

Car takes out pipe fence along Hwy. 82



Janie Hartman photo

Around 2:45 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, this vehicle veered off of U.S. Hwy. 82 and went through the metal fence on property near Schwalbe, Inc. located a few miles west of Muenster. Cooke County EMS, three Muenster VFD trucks, 10 firefighters, and three DPS troopers responded to the accident call. It was reported that there was someone trapped in the vehicle, but this was not the case when the first responders arrived.

Thieves target area

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News Editor

Cooke County Sheriff Terry Gilbert reported that there has recently been some break-ins of both residences and shops in the northwest portion of Cooke County.

Sheriff Gilbert stated, "We have increased patrol in that area. We are asking residents to please lock their doors and gates."

"It is a great idea to photograph all jewelry and items in the household or shops that might be a target. Also, list serial numbers on any items that have one, especially large items like welders, TVs, and such."

Rural residents are urged to watch their property and their neighbors' property. If you see any suspicious vehicles or actions, do not hesitate to call the Sheriff's Office to report what you've seen. Sheriff Gilbert requests the help of Cooke County citizens.

SIX COOKE COUNTY TEAMS IN PLAYOFFS

Six Cooke County high school football teams are advancing into the first round of the playoffs - three as District Champions.

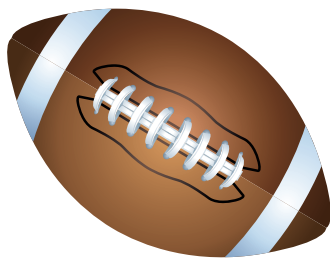
The undefeated 10-0 **Muenster Hornets**, District 8-A Div. II Champions, get a bye this week before entering the Area round of the playoffs on Nov. 22. Munday settled for 2nd place, going against Roby in Bi-District, while 3rd place **Era** will be challenged by Hamlin.

The **Lindsay Knights**, after a winless pre-district,

won their five District contests to take 1st place in District 7A Div. I, earning a pass through Bi-District. Runner-up Collinsville faces Wolfe City and 3rd place **Valley View** will take on Bowie in round one.

The **Gainesville Leopards** won their district and will cat-fight Celina in Bi-District.

The **Sacred Heart Tigers** took 2nd place behind Fort Worth Temple. The Tigers' first round of playoff action will be this Friday in Gainesville against Fort Worth Covenant.



Local veterans honored

By Linda Knabe

Local veterans were honored in celebration of Veterans Day with a series of events on Monday, Nov. 11. The day began with Mass for all living and deceased Veterans in Sacred Heart Catholic Church celebrated by Fr. Ken Robinson.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6205 Color Guard, consisting of Don Hess, Bernard Hesse, Don Vogel, Leonard Vogel, Matthew Fleitman, and Arthur Bayer, led Fr. Ken and Sacred Heart students and the public to Sacred Heart Cemetery where Post Commander David Fisher and Auxiliary Presi-

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United Way surfs past 2014 Campaign goal



Courtesy photo

Cooke County United Way held a celebration luncheon last Wednesday and there was a lot to celebrate. Not only did they meet their goal of \$400,000, they exceeded it. The total amount pledged to the 2014 Campaign was \$428,900. Awards were presented to 67 Cooke County businesses, many achievements recognized, and thanks given to the many volunteers who helped make it happen. An announcement was made that the first ever Honorary Campaign Chair for the upcoming 2015 Campaign marking United Way's 60th anniversary is the Honorable Judge John Roane.

Klement creates final treasure for Sacred Heart Parish Auction

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

Wood craftsman Tony Klement has been using his carpentry skills to make items for the Sacred Heart Parish Picnic Auction for many years. This year, he had an opportunity to make that donation very special. As it happened, it is also his final contribution, since Tony died on Oct. 7.

Tony created another of his popular ice chests, but this one is made from some special items. Tony used donated wood salvaged from the floor of the old Sacred Heart Parish Hall. The building was torn down around 1974 after being replaced with the more modern Community Center.

Joyce Bayer, Tony's daughter, recalls how it was decided to make this last ice chest. She said that in September Tony was visiting with his grandsons Adam Bayer and Oogie Pagel. Their conversation turned to the old Parish hall. The grandsons were curious to know if Tony thought he could build a cooler using some of the flooring from the old hall. Tony wasn't sure, but with their help he was willing to try.

Mel Bayer, who married Mary Jean Schad, soon brought some of the treasured old wooden floor boards. Tony eagerly set about the task of building the cooler. He glued the wooden planks together and called Adam to sand them.

Joyce said that Adam was busy and it took him longer than Grandpa liked to get to the task. Tony persisted telling Adam, "The picnic is coming up. We need to get it going."

Adam took the planks, sanded them, and returned them to Tony. Wasting no time, Tony started assembling the cooler. Within a few days, Adam got another call from Grandpa Tony who said, "It is ready to stain and varnish." Tony selected his favorite stain, Golden Oak, for the color of the wood. Joyce remarked that this time Adam was prompt to

pick up the cooler for staining.

With the box of the cooler complete, other family members stepped in to help. Daughter and son-in-law Marlene and Giles Walterscheid took the hardware such as the handles to have them copper-plated. They plan to attach a plaque to the cooler noting "In loving memory of Tony Klement" and from where the wood originated. A history of the hall and other pertinent information will be placed in the treasured

chest before it is turned over for auction during the Parish Picnic on Sunday, Nov. 24.

Joyce commented, "He (Tony) was very proud of the outcome of the cooler. He took great pride in all that he did." He enjoyed people and would often tell people its "beer thirty," which meant come over anytime.

Tony garnered much experience in making these ice chests over the years. He made more than 100 of them. Often they were donated for

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Courtesy photo

VFW Post #6205 Color Guard leads the procession to Sacred Heart Cemetery on Monday. Pictured are, from left, Don Hess, Leonard Vogel, Don Vogel, Bernard Hesse, and Matthew Fleitman.

Contest offers ride in Santa's sleigh at Christmas Parade

Janet Felderhoff
News Editor

Plans are underway for Muenster Chamber of Commerce's Annual Christmas Parade. It will take place, as usual, on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year, that day falls on the 30th, the last day of November. The Parade begins to roll at 1 p.m., making its way down Muenster's Main Street. There is no set theme. Use your imagination since anything Christmas-related is appropriate.

Santa has agreed to make an appearance. He will ride in the Parade in a white, horse-drawn sleigh and four very lucky children will get to ride in the sleigh with him! A boy and girl will be selected from both Muenster ISD and Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Students may enter as many times as they like. To

enter the Sleigh Ride With Santa contest, the students bring canned goods to his or her homeroom. Each can of food donated allows the child to enter their name in the drawing. Each homeroom will have a pink box for girls names and a blue box for boys provided by the Chamber. All the boys' entries will be combined at that school and one name drawn. The same for girls.

Winners will be drawn on Friday, Nov. 22 and their names published in the newspaper the following week. Each winner will be presented with a golden ticket from the Chamber allowing them access to Santa's sleigh.

Prizes will be awarded in Muenster Marks as follows: Best Business - \$100; Most Creative - \$100; Best Religious - \$100; Best Traditional German Christmas - \$100; Best Marching Band - \$50; Best Drill Team - \$50;

and Best Equestrian Unit - \$50.

Chamber Executive Director John Broyles remarked, "All organizations, schools, churches, businesses, individuals, and individual families are invited to participate in this parade. Our plan is to show goodwill and peace to our neighbors, friends, and associates. No entry fee to participate."

The deadline to register as a Parade participant is Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 5 p.m. This can be done on-line at www.muensterchamber.com and clicking on the appropriate box. You may also call John at the Chamber, 759-2227, or e-mail him at John.chamber@ntin.net. According to John, the preferred method of registration is on-line since a typed description of the entry will be easier for the Parade judges to read.

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Courtesy photo

Tony Klement displays the ice chest he fashioned from wood salvaged from Sacred Heart Parish's first parish hall. This item will be auctioned at the S.H. Thanksgiving Picnic on Sunday, Nov. 24.

Generator approved for EMS station

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uctions at Muenster, Lindsay, and Gainesville to benefit the local parishes, volunteer fire departments, etc. Many of these were made of rough-hewn cedar for a rustic appearance. Some brought between \$1,000 and \$1,500 at the auctions. Tony was blessed with woodworking talents and he enjoyed sharing those talents with others. He also made things like wooden rockers for each of his many grandchildren and donated some to auctions.

The creation of this cooler presents an opportunity to own a piece of parish history. It may even hold special memories for individuals. It is the last of a long line of Tony's special auction items.

Parish Hall History
The idea to build a hall for use by the Parish gained strength when the Parish learned that it was to host the 1906 convention of the Staatsverband, a group of

German Catholic men's societies from all parts of Texas. There was also a growing need for a suitable place to host social and religious activities for the expanding Parish.

Klutho and Company, architects from St. Louis, Missouri, were contracted to design a two-story building to serve as the Parish hall. Parishioners demanded a sturdy, stable foundation for a building that must be multipurposed to accommodate many sorts of activities.

Building of the Parish hall began in 1905. It was completed in June 1906, just in time for the Staatsverband convention in July. It cost \$6,000 to build the facility. They spent another \$2,000 to purchase a pipe organ. The Parish had the organ installed in the new hall for the convention and later moved it to the church.

A few other major events in the Parish hall were the Sil-

ver Jubilee of Sacred Heart Parish on Dec. 10, 1914 and the 29th convention of the Catholic State League in September 1927.

From 1949 until 1954, it was used as the church. This was while the present church was being built to replace its crumbling predecessor.

Prior to converting the upstairs for use as a place to hold Mass, an oak wood floor was laid. The wood was purchased from a company in Arkansas and shipped here on the Katy Railroad. In researching information of the old hall, the Klement family was told that Martin Bayer helped carry the wood from the railroad to the building site using a team of horses. There were many weddings, baptisms, funeral services, and other significant events held in the hall while it served as the church.

The old Parish hall wore many hats during its 68 years of service. People recall the many Parish picnics, carnivals, dances, weddings, and other receptions, Sr. Leonardo's music recitals, and Brother Thomas Moster's Sacred Heart School plays. The hall also served as a cafeteria for the Sacred Heart School students, and upstairs as a skating rink and basketball court.

Eventually, parishioners decided that it was time to replace the old two-story hall with a more modern version. In 1974, the present Community Center was completed and put into use.

Don Schad, Sr. took on the task of tearing down the old hall. He was assisted by Buck Knabe who declined pay. Buck asked instead that he be given Old Milwaukee beer and he insisted that it must be purchased from Pangel's Store.

Schad and his family saved some of the old lumber from the Parish hall and the Schad family returned some back to the Parish for use in Tony Klement's last cooler creation.

Janet Felderhoff

News Editor

Cooke County EMS Station #1 will soon be moving from its Chestnut Street location into its new location at 301 W. Church Street in Gainesville. The old location has a back-up generator and one was originally planned for the new station. During cost cuts, the generator was taken out of the plans. This was not suitable to all of the Court since the building is also meant to be a back-up EOC site.

At the Tuesday, Nov. 12 meeting of Commissioners Court, Precinct #4 Commissioner Leon Klement said that he had spoken to people constructing the new station and had gotten two views. One said that if the building was not already wired for a generator prior to move in, it would have to be closed for two days while the wiring is done. Another view was that the wiring is done and the building would not have to be shut down.

The move is scheduled for Nov. 21 because that is when the telephone lines will be changed over.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith expressed his opinion that the building should be equipped to stay alive during a power outage. Currently, it would have lights for only 30 minutes after the current died.

After more discussion, the Court voted 4-1 to approve the addition of a back-up generator and the electrical connections needed to allow for the generator in a second project with possible cost up to \$85,000. It will be funded from the Contingency Fund. Commissioner Gary Hollowell cast the nay vote.

Weldon Donley, a lifelong resident of Precinct #2, took advantage of Public Comments to voice his opinion of the Commissioners Court's recent decision to approve building a new Precinct barn at 153 Gibson Lane in Valley View. He had no problem with the construction of a new barn, but has a different view about the location.

Donley stated, "My view is that the construction of approximately a half million dollar barn should be in a more central and suitable location with more acceptable access and space that would better serve all of the citizens of Precinct #2. And future commissioners who will have to operate from this facility for the next half century per say."

It was noted by Donley that for the past 50 plus years, the barn has been located on the very western edge of the Precinct, approximately 20 miles from the east side.

"The Court could have and should have made a different decision for the location of the county barn for Precinct #2," continued Donley. "With a project of this magnitude, perhaps more research, conversation, consideration would have made a difference in your decision."

In other business, Commissioners Court:

- Approved Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith to bid to purchase a 2004 John Deere loader for Road and Bridge Precinct #3 for \$50,936.

- Approved allowing the Cooke County Child Welfare Board to temporarily store records in the Courthouse Annex building.

- Approved Cooke County EMS paying the 3% credit card fee for ambulance invoices paid with a credit card.

- Approved scheduling and funding an updated photo board for Cooke County elected officials and department heads.

- Approved change orders for the Cooke County EMS project that included three debits and two credits for a total increase of about \$2,400.

- Took no action on approving Liberty Marketing to execute marketing and mapping program in Cooke County.

- Consent agenda items approved included:

- Accepting auction proceeds from the sale of the Sheriff's Office 2000 Honda Accord in the amount of

\$1,543.75.

- Annexation by the City of Gainesville 1.817 acres owned by CP 14 (TX) LLC who voluntarily requested the annexation.

- Hiring Denise Cheaney, Attorney at Law to represent Cooke County regarding the EMS Station 1 Project.

- Contract with Caliber Construction for the construction of the Precinct 2 Road and Bridge barn.

- Contract with the City of Muenster and Cooke County for fire services.

- Contract with Lindsay Volunteer Fire Department, Callisburg Volunteer Fire Department, and North Shore Volunteer Fire Department and Cooke County for fire services.

- Accepting a donation from the Friends of the Cooke County Library in the amount of \$3,000 for the Cooke County Library to provide the One Clickdigital downloadable audio book service.

- Contract between Cooke County Library and Recorded Books LLC for their One Clickdigital downloadable audio book service.

- Out-of-state travel for Jennifer Johnson-Spence, Library director, so that she may attend the Public Libraries Association Conference in Indianapolis from March 11-15, 2014.

- Accepting the Library Mobile Project Grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission for the Cooke County Library in the amount of \$6,500.

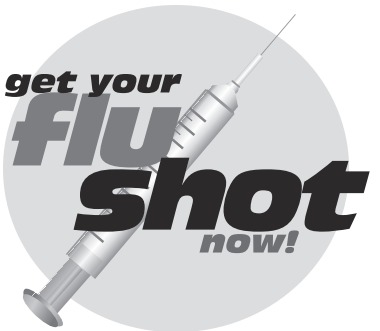
- Employee bond renewals for the Cooke County Juvenile Probation Department (Toni Hellman, Tana Moody, and Duana Wilborn).

- Bond renewal for Justin Patterson, County Court at Law bailiff.

- Sheriff's Office bonds (Jason Richardson, Joe Shires, Tim Green, Deborah Edwards, Lisa Mitchell, and Matthew Pease).

- Vehicle and general liability insurance coverage renewal through Texas Association of Counties (TAC).

- Contract between Cooke County EMS and EMS Technology Solutions, LLC for Operative IQ, a medical inventory and fleet management software program for a one year term.



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children can visit with Santa in his workshop set up at 202 N. Main Street. There will be drawings for Muenster Marks at this time. You must be present to win. Fill out registration forms for the Muenster Marks drawing at retail businesses in Muenster in the days before the Parade.

Winners will be announced for the Muenster KC's 4-wheeler raffle after the Parade.

Fire up your imagination and enter the Christmas Parade.

Our only security is our ability to change.
~ John Lilly

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Sunday, November 17, 2013	Monday, November 18, 2013	Tuesday, November 19, 2013	Wednesday, November 20, 2013	Thursday, November 21, 2013	Friday, November 22, 2013	Saturday, November 23, 2013
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 	VFW Aux mtg. 7:30 pm	Library open 10 am-6:30 pm MJrHi OAP@NCTC	Library open 10 am-5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg, noon Rel. Ed 6:45 pm	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm	Museum open 1-4 pm	Library open 10:00-2:30 KC Texas Hold 'Em Tournament 
Museum open 1-4 pm Sacred Heart Parish Picnic		Library open 10 am-6:30 pm	Library CLOSED Kiwanis mtg, noon NO Religious Ed MISD - 12:30 dismissal SHCS - Noon dismissal Grandparents Day Open House	Museum CLOSED Library CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL	Museum open 1-4 pm	Library open 10:00-2:30 Muenster Christmas Parade 1 p.m.

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Christopher Metzler 1962 - 2013

Funeral Mass for Christopher Metzler, age 51, was held Monday Nov. 11 at 2 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church with Fr. Phillip Petta officiating with interment in St. Peter's Cemetery under the direction of Geo. J. Carroll and Son Funeral Home. Rosary was recited Sunday, Nov. 10, with visitation following at St. Peter's Church at 7 p.m.
Chris was born April 5, 1962 in Gainesville to Raymond "Bud" and Helen Corcoran Metzler. Chris married Brenda Neu on June 19, 1982. He enjoyed farming, fishing, wood working, and using his hands to complete

many tasks.
Chris is survived by his wife Brenda; children Jason, Nichole, and Collin; his parents; sister Sharon Felderhoff and husband Ronnie; brothers Karl Metzler and wife Kathy, Jeff Metzler and wife Karen, and Brad Metzler and wife Ronda; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

He was preceded in death by grandparents Phillip and Frances Metzler and John "Mutt" and Catherine Corcoran.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Peter's Parish Restoration Fund.

Johnny "John" Gray 1957 - 2013

Funeral for Johnny "John" Elvin Gray, age 56 of Walnut Bend, was held Nov. 5 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was at Sharrock Cemetery.

John was born May 23, 1957 to Marvin Elvin and Norma Lee Allen Gray. He died Oct. 31, 2013 in Denton.

Survivors are his parents; daughter Lynette Hess of

Gainesville; son Heath Gray of Walnut Bend; brother Robert Gray of Callisburg; sisters Cathy Godbe of Falkville, Alabama, and Betty Gray of Gainesville; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his son Marvin Chad Gray; and sisters Darlene Brown and Jeanene Hollaway.

Weldon Scivally 1932 - 2013

Funeral for Weldon Thurman Scivally, age 81 of Gainesville, was held Nov. 11 at the First Baptist Church of Gainesville. Burial was Lakeview Cemetery, Marietta, Oklahoma.

Weldon died Nov. 7, 2013 at his residence. He is survived by his wife Doris Ann Langston Scivally. They were married Jan. 19, 1951 in Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Born on June 29, 1932, to Ethyl Bond and M.C. Scivally, Thurman was born and reared in Thackerville. He graduated from Thackerville High School and Cooke County College.

In 1958, Thurman opened the first Scivally's Grocery on East Hwy. 82. His store was known for wonderful meat, great service, and credit back in the day before credit cards. His son Dale Scivally now runs this store. In 1987, Thurman purchased his second Scivally Grocery on California Street and managed it until his health failed some six years ago

Thurman and Ann raised five children, all surviving: Dale and wife Jan Scivally, Carol Ann and husband James Herman, Janet and husband David Copeland, Suzy Scivally, and Sandy and husband Craig Carpenter; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters-in-law Lavern and Rosalind Scivally, Don and Linda Scivally, and sister-in-law Kathye Scivally.

Thurman served at the First Baptist Church until his health failed. He served two terms on the Board of Directors of Affiliated Foods in Keller and served one term as a Gainesville City

tended nursing school, and helped whomever she could. She loved her children, her family, and her God with all her heart. She died in her home north of Saint Jo.
Survivors are children Joel Wyatt of Richardson, and Donna Moore; brother Don Moore; and five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Vernie McWhirter 1928 - 2013

Funeral for Vernie McWhirter, age 84 of Saint Jo, was held Nov. 9 at Saint Jo First Baptist Church. Burial was in Mountain Park Cemetery in Saint Jo.
Vernie Cloyce McWhirter died Nov. 7, 2013. He was born to Elby Clinton and Mary Alice Turnbull McWhirter on Dec. 19, 1928, in Roby, Texas. Vernie graduated from Roby High School and attended Texas Tech University, where he met his wife of over 65 years, Laura Elizabeth Burns. They were

married Feb. 9, 1948.
Vernie was a petroleum engineer for 41 years for Lane Wells, which later became Dresser Industries, serving as vice president of North American Operations prior to his retirement. After retirement, he and Laura relocated from Pearland, Texas to Katy Lake, Saint Jo where they have made their home for over 20 years.

He was the current municipal judge, an active member of First Baptist Church, the Chamber of Commerce, the Historical Society, and was active in revitalizing the town of Saint Jo and his beloved Katy Lake.

Survivors are children Ronny McWhirter and wife, Mary Ann, Vicky Prebilsky and husband Wayne, Alisa Raney and husband Marvin, and Luanne Coffee and husband David; 14 grandchildren and 6 1/2 great-grandchildren.

To make a donation in Vernie's memory, a fund has been set up for building a basketball court in Boggs Park to be named "Judge McWhirter's Court." Donations may be made to: Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce (SJCC), First State Bank, PO Box B, Saint Jo, TX 76265.



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DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO

Nov. 12, 1948
Bernice Luttmer sustains head injury in three-car accident; Miss Luttmer's injury was not serious except for a severe headache and slight shock. Al Wiesman has emergency appendectomy. Wedding: Jewel Hoffman and Earle Otto. Fire destroys barn on the Us-

selton farm occupied by the Andy Hackers. Muenster Beauty Shop advertises permanent specials: Cold waves - regular \$10, now \$8; regular \$15, now \$10; regular \$20, now \$15.

50 YEARS AGO

Nov. 15, 1963
Cash, cigarettes taken in burglary at Palace Drug. For the third time in less

than a month, Katy freight train has wreck near Muenster. Tony and Clara Otto observe Golden Wedding. Short respiratory illness of Dennis Koesler ended by death at age 17. Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Hanna purchase Dixie Drug Store from Mrs. T.S. Myrick. North Texas Rent-A-Car service established here by Marty Klement and Urban Endres. New Arrivals: Kelly to Harold and Caroline Neu; a son to the Nick Dieters. Weddings: Carole Quenzer and Jerry Klement; Stella Neu and Wilson Stinnett. Obituary: Paul Arendt, 74. Betty Haverkamp is Homecoming Queen at Lindsay.

25 YEARS AGO
Nov. 11, 1988
Paul and Dorothy Fisher observe 50th wedding anniversary. Obituaries: Elsie Horn, 79; Clarence "Mac" McKinney, 65. New Arrivals: Kaleigh to Guy and Lisa Bindel; Megan to Tim and Mary Turbeville. Tigers win playoff berth in football. Muenster Hornets win Region II Cross Country title.

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served homemade cookies and drinks provided by the Muenster ISD Student Council. Representing the Council were Claire Schneider and Sydney Hughton and advisor Christy Schneider.
On display were large homemade thank you cards made for the veterans by Holly Mullins and her Muenster ISD Art classes.
The Ladies Auxiliary would like to remind everyone "If you love your country - thank a veteran for their courage, valor, service, and sacrifices. They are owed the deepest respect for their selflessness in their service for us and our country.

VETERANS

dent Frances Bayer greeted and welcomed the assembly, then led them in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Sacred Heart High School Choir led by director Clint Kelley sang "Star Spangled Banner."
President Bayer then placed a memorial wreath at the Veterans monument in honor of all deceased veterans while Auxiliary Conductress Linda Knabe explained the symbolism of the colors in the wreath.
Fr. Ken offered prayers for the living, current, and deceased veterans before President Bayer read *A Veteran* and asked all present to thank their special veteran for their time, courage, and sacrifices for us and our country.
The choir closed the celebration with "America, The Beautiful."
Also participating were Auxiliary banner bearers Barbara Felderhoff and Lucilla Hesse, along with Girl Scout Troop 4657 and their leaders, and Auxiliary Jr. Vice Sandra Hennigan who decorated the cemetery with American Flags. They included Angela, Morgan, Kelsey, and Anna Hennigan, Penny, Ashleigh, Madeleine, and Mary Fisher, Zonya, Katherine, and Rebecca Klement, Tracey Jennings and Harper Crisp, Megan Rohmer, Mackenzie Sicking, Briannah Keeling, and Preston Van Briggles.

The tribute continued when Mr. Kelley and the Sacred Heart Elementary Choir (grades 2 through 5) entertained the veterans and public audience in the post home with a medley of patriotic songs which included "Star Spangled Banner," "There Are Many Flags," "Stars and Stripes Forever," "My Flag," "Sometimes I Think About America" with solos by Joie Kintz and Lauren Miller, and "You Are Our Heroes" with a solo by Rachel Hesse.

President Bayer thanked the choral group for their beautiful renditions and asked all the veterans in the audience to stand and be recognized before they were



Muenster Christmas Parade



Saturday, November 30th, 2013.



Parade starts at 1:00pm on Main Street.

Santa's Workshop will be at 202 North Main after the parade.

Drawing for FREE Muenster Marks at the announcers stand after the parade.

Register at retail businesses in Muenster. Must be present to win.

Prizes awarded for ~ Best Business, Most Creative, Best Religious, Best Traditional German Christmas, Best Marching Band, Best Drill Team & Best Equestrian.

KC's will draw for a free 4 Wheeler from Red River Power Sports.



Courtesy photo

VFW Post #6205 Commander David Fisher and VFW Auxiliary President Frances Bayer at the Veterans Day service in Sacred Heart Cemetery Monday morning.

“Trail Life USA” Troop forms in Cooke County

“Walk Worthy” is the motto of the exciting new boys’ adventure program called TRAIL LIFE USA. Trail Life USA is a Christian adventure, character, and leadership program for young men. The K-12 program centers on outdoor experiences that build a young man’s skills and allow him to grow on a personal level and as a role model and leader for his peers. Living the Trail Life is a journey established on timeless values derived from the Bible.

Although most troops will be officially chartering in January 2014, the National Board of Trail Life USA has chartered only 26 troops all across America began in late October. This is in order to report feed-back needed to assure a smooth kick off in January. They are happy to report that one of these “Beta” troops is going to be right here in Cooke County. Troop 1618 began meetings on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. at New Life Bible Church, 3901 East Broadway, Gainesville. The first meeting took place on Nov. 12.

For more info, contact Steve Wilson at 940-372-5965 or visit traillifeusa.com.

Karli Klement is one!

Karli Elizabeth Klement celebrated her first birthday with close friends and family on her actual birthday, Saturday, Nov. 2. Her parents Caitlyn and Elliot Klement hosted a birthday party for

her at the Muenster City Park. She is the granddaughter of Leon and Christi Klement, and Terri and the late Brad Barrett.

Karli’s birthday party, completely done in pink and green decor, also included a variety of snacks, as well as french vanilla cupcakes with pink buttercream icing. Karli enjoyed opening presents and playing with her friends.

Guests included Karli’s grandparents Christi and Leon Klement, grandmother Terri Barrett, Aunt Bridgette, Uncle RJ, and cousin Carter Carroll of Mesquite, Aunt Andrea and Uncle Aaron Townsend of Fort Worth, as well as several other friends.

Unable to attend, but sending Happy Birthday wishes were Uncle Ashton Barrett of Muenster, and great-grandparents Lana and Ronnie Gilbert of Waco.



Karli Klement

Benefit fundraiser set Nov. 16 for Justin Hansard

Come on up to the Montague Courthouse annex building on Nov. 16 at 5 p.m. for a fundraiser for Justin Hansard. There will be live and silent auction items. Mark Murphy and Brant Carpenter will be providing live entertainment. There

will be a meal provided by some of the best cooks in the county of chili, beans, soups, chicken and dumplings, cornbread and crackers, and homemade desserts. Donations will be accepted for the meal. Justin Hansard is the

Montague County Extension Service agent. Justin and his family moved to Montague County in 2001. He has been an avid supporter of the youth through the 4-H program, and has raised the bar in what their 4-H youth are doing. Since Justin has come to Montague County, the youth have brought home over \$170,000 in scholarship money for college. They have also had big wins at major shows with animals and various judging teams.

Justin has had health issues for several months and has acquired a significant amount of medical bills. The Montague County 4-H Council is trying to offset some of that cost through this fundraiser.

Donations may be made at the Legend Bank Branch in Bowie or Nocona where there has been an account opened for Justin. Make checks payable to Justin Hansard or Justin Hansard Family. Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 548 Nocona, TX 76255.

A youth family said this about Justin, “You have been such an inspiration and help to so many in this county. We are very blessed to have you and your family as our agent and friend. I hope you know how loved and respected you are.”

Please come and support a man who is dearly loved by the young adults, parents, and youth of the 4-H program in Montague County.

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Saint Jo Chamber to host annual Christmas Parade

This year’s Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce “Santa on the Square” Christmas parade will be Saturday, Dec. 14. The theme is “Have a Happy, Happy, Happy Christmas!” Entries for the parade will need to be submitted by Dec. 10.

All entries must be lighted. They will need to arrive no later than 5 p.m. on Dec. 14 in the vacant lot north of Leeton Phillip’s house. Please contact Larry Smith at (940) 995-2668 or e-mail larry.smith@esc9.net. Parade rules and regulations will be received when you turn in your entry.

Prizes awarded will be: Grand Champion - \$150; Best Mechanical Entry - \$100; Best Horse-Drawn Entry - \$100.

In addition to the parade, the Saint Jo Elementary School Choir will perform numbers from the upcoming Christmas musical. Gift bags for the children will be handed out by Saint Nick and photographs will be taken.

The Century Club will also provide hot chocolate and snacks during the event.

Over \$2,000 in prizes will be available for patrons purchasing tickets from the Chamber. Tickets are \$2 each or 6 tickets for \$10. Tickets will be available at First State Bank, the Saint Jo City Hall, and the Saint Jo ISD Administration Office.

We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials.

- St. Teresa of Avila

Meeting Notice

Diabetes Support Group

The Diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. in the North Texas Medical Center Board Room. Kathie Robinson, MS, RD, LD, CDE, registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator, will present “Exploring the Diabetes Diets.”

Now is the time to get all your questions answered by an expert dietitian. Individuals with diabetes and family members are encouraged to attend this FREE program.

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

Home Hospice lights tree in remembrance of special lives

An increasing number of those facing death in our community find themselves without resources for care, without support through their grief, and without someone to guide them through this difficult time. Without the benefit of insurance, patients are often turned away by organizations that can give this kind of comforting care. Home Hospice of Cooke County provides end-of-life care to any eligible patient desiring their service, regardless of the patient’s ability to pay for those services.

“The difference is the relief you see in an uninsured family when Home Hospice steps in and the family realizes that someone is finally going to help them; it is incredible,” said Paula Perkins, LBSW, social worker at Home Hospice.

Light Up A Life is Home Hospice’s largest fund-raiser and is sponsored by the Home Hospice Auxiliary, under the leadership of this year’s chairperson Charlotte Hermes. Donations received through Light Up A Life support patient care, allowing Home Hospice to provide care to any patient.

The Cooke County community will come together to experience the tree lighting of the Light Up A Life tree on Thursday, Nov. 21, 5:30 p.m. at the First State Bank Center for the Performing Arts on the NCTC Campus. Home Hospice has decorated the tree annually to remember patients and the lives they lived. Each light and each angel placed on the tree represents special family members or friends, and everyone in our community has the opportunity to add an angel in memory or in honor of someone special.

To learn more about Light Up A Life or to donate to this cause, visit www.homehospices.org/events/light-up-a-life/ or call 940-665-9891. You can also visit the Home Hospice tree at Amelia’s Attic Antiques, 111 W. California St. in Gainesville, or at Gehrig Hardware, 212 Main St. in Muenster.

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SCHOOL



Muenster ISD Jack Harvey nominees, from left, Martha Koesler (MISD's 2013-14 Jack Harvey Award recipient), Deanna Hellman, and Jill Reiter. Not pictured is Dana Klement.

Koesler named Muenster ISD's Jack Harvey Exemplary Teacher

The Jack Harvey Academy of Exemplary Teachers Award is an award that was started by Weatherford College when Jack Harvey, one of Weatherford College's most respected professors, died in 1995. As a tribute to his memory, the Jack Harvey Academy of Exemplary Teachers has been established at Weatherford College to recognize commendable teachers in the college's service area.

This is the 14th year for Muenster ISD to participate. There are many qualified teachers at Muenster

ISD, but only one teacher can be selected from each district. Nominated for this prestigious award were Martha Koesler, Dana Klement, Jill Reiter, and Deanna Hellman. Receiving the honor for the 2013-14 Jack Harvey Exemplary Teacher Award was Martha Koesler.

Koesler teaches English at Muenster High School. She has been teaching at Muenster High School for 39 years. Sharon Browning, High School principal, states, "Mrs. Koesler has provided a tremendous foundation of learning for

two generations of Muenster High School students. Her dedication to her students exemplifies the school's "A tradition of success." She is a teacher who inspires other teachers. Several of the previous Jack Harvey recipients were taught by Mrs. Koesler."

Past recipients of this award are JoAnn Pagel, Lou Heers, Kyra Mann, Deb Klement, Jim Van Fleet, Leigh Hale, Sharon Ledbetter, Lisa Pagel, Bernadette Otto, Caroleyn Lutkenhaus, Amy Anderle, Sabrina Trubenbach, and Jason Atcheson.

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Lunch Menus

WEEK OF NOV. 18 - 22 MUESTER ISD

Mon. - Tasty 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.

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

Fri. - Tony's pepperoni pizza, tator tots, baked beans, pineapple tidbits. AM - Po-Boy Combo, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable.

LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Roasted chicken, cheesy new red potatoes, green beans, fruit, wheat bread.

Tues. - Cheese pizza, corn, fruit, carrots, lettuce salad.

Wed. - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, fruit, wheat bread.

Thur. - Chicken spaghetti, cooked carrots, celery sticks, wheat bread, fruit.

Fri. - Cheeseburgers w/ trimmings, oven baked fries, fruit, ice cream.

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Students and teachers for 1st month of October were announced at Muenster ISD. Pictured with their principals are, from left, front - 4th Grade Teacher Cheryl Presnall, Kindergartener Casen Carney, JH/HS Principal Sharon Browning; back - Elementary Principal Lou Heers, 7th Grader Tom Davis, Sophomore Trevor Lancaster, HS Social Studies Teacher/Boys Basketball Coach Lynn Cook, and JH/HS Assistant Principal Jason Atcheson.

Muenster Elementary Honor Rolls

1st Six Weeks ALL "A" HONOR ROLL

1st Grade - Addison Aldridge, Krista Bayer, Kaydence Boaz, Annsley Budish, Benjamin Cox, Logan Flusche, Gregory Giles, Ayden Gray, Jasmine Hacker, Karissa Harrison, Della Hartman, Ava Henley, Brisan Hermes, Owen Hofbauer, Caden Klement, William Rocha, Carter Sicking, Faith Sicking, Zachary Smith, Von Khemmer Tai, Emma Walterscheid, Marlee Walterscheid, Emily West, Kelan Williams, Raegan Wolf.

2nd Grade - Reece Acayan, Mary Ashcraft, Emily Collins, Daultyn Dunn, Gage Eberhart, Lainey Grewing, James Harris, Rosemary Hartman, Abigail Hendley, Maggie Hess, Preston Kubis, Emily Muller, Whitney Newton, Taylor Reed, Stormi Richardson, Lenzie Sandmann, Jonathan Smith, Dawson Voth.

3rd Grade - Althea Acayan, Marcus Anderle, Michael Berk-

ley, Devon Bindel, Erica Endres, Madeleine Fisher, Kaci Ford, Josey Grewing, Keith Huchton, Rebecca Klement, Whitney Klement, Samantha Lockhart, Bradley Lutkenhaus, Hunter Peel, Meadow Walterscheid.

4th Grade - Gracyn Fields, Andrew Flaming, Haley Flusche, Chanel Grohman, Emily Harrison, Hillary Klement, Timothy Luttmmer, Martie McCoy, Logan Stewart, Caleb Walterscheid.

5th Grade - Trent Anderle, Mikaley Berkley, Abigail Cox, Sarah Davis, Tara Ferrell, Mary Fisher, Makenna Forshoe, Chloe Hacker, Erin Hesse, Kennedy Jones, Audrey Kubis, Sarah Monday, Bayley Otto, Samantha Simmons, Lance Smith, Cade Stevens, Rallen Marie Tai, Wade Trubenbach.

6th Grade - Savannah Bohl, Major Eldridge, Colby Endres, Jenna Hudspeth, Hannah Lamar, Daniel Luttmmer, Lane

Trubenbach, Abby Walterscheid.

"A/B" HONOR ROLL

1st Grade - Carson Crawford, Elena David, Gavin Doughty, Daegan Harris, Carter Klement, Caleb Korte, Cason Morgan, Leslie Olvera, Austin Spaeth.

2nd Grade - Luke Anderson, Gabriella Fleitman, Halle Hess, Macy Hess, Alexis Hofbauer, Jakson Hofbauer, Alyssa Lutkenhaus, Trevor Rains, Andie Schroeder, Jackson Sicking, Lexie Walter.

3rd Grade - Elijah Bayer, Derek Cox, Gabriel Grewing, Debra Huchton, Caleb Newton, Victoria Rodriguez, Sean Sicking, Connor Walterscheid, Isaac Wolf.

4th Grade - Andrew Christopher, Kayla Deweber, Nathan

Hartman, Nate Hesse, Lilly Muller, Braxton Osteen, Landri Richardson, Ty Sanders, Eli Saucer, Kennedy Schroeder, Clayton Spaeth.

5th Grade - Annie Anderle, Alexis Bateman, Jada Binder, Bryce Hacker, Kelsey Hennigan, Alyssa Huchton, Dylan Huchton, Paden Jarosz, Katherine Klement, Matthew Klement, James McMinn, Ceely Morgan, Ty Trubenbach, Jaxon Trubenbach, Alexa Waneck.

6th Grade - Noah Clure, Alexandra Deeken, Ashleigh Deweber, Dayton Gressett, Gavin Grewing, Kacie Grewing, Brett Hammer, Brooke Hammer, Hunter Haverkamp, Kaitlin Hennigan, Daphne Korte, Anna Proffer, Zachary Sanders, Riley Stewart, Brenton Wilson.

Ag Roundup sets record

This year's annual "Friends of Agriculture Roundup" at North Central Texas College was a record-breaking event. This First State Bank-sponsored Roundup, which included a catered meal and live and silent auctions, raised \$50,014 for NCTC scholarships. The total raised was a record for the 12-year event.

All proceeds from the auction will help build endowed scholarships for NCTC students studying agriculture, horticulture, or equine science at NCTC. Since the first Ag auction was held in 2001, more than \$290,000 has been raised.

"It's truly unbelievable," NCTC Agriculture Department Chairman Steve Keith said. "The support and generosity of members of our

community is a blessing for so many including current students, future students, the Ag Department, NCTC, and the future of the agriculture industry's ability to meet the needs of a growing global population. For our faculty and staff, it's truly a heart-warming blessing to see so many who possess the same passion as we do in preparing to help students afford post-secondary education in the agriculture field."

Twenty NCTC students who received Agriculture scholarships this school year were on hand to work the event and publicly thank those in attendance for supporting the Ag program.

To learn more about the Agriculture program at NCTC, contact Steve Keith at 940-668-7731, Ext. 4353.

THUMB PRINTING EVENT
Come bring your children and loved ones and Jackie Starrett will make finger impressions which will be turned into one-of-a-kind silver jewelry.
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When: Sat. Nov. 30 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Questions? call 940-736-3237

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament
Sponsored by the Muenster Knights of Columbus
Saturday, Nov. 23
in the KC Hall
Sign in: 6 to 7 pm
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SPORTS

Red over Gold - Undeclared 10-0 Hornets are District Champions

The Red Muenster Hornets made everything official last Friday night as they completed the regular season undefeated, 10 and 0, with a 42-0 victory over the Era Gold Hornets.

"We played well on both sides of the ball," said Hornet Coach Brady Carney. "Offensively, we scored the second play of the game," adding that the team ran and threw the ball efficiently. "The defense did a good job shutting down their passing game (zero yards) and held them to 3 yards a carry on the ground."

Muenster may have had only 37 plays to Era's 62, but the Red offense out-did the Gold 405 to 172 total yards. Sixty-two plays also allowed Muenster's defense to get in lots of tackles. "This was a good way to end District," Carney noted.

With the District Championship comes a bye in the first round of the playoffs before competing in the Area round.

Era took the opening kick, got in three plays, and punted. Two plays later, Mason Binder scored on a 24 yard run. Clint Sidwell ran in the extra points for an 8-0 score with 9:14 still on the clock.

It took Era 10 snaps of the ball to cross midfield, only to punt on 4th and 6.

From their own 23, Muenster took five plays to again find the end zone. Clint Sidwell gained 33 yards, Mason Binder 3, Dalton Bartel 16, and Binder 3 more. The drive ended on a 22 yard run by Sidwell. Chance Herr booted the extra point for a 15-0 score with a minute and a half remaining in the 1st period.

It was three snaps and punt for Era as the quarter ended. Muenster took the ball on the Era 42. A Blayne Jones to Cole Walterscheid pass picked up 20 yards. Tavi Saldana moved the ball to the 18, with Binder finishing the three play drive with a touchdown. Herr added the point after for a 22-0 score with just over a minute off the clock.

The Gold Hornets gained a yard and punted. Two plays later, Walterscheid scored on a 70 yard pass play from Jones. The PAT kick was no good for a 28-0 score at the 8

minute mark.

The teams exchanged punts, with Era also missing a 4th and 4 conversion. Jones completed four passes before time expired for the halftime break.

The Red Hornets took the 3rd quarter kick and scored in two plays - the first a 60 yard run by Binder, followed by a 20 yard TD run by Clayton Hess. The point after kick by Herr upped Muenster's lead to 35-0 with only 48 seconds off the clock.

Era got in 11 plays before running out of downs. After exchanging punts, Muenster punted after six plays to start the final period. Era ran six plays, Muenster five and punt. Two plays later, Sammy Saucer covered an Era fumble on the Era 2 yard line. Next play, Saldana scored. Herr added the PAT for the 42-0 score with 5:51 remaining in the game. Era's offense got in 11 more plays before the game ended.

M 15 13 7 7 **42**
E 0 0 0 0 **0**

Team Stats

M	E
16	11
23/244	56/172
16	0
9/13/0	0/5/0
4/30	7/34
4/25	6/50

Individual Stats

RUSHERS: Mason Binder, 8/115; Clint Sidwell, 3/57; Dalton Bartel, 2/22; Clayton Hess, 2/22; Tavi Saldana, 6/21; Trace Klement, 2/7. **RECEIVERS:** Cole Walterscheid, 6/136; Jace Fredrick, 2/15; Mason Binder, 1/14. **TACKLES:** Mason Binder, Dalton Hess, Collin Pagel, Dalton Bartel, Jonathan Pierce, Jared Endres, Grant Simpson, Cole Walterscheid. **FUMBLE RECOVERY:** Sammy Saucer.

Next Action

Muenster gets the week off, earning a "free" Bi-District Championship. On Friday, Nov. 22, Muenster will be heading west to play the Area contest in the Abilene area. They will face the winner of the Wink Wildcats and Eldorado Eagles Bi-District game.

Wink has a 7-3 overall record, 4-2 in district for 2nd place. Eldorado, the 3rd place team in a three team district, has a 4-6 overall and 1-2 district standing.



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Muenster Hornet Mason Binder (11) takes advantage of teammates Cole Walterscheid (82) and Collin Pagel's (50) blocking to get some extra yardage against Era last Friday night.

Tigers to take on Covenant in TAPPS playoffs

Sacred Heart seniors Keith Metzler, Dylan Clure, Kevin Flusche, Juan Orocio, and Garrett Wheeler were Tiger captains in last Friday's regular season final football contest at Tiger Field.

The Lake Country Eagles from Fort Worth visited Sacred Heart's field and went home defeated, 41-0. The victory placed the Tigers as District Runner-up, advancing them into the first round of the playoffs. Sacred Heart will meet Calvary this Friday at Gainesville.

"Again I was pleased with our defense - pitching a shutout and scoring a touchdown," noted Coach Dale Schilling. "We played our most physical and aggressive game. I hope we can carry that into the next game."

The Eagles opened the contest with a successful on-side kick, but the first play of the game turned on Lake Country when Keith Metzler picked off an Eagle pass.

The Tigers got in seven runs from Metzler, Will Boyd, Tyler Spruill, and Hayden Schilling to get to the Eagle 14. A fumbled play and two incomplete passes stopped the drive.

The Eagles had four plays, couldn't move the ball, and were forced to punt back to the Tigers. Spruill gained 6, Metzler 24, and Boyd 15 to the Lake Country 10 yard line. With 5:12 on the clock, Spruill slammed into the promised land. Kason

Reeves' good foot sailed the pigskin through the uprights for a 7-0 score.

Lake Country got assistance from the yellow flags for two 1st downs. The drive ended when Schilling caused and covered a fumbled ball. The Tigers took advantage of the turnover. A Brady Endres to Schilling pass play gained 43 yards to the 1 yard line. With 8 seconds on the clock, Boyd crossed the goal line and Reeves added the extra point for a 14-0 score.

A Sacred Heart on-side attempt was unsuccessful. With an added interference flag, the Eagles got the ball on the Tiger 34. A good pass play quickly moved the ball to the 7 yard line. Tackles by Dylan Clure, Garrett Wheeler, Endres, and Daniel Hesse held the Eagles. A Lake Country field goal attempt failed.

Sacred Heart quarterback Endres guided the Tigers on a 10-play drive from their own 8 yard line to the Eagle end zone. Metzler romped for 14 yards. An Endres to Metzler pass play moved into Lake Country's side of the field. Endres and Isac Walterscheid connected for 14 more yards, with Walterscheid covering the final 34 yards for a touchdown. Reeves' PAT put the Tigers in the lead 21-0 with 7:03 remaining in the 2nd quarter.

The Tigers came back quickly when Metzler intercepted an Eagle pass, which led to 6 points after Endres

found Metzler in a 37 yard pass play. Reeves added the extra point for a 28-0 score with 5:49 on the clock.

Sacred Heart got in one more touchdown before the halftime break. Lake Country got in seven plays and punted. Two plays later, an Endres pass to Metzler turned into an 80 yard scoring play. The PAT failed for a 34-0 halftime score.

Sacred Heart lit up the scoreboard for the final time with 9:55 on the 3rd quarter clock when Schilling intercepted a pass and returned it 30 yards for 6 more points. The PAT by Reeves made the score 41-0.

The remainder of the 3rd quarter was controlled by the Eagle offense, moving the ball into the final period. A threat of Lake Country scoring was halted by defensive plays by Walterscheid, Grant Springer, and Zach Flusche.

Lake Country got the ball back a few plays later when they covered a loose ball on the Tiger 16. Sacred Heart's defense once more held the Eagles, taking the ball back on their own 18. Sacred Heart took a knee, twice, as the game clock ticked down toward all zeroes.

SH 14 20 7 0 **41**
LC 0 0 0 0 **0**

SH	LC
14	10
24/155	29/9
190	63
5/5/0	5/18/3

Team Stats

0/0 Punts/avg 2/25
2/1 Fumbles/lost 2/1
10/125 Penalties/yds 4/25

Individual Stats

RUSHERS: Keith Metzler, 5/57; Will Boyd, 8/38; Isac Walterscheid, 2/35; Tyler Spruill, 4/26; Hayden Schilling, 3/-1. **RECEIVERS:** Keith Metzler, 3/134; Hayden Schilling, 1/43; Isac Walterscheid, 1/13. **TACKLES:** Hayden Schilling, Garrett Wheeler, Tyler Spruill, Zach Flusche, Aaron Davis, Isac Walterscheid, Will Boyd, Brady Endres, Keith Metzler, Grant Springer. **INTERCEPTIONS:** Keith Metzler 2, Hayden Schilling. **FUMBLE RECOVERY:** Hayden Schilling.

Next Action

The Tigers will face the Cougars of Covenant Christian this Friday night in round one of the TAPPS football playoffs.

"They are a very familiar team," Coach Schilling commented. "We played them twice last year and once this year." The teams met in early September with the Tigers earning a 36-28 non-conference victory.

Covenant has a 3-1 District standing, with their District loss coming in their last regular season game versus Legacy (26-21). District wins were Coram Deo (55-0), McKinney Christian (28-17), and Gainesville State School (42-6).

"The big key to winning this game will be not turning the ball over," added Coach Schilling.

The Tigers and the Cougars will claw it out this Friday night at Gainesville High School Stadium. Sacred Heart will be the home team. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for students. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

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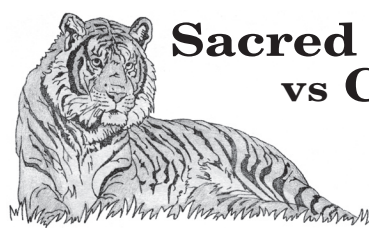
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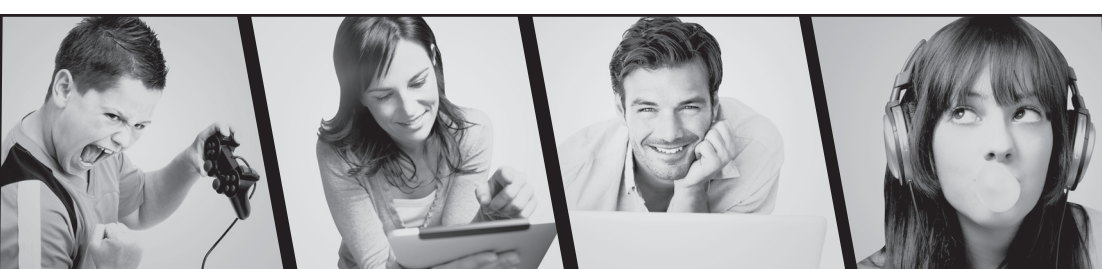
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Tiger Hayden Schilling (5) pitches the Eagles' ball to the official after covering a fumble. Lake Country's ball carrier (6) was hoping for a different call from the official.

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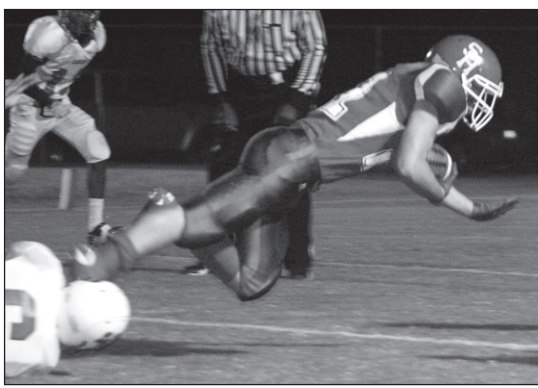
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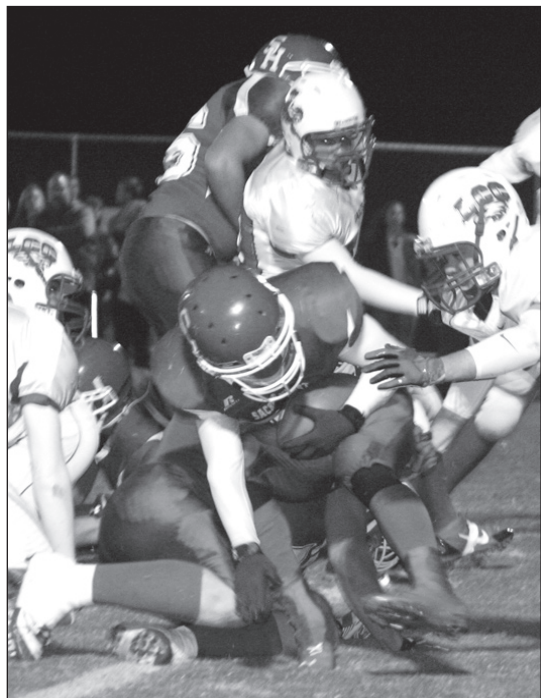
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Participating in the first Muenster Alumni Basketball Tournament were, from left, front - Judy Trubenbach, Candise Kubis, Theresa Dee, Paige Herr, Emily Hoffman, Amy Davidson, Cedy Burnett, Amy Binder; back - Griffin Fields, Darla Styles, Carol Klement, Melody Rohmer, Kami Creed, Ashley Baggs, Taylor Klement, Dalana Chism, Hunter Klement, Steve Chism, Michael Sissney, Mike Burnett, Becky Felderhoff, Evan Koesler, Mike Davidson, Micah Flusche, Kenny Mann, Pat Davidson, Nick Flusche, Tanner Silmon, Deano Bayer, Corey Anderle, Kevin Anderle. Not pictured - Dianne Endres, Polly Klement, Jenni Luke, Vicki Eldridge.

Eagles out-fly Cubs

Sacred Heart kicked off to open the game against the Lake Country Eagles on Thursday, Nov. 7. The Eagles punted on their first two possessions. On the Cubs' second possession, Sam Hesse found the end zone from 25 yards out. The 2 point conversion attempt failed, giving the Cubs a 6-0 lead.

With 59 seconds remaining in the half, Lake Country found the end zone to make the score 6-6. Sam Hesse tackled the ball carrier behind the line of scrimmage to nullify the two points.

The Cubs had 40 seconds to work with before half. Hesse found Hunter Hess across the middle for a 76

yard touchdown pass with time expiring in the 2nd quarter. The Cubs led 12-6 at half.

Sacred Heart could not move the ball on their initial 2nd half possession and Hennigan punted the ball away to the Eagles with Julian Hesse making the tackle on the coverage. With 2 seconds remaining in the 3rd, Lake Country found paydirt and added the 2 point conversion to take a 14-12 lead.

On the ensuing kick, Julian Hesse had the return. On the first play of the 4th quarter, Sam Hesse ran 62 yards for a touchdown. With 7:48 remaining in the game, the score was 18-14 in favor of the Cubs.

Lake Country added a touchdown and 2 point conversion with 2:43 left in the game to make the score 22-18. The Eagles took over on downs after a defensive stand and scored once again with 1:07 left in the game to make the score 30-18.

The first play following the kick, Hesse found Hennigan across the middle on a 70 yard scoring play followed by the 2 point conversion on a Hesse to Hess pass, taking the score to 30-26 with 54 seconds left.

The Cubs failed to cover the loose onside kick and the Eagles ran out the clock.

Michael McCoy had a stellar defensive performance along with Ben Ganzon.

The Cubs are coached by Dale Schilling, Kris Creed, and Kevin Walterscheid.

VARSITY BASKETBALL

Lady Hornets

The Muenster Lady Hornets blew Bellevue out of the gym in their Nov. 5 contest with a 60-25 victory. Three Muenster girls hit double digit scores. Hannah Bayer put 12 points on the board, Sydney Huchton 11, and Mady Burnett 10. Kristen Reiter added 8, Katie Pagel and Morgan Flusche 6 each, 3 apiece by Claire Schneider and Kendi Bayer, and Kassie Dangelmayr 1.

M	22	19	11	8	60
B	0	4	7	14	25

Tigerettes

Peyton Reiter scored 24 points to lead the Tigerettes to a 55-36 win over Poolville on Nov. 7.

"I liked our effort from start to finish," noted Coach Jon LeBrasseur. "The intensity level was up a few notches... we did some things that good teams do late in the season."

Alane Bartush added 8 points, Michelle Zimmerer 7, Karleigh Reeves 5 points, nine rebounds, and five steals, Kylie Hess 5 points and five assists, Bailey Walterscheid 5 points, and Kinzie Hess 1.

SH	14	14	12	15	55
P	17	8	3	8	36

JV ACTION

Sacred Heart vs Poolville

Eight JV Tigerettes scored points in their 49-19 victory last week Thursday. Leah Knabe led the point making with 14. Rylee Reiter and Alane Bartush each added 7, Alana Endres 6, Amanda Aldridge 5, Avery Truebenbach and Katie Davidson 4 each, and Samantha Palmer 2.

Muenster vs Bellevue

The JV Lady Hornets earned a 43-22 win over Bellevue on Nov. 5. Bailey Klement led the seven Muenster scorers with 19 points. Sarah Binford added 9, Morgan Eldridge 5, Courtney Stevens 4, Abby Flaming 3, Zina Haverkamp 2, and Macie Pagel 1.

M	10	12	10	11	43
B	2	9	10	1	22

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For information about antlerless deer permits on National Forest lands, call the U.S. Forest Service in Lufkin at (936) 639-8501.

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Tip: Remember that if the head and the carcass are separated, the tag from the hunting license goes with the carcass and the WRD goes with the head.

Tagging options

There are tag numbers printed on each tag.

Important information about tag numbers

Tags #5 and #6 are for white-tailed antlerless deer only. Tags #7, #8 and #9 are for white-tailed buck or antlerless deer.

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FARM & RANCH

Cattle Raisers applaud passage of Texas Proposition 6

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) President Pete Bonds made the following statement after Texas voters approved Proposition 6, a constitutional amendment that will provide for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas. These funds will help finance priority water projects for the state, including rural and agricultural conservation projects.

"Ranchers know firsthand that because of drought, water has been a scarce resource. Proposition 6 is a necessary step in providing a mechanism to help finance our state's water needs, so we can all continue to have safe and reliable sources of water," said Bonds.

"TSCRA has worked hard to ensure that rural areas that support ranching families remain a priority when it comes to water, and Proposition 6 helps accomplish this."

Bonds says that the passage of Proposition 6 is especially important to rural areas because it offers them a way to seek low interest loans for much needed water projects that they might otherwise not be able to afford.

"Rural Texas communities support agriculture. They provide hospitals, schools, and services to those of us who live outside the city limits. We are concerned because there are rural areas all over this state that are in danger of drying up," said Bonds. "We are confident that Proposition 6 will help these areas to be able to continue to provide a safe and reliable water source for decades to come."

TSCRA strongly supported Proposition 6 because it helps secure a long-term water supply for our communities and businesses for the next 50 years; does so without raising taxes or fees; and sets aside \$2 billion in the Rainy Day Fund for priority water project loans, including 10% for rural water projects and 20% for conservation projects including agricultural water conservation.



Border safety, security declining

New statistics show security at the United States-Mexico border is declining and apprehensions of illegal immigrants have surged in the last year, according to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

Although the federal government claims the border is safer than ever, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples disagrees.

"Texans are facing threats from violent gangs and human traffickers with no regard for American law or life," Staples said.

During the past 11 months, South Texas has seen a 30% increase in apprehensions, with the U.S. Border Patrol detaining 389,099 illegal immigrants along the southwestern border sectors from California to Texas. The majority of apprehensions occurred in Texas—212,881 in South Texas and 14,010 in the West Texas-El Paso area.

South Texans explain what life is like along the border in a new video titled "The Front Line: Stories from the Texas/Mexico Border" featured on ProtectYourTexasBorder.com.

Computer use on farms continues to rise

The Agriculture Department's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) released the latest *Farm Computer Usage and Ownership Report*, which determined an increase in usage and ownership of computers on U.S. farms with a higher level of high speed internet access versus dial-up.

According to an *AgWired* article, 67% of U.S. farms have internet access, up from 62% in 2011, and 70% have computer access, up from 65% two years ago.

The report also said 40% of farms use computers for the farm business, up 3% from 2011.

Source: AFBF



When Roosters Crowed

From the Muenster Historical Commission Preserving the Past for the Future

Railroad tramps

There used to be quite a number of tramps going across the country, following the railroad tracks through the Muenster community.

Many would stop at farmhouses for handouts. Sometimes they would volunteer to split wood or other farm work for something to eat. When they stopped, they were sometimes fed, just so they wouldn't give the housewife any trouble.

The story goes that these bums put out secret marks - on telephone poles, rocks, trees, or on the rail - their way of telling each other where to stop to get a handout. Then it became difficult to get rid of them and to keep the bums from stopping. The farm wife would send the kids and father to search for any kind of signs. Some never to be found.

A boy's pony

A pony was an important way for country kids to get around the countryside or to visit neighboring kids. They also used them to get the cows from the pasture.

Most ponies were so gentle anyone could ride them. But when you removed their bridle, they'd run out to the pasture as if to say, "you can't catch me." Even when in the corral with other horses feeding, when the pony thought someone was circling around to shut the gate, it would speed off into the pasture.

Food companies change labels to keep up with health trends

Do you ever feel like you're being hit over the head with food labels proclaiming "Low sugar," "Low cholesterol," or "Will put hair on your chest"?

Well, you are. (Except for the hair one. I made that up.) USDA researchers found food products and beverages are now displaying labels claiming lesser amounts of six nutrients Americans are advised to steer clear of. Between 25% and 44% of new food and beverage products claim health- and nutrition-related benefits such as low-fat and sodium-free. The use of claims on product packaging is intended to entice shoppers to choose one brand over another and boost sales. Are you buying it?

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Cattle don't take parenting classes

by Leanne Cope
American Farm Bureau Federation

When my husband and I were anxiously awaiting the birth of our eldest, we did what many in our situation do. We took a basic parenting class at our hospital. There we learned and relearned the basics of newborn care. Between overwhelming looks and nervous laughter, we were shown umbilical cord care, basic needs, and basic first aid. We ended the class with a tour of the facilities that left us with wide eyes and an understanding that we were really doing this. Parenthood.

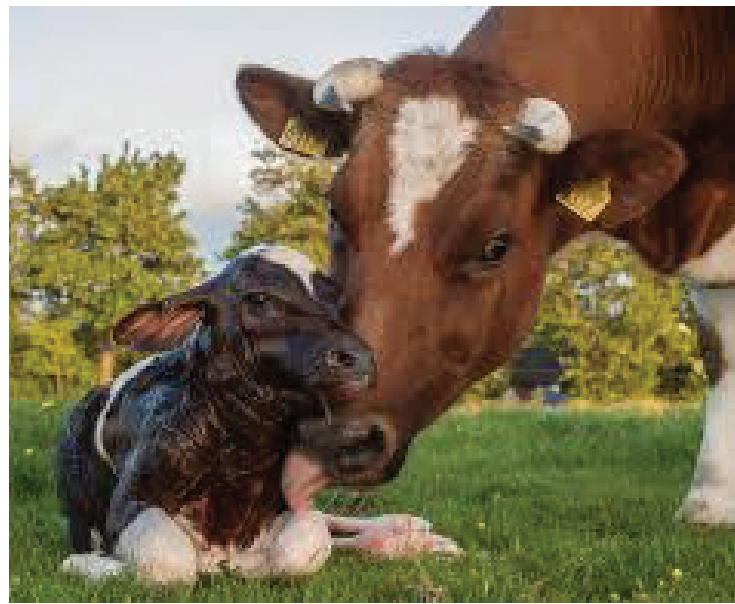
Parenthood has great meaning to us as humans, but can sometimes be different when it comes to the animals on our farms. To us it means constant love, attention and care. We have a strong desire to see our children grow up healthy and nourished. As we raise our children from infants, we make sure they get the medical attention they need when they need it.

With farm animals, and in our case cattle, this can sometimes be difficult. You see, cows don't take parenting classes. They don't have lactation specialists they can turn to when their calves won't nurse. They don't go to high tech medical facilities to deliver their babies. It is our job as caregivers to make sure everything goes as planned.

Farmers and ranchers will check on their cattle on a daily, twice daily, and sometimes even more frequent basis to make sure that they are okay.

When a cow has recently had a calf, it is reassuring to see them be protective of their baby, nuzzle and smell them. Sometimes, however, things don't work out right. A cow may not be giving enough milk for her calf, and we have to supplement with a bottle.

lieve me, ask my son. The cows get checked and fed before Christmas presents are opened at our house!) Animal husbandry and welfare are extremely important to those of us whose life and family are built around the raising and care of animals.



A calf may be sick, and we have to bring it in to give it the medicine it needs to survive. It is our job to give the calves the vaccines and boosters they need to remain healthy.

Cows don't take their calves in for two-month check ups, so we as farmers and ranchers have to make sure that everything is okay. This is part of our job, part of who we are and what we do. We take it very seriously and can be very upset, hurt, and defensive when it has been suggested that we don't put our animal's welfare before our own. (If you don't be-



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Ag Briefs

Foreign investors hold an interest in 25 million acres of U.S. agricultural land. That's about 2% of all privately held ag land and 1% of all land, according to the USDA's Farm Service Agency.

Texas corn harvest this season averaged 137.26 bushels per acre on 7,946 acres planted. California had the highest yield with 239.5 bushels, but planted only 339 acres in the entire state. Minnesota had the worst, averaging 25 bushels on 75 acres.

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Local Republican candidates declare for March Primary

Republican County Chair Chuck Bartush reports that seven candidates appeared at the County GOP headquarters on Saturday, Nov. 9, the first day to file for a position on the March 4, 2014 Republican Primary ballot.

Incumbents John H. Morris, County Court-At-Law Judge; Rebecca Lawson, County Clerk; Leon Klement, County Commissioner Precinct 4; and Dorthy Lewis, Justice of the Peace, JP Precinct 1, announced for reelection.

Byron R. Berry filed for County Judge, Vince Rippey filed for County Commissioner Precinct 2, and Carroll L. Johnson filed for Justice of the Peace, JP Precinct 4.

Anyone needing information or wishing to file for a place on the Republican ballot can appear on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the filing period at the County GOP office located at 701 E. California St., Suite 304, from 3-5:30 p.m., or by scheduling an appointment with Chuck Bartush, 940-759-2913.

The filing period ends at 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 9, after which a complete list of local Republican Primary candidates will be available. Information is also posted at www.cookegop.com and www.facebook.com/CookeTXGOP.



Courtesy photos

MUENSTER FCCLA TOURS DALLAS COWBOYS STADIUM - On Oct. 31, Muenster's chapter of FCCLA toured the Dallas Cowboys Stadium for an educational field trip. Students were blown away by the sheer height and size of the stadium being tall enough to comfortably fit the statue of Liberty. They got to tour the suites owned by many wealthy families and businesses. They also got a chance to go into the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders' locker room and the Dallas Cowboys football players' locker room. After the tour, the 84 FCCLA members enjoyed playing on the field and eating lunch in the stands.

DPS focuses on sex offender registration compliance

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced the results of a joint effort by DPS Criminal Investigations Division agents and the U.S. Marshals Service to help ensure sex offender registration compliance. The three-day effort, conducted from Nov. 5 - 7, focused on registered sex offenders in Fannin, Grayson, Hunt, and Cooke counties.

During the three-day compliance check, approximately two dozen DPS Criminal Investigations Division (CID) agents and U.S. Marshals service personnel conducted door-to-door visits to make sure 52 sex offenders were in compliance with current registration laws and requirements, of which nine were deemed out of compliance. DPS will consult with the local registering law enforcement agency, and charges may be filed depending on the outcome of the investigations.

DPS CID agents periodically perform random compliance checks across the state with the cooperation of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.



Neither a wise man nor a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him. ~ Dwight D. Eisenhower

Nature looks dead in winter because her life is gathered into her heart. She withers the plant down to the root that she may grow it up again fairer and stronger. She calls her family together within her inmost home to prepare them for being scattered abroad upon the face of the earth. ~Hugh Macmillan, "Rejuvenescence," The Ministry of Nature. 1871



Courtesy photo

THE SACRED HEART JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS performed throughout the year, ending with the last game of the season on Thursday, Nov. 7. Cheering for the Cubs this year were, from left, front - Dani Hess, Carmen Settle, Emily Ploeger, Megan Ploeger, and Stephanie Koesler; back - Mackenzie Mason, Co-captain Sophia Jones, Captain Kate Springer, and Kendra Flusche.



Keep Muenster Beautiful held its annual Fall trash pick up Saturday after being rained out on the original pick up day.

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