



Courtesy photo

Michele Knauf was named Agriculture in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher by Texas Farm Bureau. She was presented with the award at the organization's 82nd annual meeting. Pictured to Michele's left are Robert Klement, president of Cooke County Farm Bureau, and his wife Gloria.

## Texas Farm Bureau selects Knauf for teaching award

**Janet Felderhoff**  
News Editor

Of the many teachers nominated by county Farm Bureaus in Texas, Michele Knauf had the honor of being selected as Agriculture in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher. She was nominated by Cooke County Farm Bureau and accepted the award last weekend in Arlington at Texas Farm Bureau's 82nd annual meeting.

Michele teaches fourth grade at Sacred Heart Catholic School in Muenster. She began her career in education as an aide at Muenster ISD for 1981-82. Then from 1985 to 1993, she was an aide at Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS). She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from

Texas Woman's University in 1994 and became the second grade teacher at SHCS from 1994-2010. In 2010, Michele moved from second to fourth grade. In 2001, Michele obtained LEAD for Alphabetic Phonics Certification and in 2013 received her Spalding Method Certification.

She grew up on a farm in south Texas where her father, uncles, and cousins raised cotton, vegetables, and fruit. She passes her knowledge and appreciation of farming, agriculture, and the people who live that life on to her students.

"It's the hands-on things that excite the kids the most," noted Michele. "It's the learning about life, life on the farm, life in the fields. When you get into the Sci-

ence and even the Social Studies learning about how this place is different from this place and all of that, they get excited."

Some of Michele's favorite projects include planting and maintaining a perennial flower garden, hatching baby chicks in an incubator, dissecting flowers to see the various parts, and examining owl pellets to learn what their meal had been that day.

"We talk a lot about the cotton," said Michele. "Dad grew cotton and my uncles did. So I saw the cotton industry from little on and then the citrus industry." She said they also grew peppers, tomatoes, broccoli, and cabbage. "We didn't grow

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## Got a Tiger by the tail!



Amy Binder photo

The 2016 Muenster Hornet football team made school history last Friday night becoming one of the final four 2A DII teams trying for the State championship. Muenster defeated Tenaha in the Quarterfinal round. Above, seniors Trace Klement (3) and Dalton Bartel (44) bring down a Tiger runner.

## City's leasing rights sought

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News Editor

David Jones attended the Monday, Dec. 7 meeting of the Muenster City Council hoping to procure leasing rights from the City for the water tower. Jones is the owner of West Texas IT which is officed in Muenster. "I'm trying to bring another alternative to internet

service to Muenster and the water tower is a good place to start," noted Jones. "I look to start a wireless service company and then branch out from that. I'm planning on building from Muenster west."

Jones said he would have to get internet from the Lindsay or Gainesville area and beam it in by microwave. He said he's working with an

engineering company out of Kansas on the project.

Alderman Steve Taylor asked if Jones planned to offer other services. Jones said he did, but at this time was only saying internet and voice over IP service which is also telecommunication. He said that he feels Muenster is underserved with only one provider and that he feels it

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Courtesy photos

Above - the Cooke County 4-H float won the Best Theme award at Muenster's Christmas Wonderland Parade Sunday evening.



At left - Cooke County Electric - Best large business; above - Family Medical Center - Best Small Business, and at right - Muenster Antique Mall - Most Creative.

## Muenster streets become A Winter Wonderland

**Janet Felderhoff**  
News Editor

On Sunday evening, Dec. 6, Muenster's Main Street came alive with sparkling lighted floats, antique vehicles, Christmas music, and children waiting for the arrival of Santa. The Muenster Chamber of Commerce held its annual Christmas Parade on Sunday. It was scheduled for the Saturday after Thanksgiving, but was

anceled due to the drenching rains predicted for that day.

According to Chamber Director Lilly Palmer, there were 30 entries in the event.

Lilly remarked, "The Muenster Chamber Of Commerce was so excited about this year's 'A Christmas Winter Wonderland Parade.' For the Parade being on its second year lit up and being rescheduled - what a great turnout we had. I was per-

sonally very impressed by the efforts of our Board of Directors' directions in the line-up and with the pre-parade organization and involvement. It made this evening possible for the businesses to 'shine' with their creative and inspirational floats and their decorated store fronts which were en'light'ing.

"Working with the City, entertainment, and our local businesses make all the

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up with a family garden," she recalled. "Gardening was all around us. We would just go to this uncle's field when this was ready or Dad's field when this was ready. We didn't do any canning because there were things growing all year long down there. We didn't have to worry about that. I had to learn to can when I got up here because even at Christmas time we were picking tomatoes out of Uncle Edward's field full of tomatoes because it doesn't freeze down there."

Beth Bartush wrote in a letter of recommendation to Texas Farm Bureau, "Michele Knauf has a true gift of instilling an interest in agriculture and its importance to our society, into her students. This is observed when you walk into her classroom and are welcomed by the sounds of baby chicks and the excitement of the children as they begin to explain what they have been doing and why these chicks are in school."

A parent, Rep. Drew Springer, wrote, "The children, themselves, were the best recommendations for Mrs. Knauf when they frequently came home sharing details of her efforts in the classroom to relate agriculture to their lives. My wife and I distinctly remember the excitement the kids felt as they were actually encouraged to get their hands dirty while planting seeds and plants in their perennial wildflower garden on the school campus next to the playground for all to enjoy. Mrs. Knauf always had some project or animal in the classroom actively showing animal life cycles. She used these to let the children see, first hand, how the animals were an integral part of our agriculture-based community."

And the children do learn as the late SHCS Principal Ralf Rondon had written in his letter, "Mrs. Knauf's teaching has advanced the curriculum goals of our school and this has been reflected in our standardized testing scores. Mrs. Knauf's students have routinely exhibited the highest rate of growth for our elementary school."

Michele remarks about teaching, "I like learning along with the kids. I like seeing their faces light up when they finally really see what we're talking about or when they get the concept, or when they've discovered something new, too. Then they are hollering for everybody to come see what they found. It's fun. And, it's neat to hear their point of view. They, a lot of times, will think of things that you'd have never thought of and that's pretty cool too. So many different ways of looking at things."

"I'm really very excited about it! I just thought it was a great honor to be picked out of the whole state," remarked Michele on receiving the statewide award. She was told that there were quite a few applicants. As the Agriculture in the Classroom Outstanding Teacher, Michele will get to take an expenses paid trip to the National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference in Arizona next summer. She is thrilled to get the opportunity to meet with other teachers from across the nation and share in what they have been doing in their classrooms.

Also, both Michele and Cooke County Farm Bureau receive \$300 cash.

Michele praised Cooke County Farm Bureau President Robert Klement and his wife Gloria for all the work that they do for the County Farm Bureau and for putting on the Ag Days in the spring for the County 4th graders. She said that Gloria was very helpful in assisting with getting the application prepared for Michele.

Michele's husband Bob ranches in Cooke County. They have two daughters. Tanya who is married to Jody Fleitman and Kristen whose husband is Ross Harris. Their grandchildren are Ali, Hayden, James, and Mitt Fleitman and Landry Harris.

Michele looks forward to learning more interesting things during the workshop in Arizona which she will share with her students.

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would be a benefit to the City to allow competition.

City Administrator Stan Endres asked Jones about his request for exclusive rights to use the tower. Jones said that there would be a lot of money invested in equipment that would be sensitive to interference. He asked for an exclusive for at least two years.

Endres said that they would have to advertise for bids so all interested parties had the opportunity to bid.

Jones stated that it would be beneficial for the City to go with a local company such as the one he proposed rather than one that is not local. With his, the sales tax would stay in Muenster.

With no objections from the Council, Endres said that he will check with the lawyers at TML (Texas Municipal League) and if he is told they must advertise it, prepare the bid proposal and advertise it. The matter will be discussed further in the January meeting.

A mobile home located at 419 Sylvan Lane has fallen into a state of disrepair to the point that the City felt it had become a health hazard to the neighborhood. It has missing doors, broken windows, and a ceiling that is caving in.

Endres explained that the CCAD records show that it is owned by Pam Dittfurth. When contacted by Endres, Dittfurth said that she had sold it to Patricia Seymour. Endres has tried to contact Seymour and the trailer park owners about the mobile home but has gotten no response from either.

Pictures of the trailer were shown to Council members. Endres said it had only gotten this bad in the past year. He asked them to declare the trailer a Hazardous Structure and they did so unanimously. Certified letters will be sent to all concerned parties notifying them of the City's intention to demolish and remove the trailer. Most likely, the City will have to bear the expense of the demolition.

Muenster Volunteer Fire Chief Mitch Creed gave the past month's report. They were called out for three wrecks, two medical calls, and one gas leak for about 40 hours of service. They started an inventory inspection system to help out with grants. He said they were not aware that they were required to have a lot of that information. The new truck is scheduled to be built on Dec. 12.

Plans are being made to start the 2016 hydrant testing. They think that one additional gauge checker will be needed.

Chief Creed said that they have some individual donors who would like them

to get started on the new fire station building. This will require them to get a loan. The land it is to be built on is in the City's name and that will have to be addressed when applying for the loan.

Following the Police Report, Alderman Taylor added, "People are doing more internet shopping which means that there are more UPS and FedEx drop offs. This could be an open invitation to thieves to pick up your gifts. People need to be aware of that." He added that sometimes it is possible to receive an email when the package is delivered so that you can go home and bring them inside.

The Muenster Jaycees plan to fence their one acre property by the ballparks. When they purchased the property, they deeded all but that one acre to the City for the ballparks. They had their property surveyed and found that the lines were not quite designed the way they'd like. They proposed a land swap with the City that would move the Jaycee property line further north and not as far east. It would not change the amount of land to either the City or Jaycees. This request was approved.

Administrator Endres reported that TxDOT engineers have made a decision on the KMB walking trail. Engineer Mike Hallum told Endres that most of the trail will be left in place. A new portion of the trail will be constructed south and west of the current track. They will lower the steep grade to make it ADA approved.

Water levels in three of the City's water wells were measured last month and it was welcome news. With all the rain this year, #4 increased by 15 feet, #5 by 22 feet, and #6 by 35 feet. Prior to this, levels had been dropping yearly.

The City's Code Book has not been updated since August 2007 and there have been 73 ordinances approved since then. Endres asked and received Council approval to get a cost estimate to do an update. Endres will present the estimate at the January meeting.

In other business conducted at the Dec. 7 meeting, the Council:

- Approved renewing the contract between the City and the Friends of the Muenster Public Library. The City provides \$18,000 towards the operation of the Library. Alderman Clifford Sicking, a member of the Library Board, abstained from voting.
- Approved the purchase of new lights and garland for the City's decorative street lights. The total amount of \$1,367.28 was paid from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.
- Proclaimed Dec. 6-12 as Muenster Museum Week. Dec. 8 is the anniversary of the founding of Muenster.
- Approved the payment of bills totaling \$103,956.33.
- Heard Police Report from Police Chief Tom Barr.
- Approved rewarding City employees with a bonus of \$100 each in Muenster Marks. There are 13 employees.

*Nothing is far from God.*  
-St. Monica

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difference in the world. It is so evident Muenster is just a great place to be. We were also so happy to hear suggestions to improve our next year's parade, which is great news for me. That means we're having a parade next year with more volunteers!! We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas."

Grand Marshals for the Parade were Muenster's octogenarians Mary Dyer and Dolores Friske. Dolores' birth date is Oct. 1, 1915. She enjoys making rosaries and loves to dance. She recently danced with her great-grandsons at a wedding. Dolores also like tasting and making wine. She rode in a police car in the Parade.

Mary is now 104 years of age. She was born on Oct. 15, 1910. Mary was raised on a farm in Missouri. She took on the job of post mistress when her husband went into the service for our Country. She was mother to one daughter, grandmother to two, and is now the great-grandmother of four - Eli, Cody, Kyle, and Kevin Dangelmayr. She is a Christian woman who loves the outdoors and traveling. During the Parade, Mary rode in Jason Harrison's blue pickup truck.

Another local dignitary seen in the Parade was Tim Felderhoff, Muenster's mayor. He rode in the police pickup.

Shelley and Tom Carson were Parade MCs. Music played for the Parade was provided by The Entertainer, Dustin Walterscheid. Judges were Kelley Corbett of First State Bank, Donna Allen of Cooke County Appraisal District, and Jason Clark.

Parade winners were Best Religious Sacred Heart Varsity Cheerleaders; Best Theme Cooke County 4-H with more than 1,200 balloons making the float; Best Large Business Cooke County Electric; Best Small Business Family Medical; Most Creative Muenster Antique Mall; Best Performing Team Sacred Heart Junior High Cheerleaders; Best Marching Unit Muenster Cub Scouts; Best Equestrian Unit Forestburg Rodeo Club with Rodeo Queen Peyton Dill and Rodeo Princess

Tara Reed; Best Automotive Larry Schumacher in 1969 Mach Mustang.

Ricky and Ammie Hennigan took honors for Best Decorated House Along the Parade Route. Posh captured the honor of being named Best Decorated Business. Their business was decorated to look like Santa's workshop. That is also where children shared their Christmas wishes with Santa following the Parade and had their photos taken with him.

A boy and a girl from each school had their names drawn for the honor of riding in the Parade with Santa. Names for these Golden Tickets were placed in a drawing every time a child brought a canned good for the Food Pantry to school.

From Muenster Elementary were 2nd graders Will Cox and Anna Kay Hennigan and from Sacred Heart School were third graders Erica Taylor and Anthony Hernandez.

Winners of Muenster Marks included Chad Henschel, Chris Styles, Danny Silmon, Nick Silmon, Barbie Barnhill, Haley Flusche, Fay Hamric, Tammy Miller, and Scott Thomas.

Kountry Korner donated some gift certificates and pizzas. Those winners were Peggy Lutkenhaus, Rhonda Silmon, Brandon Sicking, Nicole Hennigan, and Stephanie Sall.

Parade entries included: Sacred Heart Junior High Cheerleading, SH Varsity Cheerleading, Faye Summer of Gainesville with Buddy riding on skateboard, Karlee Brown Clay County Jr. Queen, 2015 Forestburg Riding Club Rodeo Queen and Princess, Saint Jo Riding Club, Fun Train Ride, Gainesville Rodeo Royalty, Tim Bryant, Muenster Antique Mall, Cub Scout Pack 664 and Boys Scout, Larry Schumacher and car, Rains Family Racing, Hess Motorsports, Lora's Flowers, Nortex Communications, Muenster Junior High Cheerleaders, Muenster Varsity Cheerleaders, Muenster Football Varsity, Muenster Family Medical Clinic, Northside Drive Kids, Cooke County 4-H, Babe's Chicken Dinner, Muenster Kiwanis, Cooke County Electric Co-Op, Muenster Memorial Hospital, VISTO, and VFW Post 6205 Color Guard.

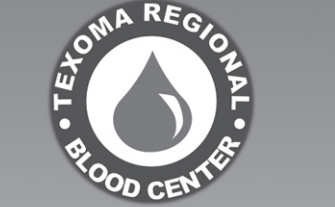
# Reminder

In Lieu of Christmas Cards fundraiser sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary #6205 is due by noon Dec. 14. Send name and monies to Frances Bayer, 136 S FM 373, Muenster, TX 76252.

# Toy drive underway at Wheeler Place

Wheeler Place Senior Living is holding its Annual Toy Drive to benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs of Cooke County. The drive began on Dec. 1 and continues through Dec. 18. Drop off donated toys anytime between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. at 2310 E. Broadway in Gainesville.

For more information, call Vicki Skipworth at (940) 668-8977 or (903)744-5422



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Sunday, December 13, 2015	Monday, December 14, 2015	Tuesday, December 15, 2015	Wednesday, December 16, 2015	Thursday, December 17, 2015	Friday, December 18, 2015	Saturday, December 19, 2015
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm	MMH Aux mtg. 5:30 pm VFW Aux mtg 7pm VFW mtg. 7:30 pm In Lieu of Christmas cards-noon deadline	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm	Library open 10-6:30 NO Religious Ed SH Alumni & Supp. mtg. 7:30 pm	Library open 10-6:30 BLOOD DRIVE 1-7 pm @MISD SHCS Christmas Concert	Muenster Museum open 1-4 SHCS - Noon dismissal	Library open 10-2:30 Museum open 1-4 pm  Muenster Historical Commission Bake Sale @ Fischer's
Sunday, December 20, 2015	Monday, December 21, 2015	Tuesday, December 22, 2015	Wednesday, December 23, 2015	Thursday, December 24, 2015	Friday, December 25, 2015	Saturday, December 26, 2015
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm		Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm	Library open 10-6:30 NO Religious Ed	Library open 10-6:30	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b> Muenster Museum CLOSED	Library CLOSED Museum CLOSED

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# Obituaries

## Earlene Dennington 1951 - 2015

Mass of Christian Burial for Earlene Marie Otto Dennington, 64, was held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville with Rev. Gary Picou officiating. Interment followed at New Rest Haven Cemetery. Visitation was held Dec. 7 at Meador Funeral Home in Gainesville. Earlene died Dec. 4, 2015 at Denton Regional Hospital.

She was born on July 22, 1951 to John Alois Otto and Mathilda Marie Hoenig Otto in Muenster. Earlene married Danny Neil Dennington on Aug. 9, 1969 in Muenster. She loved karaoke and getting her boots and hats on to dance. Earlene was always the life of the party, who never met a stranger. She was a very generous, caring, and loving person; if you knew her, you loved her.

Earlene was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville and the Gainesville VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include sons Deryl Dennington and wife Kelly of Gainesville, Greg Dennington and wife Danna of Lindsay, Christopher Dennington and wife Renea of Sherman, and Jeffrey Dennington and wife Amanda of Gainesville; daughter Denise Dennington of Gainesville; brothers Kenny Otto of Gainesville, Jim Otto of Grand Prairie, Jerry Otto of Era, and Ed Otto of Muenster; sisters Dolly Davis of Grand Prairie, LaVerne Elliott of Lake Tawakani, Marilyn Carlile of Aubrey, and Carla Wilson of Lake Kiowa; 19 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Earlene was preceded in death by her parents; hus-



**Earlene Dennington**

band Danny Dennington; brothers Tom Otto and Tony Otto; and sister Sharon Otto.

Pallbearers were Brian West, Josh West, Jason Stockard, Donovan Clark, Jeremy Devers, Tyler Dennington, Jordan Dennington, and Brandon Dennington.

## Helen Jetzelsberger 1936 - 2015

Mass of Christian Burial for Helen Jetzelsberger, age 79 of Azle was held Thursday, Dec. 3, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Muenster with Fr. Ken Robinson officiating. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Scott Funeral Home of Muenster. Rosary and Vigil were held Wednesday, Dec. 2 at the funeral home. Ms. Jetzelsberger died Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015.

Helen Margaret Jetzelsberger was born Aug. 10, 1936 to George and Hattie Sicking Jetzelsberger in Muenster. Helen loved to sew and crochet. Her last project was making decorations for the nursing home Christmas tree. She did complete the ornaments and they were

placed on the tree on display for the Thanksgiving meal.

She loved her daughters, her grandchildren, and her great-grandchildren and was always making them new items to pass on down to their children. She loved to make new friends and enjoyed the people in the nursing home. She lived life to the fullest and was happy until the end.

Helen is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law Vickie and Buddy Stewart of Lipan, Sandra Jones of Azle, and Elizabeth and Dennis Vineyard of Fort Worth; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; brothers Charles Jetzelsberger of Haltom City and Larry Jetzelsberger of Gainesville.



**Helen Jetzelsberger**

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her brother Thomas "Bud" Jetzelsberger.

Pallbearers were Jobe O'Leary, Marty Vineyard, Eric Vineyard, Buddy Stewart, and Cory Cooper.

## Bonnie Huddleston 1932 - 2015

Services for Bonnie Ruth Landers Herring Huddleston, age 83 of Myra, were held Monday, Dec. 7 at Landmark Missionary Baptist Church with Mark Landers and Eddie Ramsey officiating. Burial was in Perryman Cemetery in Forestburg. Mrs. Huddleston died Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015.

Bonnie was born Jan. 13, 1932 in Wheeler, TX to William Robert and Alma Dixie Galmor Landers. She married Ernest Umberson on Jan. 8, 1951. They had one daughter, Peggie Ann. She married Robert "Bob" Herring Feb. 22, 1964 until his death June 9, 1997. Bonnie married Ronald Huddleston on Feb. 3, 2006.

Bonnie taught Cosmetology for several years in Fort Worth before moving to Saint Jo in 1983 where she worked as a beautician until retiring in 2007. Bonnie was an auctioneer and part-time cattle truck driver with Bob from 1982 - 1984.

A member and clerk at Landmark Missionary Baptist Church, Bonnie was also an Associate Worthy Matron, Worthy Matron, Associate Conductress of Saint Jo Eastern Star #17, Past President of 20th Century Club, and Secretary of Prairie Point Nazarene Church.

Survivors are her husband Ronnie of Myra; children Michele and husband Joe Yosten of Valley View, Sheila Boyd of Florida, Clayton and



**Bonnie Huddleston**

wife Meghan Huddleston of Gainesville, and Wesley Huddleston of Austin; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; siblings William Robert Landers, Jr. of Forestburg, Bobbie McLeland of Sillsbee, TX, and Linda Bell of Saint Jo; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter Peggie Ann Firkins; grandson Jeremy James Howard; brothers LC, JC, Jerry, Terry, and Mickey Landers; and sister Peggie Nell Landers.

Pallbearers were Micheal Mullins, Taylor Westbrook, James Broyles, Clayton Huddleston, Brandon Firkins, Wesley Huddleston, Travis Benson, and Caleb Yosten.

## Nellwyn Hess 1940 - 2015

Services for Nellwyn Mooney Hess, age 75, were held Monday, Dec. 7 at St. Peter's Catholic Church with Fr. Phil Petta and Rev. Mark Loewen officiating. Visitation was held Sunday at George J. Carroll Funeral Home of Gainesville.

Mrs. Hess died Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015.

Nell was born Oct. 22, 1940 in Decatur to H.M. and Mary Jo Hopson Mooney. On Dec. 1, 1979, she married Henry Hess, Jr.

Nell was an elementary teacher for Gainesville ISD at Franklin and Lindsay Elementary schools for many years. She loved teaching

## Shirley Jones 1936 - 2015

Shirley Marlene Jones, age 79 of Gainesville, died Dec. 7, 2015 in Gainesville. She was born to Melvin Edmund and Gladys Florence Rowell Koonce on Oct. 24, 1936 in Thackerville, OK.

She is survived by daughter Melvenia Byerly and husband Bubba of Gainesville; son Michael Jones of Gainesville; son David Jones and wife Susan of Gainesville; daughter Georgianna Pershica and husband Paul of Gainesville; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sisters Margaret Coulter and Tena Lee.

There will be a remembrance fellowship on Sunday, Dec. 13 from 4 - 6 p.m. at the Backstage Cafe in Gainesville.

# DAYS GONE BY.....

## 65 YEARS AGO Dec. 8, 1950

Fire razes 2,500 acres of pasture near Marysville. A blue norther brings snowfall and low temperature of 8. Obituary: Dora Jahn, 87. Wedding: Dorothy Cook and Vernon Waggoner. New Arrivals: Robert to Ray and Dorothy Sicking; a son to Clarence and Honey Erpelding; Terry to W.M. and Alene Terrell; a daughter to Paul and Ann Klein; Kenneth to Henry and Amelia Krebs. Baling wire causes serious eye injury to Paul Arendt, Jr. Relax Theatre advertises *Twilight in Sierra* starring Roy Rogers and Dale Evans.

## 50 YEARS AGO Dec. 10, 1965

Phone service in Leo community restored after 45 years. Obituaries: Fr. Conrad Herda, 80; Frank Needham, 70; Carl Wilson, 43. Rita Trubenbach joins the clerking staff at Fisher's Market. Fanning Grocery Store in Forestburg is damaged by fire. Mrs. Gene Schmitz joins the staff at the Ben Franklin Store for the holiday season. New Arrival: William to the Henry Eskers. State Theatre advertises Walt Disney's *Old Yeller*. Muenster gives, 3,000 pounds in clothing drive.

## 25 YEARS AGO Dec. 7, 1990

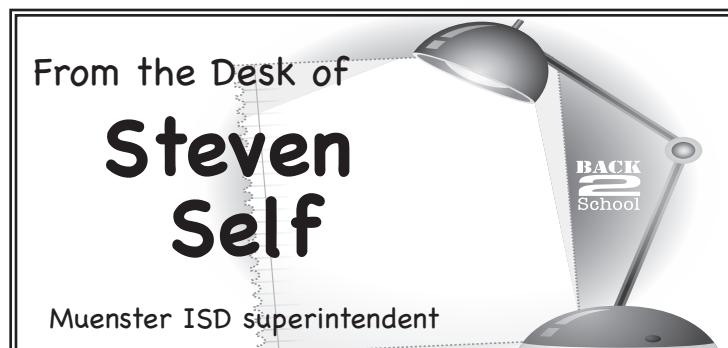
Public opinion says to keep diving board and slide at Muenster pool. Ed and Aileen Cler celebrate 50th anniversary. New Arrival: Joshua to Warren and Shelly Sicking. Rosa Neu feted on 90th birthday. Curtis Kle-

*I've seen and met angels wearing the disguise of ordinary people living ordinary lives.*

~ Tracy Chapman

ment of El Paso is appointed to the Presidential Advisory Cabinet of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants. Pfc John Herr is

stationed in Saudi Arabia. Melanie Chappell, age 16 of Saint Jo, will be a Finalist in the 1991 Miss Texas National Teen-Ager Pageant.



Dec. 1, 2015

It is Tuesday morning, Dec. 1 and I have received a call from a Hubbard ISD School Board member Charlie Pierce. Having received many calls during my career after games, parties, contests, etc., when I first heard him say he was a Board member, I got ready for the "problem," but what followed was somewhat quite unexpected. He began to talk about our football team and the way they conducted themselves on the field Friday, a week ago. He stated that this is what the Hubbard coaches and administration strive for with their student athletes and they were able to observe it first hand with our boys that evening. He kept using the term, humble. He stated that although our boys were winning and fairly handily, it appeared that at every opportunity, they were assisting the Hubbard players in getting up (even if they had been the one to just knock him down). Mr. Pierce believed this to be the ultimate level of sportsmanship and it was apparent in most of our players, but he was especially impressed with #10 Senior, Chase Deeken. He mentioned #10 over and over again and it was clear that this behavior exemplified, "the behavior we ideally want to see all of our young people exhibit."

Of course, this made me very proud of #10 (Chase), his parents and family, his teachers, past and present, and his coaches. I have been very impressed from the first game in which Coach Carney had the opportunity to "pile on" the score and he didn't. I have seen coaches win games 90 to 0 if they had the opportunity by leaving their starters in the entire game and "beating down" their opponent. Coach Carney does not operate that way and he sets a tone which allows the behavior demonstrated by Chase and the other young men to thrive. Winning is great and I would much rather win than lose, but there is a way to win and a way to lose that brings dignity to the game, the fans, and the opposing team. All the adults in this group of young men's lives deserve credit for this phone call that might never have been made. (Mr. Pierce felt a little awkward and thought long and hard before making the call. He was "moved" to do it.) It is so uplifting as the Superintendent of Schools to have this message delivered in such a heartfelt manner. In this Season of Giving, there is no better gift that we can give than that gift of truly caring about our fellow competitor in showing him or her dignity and respect. Thank you boys, coaches, teachers, and community of Muenster for helping to develop character in our kids that is so outstanding, people who are strangers feel compelled to share and talk about it.

## Meyer runs for Precinct #3 Commissioner

Jimmy Meyer announced that he is a candidate for the office of Cooke County Commissioner Precinct #3. He lives at 2143 CR 332 in Era. Meyer was born and raised in Cooke County and has lived in Era for 11 years. He has been married to Carolyn Ford Meyer for 35 years and has three daughters and sons-in-law and seven grandchildren all of whom reside in Era as well.

Meyer said, "I have held a seat on the Valley View City Council and have been on the Board of Trustees for the Valley View ISD. I was on the School Board for nine years while being president of the Board for five of those years. I worked for Peterbilt for over 32 years. I worked as a mechanical and electronic technician for over 20 years. I moved to management and

worked as a manager for 10 years.

"I have the budget and tax rate experience as well as years of management training to be fully qualified for the position of County Commissioner. I am asking for your vote and support for the office of Cooke County Commissioner Precinct #3.

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The family of Erwin Fuhrmann would like to express their sincere thanks to

Father Phil Petta who gave him the anointing many times, presided at the funeral Mass, and gave such a beautiful homily.  
Father Ken Robinson and Father Bruno Fuhrmann for concelebrating Mass.  
Father Nicholas Fuhrmann for the Masses he said for him at Subiaco.  
Dr. Judith Graves and the doctors, nurses, and staff at Muenster Memorial Hospital for their care and medical expertise for Erwin.  
For those friends and relatives who visited him during his illness.

For Diane Growing and Christy Hesse and choir members at St. Peter's.  
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# LIFESTYLE

## Sr. Barbara honored on 100th

The 100th birthday of Sr. Barbara Bernauer was celebrated in a big way at the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement, Graymoor, in Garrison, NY. Sr. Barbara was born in

Muenster on Nov. 10, 1915 to Joe and Katie Bernauer. She joined the Sisters of the Atonement in 1931.

On her birthday, Mass was celebrated in the convent chapel. A beautiful vase of

flowers from her family was placed in the chapel in Sister's honor. Songs sung during Mass included "In the Footprints of Jesus," "How Can I Keep from Singing," "We Have Been Told," "Ave Maria," and "Our Lady of the Atonement."

A special birthday dinner was held in Sr. Barbara's honor. Three cakes in the shape of the numbers 1 - 0 - 0 had pink icing and icing red roses with the words "Happy Birthday Sister Barbara Bernauer."

The following was read at the dinner in her honor:

"A famous poet (E.E. Cummings) once said - 'I thank you God for this most amazing day: for the leaping green spirits of the pine trees and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything which is natural, which is infinite, which is YES!'"

"We gather on this day to celebrate the birthday of Sr. Barbara Bernauer - a woman who has said yes to life for the past 100 years!"

"We thank God for the life of Sister Barbara Bernauer and for the gift she is to our congregation. We ask God to bless her in a very special way in this special year in her life..."

"Happy Birthday, Sister Barbara!"

Sr. Barbara was very pleased with the many birthday greetings she received from her Muenster friends and family.



Sr. Barbara Bernauer



Courtesy photo

North Central Texas Chorale had a very beautiful and successful Messiah concert on Tuesday, Dec. 1. The Chorale acknowledges the many people who helped make this event possible, including Pastor Jerry Jones and Music Director Kevin Beall at Whaley United Methodist Church who worked hard before and during the concert to provide a beautiful concert setting. Daniel Adamson recruited the ensemble from UNT students. Carolyn Hook accompanied on harpsichord and Clint Kelley directed the concert. Soloists were Courtney Kelley, Rebecca Nunez-Stubbs, Tommy DeHorney, and Dr. Jeff Snider. The Chorale gives much credit to the Sacred Heart High School Choir. They worked hard on the music and their performance made the concert a success. It was a delightful start to the Christmas Season.

## Arendts celebrate 45th anniversary



David and Sharon Arendt celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary Saturday, Nov. 21 with a party hosted by their children. David Arendt married Sharon Loerwald at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Lindsay, on Nov. 22, 1970. They are the parents of six children: Jeff Arendt, Susie Metzler, Greg Arendt, Amy Dossett, Tommy Arendt, and Joey Arendt.

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## Meeting Notice

### Gainesville Christian Women's Connection

The Gainesville Christian Women's Connection (GCWC) December Luncheon will be held Thursday, Dec. 17 at 401 W. Garnett, Gainesville. The luncheon will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the cost will be \$12 per person. Lunch will be catered by Lone Oak Ranch and Retreat.

The keynote speaker will be Jan Preston whose speech will be titled "The Memories of Your Life." She is a former Account Manager of Darphin Haute Couture Skin Care from Paris, France and Marketing Coordinator for LaPrairie, Switzerland. She has worked in the cosmetic industry for over 25 years. She is also a writer, international traveler, and speaker.

GCWC is a non-denominational organization affiliated with Stonecroft Ministries open to women of all ages. They welcome everyone. For reservations, call Laura Patterson at (940) 964-2759 or Dorothy Hammer at (940) 768-2270 or email gcwcreervations@yahoo.com by Sunday, Dec. 13.



## Police Notes

from Muenster Chief of Police  
**Tom Barr**

**NOVEMBER Activity**  
Calls for Service (CFS) - 98; Incident/Offense reports generated - 9; Arrests - 0; Accidents Investigated - 3; Citations issued for the month - 25; Officers worked 659 hours on duty.

Patrol vehicles logged 2,951 miles for the month.

90 day stats: August - CFS 89, Incidents 5, Arrests 1, Citations 45. September - CFS 99, Incidents 8, Arrests 1, Citations 22. October - CFS 87, Incidents 5, Arrests 0, Citations 34.

Vehicle Stats - 2014 Ford F150 - 20,565, #2 2011 Crown Vic - 60,561, #3 2010 Crown Vic - 64,862.

As we come into the Christmas season, the Police Department would ask that everyone be aware of some safety concerns. When you are out shopping, keep all packages out of sight in your car. Always lock your vehicle while you are shopping. When walking out of a store, be aware of your surroundings. Keep your keys in your hand and ready to get in your car immediately if someone approaches. This time of year always brings out good and legitimate charities, but it also brings out scam artists. If you are contacted by any unfamiliar organization, take the time to check them out before giving them any money or information.

MPD will be working hard to ensure that everyone has a joyous season. Please don't drive after drinking at a holiday party.

Many people will be going out of town. If you know your neighbor is gone, please call MPD if you see anyone around their house.

As you are putting up Christmas lights, check the wires for breaks or worn spots. Don't overload your circuits with too many lights plugged in at one outlet.

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FLAME photo

FLAME Youth members joined over 200 other young Catholics from the Diocese of Fort Worth in an overnight Lock-In for Life in Arlington. The group participated in various Pro-Life talks, activities, and events throughout the night and into the early hours of the next morning. Many members wrote an essay after the event and received an airfare scholarship to join the Diocese in the pilgrimage to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. FLAME Youth members are, from left, Samantha Palmer, Alana Endres, Gracie Green, Roy Endres, Katie Luttmier, Ashleigh Fisher, Sophia Jones, MacKenzie Mason, Grace White, Brooke Devers, and Abby Walterscheid.

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# SPORTS

## Hornets making history!

The Muenster Hornets were alive and swarming Friday night in their Quarterfinal match-up with the Tenaha Tigers, as the Hornets scored a record-setting victory. This is the first Hornet football team to make it to the Semi-final, Final 4 Playoff Round. The win pushed Muenster to a 13-1 record for the season.

"From the offensive side, they were bigger than us up front. We ran them down and began building momentum halfway through the 2nd quarter," noted Coach Brady Carney.

Team stat comparison gave Muenster a total of 345 yards compared to Tenaha's at 307. The Hornets got in 58 plays averaging 5.9 yards per play, while the Tigers had 66 plays for a 4.7 yard average. The Hornets found success on the ground, pounding into the Tiger defense for 248 yards.

"From a defensive standpoint, we did a few things early that we had to adjust. After that, we played an excellent game," Carney added. "Our biggest positive was our ability to team tackle. Our defensive backs did an excellent job against their passing game."

Carney also noted that Muenster's offensive line did a great job against Tenaha's big defensive line to control the line of scrimmage. The coach credited the kickoff team for their excellent job covering the ball and Trace Klement and Blayne Jones on their punting.

The Tigers took the opening kick, but the drive ended when Chase Deeken intercepted a pass. The Hornets' first drive started with Blayne Jones buried for a 15 yard loss. Muenster punted on 4th and 15.

After Muenster's defense forced Tenaha to punt, the Hornets got a great return from Chase Deeken who hauled the leather 31 yards. A penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct placed the ball at midfield.

Muenster gained only 6 yards and punted. From their 2 yard line, Tenaha started a 14 play drive. With less than 2 minutes remaining in the 1st stanza, the Tigers were on the board with a 33 yard field goal.

Clay Stevens returned Tenaha's kick 29 yards to the Hornet 42. Muenster had a chance to score when a Jones to Parker McGrew pass play got the Hornets down to the Tiger 20 yard line, but the Tenaha defense held, forcing an attempted field goal. Three plays later, Muenster's offense was back on the field after Jones picked off a Tiger pass.

It was four downs and out for the Hornets. After the Tigers failed to hit a 1st down on a series of plays, they were forced to punt from their own 14 yard line.

Runs by Dalton Bartel and Jones, and a Jones to Carson Trubenbach pass took Muenster to the 2 yard line where Trace Klement snuck in to get the Hornets on the board. Bryce Herr got the point after for a 7-3 score with 5:50 on the clock.

A 55 yard run allowed the Tigers to take advantage of the field position, wasting little time ringing up the scoreboard again for a 10-7 score with 4:58 remaining in the 2nd quarter.

Deeken was on the receiving end of the kick and scampered back 42 yards to the Tiger 43. The Hornets followed, putting together a six-play, 43 yard drive, highlighted by a Jones to Herr 42 yard pass play. The drive ended with Bartel crossing the goal line from 2 yards out. The 2 point conversion pass was no good for a Muenster 13-10 lead with 3:11 remaining in the 1st half.

The Tigers got in one good play before punting. The Hornets could do nothing with the ball and punted after three downs as time

ticked away.

Both offenses were silent in the 3rd quarter. Muenster punted their first possession after they couldn't move against the Tiger defense.

The teams exchanged punts before the Tigers put together a long drive, but came away with no points after bogging down in Hornet territory.

Under the 2 minute mark, Jones found McGrew with a 20 yard pass. Bartel moved the sticks with a 20 yard run the next play. A 29 yard run by Klement got Muenster inside the Tiger 20. The first score of the 2nd half came 24 seconds into the 4th period when Bartel plowed into paydirt from 4 yards out. Herr added the PAT for a 20-10 score.

Muenster's defense was not finished clipping the Tigers' claws. The next play, Jones intercepted a Tenaha pass and returned it for 6 points. Herr added another point to give Muenster a 27-10 lead with only 32 seconds off the clock.

Tenaha punted, Muenster fumbled, Tenaha punted as minutes ticked away. Muenster then put together a quick drive. A 36 yard run by Jones increased the Hornet lead to 33-10 with 4:52 remaining in the game.

The Tigers scored on their next drive, but Muenster's defense squelched Tenaha's attempted 2-point conversion for a 33-16 score.

An on-side kick was covered by Tenaha, but Muenster's defense wouldn't let the Tigers do anything - in the air or on the ground.

Muenster's offense worked over 2 minutes off the clock before allowing Tenaha to run one last play.

M	0	13	0	20	33
T	3	7	0	6	16

### Team Stats

M		T
13	1st downs	15
47/248	Rushes/yds	35/180
4/11/0	Comp/att/int	11/31/3
97	Passing yds	127
1/1	Fumbles/lost	0/0
6/65	Penalties/yds	8/45
7/36.7	Punts/avg	7/32.9

### Individual Stats

RUSHERS: Dalton Bartel,

17/128; Blayne Jones, 20/76; Trace Klement, 5/34; Parker McGrew, 5/10. RECEIVERS: Parker McGrew, 2/48; Bryce Herr, 1/42; Carson Trubenbach, 1/7. TACKLES: Dalton Bartel, Dalton Hess, Carson Trubenbach, Brennan Binder, Zane Kemp, Sammy Saucer, Chase Deeken, Trace Klement, Parker McGrew, Travis Vogel, and Logan Pagel. TURNOVERS: Interceptions - Trace Klement, Blayne Jones, Chase Deeken.

### Next Action

There will be lots of red and white on the field of green this Friday night as the Muenster Hornets meet up with the Bremond Tigers for the Semi-final State Championship Round of the 2A Div. 2 Playoffs.

"Bremond is a lot like Tenaha. They have lots of speed and are big up front - offensively and defensively," Coach Carney stated. "To be successful, we have to contain their quarterback and offensively we have to continue to run the football well."

The undefeated Region 4 Tigers (14-0) have playoff victories over Kenedy (61-6), Woodsboro (59-20), Falls City (41-14), and Bruni (54-13). District 13 wins were over Bartlet (50-0), Milano (41-7), Burton (47-6), Snook (47-14), Somerville (41-7), and Granger (55-7). Pre-district games included Mart (34-24), Hubbard (53-8), Thorndale (55-0), and Hearne (66-14).

Game time is 7 p.m. at Lumpkins Stadium in Waxahachie.

Rounding out the Final Four with Muenster and Bremond are Seagraves and Albany.

**Directions to the Game**  
Lumpkins Stadium, 1000 N. Hwy. 77, Waxahachie 75165.

From Fort Worth, take Hwy. 287 South towards Corsicana. Exit Hwy. 77. Turn right at signal light onto Hwy. 77 South. Turn left onto Indian Drive. Parking will be on your left and right.

## Hornets win 5 of 6 round ball games

The Muenster Hornet basketball team participated last week in five games in the Jacksboro tournament. After four commanding victories, the Hornets came up short in the championship final, taking 2nd place.

"It was a disappointing loss, considering that we had just beat Electra by 23 two days before," noted Coach Lynn Cook. John Weger and Blake Hoepfner were both named to the All-Tournament Team.

In day one, Muenster took wins over Windthorst and Electra.

The first game was a 63-38 win over the Windthorst Trojans. Three Hornets scored in the double digits. Logan Cook led with 21, Blake Hoepfner 19, and John Weger 11. Mathew Porter added 5, Cal York 3, and 2 each by Billy Felderhoff and Michael Moseley.

Game two was a 63-40 win over the Electra Tigers. Hoepfner, York, Weger, and Cook all hit the double scores with 18, 17, 14, and 11 points respectively. Porter added 3.

Day two started at 8:30 a.m. against the Hornets' host - Jacksboro. Muenster began the day with a 62-19 win. Weger and Hoepfner led the point making with 16 and 14 points. Porter, York, and Cook each added 8, with Moseley and Felderhoff scoring 4 apiece.

The second round Friday saw Muenster defeat Millspaw 61-29. Hoepfner was the game's high scorer with 24 points. Weger added 15, Cook 8, York 6, Moseley 5, and Porter 3.

The championship game was played Saturday afternoon in a rematch against the Electra Tigers. Muenster defeated the Tigers in a day one tournament match 63-40, but could not do a repeat, losing 59-50 for the tournament runner-up.

John Weger was the top scorer for the Hornets with 19 points. Cal York added 14, Blake Hoepfner 10, Logan Cook 4, and Mathew Porter 3.

M	17	13	10	10	50
E	6	23	12	18	59

The Hornets had their first home game of the year, with an outstanding 4th quarter to secure a victory against #23 in 3A Whitewright. "It was a close game throughout, neither team able to get up by more than a bucket or two," noted Coach Cook. "In the 4th, solid defense by Muenster led to some fast break opportunities that the Hornets converted."

Hoepfner led the Hornets on the scoreboard with 22 points. York added 17, Weger 14, Cook 9, and Felderhoff 3.

M	16	13	9	27	65
W	16	15	9	14	54



Amy Binder photo

Hornets Dean Walterscheid (50) and Carson Cheaney (70) clear the way for Dalton Bartel (44) for a good gain against Tenaha's defense.

## SENIOR LEADERSHIP



Amy Binder photo

2016 Muenster Senior class Hornets, from left, front - Sammy Saucer (55), Travis Vogel (51), Chase Deeken (10); back - Dalton Williams (62), Dalton Hess (52), Dalton Bartel (44), Coach Brady Carney, Trace Klement (3), Kyle Klement (33), and Zane Kemp (66).



Laura Pagel photo

Tournament Champions - Muenster Lady Hornets - from left, front - Alaina Kubis, Mady Burnett, Claire Schneider, Natalie Dangelmayr; back - Coach Griffin Fields, Allie Walterscheid, Morgan Eldridge, Bailey Klement, Katie Pagel.

## Lady Hornets bring home Championship trophy

The Muenster Lady Hornets added a second loss to their early record Tuesday night, 7-2.

Action began on Nov. 17 with a 61-20 victory over Springtown. Game two was a win over Dodd City, 70-37. The last November game was a 61-30 win with Ranger.

Dec. 1 saw the Lady Hornets come up 1 point short of a victory, falling to Howe 60-59. Mady Burnett led the scoring with 24 points. Mor-

gan Eldridge added 13 and Bailey Klement 10. Katie Pagel put in 6 points for Muenster, with Claire Schneider 4 and Allie Walterscheid 2.

On Dec. 3-5, the Lady Hornets participated in the Glen Rose Tournament. Muenster won all four games, earning the tournament championship.

Action began with a 32-27 win over Peaster. Klement and Burnett led the scoring with 11 and 10 points. Pagel and Eldridge each added 4, and Alaina Kubis 3.

Round two was a 51-39 win over China Springs. Burnett scored 14 and Eldridge 11 as high point makers. Klement and Walterscheid added 9 apiece, Natalie Dangelmayr 4, Schneider 2, and a free throw point from both Pagel and Kubis.

Saturday's opening game was against Stephenville. Muenster won the low scoring game 33-27. The Lady

Hornets were 19 of 21 from the free throw line. For Muenster, Klement scored 9, Burnett and Eldridge 8 each, and 2 apiece by Pagel, Schneider, Walterscheid, and Dangelmayr.

The tournament's championship final had Muenster against Hamilton. The Lady Hornets pulled out a 41-34 championship victory. All eight Muenster girls put points on the board. Burnett led with 15, Pagel added 7, Klement 6, Schneider 4, Dangelmayr 3, and 2 each by Walterscheid, Eldridge, and Kubis.

Tuesday night, the Lady Hornets had their first home game of the season, hosting Whitewright. The cold shooting match ended in a 32-31 loss for Muenster. Walterscheid, Burnett, and Klement each scored 8 points, with Schneider adding 3, and 2 apiece by Pagel and Eldridge.

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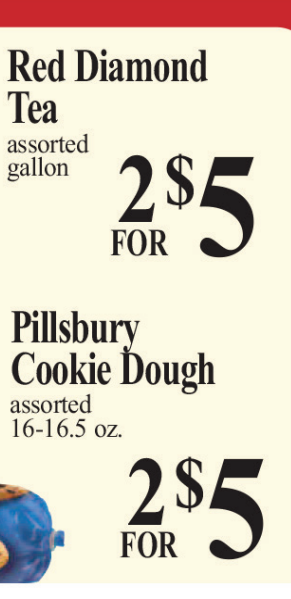
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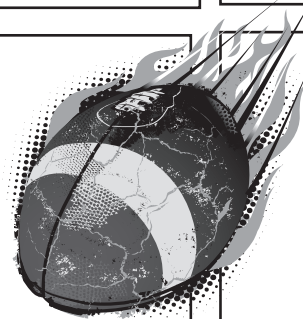
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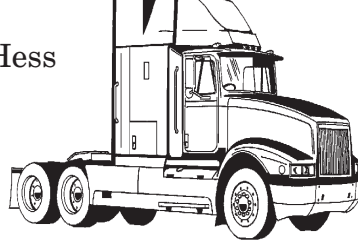
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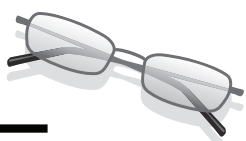


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## Dr. Judd shares tips for keeping pregnant cows healthy

For cattlemen with a spring calving season, this time of year is especially important. Dr. Bob Judd, host of *Texas Vet News* on the Texas Farm Bureau (TFB) *Radio Network*, reports now is the time to evaluate pregnancy check cows and evaluate an entire herd before winter.

it is approved for pregnant cows. Some are not," Dr. Judd said.

In general, it is at least important to vaccinate for infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR), bovine viral diarrhoea (BVD), leptospirosis, and

calving is really a good idea because vaccinating this time of year the cows will have a high titer, which will be transferred to the calves in the colostrum. It helps them fight off disease," Dr. Judd said.



Treating for internal and external parasites is also important this time of year. Cows with fewer parasites eat better, milk better, and produce a healthier calf.

"Make sure especially first-calf heifers and all cows have efficient energy and protein for fetal development and calving," Dr. Judd said.

"The price of cull cows at this point is relatively high," Dr. Judd said. "It is probably not worth keeping any open (non-pregnant) cows through the winter."

If the cow herd was not vaccinated in the spring, now is the time to administer respiratory and reproductive vaccines.

"Either kill vaccines or modified-live vaccines can be used, but if you use a modified live vaccine, make sure

vibrio, but check with your local bovine veterinarian to determine if other vaccines are recommended in your specific area.

"Vaccinating cows prior to

separate heifers from older cows as they may need to be fed differently.

Dr. Judd's full report can be heard here: <http://bit.ly/1Qhtzrg>.

## Highway bill restores crop insurance

By Jessica Domel  
TFB Field Editor

After weeks of uncertainty, a highway bill approved by the U.S. House and Senate is expected to save federal crop insurance from \$3 billion in cuts included in the Bipartisan Budget Act.

An agreement between House and Senate Ag Committee leaders was said to be in the works to restore the funding in an omnibus spending bill, but that agreement came into question soon after the announcement was made.

Agricultural organizations, like the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF), spent days speaking to legislators and discussing the importance of crop insurance for American farmers in an effort to save the program. "They are fulfilling that promise. That was a little bit scary. We've done several hundred Hill meetings and certainly discussions and letters saying this \$3 billion cut would truly cripple the crop insurance program. I think we made a good faith effort and it is a success," Mary Kay Thatcher, senior director of Congressional Relations for AFBF, said in a *Newsline* update.

The president is expected to sign the bill once it reaches his desk, but Thatcher warns more attacks on crop insurance are expected to move

forward.

"I think it's also a reminder to us that this issue is not going to go away. It will be back in 2016 with a vengeance, we already know that from our opposition already saying we've got bills in the works, we see editorials in the papers kind of on a daily basis, so this is not the last time that I will have to defend crop insurance," Thatcher said.

According to *Newsline*, restoring the cuts to crop insurance through the highway funding bill also means a

long-term plan for American transportation.

"In the end, they've come up with a five-year bill, pretty good options in there and we feel very positive. We're certainly supporting the transportation bill in its passage," Thatcher said.

The bill includes over \$300 billion for highway projects over the next five years. The legislation also revives the Export-Import bank.

The bill passed the house in a 359-65 vote, the Senate approved in an 83-16 vote.

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## PETA sued for killing family's chihuahua

It could cost People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) \$9.7 million if a lawsuit in Virginia goes through after a family's pet Chihuahua was picked up by PETA personnel and killed. PETA has admitted two former employees made the "tragic mistake" of euthanizing the Zarates' dog, Maya, in October 2014. Maya wasn't the only animal euthanized by the local PETA shelter in 2014, either. The Norfolk PETA shelter killed 1,536 cats and only adopted 70 that year. Dogs fared slightly better with 788 pooches meeting their maker thanks to PETA and only 237 dogs were able to find new homes. Sounds like PETA better bust out the checkbook and start asking for donations from gullible people with sad puppy advertisements. Dec. 4, 2015

## Go Vegan, Go Crazy

Here's a chicken-or-egg question: Does eating a vegetarian diet lower one's mental health, or were vegetarians crazy to begin with? We always suspected the latter, but new research suggest the former is true. *Women's Health* examined some research and cautions folks to evaluate how eliminating meat from your diet can impact your mental health. The research suggests vegetarians report being less optimistic about their future more often than those who eat meat. (A future without steak or barbeque would make us less optimistic!) The research found vegetarians were 18% more likely to report having depression and 28% more likely to experience panic attacks and anxiety. Dec. 7, 2015

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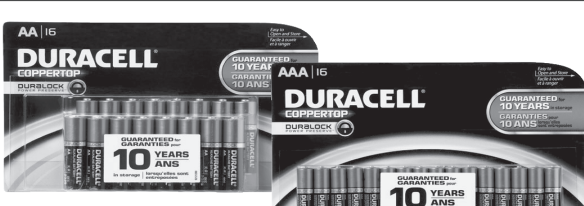
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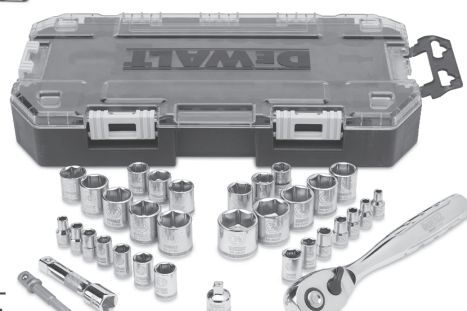
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## Preparing for early show

Pictured at left, Bailey Anderle, Morgan McPherson, and Brooke Smiley, Muenster High School Fashion Design students, have been busy getting their projects ready for entry in the upcoming Cooke County Youth Fair. The annual shows and sale, usually held in early March, will be Jan. 12 - 16, 2016. The viewing of the FCS projects which include Clothing, Food, Art, Photography and Creative Arts will be open to the public at the First State Bank Conference Center again this year on Wednesday, Jan. 13 from 3-6 p.m.

## 2015 Precipitation Records

Cooperative Observer	2015 Precipitation	Previous Record
Athens	71.89"	58.34" in 2007
Bonham	68.60"	65.19" in 1957
Bowie	62.91"	48.75" in 1957
Cleburne	66.29"	55.94" in 2007
Corsicana	72.77" (airport = 70.23")	61.50" in 1957
Decatur	66.88"	53.39" in 1990
Denton	60.42" (airport = 50.59")	57.72" in 1957
Gainesville	79.84" *	56.82" in 1994
Hillsboro	57.58"	54.87" in 1935
Muenster	73.73"	51.80" in 1957
Sherman	68.49"	66.21" in 2009
Stephenville	59.10"	46.27" in 1991

\* breaks all-time record for North Texas (75.65" at Paris in 1957)

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