday, July 8, 2013	Tuesday, July 9, 2013	Wednesday, July 10, 2013	Thursday, July 11, 2013	Friday, July 12, 2013	Saturday, July 13, 2013
Muenster Museum Open 1-4	NO MMH Aux mtg. KMB mtg. 6:45 pm VFW mtg. 7:30 pm SWIM LESSONS - level 1-5 begins	Library open 10 am-6:30 pm KC Council mtg. 8 pm	Library open 10 am-5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg, noon SHCS Alumni & Supporters mtg.	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm M. Historical Comm mtg. 8 am Kiwanis Family Swim night 7-9	Museum open 1-4 pm AARP member lunch	Library open 10:00-2:30

Leonard "Spike" Yosten 1913 - 2013

Mass of Christian Burial for Leonard "Spike" Yosten was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 22 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster with Fr. Ken Robinson officiating and McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster directing.

Spike died at 3:07 p.m., June 19, 2013 at Muenster Memorial Hospital.

Born Dec. 19, 1913 in Muenster, Spike was the fourth of nine children of Robert and Agnes Swirczynski Yosten. He was raised on a farm near Muenster and attended Sacred Heart School.

Leonard "Spike" and Frances "Girly" were married July 27, 1942 at Sacred Heart Church. They were the parents of two sons and three daughters. Spike started work for Trumter Petroleum Corporation in 1937. He worked his way up to assistant superintendent in 1950, and general superintendent in 1961, a position he held until retirement in 1985 after 47 years.

Spike loved to travel, to tinker with motors, to garden, and to play sheephead with family.

Survivors include his daughters and sons-in-law Susie and David Bullion of Austin, Debbie and Stuart Bradford of Austin, and Diane and Jim Grewing of Muenster; sons and daughter-in-law David Yosten of Plano, and John and Pat Yosten of Muenster; brother Lee Roy "Buddy" Yosten of Muenster; 17 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife; parents; sisters Angeline Reiter and Dorothy Holland; brothers Al Yosten, Stan Yosten, Paul Yosten, Martin Yosten, and Larry Yosten; and daughter-in-law: Susie Yosten.

During the funeral Mass, the First Reading and the

petitions were read by Sam Bradford. The Second Reading was read by Randy Grewing. Eucharistic ministers were Terri Luke, Paulette Swirczynski, Chuck and Doris Koesler, and Craig Grewing. Altar servers were Keith Bezner, Chuck Bartush, and Alvin Hartman.

At Offertory, Michael Grewing narrated as granddaughters and great grandchildren carried mementoes of Spike's life. They were: Lauren Faske (deck of cards), Paula Yosten (rosary), Stephanie Yosten (Model "T" sparking coil), Fletcher Yosten (fishing lure), Kimberly Yosten (shot glass), Christy Bezner (miniature pumpjack), Katy Bezner (basket of vegetables), Clint Bezner (Spike's hat), Lesley and Leah Brannan (roadmap and arrowhead), Shannon and Garin Estopinal (St. Jude candle), Diane Grewing (Knights of Columbus pin). Carrying the gifts of bread and wine were Clyde and Sharon Walterscheid.

Music ministers were Doug Yosten, Jim Endres, Christi Klement, and Linda Flusche. Songs included "Pilgrim Song," "And I Will Follow," "Only In God," "Lord You Are More Precious/I Exalt Thee," "Holy God We Praise Thy Name," "Take Lord Receive," "Fly Away," and "I'll Fly Away."

The eulogy was given by daughter Susie Bullion who spoke of what an extraordinary life Spike led. "God granted him the gift of industry, and from his youth on, he proved himself a hardworking man... God gave Dad curiosity and a sense of adventure... He loved to travel.

"God also granted him the gift of gab. You never met a more enthusiastic conversationalist... God handed Spike the gift of music, for he could play the guitar and the har-



Leonard Yosten

monica, sang in the choir, and loved to sing at family gatherings."

She spoke of other gifts Spike had including a great sense of humor and a quick wit, longevity, and mental clarity, which led him to being the family storyteller.

She concluded with "he was never afraid to experience life and never in danger of losing sight of his faith; for through it all, he knew that the gifts God gave him would sustain him."

Following the eulogy, on behalf of her grandfather, Lesley Brannan thanked the many people who touched Spike's life through their love and care for him in his final years.

Pallbearers were Terry Yosten, Aaron Grewing, Michael Grewing, Jackson Bradford, Ted Yosten, Paula Yosten, Sam Bradford, and Shane Bullion.

Rosary/vigil was held at 6 p.m. Friday at Sacred Heart Church led by Fr. Ken. During the service, "The Rugged Cross" was sung by daughters Susie Bullion and Diane Grewing, and Doug Yosten, Christi Klement, and Linda Flusche. The service was concluded with the singing of "Just A Closer Walk With Thee."

Cloy Baldwin 1982 - 2013

Graveside services for Cloy Alan Baldwin, 30, were held Monday, June 24 at 10 a.m. at High Point Cemetery in Sivelles Bend with Rev. Bill Black officiating. All services were directed by Meador Funeral Home in Whitesboro. Visitation was held Sunday, June 23 at the funeral home.

Cloy died June 20, 2013 in Sherman.

Cloy was born Dec. 26, 1982 in Gainesville to Alan Baldwin and Rhonda Rohmer. He was very proud of his profession of working in the oil field. He enjoyed riding and training horses. His nick-name was "John Wayne," given to him by his dear friend Chris Cain. He loved life to the fullest. He loved spending time with his children and teaching them to always "Cowboy Up." He had many friends who loved him unconditionally and were always there for him.

Cloy was saved in the Baptist church and was a faithful member of the "Cowboy Church."

He is survived by his parents Alan and Rena Baldwin; parents Alan and Rhonda Rohmer; children Lane, Emma, Levi, and Dakota Baldwin; sister Amanda Hogan and her husband Billy; brother Robert Baldwin; step-brother Tyler Rohmer; step-sister Lisa Kendall and her husband Jeff and their daughter Alaina; nephew Ty Hess; grandparents William and Ovella Baldwin; step-grandmother Viola Rohmer; several aunts, uncles, and cousins who loved him dearly. He loved two very special women who were mothers to his children, Jessica Richardson and Tanya Hess.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents William and Helen Grayson; cousin Christina Grayson; great-grandparents Cloy and Doris



Cloy Baldwin

Mobley; and Joe and Zephia Baldwin; nephew Kaden Hayes Hogan; and niece Kristena Leeann Grayson.

Pallbearers were Chisam Cain, Adam Byer, Michael Tischler, Bobby Fisher, Blake Garrison, and Chris Gleg-horn. Honorary pallbearer was Phillip Blakesley.

Oleta Schmitz 1922 - 2013

Oleta Schmitz of Gainesville died Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at the age of 90. Services were held Saturday, June 22 at Saint Mary's Catholic Church with interment at Fairview Cemetery. Rosary was held Friday, June 21 at Geo. J. Carroll Funeral Home.

Oleta was born July 13, 1922. She attended school in Myra for 10 years before transferring to Gainesville where she graduated from high school in 1939. She then entered the nurses training program at the Gainesville Sanitarium where she studied for 13 months before the program was disbanded. She then went to work at S. H. Kress and later worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone. She married Ray Bezner in 1943 and they moved up and down the west coast of the United States where he served dur-

ing the war. Ray died of cancer in 1949. On Nov. 15, 1951, Oleta married Freddy Schmitz who remained her life partner for 62 years until his death last year. When the children were young, she worked for Dr. Howard Davenport for five years and was thankful for her nurses training.

Survivors are sons Buster Bezner and wife Marcy and Mike Schmitz and wife Mar-

cia; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; sister Treba Dobkins; and many nieces and nephews.

Nephews Tommy Schmitz, Bobby Schmitz, Joe Schmitz, John Schmitz, Steve Schmitz, and Brad Crowsey were pallbearers.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to St. Mary's School, 931 N. Weaver, Gainesville, TX 76240.

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Paul Bauer 1952 - 2013

Paul Albert Bauer was the first born of Albert L. Bauer and Joan Arendt Bauer on July 10, 1952, and was raised in a loving and devout Catholic home with seven siblings. He joined the Air Force following graduation from LaFeria High in 1970, serving during the Vietnam War as an aviation electronic technician. He returned home in 1977, when he began his 37 year career with the USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Services, as a civil engineering technician, which concluded in his retirement, May 31, 2013.

The Lord called him home on Father's Day, June 16, 2013. He was preceded in death by his father Albert L. Bauer.

He is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Ophie Bauer; sons Eric (Misty) Bauer and Kevin Bauer; mother, Joan Bauer of LaFeria; and siblings Michele (Robert) Knauf of Muenster, Daniel (Ramona) Bauer of Harlingen, Karen (Paul) Smith of Cost, Texas, John (Judy) Bauer of La Feria, Joe (Kristina) Bauer of Pearland, Therese (Brian) Roder of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Jeanne Fullbright of Cleburne; mother-in-law Evelia H. Rios; in-laws Eugene (Minnie) Rios, Martha

(Frank) Gonzales, and Danny (Belinda) Rios, all of Harlingen; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Paul was an inspiration to all who knew him. He was always ready to offer that infamous smile, and he truly set a fine Christian example. Paul will be greatly missed by his friends, but he will especially be lovingly remembered by all members of the Bauer, Arendt, Rios, and Gonzales families.

Visitation and rosary was held Wednesday, June 19 at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in LaFeria. Funeral Mass was Thursday, June 20, at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. Cremation



Paul Bauer

followed. Funeral services were directed by Heavenly Grace Funeral Home and Crematory.

Kenneth Balthrop 1950 - 2013

Kenneth Balthrop, 62, of Rosston, died June 21, 2013. Kenneth was born Dec. 14, 1950 in Muenster to Weldon James and Gladys Durham Balthrop.

Survivors include brothers James Balthrop and wife Billie of Myra, and Rodney

Balthrop of Rosston; sisters Sybil Upchurch and husband Bud of Phoenix, Arizona, Sandra Lehman and husband Garland of Iowa Park, and Anna Kirk of Rosston.

Services are pending with Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home.

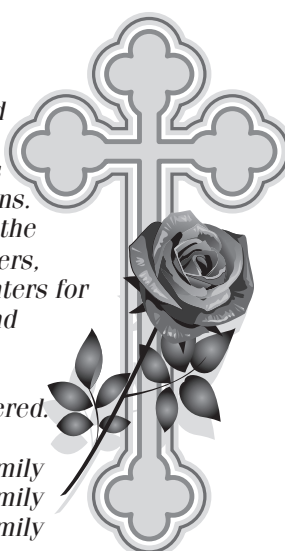
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- Will Rogers

Thank you

Words cannot adequately express how much the acts of love and support have meant to our family during the loss of Gerrie. Your kindness is overwhelming. We appreciate all of the prayers, words of comfort, cards, Masses, food, flowers, and memorial contributions. A special thank you to Fr. Ken for coming to the hospital and for the beautiful funeral service. To the musicians, readers, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, and all who attended. To the Catholic Daughters for preparing and serving the delicious meal after the funeral and to the Knights of Columbus for use of their hall.

Also, to McCoy's Funeral Home for their professional service. The love and concern shown to our family will always be remembered.

Delanne & Bert Walterscheid & family
Michele Green & family
Brad Walterscheid & family



WEEK DAY SPECIALS

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- FRI. - Hamburger or tuna fish sandwich, 20 oz. fountain drink - \$3.69 +tax**

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St. Peter's Church

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Sunday June 30

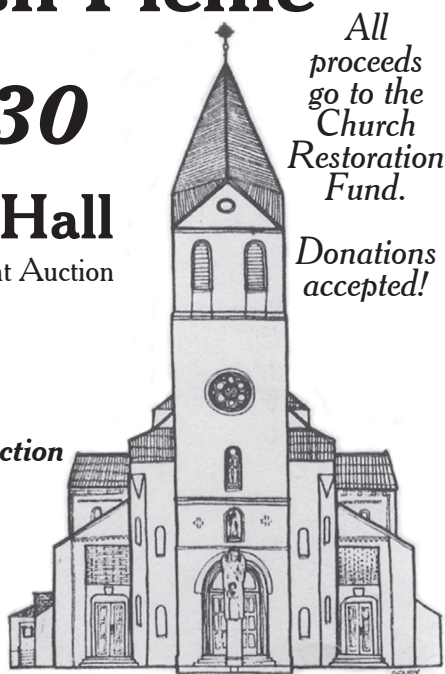
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Bayer, Balthazor exchange vows in Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Sunni Jo Bayer of Salina, Kansas became the bride of Travis Ross Balthazor on Saturday, May 25, 2013 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster. Fr. Ken Robinson officiated for the 2 p.m. Mass and double ring vows. Sacred Heart Church was the bride's chosen place for their marriage because her parents were married there.

Sunni is the daughter of Donna and Paul Bayer of Muenster and the granddaughter of Anna Marie Bayer and the late Alfred Bayer, and the late Juanita and Norbert Knabe.

Travis is the son of Vickie and Tony Balthazor of Palco, Kansas. His grandparents are Mike and Phyllis Murphey and Art and Marlene Balthazor.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride's gown featured a beaded, floral, strapless bodice and layers of tulle for a full skirt. Her bouquet consisted of lilies, pink roses, and peacock feathers, and was created by the bride. For something borrowed, she carried her great-grandmother's rosary.

ATTENDANTS

Serving as maid of honor was Dainah Hartman of Muenster, best friend of the bride. Matron of honor was Diana Bayer, bride's sister-in-law. Bridesmaids were bride's friend Jenna Olenick of Dublin, groom's sisters Crystal Balthazor of Wichita, Kansas and Mindy Wiebke of Lincoln, Kansas, and bride's friend Angela Lindenborn of Sanger. Three of the bridesmaids wore coral,

knee-length gowns, and the other three wore pool, knee-length gowns. Their flowers were created by the bride and Angela Lindenborn.

Flower girl was Kora Lee Bayer. She wore a floor-length dress made of tulle with a beaded bodice. Honorary flower girls were Kari Ann Bayer, bride's niece, and Hadley Wiebke, niece of the groom. Honorary ring bearer was Arlie Jacob Bayer, nephew of the bride.

Serving as best man was Josh Insienmay of Overland Park, Kansas, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Jeremy Bayer of Lindsay, bride's brother, groom's friends Jesse Huber of Washington, Kansas and Ryan Dorsey of Emporia, Kansas, brother-in-law Jeremy Wiebke of Lincoln, Kansas, and friend Felix Tse of Derwood, Maryland.

Ushers were Jordon Bayer of Gainesville, bride's brother, Jake Hess of Muenster, bride's friend, Jeff Walterscheid of Gainesville, bride's cousin, and Jack Henry of Emporia, groom's friend.

Mass server was cousin of the bride Bailey Anderle. Readings were given by Bernadette Otto, Jessica Walterscheid, and Sara Budke, cousin of the groom. Offertory Gifts were brought up by grandmothers Anna Marie Bayer, Phyllis Murphey, and Marlene Balthazor. Eucharistic ministers were Mary Bayer, Amy and John Anderle, and Gynell Oppermann. Music was provided by pianist Isaac Davis and vocalist Mary Del Olmo. Special selections were "Ave Maria"

and "Sunrise, Sunset."

RECEPTION

The reception for 250 guests was held in the Muenster VFW Hall with a catered dinner by Rohrer's Restaurant. Food served was chicken fried steak, new potatoes, green beans, salad, and bread. Guests also enjoyed drinks and a snack

table with chocolate covered strawberries, grapes, pretzels, nuts, summer sausage, cheese, and crackers.

The bride's table was covered with white cloth and burlap table runners laced with coral and pool ribbon. Quart jars were wrapped with cording, with bows on the side and filled with

wheat and barley (from the bride's family crop). Western candle holders held decorative candles.

The guest tables were decorated with laced burlap runners, quart jars laced with cording and bows, and were filled with wheat and barley stalks from Sunni's family crops. Pint jars held candles in them.

Behind the main table was decorated with old doors (most of them from Travis' sister Mindy of Kansas), white lights, and coral and teal tulle with the letters "BALHAZOR" on them.

One very special decoration spot was an "In Memory" table for their dear Arlie John Bayer. The table was an old table from the Bayer farm repainted in aqua. Each side of the table had two milk cans filled with flowers. On the table was a picture of Arlie and a sign designed by Sunni which read "We know you'd be here, if Heaven wasn't so far away. Arlie John Bayer 10/27/87 - 4/2/12. This was also decorated with candles.

The table runners were pulled, laced, and pressed by aunts Liz Cross, Mary Bayer, Barbara Bayer, Bernadette Otto, Grandma Bayer, Sunni, and mother Donna Bayer, and sister-in-law Diana Bayer, who spent many hours completing this job.

The bridal picture table was from wood taken from the old dairy house. Uncle Claude Bayer built the six foot table for the western antique look. It held a table runner and candles.

The guest book was on a

table made by Claude Bayer. It was engraved "Sunni Jo & Travis - May 25, 2013." The table held a runner laced with ribbon, a candle, and the bride's picture.

The bride's cake, baked by Betty Rose Walterscheid, was a white cake with blue icing and pink roses. It held the cake topper from Grandma and Grandpa Bayer's wedding cake, 65 years ago. The chocolate groom's cake held an airplane on top. Bailey and Annie Anderle served the main table and grandparent/parent/Godparent table and cake to all the guests.

Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple is residing in Salina.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted and prepared by Bernadette and Ed Otto with the assistance of Mary and Claude Bayer. The meal consisted of beef brisket, ribs, and salads. The Hawaiian theme was highlighted by tables decorated with tiki torches and miscellaneous yellow, green, and blue nic-nacs. The special evening was enjoyed by approximately 50 people, many from Kansas.

The bride is a 2008 graduate of Sacred Heart High. She attended NCTC and graduated from Tarleton State University in 2012. She is self-employed in animal production.

The groom graduated from Palco High School in 2007 and from Kansas State University in 2013. His profession is aviation/pilot for Kansas State University in Salina.



Mr. and Mrs. Travis Ross Balthazor
... 'nee Sunni Jo Bayer ...

Adian, Hartman pledge wedding vows on June 22

Laura Erin Adian and Grant Andrew Hartman, both of Muenster, were united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, June 22, 2013. The ceremony took place during a 4 p.m. Nuptial Mass held in Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church in San Antonio. This is the bride's parish prior to her move to Muenster.

Fr. Christopher G. Phillips officiated for the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Adian of Boerne. Her grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Sikes and Rubeen and Lena Adian.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hartman of Muenster are the groom's parents. His grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hartman and Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Fazzino.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was wearing a white lace fit and flare

gown with beaded empire waist and hemline. Floral detail enhanced the bodice and skirt. She wore a beaded-edge cathedral-length veil which fell over the gown's chapel train. She carried a bouquet of red roses accented with her maternal grandmother's brooch.

For something old, the bride wore her paternal grandmother's wedding ring. Her something borrowed was the bridal jewelry worn by her sister, the matron of honor, on her wedding day.

Arrangements of white flowers, including roses, calla lilies, and gladiolus decorated the church.

Wedding music was provided by Edmund Murray and vocalist Shannon Murray. Musical selections included "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," "Canon in D," "Love's Divine, All Loves Excelling," and "Rondeau."

ATTENDANTS

Claire Farber of San Antonio and sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Ashley Hartman of Muenster, groom's sister, and Jessie

Carrier of Hewitt, Texas, friend of the bride. They wore red satin, tea-length dresses with matching bolero jackets. Each carried a bouquet of white calla lilies.

Flower girl was niece and Goddaughter of the groom, Della Hartman of Muenster. Nephew and Godson of the bride, Luke Farber of San Antonio, was ring bearer.

Lucas Hartman of Sivells Bend served as his brother's best man. Groomsmen were brother of the groom, Justin Hartman of Muenster, and bride's brother Zachary Adian of San Antonio.

RECEPTION

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted a reception, dinner, and dance for about 150 guests. It was held at the Cana Ballroom of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Boerne.

Arrangements of red roses, red tulips, and white calla lilies were used to decorate the reception area.

The wedding cake was a four-tiered, red velvet cake frosted in white butter cream with delicate scroll designs. An arrangement of red roses topped the confection.

Roy and Irene Hartman, groom's parents, hosted the rehearsal dinner on Friday, June 21. It was held at the Scenic Loop Café in San Antonio.

The bride graduated from St. Joseph High School in Victoria in 2005. She graduated from Texas A&M University in 2009 and earned a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from University of North

Texas in 2012. She is employed by Cooke County Public Library in Gainesville.

The groom graduated from Muenster High School in 2002 and from the United States Military Academy at

West Point in 2006. He farms in the Muenster area.

After returning from their wedding trip to the Island of Antigua in the West Indies, the newlyweds will reside in Muenster.



Mrs. Grant Andrew Hartman
... 'nee Laura Erin Adian ...

Lindsay to hold Annual Parish Picnic Sunday

St. Peter's Church will host its Annual Parish Picnic this Sunday, June 30. The event kicks off at 11 a.m. with a dinner served at Centennial Hall until 2 p.m. A Cake Walk and Silent Auction also take place then.

The center of activity then shifts to the Lindsay Park. Children's activities begin at 3 p.m. There will also be a horseshoe tournament, High Hand, and a live auction.

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Male ruby throat hummingbird feasting at feeder. Do you have photos of unusual birds, nest, or animals? Please send them to the Enterprise.

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tiny birds hoping to lure them into their yards. Not everyone is fortunate enough to spot a nest or have the pleasure of watching the progress from eggs, to hatchlings, to babies ready to fly off on their own.

Besides colorful flowers and sugar water feeders, hummingbirds are also attracted to sprays of water such as sprinklers or misters. They especially enjoy fluttering their wings under a shower as opposed to a dip into a pool for a bath. Spiders are on the hummingbird's menu. They also use spider silk to build their nests. Perches for resting are a good addition for hummingbirds. They like to sit and rest perched on branches, shepherd's hooks, and other items small enough to wrap their tiny feet around.

The ruby-throated hummingbird is the most common hummer in this area. It resides in the eastern two-thirds of the country.

According to About.com Birding/Wild Birds hummingbird nests are built by the female. She also raises the babies alone. It noted, "Exact nest dimensions vary depending on the species of hummingbird and the materials used to create the nest, but most hummingbird nests are 1.5 inches in diameter, or roughly the size of a walnut or golf ball."

"After the eggs are laid, the nest must stretch to accommodate the young birds' growth. Hummingbirds typically lay two eggs that are roughly half an inch long, but once hatched, the birds grow rapidly and the nest must accommodate their changing size, since young hummingbirds will not leave the nest until they are nearly the size of adult birds. The spider silk used in the nest's construction helps give it elasticity to expand with the birds' growth, and the female parent will frequently patch and repair the nest even after the chicks have hatched."

Items used by hummingbirds to create their nest include moss, lichen, plant down from thistles, dandelions or cat-tails, spider silk, cotton fibers, small bits of bark or leaves, feathers, and fuzz or hairs from leaves.

These materials are woven together into a dense cup. Moss, lichen, or other materials are used on the outside for camouflage. The edge of the cup is curved inward to protect the eggs from tipping out in high winds, and the spider silk used to bind the nest together gives it elasticity to enlarge as the babies grow.

Perhaps the camouflage is why the tiny nests are so hard to locate!

Walter family gathers for Muenster reunion

Every two years, the descendants of John and Susanna Trachta Walter meet to renew family ties. Guests from the states of Texas, Illinois, New York, Colorado, and Arizona were in attendance. Since their last gathering, there have been five deaths, six marriages, and 10 births.

The reunion began on Thursday, June 6. Early birds met at Doc's Bar and Grill located on Main Street in Muenster. About 25 gathered to get reacquainted and swap family news.

The following day, Friday, June 7, activities included a tour of our neighboring town, Saint Jo. The Lazy Heart Grill prepared lunch for about 15 participants. Other family members were at Turtle Hill Golf Course competing in a family golf tournament. Friday evening was spent at the Fleitman Party Barn in Lindsay. Attendees were treated to an authentic BBQ meal. Children (and many adults) enjoyed kite flying, meeting

new members of the family, and renewing old friendships.

Saturday brought out many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends for a catered lunch at the Muenster Park. Special guests of honor were sisters centenarian Rose Hofbauer, Sylvia Everette, and Genie O'Dowd. They are the surviving children of John and Susie. Their combined age is 285 years!!! Other guests included members of the Martin and Reiter families.

Mass was celebrated Sunday morning at 8 a.m. Family members took the roles of lectors, extraordinary Eucharist ministers, and music ministers.

Following Mass, about 30 gathered for breakfast at the Center Restaurant for the reunion finale. A total of 125 participated in the activities over the weekend.

The next Walter family reunion will be hosted by local Muenster descendants in 2015.



Surviving Walter sisters, from left, Genie O'Dowd, Sylvia Everett, and Rose Hofbauer.

New Arrival

Phillips

Pretty in pink and oh so sweet from the top of her head to her tiny cute feet! Marlene and Martin Phillips announce the birth of their first child, Avery Grace. Born at the American Hospital of Paris on April 30, 2013, Avery Grace weighed five pounds 15 ounces and was 19 inches in length. The stork delivered Avery while the Phillips are assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Paris, France. Avery is welcomed by 14 first cousins, three aunts, six uncles, and grandparents Mary Ann Hess of

Muenster and Frank Phillips of Belmont, Michigan. Loving her from Heaven are her grandpa Earl Hess and her grandma Jackie Phillips. Bienvenue Bebe Avery!



Avery Phillips

Keep all of your fingers — use common sense if handling fireworks

What would the 4th of July be without fireworks? A little less busy in hospital emergency rooms. The nation's emergency physicians urge you to celebrate the country's birthday by using common sense when it comes to the potential dangers of fireworks.

"There's no such thing as completely safe fireworks," said Dr. Andrew Sama, president of the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP). "A few minutes of well-intentioned fun can result in lifelong disabilities."

On average, about 200 people every day go to the ER with fireworks-related injuries around the 4th of July holiday, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). Most injuries involve burns. For example, a sparkler can burn at 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit — which is as hot as a blow torch.

Almost half (46%) of fireworks injuries are to a person's hands or fingers. One-third (34%) of them are to a person's eyes, head, face, and ears (CPSC).

If fireworks are legal in your community, ACEP strongly suggests that you do not use fireworks at your home. If you do use them, however, these do's and don'ts will help make it a safer experience.

DO — Have knowledgeable supervision by an experienced adult if you use fireworks.

DO — Buy fireworks from reputable dealers.

DO — Read warning labels and follow all instructions.

DO — Keep a bucket of water or fire extinguisher on hand.

DO — Light fireworks one at a time.

DON'T — Give any fireworks, including sparklers, to small children; older children should be supervised by a responsible adult.

DON'T — Light fireworks indoors or near other objects.

DON'T — Place your body over a fireworks device when trying to light the fuse and immediately back up to a safe distance after you light it.

DON'T — Point or throw fireworks at another person, ever.

DON'T — Try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.

DON'T — Wear loose clothing while using any fireworks.

DON'T — Set off fireworks in glass or metal containers, fragments can cause severe injury.

DON'T — Carry fireworks in a pocket.

DON'T — Try to relight or handle malfunctioning fireworks.

"The safest and only thing you should do is watch a professional fireworks display managed by experts who have proper training and experience handling these explosives," said Dr. Sama. "Have fun and enjoy this great American holiday."

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SCHOOL

Muenster ISD announces its 2012-13 Teachers of the Year

At Muenster ISD's end-of-year faculty and staff breakfast on June 7, campus principals announced their 2012-13 Teacher of the Year. Dyan Huchton received the award for Elementary Teacher of the Year and Joni Sturm received the High School Teacher of the Year award.

Dyan Huchton has six years of teaching experience. She started her teaching career for Valley View ISD where she taught three years of 5th and 6th grade

Math. Her last three years have been at Muenster ISD where she has been the elementary Special Education teacher. Her peers state that Dyan puts her students first, she gives 200%, is compassionate, and strives to help all her students be successful and reach their potential.

Lou Heers, elementary principal, reports that Mrs. Huchton puts in endless hours to ensure her students succeed; she has a passion for teaching! Dyan is truly a dedicated teacher who

teaches from her heart!

Joni Sturm has 38 years of teaching experience. She started her teaching career at Muenster ISD as a first year teacher and has continued to teach students of Muenster JH/HS throughout the years. She teaches Family Consumer Science (FCS) which was known as Home Ec when she started. She has seen many changes during her career in both education and FCS and is now teaching her second generation of Muenster students. She has been the FCCLA sponsor as well as the class instructor. She has a very active organization with 70 or more members, and in the last two years, she has students who have advanced to the National level in FCCLA STAR competition. She has also had a State officer selected from her students for the last two years.

JH/HS Principal Sharon Browning remarked, "Joni dedicates many hours of each day to ensure that her students have the opportunity to learn skills that will continue to impact them throughout their lives, as well as teaching the students the value of giving back to the community. I look forward to another successful year with Joni as she challenges the students to be the best person that they can be."



MISD photo

MISD service pin recipients were, from left, front - Sharon Browning, Jody Felderhoff, Lou Heers; back - Stephanie Krebs, Jason Atcheson, Tim Bear, Jennifer Walterscheid, and Debra Sicking. Not pictured - Amanda Klement, Kristi Schneider, and Anita Luttmer.



MISD photo

Muenster ISD's 2012-13 Teachers of the Year Joni Sturm, left, and Debra Huchton.

School District employees recognized for years of service

Clay Richerson, superintendent of Muenster ISD, awarded employees for their years of service to the District at a breakfast on June 7. Presented with a five-year pin were Jason Atcheson, HS Social Studies teacher/Lady Hornet basketball coach; Tim Bear, custodian; Sharon Browning, JH/HS principal; Jody Felderhoff,

grounds maintenance; and Trey Gray, elementary P.E. coach/assistant HS coach. Receiving a 10-year pin were Stephanie Krebs, JH/HS Special Ed Math teacher/UIL coordinator/HS Student Council sponsor; Debra Sicking, 5th grade English Language Arts teacher/assistant Technology director; and Jennifer Walterscheid, 6th

grade English Arts teacher/elementary UIL coordinator, and Amanda Klement, cafeteria staff. Those receiving a 20-year pin were Lou Heers, elementary principal, and Kristi Schneider, MISD counselor/NHS sponsor/district testing coordinator. Receiving her 25 year pin was Anita Luttmer, cafeteria manager.

Muenster Hornet Band earns superior at Spring competition



MISD photo

Members of the Muenster Hornet Band on tour of the Battleship TEXAS.

The Muenster Hornet Band earned a superior rating on May 18 at the Texas Band Festival held in Aldine, Texas. The band played three selections for competition: "Spirit of the Fleet," "As Twilight Falls," and "La Madra el Gato."

Before competition, the band enjoyed a day at Galveston beach. Collecting shells, swimming in the ocean, and creating sand sculptures ended with sight-seeing, shopping, and supper at The Spot, Galveston's famous hamburger joint.

The band also toured the Battleship TEXAS. Band members especially enjoyed the air conditioned officers' quarters and the radio room. *Iron Man 3* was the late night movie choice for the majority of the band members.

Completing the Spring trip was a stop at Buc-ee's for souvenirs and lunch.

The band was accompanied by Director Justin Bell, Mr. Lowe, and band parents.

Summer practice will begin in August for the new marching show.



MISD photo

Students and teachers for the month of April were announced at Muenster ISD. They are pictured with their principals, from left, front - 8th Grader Alyssa Barnes, 6th Grader Shawn Pumphrey; back - Elementary Principal Lou Heers, 5th/6th grade Social Studies Teacher/Student Council Sponsor Cicily Waneck, HS Science Teacher Molly Sicking, 6th grade English Language Arts Teacher/UIL Coordinator Jennifer Walterscheid (she received this honor in January but was not available for picture), and JH/HS Principal Sharon Browning. Not pictured - Trevor Hess.

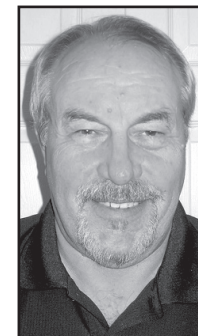
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SPORTS

The North Central Mudcats are ranked No. 1 in the nation.

The nine and under baseball team won the USSSA Texas North State Championship Baseball Tournament this past weekend in McKinney.

They won both of their pool play games on Saturday against the Dallas Texans 11-5 and then against the Dallas Patriots-Burklow 14-5. Then on Sunday, they won the single-game elimination tournament, beating the Grand Prairie Yankees 8-0, the Dallas Diablos 13-3, the Dallas Patriots-Moore 9-4, and winning the championship game against the Fort Worth Aces 9-6.

"The boys were excited to be awarded state championship rings for all of their hard work," Marilyn Sebade, parent of one of the players, said.

This is the team's third championship in a row and

they have won the past 16 games.

Currently, this team is ranked #1 in the USSSA Texas North Division and also ranked # 1 in the USSSA National Rankings for the 9 AA Baseball.

The boys are playing in the 2013 AAYBA (American Amateur Youth Baseball Alliance) World Series tournament which started on June 22, with opening ceremonies in Flower Mound.

Sunday during pool play, they lost 12-2 to the Dallas Tigers, losing their first game in 17 starts.

"They were winning until the last inning," Sebade said. She recounted how the Tigers is considered a "majors" team compared to the Mudcats AA status. Some teams had a higher AAA status. All teams compete together.

The other team was

surprised the Mudcats performed so well coming from small towns like Lindsay and Muenster, she explained. The Tigers recruit all the best players in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex.

On Monday, the Mudcats won the two contests: 5-3 against the Dallas Red Hawks and 8-6 against the North Texas Thunder.

Tuesday, brackets for the World Series were drawn based on their skill level as displayed during pool play. The double elimination tournament began Wednesday for the World Series championship.

Members of the team are pictured above right

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Natalie Chism of Muenster guards Kate Springer of Sacred Heart as she goes up for a layup.



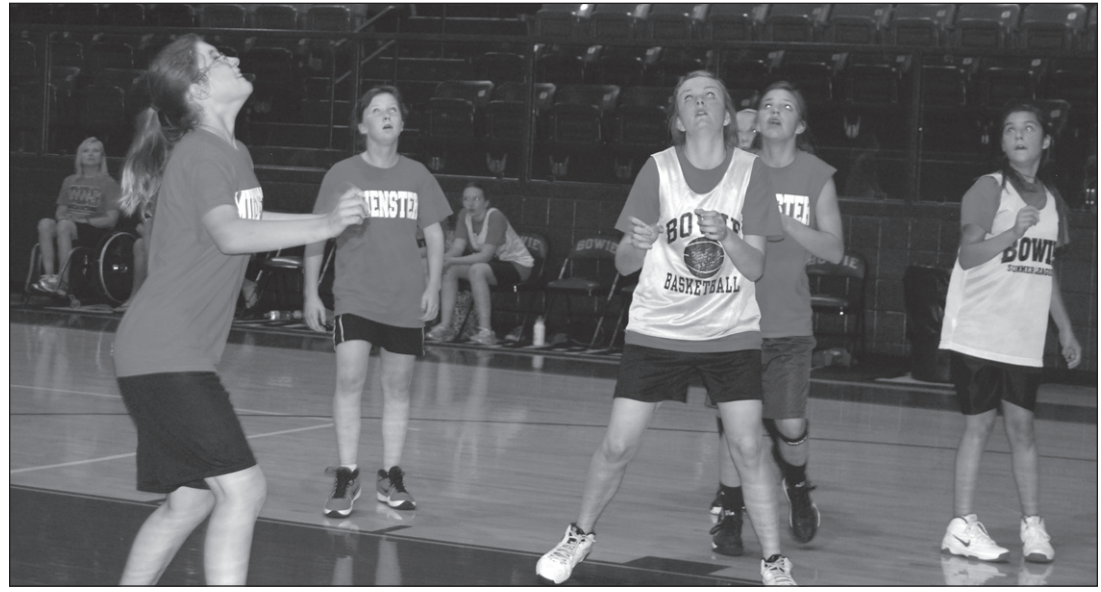
Rylee Cain of Muenster and Lydia Hennigan and Emma Ploeger of Sacred Heart wait for a rebound. Photos courtesy of Pat Springer

Sacred Heart defeats Muenster

Sacred Heart came out on top 28-18 against Muenster during Bowie Junior High Basketball League play last week.

Scoring for Sacred Heart were Kate Springer and Sophia Jones 10 points each; Mackenzie Mason and Dani Hess 4 points each, and Samantha Muller with 2 points.

Scoring for Muenster were Natalie Chism 6 points; Bailey Anderle and Morgan Hennigan 4 points; and Savannah Hermes and Rylee Cain with 2 points each.



Ashleigh Fisher, Rylee Cain, and Savannah Hermes of Muenster faced off against Samantha Muller and Sophia Jones of Sacred Heart.

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Excessive heat and livestock

Extreme heat situations can be hazardous to your livestock, horses, and poultry. Reduced production, heat-related illnesses, even death can occur. Protect your animals during extreme heat situations.

Before excessive heat situations

Establish cool housing or shaded areas.
Adequate shade is important and can be provided by trees, buildings, or sunshades.

Ensure building roofs are high enough to allow for air movement.

Prepare access to water.
Animals will require more water during extreme heat conditions – up to twice as much as normal.

Ensure animals always have access to cool, clean water.

Shade above-ground water lines or tanks to keep water cool.

Additional watering tanks may be necessary; if possible provide these in advance so animals can become used to multiple water sources.

Improve ventilation.
Install fans, open windows, front of stalls or roof ventilation to increase air movement in buildings.

Cut tall vegetation 150 feet back from perimeter of holding pens.

Consider building earth mounds to minimize bunching of animals.

Increase floor space per animal or reduce the number of animals in an area.

Prepare for power outages.
High summertime temperatures increase energy demand for cooling; overloaded energy systems can result in power outages.

During excessive heat situations

Provide cool, clean water.
Check water delivery systems periodically for plugs or other problems.

Monitor the water temperature and keep it cool.

If possible, keep in a shaded area.

Keep animals cool.
Spray with oscillating sprinklers; water can have a cooling effect for animals.

Run water on the ground to keep hooves cooled.

Run water across roofs of buildings where animals are housed to cool the area.

Control biting insects.
Flies and other insects are more active in warm weather; animals may increase their activity trying to avoid these insects and risk overheating.

Reduce insect breeding areas by removing weeds and brush, standing pools of water, or mud and manure.

Feed later in the day.
Do not feed animals during the hottest periods of the day.

Shift feeding toward the evening after peak day temperature.

Cover feed bunks to prevent spoilage from heating in the sun.

Avoid or limit handling of animals.
Processing or working ani-

mals can elevate body temperature.

Avoid handling during mid-day.

If animals must be handled, work them early in the morning (prior to 8 a.m. – not after 10 a.m.) and if possible in a shaded facility or area.

Ship animals at night or early morning (e.g., arrival time before 7 a.m.).

Cool animals after exercise with sprays of water.

Heat-related illness
Monitor your animals frequently for heat-related illness.

Signs of heat stress can be subtle initially, so watch animals closely.

Animals with darker fur (e.g., black haired beef cattle) may be more susceptible.

Signs of heat stress: increased respiration rate or panting, excessive salivation, elevation of head to make it easier to breathe, open mouth breathing.

If your animals are showing signs of heat stress

Contact your local veterinarian immediately!

Move animals to the shade immediately.

Offer plenty of cool, clean water.

Spray them with cool water, especially on the legs and feet, or stand them in water.

Increase air movement around them.

Sunburn.
Animals can get sunburned just like people, especially their ears and noses.

Animals with pink skin are at greatest risk.

Court decision is a win for private property rights in Texas

A District Court judge's decision in favor of the Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) is a victory for private property rights in Texas, according to TFB President Kenneth Dierschke.

On June 6, Judge Scott H. Jenkins ruled in favor of TFB in its lawsuit filed against the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in the 53rd Civil District Court in Austin.

According to the suit, TCEQ bypassed senior water rights holders on the Brazos River, many of whom are farmers, normally protected by the "first in time, first in right" doctrine.

TCEQ put junior rights holders—cities and power generators—at the front of the line to receive water from the river without compensating the senior water rights holders.

"Clearly, TCEQ overstepped its bounds in failing to compensate these senior holders for the loss of their property rights," said Dierschke. "The Agency went outside the statutory authority granted by the Legislature. We are very pleased with the decision."

TCEQ has 30 days to appeal.



When Roosters Crowed

From the Muenster Historical Commission Preserving the Past for the Future

The sulky rake

The mower with the sickle bar was invented around 1890, replacing the hand scythe, and was one of the first labor saving farm inventions.

The first rakes were called sulky rakes and were about 11 feet wide with around 32 curved teeth. The rake was driven crosswise of the swaths, bunching each swath or two in even rows.

A side rake had four or five kickers set at a 45-degree angle. It was driven down each mowed swath, turning the hay over to cure and leaving it in a narrow row for the hay loader.

Unloading hay

Some barns had hay tracks that ran the length of the barn at the peak of the roof and extended about four feet out one end, through a door. A 4-wheel carrier had three rope pulleys. One was released at the stop on the end of the track and let a large fork down to the load of hay. The forks had latches to set after the hooks were sunk into the hay. When the men hollered "whoa," a trip rope was used to trip the hay inside at the right place. The fork was pulled back out with the trip rope.

A child or mother road or led the fork horse at the opposite end of the barn. The "all right" for go and "whoa" for stop were not always heard right and the sweaty guys on the other end were not very patient.

At the "all ready" from the unloader, the fork horse proceeded slowly until the call of "whoa." Then the horse was turned around to release the line to the fork for another load. When the barns were filled, haystacks were made in the field.

Mounds of hay

Whenever the haylofts were full, the farmer would make haystacks in the field.

The hay was collected in the field with a sweep rake, a low wooden implement with about a dozen teeth, ten feet long. Driving down the windrow collected the hay. It was then taken to the stacker and put on the stacker teeth. The driver backed his team and rake away from the stacker and went for more hay, while other workers put the hay on the stack.

To save labor, a feed rack was built around the stack and hay was pitched down the side of the stack inside the stack as needed. Feeding in the field saved a lot of extra hauling in the winter.

Stationary hand wire tied bales were used when buying or selling hay or hauling hay for several miles. The first pick-up baler with hand tie was developed by Case. The automatic tie baler came out around WWII.

Plan for summer pinkeye prevention

By: University News Release

Now is the time to think ahead about preventive measures for pinkeye. Pinkeye is the common name for Infectious Bovine Keratoconjunctivitis, a highly infectious disease that causes infection of the eye and inflammation of the conjunctiva (inside lining membrane of the eyelid). Typical symptoms include tearing from the infected eye, squinting, reddening of the membranes of the eyelid, and with advancing conditions, ulceration of the cornea, leading to the classic white, inflamed spot on the eyeball. If left untreated, this ulceration can lead to permanent scarring resulting in impairment of vision.

There are several conditions that can increase the chance for pinkeye to spread among cattle. A first condition that promotes pinkeye is excess dust in the air caus-

ing irritation of the eyes. Unfortunately, this will be a concern as long as we are in drought conditions. Alternatively, wet conditions can also be conducive to the spread of pinkeye. Wet ground provides increased breeding grounds for flies, particularly face flies, which are the primary carriers of the bacterial organism (*Moraxella bovis*) that causes the disease. Additionally, increased moisture means greater forage production. Taller forage pokes cattle in the face, serving both as an irritant to the eye, as well as a vector for the spread of the *M. bovis* organism from one animal to another.

Considering the chance for the spread of pinkeye, producers need to think about prevention measures. First among these is fly control. Without going into those specifics here, my primary purpose is to emphasize the importance of planning an effective fly control strategy for the upcoming summer.

Another opportunity is the use of pinkeye vaccines. A variety of products are avail-

able, and all have potential to boost an animal's immune system against the *M. bovis* organism.

While these vaccines often may not completely prevent pinkeye occurrence, they will reduce severity. Follow specific label directions for whichever product is used to get maximum benefit. Additionally, cattle should be vaccinated in the spring before fly season starts, meaning that now (such as at branding) is the time to vaccinate. While the vaccine can be used later in the summer in the face of a pinkeye outbreak, it will be much less effective.

Providing shade can be another preventive opportunity. Eye irritation from UV radiation can contribute to vulnerability of the eye to a pinkeye infection.

A final preventive measure is early treatment of initial cases to minimize spread from infected cattle to others. Unfortunately, cattle handling is difficult in summer grazing settings. That said, treatment should be administered as promptly as

possible to reduce the scale of outbreaks.

Treatment recommendations typically include a 4-pronged approach:

1. Gluing a patch over the eye to protect it from UV radiation.
2. Providing a topical anti bacterial powder in the infected eye(s).
3. Injecting a small amount (1 ml) of antibiotic into the layers of the membrane of the inner eyelid.
4. An intramuscular injection of a long-acting oxytetracycline.

The bovine eye has great healing power and typically will recover quickly once provided these treatments.

80 Acres of 'Uh-Oh'

Someone's slip is wreaking major havoc on the U.S. wheat market after GMO wheat was found on an Oregon farm. Since the announcement, Japan has suspended all wheat imports from the U.S. The seed was field tested but never approved for use in the states.

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