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Cousins enjoy a sunny day in the park



Janie Hartman photo

This week's unusual January weather with temperatures in the upper 70s drew people outdoors to enjoy the warm, sunny days. On Wednesday, Donna Schad brought her grandchildren to the Muenster City Park for lunch and an afternoon of play. Pictured are six of her grandchildren, from left, Arlie Bayer, Nolan Reiter, Karianne Bayer, Ayden Schad, Jackson Schad, and Isaac Reiter.

County ponders tax abatement

Janet Felderhoff

Cooke County Commissioners Court held a brief meeting on Monday, Jan. 26. Two items were addressed prior to the Court recessing to attend the funeral of Commissioner B.C.

The Court approved all but three items of a lengthy consent agenda. It was determined that those three items would require some discussion before being voted on. These three items are tabled until the next meeting.

An executives session consumed the remainder of the meeting time and was then continued when the Court reconvened at 1:30 p.m. They met with representatives from OWNEnergy, a group considering building another wind farm in the Muenster area. The group seeks some type of

Commission for a two year term. They are Glenn Lance, Gary Jost, and Jeff Isbell appointed by County Judge Jason ing lot for valet parking during a fund raising event on Sat-Brinkley and Josh Brinkley and Keith Carri appointed by Precinct #2 Commissioner B.C. Lemons.

members to the Lake Ray Roberts Planning and Zoning

• Appointing new members to the Cooke County Historical Commission for a two-year term. They are Ron Melugin - chair, Kit Chase, Bill Cox, Sandy Idom, Frank Lorne, Mary McCain, Larry Corbett, Norman Newton, Shana and John Powell, Barbara Pybas, Ona B. Reed, Nona Stanley, Reagan

Vestal, Gail Knight, Tom Carson, Colleen Clark Carri, Ken Leach, and Marcia Porter.

- Accepting a donation of 53 signs, 17 large tops, and one small top from the Texas Department of Transportation to Road and Bridge Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 in accordance with the Rider 19 Program.
- Receive and file for record the Cooke County Sheriff's Office 2014 Racial Profiling Report.
- Closing the Cooke County Library Feb. 18 and 19 to conduct collection inventory.
- A voting machine rental agreement between Cooke County and the City of Gainesville.
- Maintenance agreement between Cooke County and Stryker for maintenance services on EMS Power Pro Cots beginning March 1 and ending Feb. 29, 2016. -
- Surplus by auction and/or salvage of a 1986 Chevy Pickup awarded to the Cooke County Sheriff Office via Judg-Consent agenda items approved by a unanimous 4-0 vote ment Forfeiture, and advertisement of the same.

 - Allowing NCTC to use the Cooke County Library parkurday, April 18 being held at the Gainesville Civic Center.
 - Out of state travel for Jennifer Johnson-Spence, library director, to attend the American Libraries Association Conference in San Francisco from June 25 – June 30.
 - unit s/n DS31884, and a dash-mounted radar gun s/n surface alluvial soils (sands and gravels) that they encoun-

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MMH waits for better deal on abatement offer

Janet Felderhoff News Editor

At the Tuesday, Jan. 20 meeting of the Muenster Hospital District Board of Directors meeting, Nathan Vajdos of OwnEnergy returned offering a tax abatement proposal that was a payment in lieu of taxes proposition. He also updated them on the progress of the proposed Muenster Wind

The proposal includes a concept of an upfront payment in lieu of paying taxes in addition to a fixed payment for a period of five years and then an increase and another fixed period of five years, Vaidos told the Board. The proposed upfront payment is \$50,000 at financial close. The proposed annual payment for years one to five is \$80,000 and for years six to 10, it is \$100,000. "The reason we are focused on that is that's when we're paying off the turbines and that's the most sensitive aspect of the financial model,"

Vajdos said that he had recently shown a layout to Cooke County Commissioners Court and that layout hasn't changed much. He said, "There are about 64 dots. What it's looking like based upon a number of factors is the would-be 49-51 turbines. In the proposal that I put forth it shows 49 turbines, and that would represent a 118 megawatt project. That would translate into a taxable value, at full taxation, around \$120 million."

The Board asked a number of questions. The proposal is negotiable said Vajdos. He added that the same proposal would be presented to Commissioners Court, but on a level scaled up to the County taxes.

Board Secretary John Aytes commented, "You are looking for the best situation during the first five or six years and we are looking for the best situation in exactly the same time period. So, we are at odds when it comes to what is

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Bolivians to tell of water well efforts

There will be a talk/presentation at 11:45 a.m. in the downstairs of the Muenster KC Hall following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Feb. 1. Speakers for the occasion will be two men who are working to bring fresh water to people

In 2012, two water-works specialists, Braulio Rojas and Jaime Rosa who work with the Bolivian non-governmental organization Suma Jayma, came to the Muenster area for three weeks of training on operating and maintaining a water well drilling rig that would later be sent to them through • Surplus by auction or salvage of four Crown Victoria the Panama Canal to Chile and up the Andean Mountains • Receive and file for record the appointment of new Patrol Units from the Cooke County Sheriff's Office and ad- to the city of El Alto-La Paz (elevation 13,000' above sea level). This was made possible in large part to the generosity of people from the Muenster area.

> One of their key sponsors, Water Engineers for the Americas (WEFTA), is currently hosting two of their team in Albuquerque, NM. Jaime Rosa, who came up last time and Felix Vargas on his first trip to the U.S. (his first time to fly for that matter). There they are spending two weeks with • Transfer of a handheld Laser s/n UC008467, radar follow-up training alongside drillers working in similar subter in the Bolivian highlands, as they hone their drilling

Davis details life and newands as a finefighten

Janet Felderhoff News Editor

Andy Davis first realized that it was his calling to serve as a firefighter when he began volunteering with the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department. "I loved everything about the job," he said. "I definitely credit some of the guys in Muenster for encouraging me to pursue firefighting as a career. They told me if they had to do it all over again, they would be a full-time firefighter. Adam Kasparek was also a huge influence on me. He was in fire academy when I began volunteering. He kept pushing me to pursue it as a career. He is currently working in Grand Prairie as a firefighter paramedic.

It was not Andy's original plan to have a career in firefighting. He graduated from UNT with a degree in General Business in the Fall of 2009. Andy then moved back to Muenster to work and joined the Muenster Volunteer Fire Department in May 2010. He served as a volunteer fireman there until being hired by the Arlington Fire Department in September 2011.

Once Andy determined he really wanted a career as a firefighter, he began attending the Collin County Community College Fire Academy in the Spring of 2011.

He completed his Texas Fire Certification in 16 weeks.

Andy remarked, "The fire training was physically and mentally taxing. Days in fire academy were filled with things like dragging hose, throwing ladders, and running up and down stairs. There were weekly quizzes and tests that prepared candidates for the state certification test. There were countless days when students left the drill field exhausted from training only to have to go home and study for a test the following day. At the end of the 16 weeks, random state skills are drawn for the recruits. These are job related, task oriented skills that each firefighter must show proficiency in to obtain their certification." Andy's next hurdle was to pass the state's written exam.

With this accomplished, Andy began training at Collin Community College for an EMT-Basic certification. The medical training involved classroom, emergency room rotations, and fire department ride outs.

"After completing fire academy and my medical training, I began taking different fire departments' entrance exams around DFW," explained Andy. "Fire department jobs are very sought after and competitive. I tested with over 1,400 candidates in Arlington. The top 250 go on to a physical test. The pool



Pictured above, from left, Lieutenant Chris Balough, Engineer Jason Arias, Firefighter Andy Davis, Engineer John Farrarmat at the 2014 Dallas Memorial 9/11 Stair Climb. There were 343 firefighters from all around Texas who climbed 110 floors in remembrance of each of the FDNY firefighters killed in the attacks on 9/11. Each firefighter climbs for a specific firefighter who was lost. They also raise money for firefighter Line of Duty Deaths that occur in Texas each year at the event. Below - a rollover accident on I-20. Multiple units responded and one patient was airlifted.



is further narrowed through panel interviews consisting of firefighters and officers. Final candidates are chosen after a chief interview in front of the fire department's command staff made up of the fire chief and his assis-

tant chiefs." Andy made the cut and began his training in Arlington on Sept. 19, 2011, his 25th birthday. There were 20 other recruits training with him. They took part in 16 weeks of further medical training that included additional ride outs, emergency room rotations, and labor

and delivery rotations. Still the recruits were not ready as they were sent to another 16-week fire academy. Andy noted, "This depends on the city in which you are hired. Bigger cities like Dallas, Fort Worth, and Arlington will put on their own academies in order for recruits to learn the specific practices of that department. Training never ends in our job. All firefighters must obtain a certain number of CE hours to keep their certifications through the state. New technology and ideas keep the fire service constantly evolving."

Fire Station 6, 2620 S. Collins Street in Arlington is where Andy works. The station has a 105' ladder truck and an engine at this station. He said that each

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Statement issued by Diocese

Abbey Friday (Jan. 23) finalized a settlement which was reached through mediation of claims brought against the Diocese and the Abbey by a person who was allegedly abused by Fr. Bede Mitchel, a deceased member of the Benedictine Order based in Subiaco,

The Diocese, in settling the claim, has not admitted fault, responsibility, or

The amount of the settlement is confidential at the request of the person making the claim.

abuse the victim may have Bishop said he prays that died in 1982.

County DPS Office to the

Cooke County Sheriff's Of-

• Agreement between

Cooke County and Ameri-

can BioSource for removal

service for spent oil at Cooke

County Justice Center be-

ginning Jan. 1 and ending

Dec. 31 with two additional

one year renewals.

DP010628 from the Cooke cohol screening.

COUNTY

The Catholic Diocese of the victim experiences heal-Fort Worth and the Subiaco ing and that reconciliation Fort Worth asks that anyone can be achieved in the indi- who has either witnessed or vidual's life.

that the Catholic Diocese of Church to come forward so Fort Worth will address any that the individual and the charge of abuse as quickly Church can continue the and as pastorally as pos-

and is committed to being Department of Family Proin compliance with the requirements of the Charter tective Services) at 1-800for the Protection of Chil- 252-5400. To report abuse to dren and Young People ad- the Diocese of Fort Worth, United States in 2002.

as parochial vicar to Sacred e-mail her at jlocke@fwdioc. Heart Parish in Muenster org. Persons also can call Bishop Michael Olson, and St. Peter Parish Lind- the sexual abuse hotline, Bishop of Fort Worth, is say from 1969 through 1975. 817-560-2452, ext. 900. Or deeply sorry for any sexual He returned to the Benedic-call The Catholic Center tine Order's Subiaco Abbey 817-560-2452, ext. 102 and endured and suffered. The after leaving Lindsay and ask for the Vicar General,

The Catholic Diocese of has suffered sexual abuse Bishop Olson stresses by anyone who serves the healing process.

To report abuse to the civ-The Diocese has been il authorities, call the Texas tective Services (Child Proopted by the Bishops of the call Judy Locke, the Victim Assistance coordinator, at Fr. Mitchel was assigned 817-560-2452, ext. 201 or the Rev. Karl W Schilken.

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of the Peace, Pct. 4.

 Annual renewal of the interlocal cooperation ginning Jan. 1 and ending agreement between Cooke Dec. 31. County and Texas Department of Public Safety for ment between Cooke Coun-OmniBase.

• Annual renewal agree-Cooke County and FirstLab nology Centers for clinical ending Dec. 31. as the consortium for Cooke experience beginning Jan. County's DOT drug and al- 1 and ending Dec. 31.

 Annual renewal agree-• Cell phone allowance ment between Cooke Counfor Carroll Johnson, Justice ty and Denton County Municipal Electric for cooperative frequency reuse be-

 Annual renewal agreety and American Red Cross - North Texas Region for ment between Cooke Coun- the Disaster Service Pro-• Contract between ty EMS and Kiamichi Tech- gram, beginning Jan. 1 and

Courtesy photo

Owners of Williams Creek in Saint Jo pose for a picture after the Saint Jo Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting Jan. 26. From left - Ethan Hager, Lydia Hager, Charli Hager, Janet Bowman, Charlotte Dangelmayr, and Pat Bowman. The store is located on the Hwy. 82 side of The Square.

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the incentive to us to take on meeting with the County it is received. Since MMH the project that shows it is Commissioners." Board Di- is more than 40 miles from going to be considerably less all the way through without some sweetener in the beginning. My thoughts on it are - No."

Vajdos responded, you're of the opinion that this project is happening whether you do anything about it or not, then you'd be crazy to vote in support of this. Why would you give away \$130,000 a year. It would not be a good and prudent decision if you are certain that it is going to happen.

"Even if we cut a deal, there is still no guarantee that it's going to get done. I am not offering a guarantee in terms that these numbers will happen, but you can increase the probability that it will get done by giving us some potential relief."

Board Director Mary Del Olmo said, "For me, I would one and possibly after the er four to six weeks before as recommended.

the Muenster area, and give

a short 30 minute presenta-

tion on their progress made

to date which has included

multiple community wells,

the past half year.

especially gaining steam in couple years."

rector Paul Becker added the nearest VA facility, it is that he too would want more unfront.

The Board made a motion that OwnEnergy make a second proposal after their he noted. meeting with the County. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of 8-0.

Director of Nursing Diane Neu reported an average daily census for December of 10.26, there were eight surgeries, 83 ER visits, and three patients in Wound Clinic. Wound Clinic is only held on Thursdays and December had two holidays fall on Thursdays, said MMHAdministrator Michael Kent.

In his administrator's report, Kent said that he's been approached by Veterans in off totaling \$8,749.12 for the the District who received VA months of November and dering if they could be used the MMH Health Clinic and for MMH. Kent said he has want more upfront for our requested an application for Hospital District. My point the Hospital District to rement of Bhupinder Khaira, being that throw another view, but it would be anoth- M.D. for courtesy privileges

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solidarity shown. I think it

will be quite interesting as

they share a bit about their challenges and how they've

overcome them over the last

New Movie Releases

Everyone is welcome to

Before returning to Bolivia stressed, "We won't be pass-

where two more funded com- ing the hat or making a hard

munity water supply well sell for additional donations;

projects immediately await rather an opportunity to them, Jaime and Felix will maintain a relationship be-

spend their last few days in tween past supporters/newly

the North Texas area. They interested and the folks on

would like to express their the ground in Bolivia mak-

gratitude to past support- ing good works continue to

ers and newly interested in happen with the tremendous

Jason Gehrig, who worked attend to hear directly how

to help get their funding, this initiative is going in the

possible that Veterans could come to the Clinic and Hospital. It would not cover the

ER or any retail pharmacy,

Kent said that there have been many issues with the phone system and they are reviewing a contract and proposal with a cloud-based phone system. The total start up cost is under \$5,000 and the monthly bill would be reduced. Also, there are new Medicaid requirements coming up that the new phone system would help to comply with.

In other business, the Board:

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NCTC approves new and reclassified positions **Darin Allread** NCTC President Dr. Brent Administrative Assistant.

NCTC Public Relations

Regents of the North Central Texas Community College District met Monday and approved several new positions and also gave their unanimous approval to the reclassification of several other positions.

Following a four-month analysis of the current organizational structure by

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Sun 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:15

Mon-Thurs 2:20, 4:45, 7:15

Project Almanac (PG13)

10:15

Fri 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15

Sat 11:30am, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30,

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Sat 11am, 2:00, 5:10, 6:45, 10:00

Fri & Mon-Thurs 1:35, 4:10, 7:00 Sat & Sun 11am, 1:35, 4:10, 7:00

Tickets on sale now for Feb 12th

Premiere Of "Fifty Shades of Grey

Mon-Thurs 2:10, 4:50, 7:30

The Wedding Ringer (R)

Fri 1:35, 4:10, 8:15, 10:30

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Mon-Thurs 2:00, 5:10, 6:45

American Sniper (R)

Taken (PG-13)

Fri & Sat 10:10 pm

Paddington (PG)

Strange Magic (PG)

Wallace, he presented several new positions and reclas- positions, the following consifications of positions for tract positions are to be, or the Board's consideration.

a 6-0 vote included Comptrol-additional ler, Dean of Students, Grant The Senior Director of Cam-Writer, Scholarship Coordi- pus Operations will become nator, Testing Department the Associate Vice-President Assistant, and Dual Credit of Operations. The Director and Academic Partnership

In addition to the new have been, assigned further New positions approved by responsibilities and require compensation.

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Dumb & Dumber To 2/17/15

Big Hero 6 2/24/15

Museum open 1-4 pm

AARP Board mtg 10 am

Friday, February 6, 2015

Friday, February 13, 2015



West Hwy. 82

Saturday, February 7, 2015

Saturday, February 14, 2015

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To list your event, call 759-4311 BEFORE NOON WEDNESDAY!

Wednesday, February 4, 2015

Library open 10-6:30

Rel. Ed class 6:45 pm

Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm Bolivian drillers at KC Hall 11:45 am

Muenster Museum

1:30 pm @ MISD

District KC Free Throw

Open 1-4 pm

Monday, February 9, 2015 Sunday, February 8, 2015 Muenster 4-H mtg. 3:30 Art Rm. MMH Aux mtg. 5:30

VFW mtg. 7:30 pm

Tuesday, February 10, 2015 Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm PTO mtg. 5:30 pm

Rel. Ed. class 6:45 pm MISD School Board mtg. 6:30 Cooke County Spelling Bee

National

Wednesday, February 11, 2015 Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm

FCCLA

Thursday, February 12, 2015 Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10-6:30

Week

Muenster Historical Comm. mtg. 8 am

Thursday, February 5, 2015

Museum open 1 - 4 pm

Library open 10- 6:30

Museum open 1 - 4 pm AARP member mtg. 11:30 am SHCS - NO SCHOOL

Library open 10 - 2:30

Library open 10-2:30

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Lois Clark 1921 - 2015

Clark, age 93 of Gainesville, was held Monday, Jan. 26 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home, with Rev. Larry Kremling officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery. Visitation was held Jan. 25 at the funeral home.

Lois was born March 10, 1921 in Marysville to Martin S. and Emmie A. Gibson Thetford. She died Jan. 23, 2015 in Gainesville.

She is survived by her daughters Janet Mitchell of Gainesville and Deneen Gilbreath and her husband Mark of Muenster; daugh-

Funeral for Lois Loretta Callisburg; 12 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; sister-in-law Nell Thetford; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

> She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Kenneth Clark; son Gary Don Clark; son-in-law David Mitchell; sister Ira Fleitman; brothers Aubrey Thetford, Edward Dewey "Slim" Thetford, and Dale Thetford; and sister Edith Fern Switzer.

Pallbearers were Kevin Clark, Khris Clark, Billy Clark, Doyle Thetford, Daryl ter-in-law Cathey Lemons of Clark, and Jakeb Gilbreath.

Bill Puckett 1936 - 2015

Puckett, age 78 of Gaines-Jay Culpepper officiating. Visitation was held at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home Sunday, Jan. 25.

Bill was born Nov. 11, 1936 in Leo to Bernice and Mattie Puckett. He died Jan. 23, 2015 in Gainesville.

married Theobold on Sept. 14, 1955 in Sherman and retired from Tom Thumb in 1975.

Bubba Stik walking cane den Puckett, and sister Betcompany and enjoyed wood-

Graveside services for Bill working in his garage where he came up with the idea of ville, were held Monday, Jan. the Bubba Stik. He was a 26 at the Era Cemetery with member of Commerce Street band Richard of Gainesville; Church of Christ for many 14 grandchildren; six great-

> Survivors include his wife of 59 years; his children and their spouses Kerry and Jay Ullman, Mark and Sharlene Puckett, Taryn and Steve Winters, and Kim and Jeff Hammer: 14 grandchildren and several great-grandchil-

He was preceded in death He was the founder of the by his parents, brother Lin-

Anna Kemplin 1933 - 2015

in Valley View on Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015. Funeral services were held at the Valley day, Jan. 24 with David Kilpatrick and Kenneth Sebrun officiating. Burial was in the Valley View Cemetery.

Although her parents L.D. "Buster" and Lena Floyse Bays Harris lived in Valley View, Anna was born in Marietta. OK in her maternal grandparents' home on May 16, 1933, while her mother

At age 12, Anna began delivering the Gainesville Dai*ly Register* in Valley View, the State Theater in Gaines-Bank. Graduating as valedictorian of the Valley View High School class of 1950, she attended Midwestern in Wichita Falls on a music scholarship and also worked in the registrar's office. At age 19, she graduated with a Bachelor's in Education and was hired to teach at Reinhardt Elementary in Dallas ISD. She began graduate work at Texas Woman's University and later completed a Master's in Education at

She married Carl R. Kemplin of Valley View in the in Gainesville at Benjamin parents.

North Texas State Univer-

Anna Louise Harris Kemp- Franklin Elementary before lin, age 81, died at her home she resigned to begin her family. After her children were in school, she returned to teach first grade at Sanger View Church of Christ Satur- Elementary for 15 years, and then taught at Valley View Elementary until retirement. Each child was special to her, and she reveled in watching them learn. She firmly believed what her father told her many times, namely that "education was one thing no one could ever

take away from you." Mrs. Kemplin taught Bible classes while still in high school, and she continued teaching both children's and ladies' classes for years. She then worked at Miller's was a good cook, an accom-Drugstore, was an usher at plished and creative seamstress, made hats, painted ville, and briefly worked at and loved to crochet and the Valley View National quilt. For years, she sang solos, duets, and in groups for area weddings, funerals, graduations, and other events. She also served on the NCTC Board of Regents as well as on the Foundation

Development Board. Survivors are her husband Carl; son Kevin Kemplin of Sanger; daughter Carolyn Kilpatrick and husband David of Valley View; three grandsons and one granddaughter; brothers-in-law John Kemplin of Fort Worth and Milton Pogue of Liberty Hill; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death Valley View Church of Christ by son Mark Kemplin; brothon Aug. 6, 1954. She taught er Michael Harris; and her

"Dee" Smith 1940 - 2015

A private graveside service for Deloris "Dee" Ann Smith, age 74 of Gainesville, is set for a later date. No visitation

Deloris was born June 26, 1940 in Gainesville to Hubert Henry and Ulia Selma Nichols Owens. She died Jan. 25, 2015 in Fort Worth at Plaza Medical Center.

Dee was of the Baptist faith, and baptized at Grand Avenue Baptist Church. She was a lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, and was retired from Weber Aircraft.

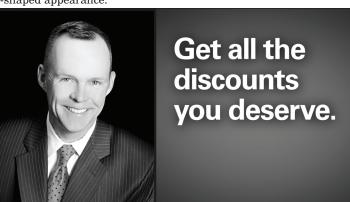
She is survived by daughter Vicky Smith Lindsey and her husband Jim of Sherman; son Jimmy Hughes and his wife Denise of Denison; son Steve Hughes and his wife Lisa of Sherman; son Billy Hughes and his wife Lisa of Sherman; daughter Lisa Hoberer and her husgrandchildren; sisters Frances Covington of Gainesville, Bonnie King of Irving, and Modell Stanfill of Arlington: and 11 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Robert Owens; and sister Paula Bishop.

Weather Whys - Virga

Q: Sometimes you hear the weather forecaster refer to "vir-

A: Virga is a common weather feature, says John Nielsen-Gammon of Texas A&M University. It wispy streak beneath a cloud and appears not to be reaching the ground. "Most of the virga people see today is usually composed of snow, since snow is so much brighter and easier to see than rain," Nielsen-Gammon explains. "Even in the warm days of summer, the virga coming from the tall anvil-shaped thunderstorms is most likely snow, forming in the frigid temperatures 5-10 miles above the ground. Virga can also come from the base of a thunderstorm and other types of clouds, and it can be mistaken for a tornado at a distance because of its V-shaped appearance.



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of Grants will become the (Sim Lab Instructor). Senior Director of Grants. The Director of Assessment and Strategic Planning will become the Senior Director of Assessment and Strategic

In other action items, Re-

gents approved the distribution of the fund balance by a 6-0 vote. After analyzing cash flow requirements and the cash balances, the administration determined that a total of \$2.95 million could be transferred to Board Reserves with the following designations: \$1.3 million for an upgrade to Jenzabar; \$500,000 for the Corinth campus paint and carpet project; \$25,000 toward Graham campus reserves; \$25,000 toward Bowie campus reserves; \$1.1 million to discretionary Board Reserves. That will move the total Board Reserves to \$15,458,651. Total Board Discretionary Reserves available will be \$7,278,463. The Board voted 6-0 to ap-

prove a bid for a tax resale deed in Young County in the amount of \$500.

Regents also ordered an election for three Regent positions including Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5. All three terms will run from 2015 to 2021. The election will be May 9 with applications for a place on the ballot to be filed between Jan. 28 and Feb. 27. Early voting will begin April 27 and end on May 5. All full-time instructors at

NCTC were recommended for contract renewals for the 2015-16 academic year and were approved with a 6-0

Several new personnel were hired with another 6-0 vote including Dr. Denise Arellano (Instructional Designer with the Fast Start Grant), Jessica Carlile (Dean of Lifelong Learning), Dennis Kash (Drafting Instructor), Cindy Lutkenhaus (Associate Degree Nursing Instructor), Paula Rutherford (LVN Instructor), Regina Sitzes (Workforce Grants Coordinator), and David W. Smith

terly external funding update. It was reported that the NCTC Foundation awarded scholarships valued at \$205,624 for the Spring 2015 semester. Also, a total of \$37,875 was awarded to dual-credit students.

An update on facilities was provided. It was reported that the Henry Spaeth Agriculture Center is complete. The project cost \$375,000 and an open house will be held on March 25. The Corinth campus painting and carpet upgrade was completed over the Christmas break with should begin in two months \$464,000 spent to date. The total budget for that project was \$550,000, so the administration will use the excess funds to replace some blinds and furniture.

It was also reported that a Regents received the quar- new sidewalk on the Gainesville campus has been completed, connecting the 100 building to the 400 and 500 buildings and beyond.

> And the Regents received an update on the future plans for the expansion of the Career and Technical Center along with the new Health Science Center. Bids for the CTC expansion will go out on Feb. 2 with a bid opening planned for Feb. 26. Dirt could start moving around the middle of March. The same process for the Health Science Center with a groundbreaking planned for May.

> Regent Matt Chalmers was unable to attend Monday's meeting.

DAYS GONE BY.....

65 YEARS AGO Jan. 27, 1950

Sacred Heart School suspends classes for flu epidemic. Obituary: Sr. Celestine, 76. Leonard Vogel, age eight, breaks arm in fall at home. Carrie Roberg employed as bookkeeper for Community Lumber. College Graduate: Joe Starke, North Texas State College. New Arrivals: Shirley to Norbert and Agnes Klement; Stephen to Arnold and Bonnie Hess: a son to the Norbert Hoedebecks; Terry to Frank and Rose Marie Hennigan. Albert Bezner received serious burns when his clothes caught fire as he was burning brush on his farm; he jumped into a ravine to extinguish the blaze. Wichita Falls newspaper advertises full year subscription for \$8.75.

50 YEARS AGO Jan. 29, 1965

Felix and Rose Becker observe Golden Wedding. Obituaries: Mrs. C.L. (Grace) Maxwell, 89; Mrs. Theresia Vieth, 90. James Moster earns Bachelor degree and joins Sacred Heart faculty.

Car license plates will be available at Tom and Jerry's Barber Shop. New Arrivals: a son to Tommy and Phyllis Youngblood; Renee to Jerry and Louise Wimmer; a son to the Robert "Pete" Hammers; a daughter to Barry and Florence Blevins. Susan Sloan has appendectomy. Craig Walterscheid is treated for pneumonia. Gene Vogel suffers broken nose in football mishap. Weddings: Helen Loerwald and Roger West; Marcia Barker and David Clifton.

25 YEARS AGO Jan. 26, 1990

Vandalism along Hwy. 82 and Main Street draws offer of \$500 reward. Jo Bedowitz, Sacred Heart English teacher, is nominated for Texas Exes Teaching Award. College Graduate: Toby Kubis, Texas Tech. Jamie Hellman wins Muenster Public School spelling bee. Wedding: Mark Richardson and Arvella Wrin. New Arrivals: Joseph to John and Mary Fiala; Keith to Michael and Sharon Hermes; Paige to Phil and Brenda Rigsby. Obituary: Mrs. Alice Ensey, 60.

AGENDA MEETING DATE - February 2, 2015

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, February 2, 2015. 1. Call meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Opening prayer. 3. Approve minutes of the regular meeting held on

4. Recognize visitors and invite them to attend the entire Council meeting and to discuss their business.

5. Consider any other business to come before the Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Receive audit report for FY 2013/2014.

2. Review and possibly approve new agreement with City

3. Call City Election for May 9, 2015:

Now held by Joey Anderson a) Mayor b) Place 3 Now held by Tim Felderhoff c) Place 4 Now held by Jack Flusche 4. Approve new two year terms for Muenster Water

District Board Members. **5.** Receive monthly update from the Fire Department.

6. Receive update on Police Department, including Racial

Profiling Report, from Chief Barr.

7. Receive status report on City projects and activities.8. Review and act on monthly bills.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss the following: Texas Local Government Code: 551.074-REAL ESTATE and

Return to regular session: Take any needed action.

11. Adjourn.

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LIFESTYLE

Children receive First Reconciliation

Thirty-nine children of Sacred Heart Parish received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time at three separate services on Saturday, Jan. 17, Monday, Jan. 19, and Saturday, Jan. 24. Fr. Ken Robinson presided at each.

The theme of each service was based on the baptism of Jesus and their own baptism. The service began with the song "God Is Rich in Mercy." Then Fr. Ken read the gospel story. The children used their copies of an examination of conscience to reflect on any sins they may have committed. After praying together the Act of Contrition, the children went to confession individually.

When each child had gone to confession and done the penance, he or she went with parents and put their "examinajust like their sins had been taken away in the Sacrament tha Sicking of Muenster. of Reconciliation.

Those receiving the sacrament for the first time were Addison Aldriedge, Catelynn Allen, Katie Bayer, Heidi Becker, Katie Becker, Carson Crawford, Cole Dangelmayr, Cassandra Dickerson, Luke Felderhoff, Hayden Fleitman, Logan Flusche, Luke Gehrig, Ayden Gray, Jasmine Hacker, Landon Hacker, Della Hartman, Parker Hartman,000000 Bryce Hays, Brisan Hermes, Anthony Hernandez, Colby Hess, Ty Hess, Mikayla Hesse, Isaac Hofbauer, Caden Klement, Carter Klement, Kameron Knabe, Miriam Mar, Garrett Muller, William Rocha, Carter Sicking, Faith Sicking, Zachary Smith, Austin Spaeth, Hadden Sprouse, Von Tai, Emma Walterscheid, Raegan Wolf, and Owen Waltersc-

apparatus is assigned with a radiation emergency class

Last year, Andy attended last year. Even with all

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at the Las Vegas nuclear

test site as well as a railcar

emergency class in Pueblo,

CO. He added that he plans

on attending more classes

this year including one at

the National Fire Academy

his job, Andy responded, "I

think my favorite part of the

job is the variety. We work

24-hour shifts. No two shifts

are ever the same. We have

things on the schedule each

day such as training, con-

tinuing education, or projects

around the station. These

can always change depend-

ing on the number and tim-

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Asked what he likes about

in Maryland.

four people. There is a cap-

tain who is in charge of the

ladder truck and a lieuten-

ant who is in charge of the

engine. A driver is assigned

to each apparatus. Two fire-

fighters ride in the back of

Hazardous Materials Re-

sponse Team station," Andy

noted. "We have a utility

truck and haz-mat truck at

our station that we will staff

if there is some sort of haz-

mat call. This can be some-

thing as simple as a fuel

spill or as complex as a large

chemical release. Working

at this station allows mem-

bers to receive extra training

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fense Department."

"This station is also the

each apparatus.

College Honors

Austin College

Austin College's Dean's List has been announced for Fall Term 2014. The Dean's List recognizes the top 20% of students taking a minimum of three graded, full-credit courses, based on the grade point average for that term.

"We congratulate the students on the Dean's List and commend them on this accomplishment, especially given the rigor of the Austin College curriculum and the quality of their colleagues," said Dr. Sheila Amin Gutiérrez de Piñeres, vice president for Academic Affairs and dean of the faculty. "To be named to the Dean's List evidences students' commitment to academic excellence and is an honor for the students and their families."

Named to the Dean's List was Quinn Sicking, a graduate tion of conscience" page in water and watched it dissolve of Sacred Heart Catholic School and son of Allen and Mar-

University of North Texas

The University of North Texas released its President's List for the 2014 Fall Semester. To be named to the President's List, undergraduates must complete at least 12 academic hours with a perfect grade point average of 4.0. Those from Muenster acheiving that honor were Kylie Hernandez, Taylor Nunes, and Taylor Nunez.

University of North Texas students from Muenster were named to the Dean's List for the 2014 Fall Semester. To be named to the Dean's List, undergraduates must complete at least 12 academic hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9. Earning that honor were Tyler Acuna, Mikaela Bartush, Mackenzie Herr, Caitlyn Klement, and Benjamin

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Andy Davis, center, with his parents Karen and Kelly sponded to over 5,000 calls Davis at his graduation after basic training school in Arlington and a six month probationary firefighter period.

these things on the schedule, we still have to do the daily chores around the station. We cook and clean the station and the trucks daily. It

really is my second family at

impression Andy answered,

the fire station." Firefighting is a demanding job, but one filled with rewards for those who enjoy helping others. Asked what he's seen or done as a

"The biggest impression that has been left on me is the gratitude of people we come in contact with. They call us on one of the worst days of their lives. There's no greater feeling than to be able to show up and fix whatever their problem is in that mo-"I also love the relation-

ships I have made through firefighter that has left an the fire service. I have lifelong friends I met in fire academy. My crew is my second family. We spend every third day together."

Andy is the son of Kelly and Karen Davis of Muenster. He is the second oldest of nine children - eight boys and one girl. He graduated from Sacred Heart High.

"I am sure my parents had their doubts when I was bouncing around schools and careers," remarked Andy. "They stuck with me through it all and supported me in all my decisions. I'm truly blessed to be where I am now and I wouldn't trade my job for the world."

Alms are an inheritance and a justice which is due to the poor and which Jesus has levied upon us. - St. Francis of Assisi

VFW Auxiliary meets

regular meeting on Monday, Jan. 19 in the Post Home. President Frances Bayer

The opening ritual was given by Conductress Rose Hudspeth pro tem, Chaplain Mary Lee Hennigan, and Patriotic Instructor Rosemary Dankesreiter pro tem. Roll call and reading of minutes was given by Ida Mae Bindel, secretary. Lucille Hesse's treasurer's report was read by Agnes Hesse. The report was accepted to audit. The group expressed ap-

preciation for all who par-Christmas Cards" in the members. Muenster Enterprise.

the VFW National Home for p.m, with refreshments Children for the 171 Camp- served before the meeting at bell soup labels the Auxil- 6:45 p.m.

The Ladies Auxiliary iary sent to them. Members VFW Post #6205 held their voted to send a love gift to the National Home for Children, "The Texas House." A donation was also sent to the Wounded Warriors Soldiers. Members signed valentines for the Bonham VA Ladies House of Vets.

Trustee Agnes Hesse reported the books were audited and in order.

Frances Bayer read headlines from 2 Cents magazine. The District I meeting will be held Feb. 7 and 8 in Denton and the Mid Winter Roundup is in Austin Jan. 29 and 30.

Hennigan Marv Lee ticipated in the "In Lieu of served refreshments to 11

The next meeting is Feb. A thank you was read from 16 in the Post Home at 7:30

New items at Muenster Public Library - January

Fiction/Non-Fiction

the Shadows by Glenn Beck, White Plague by James Abel, First Frost by Sarah Addison Allen, Assassination Option by W.E.B. Griffin, Dark Places by Gillian Flynn, Sharp Objects by Gillian Flynn, Die Again by Tess Gerritsen, Empty Throne by Bernard Cornwell, Full Assault Mode by Dalton Fury, Tier 1 Wild by Dalton Fury, Martian by Andy Weir, Saving Grace by Jane Green, Rain on the Dead by Jack Higgins, Robert B. Parker's The Bridge by Robert Knott, Boston Girl by Anita Diamant, No Hero: the Evolution of a Navy SEAL by Mark Owen, *Mistletoe Prom*ise by Richard Paul Evans, Republic of Imagination by Azar Nafisi, Revival by Stephen King, Still Alice by Lisa Genova, American Sniper by Chris Kyle, Killing Kennedy by Bill O'Reilly, 13 Things Mentally Strong People Don't Do by Amy Morin, Life Changing Magic of Tidying *Up* by Marie Kondo.

Junior Fiction

John Flanagan, Winterfrost Shadows, Wind Rising, Exby Michelle Houts, Nest by tremely Loud & Incredibly Esther Ehrlich, Witch's Boy Close.

by Kelly Regan Barnhill, Angels Walking by Karen Pirates of the Silver Coast Kingsbury, Agenda 21: Into by Scott Chantler, Diamond Boy by Michael Williams, I'll Give You the Sun by Jandy Nelson, Beware the Wild by Natalie C. Parker, Wildlife by Fiona Wood, Emma and the Blue Genie by Cornelia

Easy Picture Books

Farmer and the Clown by Marla Frazee, Library Book for Bear by Bonny Becker, Any Questions by Marie-Louise Gay, Dory Fantasmagory by Abby Hanlon, Lion Lion by Miriam Busch, Quest by Aaron Becker.

CD Books

Boston Girl by Anita Diamant, Burning Room by Michael Connelly, Mistletoe Promise by Richard Paul Evans, In the Heart of the Dark Wood by Billy Coffey, Learning from the Giants by John C. Maxwell, The Escape by David Baldacci, Eyes Only by Fern Michaels, Agenda 21: Into the Shadows by Glenn Beck.

Gone Girl, Hundred Foot Scorpion Mountain by Journey, Maze Runner, Dark

The Art Show of the Year has arrived

On Friday, Feb. 6 from your money for the amazing 6 - 9 p.m., Gainesville Area Visual Arts (GAVA) will host For The Love of Art 2015. Dozens of pieces of art will fill the State Theater lobby and the Backstage Café at 200 East California Street, Gainesville.

Proceeds from the event fund scholarships for Cooke All of us can attain to County high school seniors pursuing Art in college.

GAVA artist Tony Avila, the event's coordinator, stated, "The event is free to the public, as we want you to save

art! That's what we're here to support. Last year was a home run, but this year we need a grand slam." For more information on

GAVA and the 2015 Scholarships visit www.gainesvilleareavisualarts.org.

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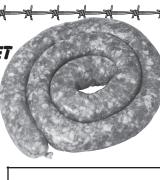
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Danna Hess

Oral Reading - Coach

Dana Klement

nigan 2nd; Tom Davis 5th.

Ready Writing - Coach

Jodie York

nigan 3rd; Jenna Hudspeth

7th Grade - Kaitlin Hen-

8th Grade - Shawn Pum-

Science - Coach

Bernadette Otto

7th Grade - 2nd place

8th Grade - Ashleigh

Social Studies - Coach

Griffin Fields

7th Grade - 2nd place Team; Gavin Grewing 3rd;

Spelling - Coach Gynell

Oppermann

Team; Colby Endres 1st.

7th Grade - 3rd place

8th Grade - Rut Rodri-

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winners

named

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cred Heart Catholic School

event. She also received a

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7th Grade - Hannah La-

7th Grade - 1st place Team; Colby Endres 1st; Ma-

Coach Dana Klement

2nd; Colby Smith 6th.

Dane Huchton 5th.

jor Eldridge 3rd.

phrey 1st.

Fisher 4th.

Jacob Pierce 6th.

Team; Tom Davis 2nd.

The Gainesville Soroptimist Club honored five Soroptimist Girls at their recent program meeting on Jan. 26. The senior girls honored are, from left, Keleigh Pearson from Lindsay ISD; Janeth Perez, Jordan Moore, and Kenedy Nichols from Gainesville ISD; and Kristen Reiter from Muenster ISD. At the monthly Soroptimist program meetings, the Gainesville Soroptimist Club honors Cooke County high school senior girls who have been selected by their school. A Soroptimist Girl is a young lady who exhibits positive character traits in her daily life; serves in leadership roles in her school, church, and community; is caring and compassionate, but most of all, committed to making her community a better place. These Soroptimist Girls are then eligible to apply for the scholarships offered by the Soroptimist Club.

Junior High takes 2nd **Place in District UIL**

Muenster Junior High School soared to success at the 2014 District UIL competition. Held in Era on Dec. 12, Junior High students were poised and ready to sharpen their skills and come home with a victory. Coaches and students alike spent numerous hours in preparation for this day, which was proved by a second place overall District finish. Several students came home with individual awards, as well as overall team placements. Students achieved the following:

Art - Coach Lou Heers 7th Grade - 1st Place Team; Colby Endres 2nd, Riley Stewart 5th.

8th Grade - 2nd place Team; Lauren Trubenbach 3rd; Ashleigh Fisher 4th.

Calculator - Coach Carolyn Lutkenhaus 7th Grade - Lexi Markwardt 1st.

8th Grade - Morgan Hen-

Dictionary Skills -Coach Stephanie Krebs

7th Grade - 1st place Team; Danny Luttmer and Zachary Sanders - 1st (tie); Major Ěldridge 3rd.

8th Grade - 1st place Team; Rut Rodriguez 1st;

Ixel Meza 6th.

Editorial Writing - Coach **Stephanie Krebs**

7th Grade - Lane Trubenbach 2nd; Colby Smith 4th. **8th Grade** - Sadie Sandmann 2nd; Madeline Lee 4th; Mackenzie Sicking 5th. Impromptu Speaking

Coach Jodie York 7th Grade - Savannah Bohl 1st.

8th Grade - Morgan Hennigan 2nd; Josh Brinkley 5th. **Listening Skills - Coach**

Gynell Oppermann 7th Grade - Danny Luttmer 4th; Major Eldridge $6 \mathrm{th}.$

Maps, Graphs, and **Charts - Coach Griffin Fields** 7th Grade - 2nd place

Team; Major Eldridge 2nd, Lane Trubenbach 6th. **8th Grade** - 2nd place

Team; Rudy Saucer 3rd; Morgan Hennigan 5th. Math - Coach Mike **Browning**

7th Grade - 3rd place Team; Colby Endres 1st.

Nominations sought for Gifted and **Talented Program**

It is time for parent nominations for the Muenster Elementary Gifted and Talented program (Grades K-5). A gifted student is one who demonstrates excellence in intellectual ability, creativity, academic aptitude, innovative thinking, leadership, and/or individual responsibility in relation to students of similar age, experience, or environment. If you feel like your child exhibits any of these qualities, you may nominate him/her to go through the identification process. Please remember, a nomination does not automatically provide for placement in the program. It is the first step in the identification process.

Gifted students need to be challenged beyond what the regular classroom instruction can provide. Many people believe the myth that gifted students are given more work. A Gifted and Talented program would not be successful if that were true. The challenges should be represented by advanced coursework, independent studies, and/or student prod-

If you would like to make 8th Grade - 2nd place a nomination, please call the Elementary office or contact your child's teacher to obtain the necessary recommendation forms. These forms must be returned by Friday, 8th Grade - Morgan Hen- March 6.

Muenster competes in **Argyle UIL** meet

Five Muenster ISD High School students attended an invitational UIL meet in Argyle on Saturday. Over 40 high schools, both large and small schools, attended.

Reagan Weger competed in two journalism contests, News and Headline Writing. She placed seventh in News Writing. Noel Rodriguez did Informative Speaking and the Social Studies contest. He placed fifth in Speaking. Andrew Stoffels also competed in the Social Studies contest. Lee Ann West and Kaden Fields competed in the Calculator Applications contest.

The students were accompanied by Ann Hamilton, Extemporaneous Speaking, Literary Criticism, and LD Debate coach, and Carolyn Lutkenhaus, Calculator coach and co-academic UIL coordinator.

presented her essay at the Life is its own journey, presupposes its own change and movement, and one tries to arrest were Brooke Devers, 2nd them at one's eternal peril.

~ Laurens van der Post

Taking top honors at the Muenster FFA Show included, from left - Savannah Hermes, Reserve Champion goat; Judge Ryan Pienazek; and Curtis Haverkamp, Grand Champion goat.

Muenster FFA Livestock Show results

Muenster held their annual FFA Livestock Show Jan. 18 in the Muenster ISD Ag Barn.

Results after judging included: Cattle

> Steers Class 1 Sawyer Sanders-Grand Emily Brogdon-Reserve Jr. Hiefers Class 2 **Emily Brogdon** Jonathan Hess Sr. Heifers Class 3 Sawyer Sanders Eve Brogdon

Emily Brogdon Grand Champion & Showmanship Sawyer Sanders Reserve Champion Emily Brogdon

> Swine Class 1 **Brandon Sicking** Brandon Sicking Class~2**Brandon Sicking** Ryan Huchton Class 3 Jordan Buddy **Brandon Sicking**

Jordan Buddy Jordan Buddy Tyler Cook **Grand Champion** Brandon Sicking Reserve Champion Jordan Buddy

Goats Dairy Goats Alex Hacker Luke Walterscheid Abby Walterscheid Braeden Hacker Market Goats Class 1 Curtis Haverkamp Travis Dangelmayr Rebecca Klement

Stephen Dangelmayr Natalie Dangelmayr Alex Hacker Katherine Klement $Class\ 2$ Curtis Haverkamp Travis Dangelmayr Debra Huchton Meadow Walterscheid **Jackson Sicking** Karli Mouring

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Luke Walterscheid

 $Class\ 3$

Curtis Haverkamp Savannah Hermes Dane Huchton Travis Dangelmayr Karli Mouring Abby Walterscheid Dylan Huchton Luke Walterscheid Meadow Walterscheid Class 4 Savannah Hermes Cassie Dangelmayr Natalie Dangelmayr Dane Huchton Dylan Huchton $Class\ 5$ Curtis Haverkamp Savannah Hermes Abby Walterscheid Sterling Walterscheid Dane Huchton Cassie Dangelmayr Madyson Walterscheid **Grand Champion** Curtis Haverkamp Reserve Champion Savannah Hermes Sr. Showmanship Travis Dangelmayr

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Place 6 - Incumbent - Kimberly Hess Walterscheid

Place 7 - Incumbent - Steve Trubenbach

The first day to file for a place on the ballot will be January 26, 2015 and will continue through February 27, 2015. If you are interested in filing for a place on the ballot for any of these positions, please come by the Muenster ISD Administration Office to pick up an application packet. We are located at 113 East Seventh Street and will be open between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have any questions, please call the administration office at 940.759.2281 ext. 600.

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Muenster beats Alvord

Muenster's Lady Hornets kept their #1 spot in District after a 45-37 win over the Lady Bulldogs in Alvord Tuesday night. With only a 1 point lead

the 1st period, Muenster scored 15 to Alvord's 6 for a 10 point halftime Lady Hornet lead. Muenster added more to their lead in the 3rd to take the win.

Bailey Klement and Claire Schneider both scored a dozen points for Muenster. Kristen Reiter added 7, Katie Pagel 6, Courtney Stevens 5, Morgan Eldridge 2, and Mady Burnett 1.

The Lady Hornets were A 23 of 31 from the free throw

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The Hornets, now 23-2 overall, 8-0 in District, brought home a 73-27 pounding over the Bulldogs of Alvord. "This was one of those rare games for us in which everyone scored," noted Muenster Coach Lynn Cook. Trevor Cheaney led the

point making with 19. Lyndon Cook added 13, Logan Cook 8, Blayne Jones and Blake Hoepfner 7 each, 5 apiece by Nate Walterscheid and Trey Anderle, Brandon Hennigan 4, Chance Herr 3, and Ryan Hoepfner 2

Muenster travels to Col-45 linsville Friday, Jan. 30 for 14 **37** their next District games.

Muenster mashes Monarchs

Muenster at 22-2 overall and 7-0 in District.

Lyndon Cook led the Hornets with 23 points, 26 rebounds, six assists, five blocks, and five steals. Trevor Cheaney added 18 points, Blayne Jones 11, Logan Cook 7, and Blake Hoepfner 3.

16 16 13

The Lady Hornets added M another District win to their **P**

The Muenster Hornets record with a 45-30 overfinished round one of Dis-throw of the Lady Monarchs. trict play last Friday night The 1st half was a close in Poolville with a 62-31 win battle before Muenster took over the Monarchs, putting control of the game the 2nd

> Mady Burnett and Morgan Eldridge led the Lady Hornets' basket making with 16 and 13 points. Courtney Stevens added 6, Kristen Reiter 4, and 2 apiece from Bailey Klement, Kassie Dangelmayr, and Claire Schneider.

Muenster connected 75% of their free throws.

JUNIOR VARSITY ACTION

Muenster 38 Valley View 20

A Jan. 20 match between

the JV Lady Hornets and JV Lady Eagles improved Muenster's District record to 7-1. Alaina Kubis and Sterling Walterscheid led the scoring with 11 and 10 points. Natalie Dangelmayr added 6, Megan Rohmer and Macie Pagel 4 apiece, and Jenna Sicking 3.

6 1 **Sacred Heart 45** Bethesda 29

Three JV Tigers hit the **P** double digit points in last Friday's victory. Sam Hesse 12, and Jacob Kemna 10. Zane Schoppa added 6 and Mathew Anderle 4 for Sa-

The JV Hornets remained Herr 4, and B. Herr 3.

undefeated in District play

after last Friday's win over the Monarchs. John Weger led all scorers with 21 points. Bryce Herr added 8, with Trace Klement, Clay Stevens, and Cal York each scoring 6, and Billy Felder-

Muenster 42 Poolville 21

The Lady Hornets earned another win last Friday over the Lady Monarchs. Dangelmayr led all scorers with 18 points. Pagel added 9, 20 Kubis 6, Hermes 4, Rohmer 3, and Bailey Anderle 2.

M 10 10 10 12 42 P 2 5 6 8 21 Muenster 69 Alvord 23

Four Hornets hit the douscored 13, Robert Hanson ble digit points in Tuesday's victory over the Bulldogs. Weger led with 18, York added 12, Stevens 11, and Felderhoff 10. Klement scored Muenster 49 Poolville 37 6, Michael Moseley 5, Max

Game Warden Reports

Just keep swimming

When a warden received a call from Smith County dispatch, he was informed that a woman had just called 911 to report a man attempting to swim across Lake Palestine. She said the man appeared to be struggling and was also high on narcotics. A local volunteer fire department launched its boat and attempted to rescue the man, but he was protesting and would not board the boat. A deputy, a Department of Public Safety trooper, and the Smith County game warden boarded another VFD boat and went to assist. Once the man saw the second boat approaching, he gave in and boarded. When asked what exactly he was doing, he stated he was just swimming. The man was arrested for public intoxication.

Raindrops keep falling on my head

An Anderson County game warden encountered a man in the middle of the road, standing in the rain. The Anderson County Sheriff's Office advised that the subject had jumped in front of several vehicles in an attempt to stop motorists. When the warden stopped his patrol vehicle nearby, the man attempted to get inside. The warden quickly locked the doors, backed up his vehicle, and

used his speaker to instruct the subject to get off the road and lay down on the ground. While being handcuffed, the subject said, "Thank God! Do what you got to do, and get me out of here! They are watching me right now!" The subject claimed that a terrorist group was not only watching him, but had also kicked him out of his trailer and beat him up. The subject showed signs of intoxication and impairment from drug use. He was placed in the Anderson County Jail for public intoxication and obstructing a highway.

Buried buck

A Runnels County game warden received a call from a landowner who had found a buck that had been shot and dragged into the brush behind a deer feeder. The warden questioned the only hunter left on the ranch and was able to exclude all but two of the hunters who had hunted that blind within the last few days. After some phone calls, a teenaged boy from Bastrop admitted that he killed the buck and hid it because it didn't meet the ranch harvest rules, and he was not supposed to shoot bucks in the first place. A Bastrop County game warden assisted in getting state-



Knights of Columbus crown Free Throw Champions

named local champions of the participate.

ons were Cassy Acayan in the girls' bracket and Gage Campbell in the boys'. Gracyn Rohmer in the girls' bracket levels.

Tiger teams

tumble to

Texoma

Janie Hartman photo

Muenster Hornet Senior

Brandon Hennigan was

named to the Old Coach

Class 2A Division II All-

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was selected for the First

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input from local sports

writers. Brandon is the

son of Joe and Kim Hen-

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Twelve boys and girls from Fields was the 10-year-old and Garrett Bindel in the Muenster, ages 9 to 14, were girls' champion and Nate boys'. Hesse was the winner of the 2015 Knights of Columbus 10-year-old boys' division. allowed 15 free throw at-Free Throw Championship In the 11-year-olds' bracket, tempts in the contests. Ties and have earned the right Jada Binder was the girls' to compete at the district champion and Timothy Lutt- rounds of five free throws level. Muenster KC Council mer was the boys' champion. per contestant until a winner 1459 sponsored the local Twelve-year old winners in competition at Muenster the girls' and boys' divisions High School. All youngsters were Erin Hesse and Major compete in the district comages 9 to 14 were eligible to Eldridge. The 13-year-old girls' division was won by Nine-year-old champi- Dani Hess and the boys' by Collin Knabe. Fourteen-yearold champions were Megan

Each contestant was were settled by successive

emerged. Each of these winners will petition to be held on Sunday, Feb. 8 at 1:30 pm in the Muenster High School Gym with an eye toward moving on to the state and international

Sacred Heart splits wins with Bethesda

The Sacred Heart basketball teams traveled to Sherman Tuesday night to take on the state-ranked Eagles of Texoma Christian. Scoring only 4 points the

1st quarter, the Tigerettes fell into a hole they couldn't get out of, losing to the Lady Eagles 59-38. Scoring for the Tigerettes were Avery Truebenbach 17,

phia Jones and Kinzie Hess 4 apiece, and Alane Bartush **TC** 20 12 15 12 **59**

Amanda Aldriedge 10, So-

The Tigers came up short against Texoma Christian, but game stats were unavailable at press time.

The Sacred Heart basket- and look forward to Texoma ball teams were on the road Christian to play for the Friday night for game three league lead." in District competition with **SH** 13 12 Bethesda Christian. The Tigerettes took an easy win while the Tigers were hamsecond this season.

Avery Truebenbach led the Tigerettes to a 55-20 victory with 18 points, 16 rebounds, and 12 steals. Amanda Aldriedge added 11 points and had eight assists. Other scoring in the victory were Leah Knabe 7, Jessica Kemna 6, Alane Bartush 5, Rylee Reiter and Sophia Jones 3 each, and Tyler Spruill each addand Kate Springer 2.

"A nice effort by the girls," Hayden Schilling 5. noted Coach Jon LeBrasse- SH ur. "We continue to improve B

The Tigers struggled afmered for a loss, only their ter allowing Bethesda to take a 24-6 1st quarter lead. "Bethesda is the class of the District," Coach LeBrasseur

said. "I did not do a very good

job and they put one on us."

The Tigers battled Texoma

Tuesday for 2nd place. Brady Endres led the Tigers on the scoreboard with 16 points. Isac Walterscheid ed 8, Kason Reeves 6, and

6 19 11 24 13



Muenster's 7th grade Hornets finished in 2nd place in the First State Bank Cooke County Shoot-out Junior High Boys Tournament held Jan. 17 in Gaines-ville. Muenster took wins over Callisburg (30-11) and Pilot Point (36-28) before falling to Gainesville (28-24) in the championship final.



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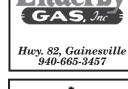




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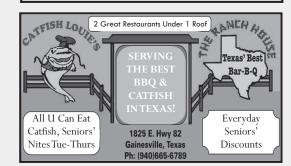
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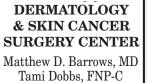


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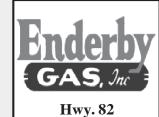
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By: Richard Thorpe III, First Vice President. Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

In 1985, the United States Congress passed the Farm Bill, which in-turn created the Beef Promotion and Research Act. Creation of this Act gave American beef producers the ability to create a mandatory "National Beef Checkoff" program if they so

Producers from all sectors of the beef industry believed investing in the future and increasing demand for their product was essential. Therefore, these producers held a nationwide referendum, which passed overwhelmingly with 79% of producers voting in favor of making the Checkoff program manda-

When the Checkoff was enacted in 1985, I was just beginning my own cattle operation; nevertheless I knew the program was extremely important for the success of my new business.

Cattle raisers across the country asked for the pro-

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that all producers and imstate level by each Qualified State Beef Council.

Board, which consists of 103 beef producers, collects 50 cents of each dollar for national programs, and 50 cents is retained by the State Beef Councils. Each Beef Council has producers who sit on the Board to determine how much should be invested in local, state, and national

Through the Checkoff, we promoting the beef industry. It has given us the resources to better promote high quality U.S. beef, increase demand in foreign countries, and create product-enhancement and beef-safety research programs to address important safety and quality issues. It has allowed us to invest an average of \$4 million annually on beef-safety and producttechnology research.

Further, the Checkoff has

AG TALK

By Mike Barnett

Publication director

Food fear could lead to

out-of-control labeling

Over 80% of Americans support "mandatory labels on food

So says a recent survey conducted by the Oklahoma State

University Department of Agriculture Economics, as re-

ported by *The Washington Post*. And it's the same numbers

According to Oklahoma State Economist Jayson Lusk, a

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DNA). The Surgeon General has determined that DNA is

linked to a variety of diseases in both humans and animals.

In some configurations, it is a risk factor for cancer and heart

disease. Pregnant women are at very high risk of passing on

A little scary, huh? No, not that DNA is in food. Of course

DNA is in food. It is the building block of life. Most of us

learned that—or should have learned that—in school. It's

Then look again. Why shouldn't they? We are bombarded

with 10-second messages constantly on social media, televi-

sion, and the internet. It's an age of instant gratification.

If you need to research 10 minutes to find the truth about

That continues to be a huge problem for agriculture as

technology evolves to produce more food with fewer resources.

Modern methods like biotechnology are misunderstood and

easily blown out of proportion by activists who think you

It boils down to consumers without knowledge about

genetics or biotechnology and who aren't real interested in

learning. If consumers are misled and allow excessive and

unnecessary warning labels, real dangers will get lost in

So does agriculture hunker down and let the masses have

The choice is apparent to me. Meanwhile, here's the food

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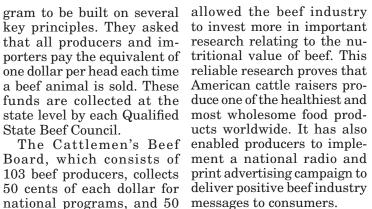
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should eat differently.

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Additionally, the program and it has allowed us to inaddressing consumer preferences reached the market.

You might notice that there is a trend with the way the National Beef Checkoff is set up. The program was invented, implemented, and is overseen by producers. This bottom-up, grassroots approach is what has made the program a success.

Recently, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary, Tom Vilsack announced that he planned to implement a new Checkoff program under the Commodity Promotion, Research and Information Act of 1996 that would have turned the current program upside down, therefore making it run from a top-down

functioning expenses.

of 2014, Congress passed an to have high levels, the fix can Omnibus Appropriations bill, be relatively simple with the which explicitly prevents the installation of a mitigation USDA from using any funds for a Checkoff program under the 1996 Act. Passage of the Omnibus provided enough leverage to make Sec. Vilsack abandon his plan. The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) appreciates the efforts of many beef producers who reached out to their federal elected officials to voice their opposition to Sec. Vilsack's

proposal. dous success.

Nobody knows the beef industry better than the cattlemen and women across the country. We must continue investing in the future of our product so we can continue feeding the nation. I believe it is crucial that we always remember the key principles the National Beef Checkoff was founded on so we can make sure it remains a suc-

has helped us identify successful management practices through Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) to strengthen consumer confidence in beef troduce new products into the have made great strides in marketplace over the years. In fact, since 1996, more than 2,500 new beef products

> Sec. Vilsack's proposal was developed by the federal government, and it would have given much more power to the Secretary of Agriculture by allowing the Secretary to appoint Board members from the general public with no vested interest in the cattle industry, such as groups like the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). Additionally, Sec. Vilsack's proposal did not require importers to pay into the Checkoff. and it would have allowed up to 15% in administrative and

The bottom line is this – grassroots producers have been the foundation of the National Beef Checkoff program since it was established in 1985. With an \$11.20 return on every dollar invested in the program, there is no denving it has been a tremen-

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AGRICULTURE MARKET SUMMARY

Texas auctions quoted feeder cattle prices \$2 to \$15 lower per hundredweight (cwt). Texas direct feeder cattle sales were down \$4 to \$12, with prices continuing to follow futures markets lower. Fed cattle weekly cash sales were lower at \$160 per cwt. Wholesale beef values were lower than last week, down 2.6% to \$253.74 for Choice Grade beef cut-out and down 1.4% to \$247.23 for Select Grade. Weekly net export

9,600 metric tons (MT), down were up 61% from last week, 14% from a week ago, and export shipments of 11,000 MT were 13% lower in comparison to last week.

Wheat cash prices in Texas were down 12 cents to \$5.27 per bushel, and futures prices experienced a 2.3% decrease to settle at \$5.64. The Texas winter wheat crop is 95% emerged, up two points from last year and one point from the average. Forty-three percent of the wheat crop is in excellent or good condition. sales for Jan. 9-15 totaled Net export sales for wheat

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and 69% from the prior fourweek average. Shipments were 24% higher than the previous week, but 8% lower than the weekly average.

Texas corn cash prices were only a cent lower, and corn futures prices were unchanged after a volatile week. Corn export sales were up more than double again from the previous week and four-week average. Export shipments were 91% higher than last week and 31% higher than the average.

Nearly all of the state recorded precipitation last week, with parts of the Texas Panhandle and all of Central and East Texas recording one-half inch or more. Last week's U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas showed drought conditions near unchanged with about 60% of the state experiencing some level of drought intensity, unchanged from last week. On the national level, more than 46% of the U.S. is experiencing abnormal dryness or some degree of drought, up almost 2% from last week.

Crude oil futures fell to \$45.59 per barrel; that's its lowest price so far this year. The European Central Bank also announced an economic stimulus plan aimed at reviving the Eurozone economy. This has caused the U.S. dollar to strengthen in value and is putting pressure on most U.S. commodities, especially

Public invited to meet new county agent

Residents of Cooke County are invited to a Meet and Greet on Friday, Feb. 6 for Cooke County's new Agriculture & Natural Resources Extension Agent Marty Mor-

The event will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the County AgriLife Extension Office, 301 S. Chestnut in Gainesville. Refreshments and pick-up foods will be served. There is no RSVP required to attend.

Radon danger in Texas

It really is a matter of out increase the chances since of sight, out of mind, but radon can pose a health danger for some Texas homeowners, and they're being reminded of the importance of testing for the invisible and odorless radioactive gas.

Chris Van Deusen, a press officer with the Texas Department of State Health Services, says Texas is not a real high area of concern for radon, but does have some regions where it can be an

"Most notably parts of the Panhandle and parts of far west Texas that have kind of a moderate potential for radon and a couple of counties sort of in central Texas, the hill country that are in that category," he says. "But most of the state really has a low potential for radon."

Radon test kits can be purchased at most hardware Fortunately, in December stores, and if a home is found system.

And for smokers, radon can compound their risk.

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