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POOL TAKES SHAPE

## Hospital Board votes to purchase local pharmacy

**By Janet Felderhoff** Following an executive session, the Muenster Hospital Board of Directors reconvened their regular March 27 Board meeting and voted a unanimous 6-0 to purchase the Muenster Pharmacy.

Asked why the Hospital decided to make the purchase, Administrator Michael Kent replied, "The op-

to guarantee the operation of that the general public is not the Muenster Pharmacy for our patients, our community, ing and I consider myself an and surrounding areas."

During Public Comments, Bob Ambrose remarked, "I think it's just totally insane for the Hospital District to buy a pharmacy. I would Kenny Klement, Vice-Pres-think that the Hospital ident Ronnie Weinzapfel, would have learned someportunity has arisen for the thing by buying Saint Rich-Muenster Hospital District ard's Villa. I'm pretty sure

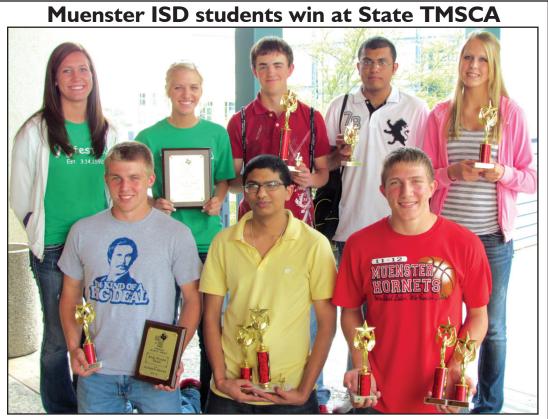
aware that this is happenexpert in this field. I really don't know the reasoning behind this since we weren't privy to that information."

Board members present for the vote were President Secretary John Aytes, James Walterscheid, Jon Reed, and Don Richardson.

### SHCS places in TAPPS State Art competition



Sacred Heart High School students who placed in the TAPPS State Art competition recently were, from left, Madison Dugger who received 6th for Art History, Stephanie Johnson placed 6th in Jewelry Design, Dylan Clure who received 3rd for Applied Design and Honorable Mention for Experimental Photography, Quinn Sicking earned a 4th in Applied Design, and Hannah Cornelison received 6th for Relief. SHCS photo





SWIDMOMOUNG

After experiencing a late start due to rain and mud, work is in full swing on the new Muenster swimming pool in the City Park. Its exciting new shape will allow several requested features including a lap area and spray feature. Janie Hartman photo

## NCTC Regents approve

Muenster High School students participated in the State TMSCA competition. Pictured are, from left, back - Emily Hellman, Andi Hess, Landon Presnall, Rishi Patel, Lauren Rohmer; front - Mason Binder, Jay Patel, and Clayton Hess. Not pictured is Hunter Klement. See story on page 5. **MISD** photo

## \$1.8 million in renovations

The Board of Regents of signing his position on the from the administration in the North Central Texas board. The remaining re-regards to facility issues. Community College District gents thanked Williams for By separate 6-1 votes, they had a long and busy meeting Monday night that included ing renovations and the resignation of one of its members.

Regent Lynn Williams announced that he is re- several

**Perfect Trouble Band wins music award** 

his service on the Board and a special meeting was called the approval of some build- for Friday, March 30 at noon to discuss how the Board wants to proceed in replacing him.

Regents also approved recommendations

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Scotty Thurman and the Perfect Trouble Band

voted to demolish the Mary Josephine Cox 300 building, renovate the south wing of the 100 building and the west wing of the 600 building, and approved PBK Architects to design the renovations of the latter two buildings. Regent David Flusche voted against all three items.

The Board did unanimously agree to transfer reserve funds to pay for the demolition and renovations. The total cost of all the projects will be just over \$1.8 million.

The renovation and repurposing of the buildings was necessary after Cooke County citizens voted down two bond elections in 2011. Regents were quick to point out however that the latest expenditures do not address the issue of inadequate space in health sciences, student services, or agriculture, which were all included in the failed bond issue. All it does for now is relocate college personnel currently officed in the 300 building, which regents decided needed to be torn down due to unsafe conditions.

Regents also heard about a grant in the amount of over \$2 million that NCTC has received to offer training courses in information tech-

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## Cooke County signs property agreement

**By Janet Felderhoff** 

At the request of landowner Kenneth Kaden, Commissioners Court drew up and approved an agreement between Kaden and the County. Although a verbal agreement has been in place and used for many years, Kaden asked that it be made official.

Precinct #3 Commissioner Al Smith explained that the property on Rice Avenue on which the County's radio tower sits has gywires that extend onto Kaden's property. Kaden has granted the County an easement to have gywire structures on that property. In return, the County allows Kaden to a turnaround for his customers at one end of the Coun-

ty's property.

County Judge John Roane noted that there was some work done this weekend on cracks in the terrazzo. More will be done beginning at 5 p.m. this Friday and through the weekend.

Commissioner Leon Kle-ment explained that the outside windows of the Courthouse are currently being painted. "That's not part of the restoration project," he said. "That's just mainte-nance." Some of the windows were beginning to peel. People were inquiring why the windows weren't done during the restoration, but that is exterior work, not interior. Painting of the windows was have additional parking and in this year's budget, said Judge Roane.

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Scotty Thurman & The Perfect Trouble Band accepted an award on March 24 at the 10th Annual Texas Music Awards™ held at the Academy of Texas Music building in Linden. The band was selected as the 2012 Album of the Year award winner for their *Good To See You* album. Pictured below receiving their award are band members, from left, Shawn Scheller, Matt Beaver, Jason Eldred, and Scotty Thurman. Their plaque is pictured at right. Also honored was Dillon Steen, band manager, who was chosen for the Palmwood Award.





### COUNTY

complained that the County built a ditch when putting in CR 117 and now years later, the ditch is almost filled from soil washing into it. He was having problems getting Commissioner Hollowell to clean out an area and they disagreed on the size of culvert that Boston should install on his property.

Judge Roane suggested that they discuss the problems after the meeting.

In other business conducted at the March 26 meeting, Commissioners Court:

• Approved Gainesville Area Visual Arts (GAVA) holding a Sidewalk Chalk Art on the Courthouse Square sidewalks on March 29 from 5-8 p.m.

of Sharon Hess to Place 2 on the Cooke County Child Welfare Board. • Approved Cooke County

Raymond Boston of CR 117 Library closing from April 2-7 for continuing collection inventory. It will open again at 9 a.m. on Monday, April 9.

> • Approved surplus and auction of 2006 Ford Crown Victoria, 2007 Ford Crown Victoria, and 2007 Ford Explorer from Sheriff's Department

• Approved two year renewal bond for Donna Felker, secretary of Adult Probation.

• Approved new jailor bond for Nichole Haralson.

• Approved indigent cremation for Frank G. Hotchkiss, Jr.

• Approved reducing the speed limit on CR 147 north of Hwy. 82 from 55 mph to 35 mph.

• Accepted donations to • Approved appointment the Cooke County Library in the amount of \$10 from William Hardin and of \$20 from Beverly Roehling for research.

#### ✓ .....continued from pg. 1 nology on its Flower Mound campus

Early in the meeting, Regents heard the results of a voter survey conducted to determine why Cooke County voters either supported or opposed the bond proposals put forth by the College in May and November of 2011.

All members were present for Monday's meeting.

### LISD Board opts not to renew several contracts

#### **By Janet Felderhoff**

Following discussion in an executive session that lasted two hours and 35 minutes, the Lindsay Board of Trustees voted on staff contracts. All Board members were present for the March 22 regular meeting.

The Board unanimously approved the non renewal of High School Principal Phillip Hall's contract.

A motion to approve the extension of Élementary Principal Holly Bounds' contract failed by a vote of 4-3. Trustees Vicki Thurman, Tammy Bezner, Lloyd Reiter, and Jim Ott cast the nav votes. A motion was made to non renew the contract extension of Principal Bounds and passed by a vote of 4-3. Jill Fuhrmann, Tommy Haverkamp, and Bruce Bezner voted against non renewing the contract.

A motion to extend the

Counselor Rhonda Scho-

**Results of NCTC survey** .....continued from pg.1 The Board of Regents of the election. Interestingly,

the North Central Texas Community College District did not vote in the bond elecreceived some insight at their regular meeting Monday into how both voters and non-voters viewed two recent bond elections that failed in 2011.

Perception Insight, an opinion research firm based in Austin, recently conducted a survey of 308 Cooke County citizens to determine why voters either supported or opposed the bond proposals put forth by NCTC in 2011. They also wanted to access the individual support levels for the different provisions within the bond proposals and to measure how voters view the necessity for facility improvements and the use of increasing taxes to pay for such improvements.

About two-thirds of those surveyed stated they did vote in the 2011 bond elections, while one-third said they did not vote.

Those who stated they were in favor of the bond said the need for updated facilities was their main reason for voting yes. This answer was the top choice of 47% of ity issues on the Gainesville those who actually voted in campus.

50% of those surveyed who tion also said the need for updated facilities would be their main reason for voting in favor of a bond.

As expected, additional taxes was the top reason given for being against the bond both by voters and nonvoters.

The survey also found that support for the bonds increased with educational levels, with only 40% of those respondents with high school or less favoring the bonds, while 55% of college graduates and 64% of postgraduates supported the bonds. Support for the bonds also increased with household income.

Measuring the support of the individual provisions in the bond revealed that a new student services building had the lowest support level among bond voters and even more so among non-bond voters.

The survey was provided as information for regents as they decide how to proceed in the future to address facil-

Schofield) that were not extended, after the recomcontracts were voted down, the Board then made motion the contracts of Elementary Principal Holly Bounds and Counselor Rhonda Schofield. Thus, at this time their employment with the District ends this school year.

"On the contract of High School Principal Phillip Hall, his contract was through 2012, thus the recommendation was made to non-renew that contract and the Board edged Ag/Science Teacher voted to approve that recommendation.

Director of Support Services DeAnne Page received unanimous Board approval of a one year contract.

Loretta DeBorde's retire-

tracts (Holly Bounds and ment resignation received unanimous Board approval.

During the Public Commendations to extend those ments section of the agenda, Denna Kuhn spoke about Principal Bounds and Coach and seconded to non-renew Bounds. She expressed gratitude for their guidance and leadership to her children who attend Lindsay ISD.

Lindsay Youth Supporters President Janice Williams told of the success experienced by Lindsay FFA and 4-H students competing in the Youth Fair. There were 175 projects entered by Lindsay students. She acknowl-Paul Wolf's part in the success of the students.

DeAnne Page, director of Support Services, reported a gate profit of \$1,076 from required as being counted the basketball season. She as 15% of a student's final presented information to the course grade.

Board in regard to changing over to a July 1 fiscal year. The District presently has a Sept. 1 fiscal year. Page presented a spreadsheet showing the insurance premium increases since 2005.

Glenda Ramsey of Harper Perkins Architects presented updated information on the plans and renderings for the upcoming bond election. She distributed brochures and displayed a visual of the appearance of the proposed buildings in the plan.

A resolution was approved to suspend portions of EIA (LOCAL) for the 2011-12 school year as presented. This concerns Education Code 39.023(c) in which endof-course assessment scores

## DAYS GONE BY .....

#### 65 YEARS AGO March 28, 1947

Muenster's population as of Saturday, March 22 is 841, a 40% increase since 1940. Mrs. Pat Hennigan has tonsillectomy. Obituary: Warren Cannon, 81. Johnny Sicking gets private pilot's license. Marian Starke joins staff at Muenster State Bank, replacing Mrs. Arnold (Imelda) Rohmer who resigned. The Shanty, Muenster's soda and ice cream center, is set to open Saturday announces Mrs. Edith Buckley, owner

#### and operator. **50 YEARS AGO** March 30, 1962

Volleyball tournament sponsored by Sacred Heart Alumni has 27 teams competing. A fall from a tricycle sends 22-month-old Shirley Monday for stitches under her chin. New Arrivals: Howard to David and Eileen Endres; Brenda to Mr. and Mrs. observes 85th. Obituary: Če-Jerry Pels. Nick Block, Lind- cilia Perryman, 58.

say church choir director, Rosemary Hermes, organist, Mrs. Ben Hermes, and Mrs. Tony Hermes attend diocesan music workshop in Fort Worth. Hamric's advertises sale on men's suits for \$25 and dress shirts for \$2.99. Biffle Brothers advertise used combines for sale. Hartman's Shoe Store has 1¢ sale - buy one at regular, get one for 1¢. Leo Henscheid advertises income tax service.

#### 25 YEARS AGO March 27, 1987

Vehicle stolen from Gregg Wilde Chevrolet is recovered in Sherman. Advertisement: Now Open, Office for Individual and Family Counseling, Tony Arterburn, M. Ed., LPC. Queenie Walterscheid and Bernice Mollenkopf go to Dallas Apparel Mart to buy new fashions for The Charm Shop. Victoria Gremminger

#### (Start Time - 6:30 p.m.) CITY COUNCIL AGENDA **MEETING DATE - APRIL 2, 2012**

The following is the Agenda for the regular meeting of the Muenster Čity Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room on Monday, April 2, 2012.

- Call meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Opening prayer.

• Approve minutes of the regular meeting on March 5, 2012.

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

 Consider any other business to come before the Council.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### • N/A **NEW BUSINESS:**

• Cancel May 12, 2012 City Council Elections.

• Approve Chamber of Commerce's request for closing Maple St. during Germanfest.

• Approve Chamber of Commerce's request to sell Alcoholic Beverages in the City Park during Germanfest.

 Consider approving "No parking Area" on South Ash Street.

 Receive monthly update on the Police Department from Chief Blankenship.

 Consider and approve Election Judge and "Early Voting" Dates.

• Approve hiring Pool Manager for upcoming season.

• Receive status report on City Projects and Activities, including street repairs, City auditor, and parking regulations. Take any needed action.

• Review and act on monthly bills. • Adjourn.

Brenda Simpson, City Secretary



Sunday, April 1, 2012	Monday, April 2, 2012	Tuesday, April 3, 2012	Wednesday, April 4, 2012	Thursday, April 5, 2012	Friday, April 6, 2012	Saturday, April 7, 2012
Muenster Museum Open 1-4 pm MISD Band Booster Spaghetti Lunch 11:30-2 pm Bass Tournament continues	City Council mtg. 6:30 pm	SH Food Pantry open 5:30-7:30	Rel. Ed Mass & Tenebrae 7 pm	Library open 10 am - 6:30 pm Muenster Museum open 1-4pm MISD 12:30 dismissal SHCS NO SCHOOL	Muenster Museum CLOSED MISD & SHCS NO SCHOOL AARP Board mtg. GOOD FRIDAY Relay for Life bake Sale <u>2-5pm Fischer's</u> M. Health Rehab, 3pm	Muenster Historical Comm. Easter Bake Sale 8am-? @ Fischer's
Sunday, April 8, 2012	Monday, April 9, 2012	Tuesday, April 10, 2012	Wednesday, April 11, 2012	Thursday, April 12, 2012	Friday, April 13, 2012	Saturday, April 14, 2012
Muenster Museum Closed HACPPY EASTER	SHCS & MISD NO SCHOOL MMH Aux mtg. 5:30pm KMB mtg. 6:45 pm VFW mtg. 8 pm		Library open 1:30 -5:30 pm Kiwanis mtg. noon, Center Reg. Ed class SH Alumni & Supp. mtg. 8 pm MISD Board mtg. 7:30	Muenster Museum open 1-4 pm Library open 10am-6:30 pm M. Historical Comm mtg. 8 am	Muenster Museum open -1-4 AARP member luncheon 11:30	Library open 10:30 - 2:30





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**Obituaries** 

### Elizabeth "Betty" Yosten 1915 - 2012

for Elizabeth Bernadette "Betty" Mages Yosten of Muenster, was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 24 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Muenster with Fr. Ken Robinson as celebrant. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery. Services were directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Muenster.

Betty died at the age of 96 at 6:10 a.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at Muenster Memorial Hospital.

Born Dec. 11, 1915 in Lindsay, Betty was one of the 13 children (seven sons and six daughters) of Frank and Annie Reuschenberg Mages, and raised on a farm near Lindsay. All the children assisted with the farm work. Betty later moved in with and cared for the children of another family. She married Felix Yosten on Sept. 10, 1940 in St. Peter's Catholic Church. They made their home on a farm northwest of Muenster, raising crops mostly to furnish feed for their dairy cattle. Along with being dairy farmers, they raised most of their food in a very elaborate garden.

Betty and Felix were the parents of six children. They sold the farm and moved to Muenster proper in 1947. There they continued producing much of their food in a very large garden located beside their house in Muenster.

Betty was a member of Sacred Heart Parish since 1940. She was also a member of Catholic Daughters, St. Anne's Society, and the Order of St. Francis.

Betty enjoyed sewing, gardening (especially flowers), fishing, baking, dominoes, and several different card games. Her greatest de-

Mass of Christian Burial with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a hard working and loving person, always thinking first of her family.

Survivors include her daughters and sons-in-law Linda Yosten of Cazadero, California, Gloria and Bill Blanchard of Sunnyvale, California, Bernadette and Curt Chadwick of Los Gatos, California, and Monica and Karl Koesler of Muenster; sons and daughters-inlaw Cyril and Angie Yosten, of Greenville and Tom and Joyce Yosten of Denton; and 17 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

by her husband; her parents; sisters Mary Grewing, Annie Fleitman, Dora Berend, Cecilia Berend, and Jane Kindsley; brothers Joe, Frank, Jr., Leo, Al, Carl, Eddie, and Tony Mages.

During the funeral Mass, the First Reading was neral home. given by James Fleitman. Mark Yosten gave the Sec-ond Reading. Prayers of the Faithful were read by James Fleitman. Cy and Angie Yosten brought up the Offertory Gifts. Eucharistic ministers were Deb and Claude Klement, Theresa Walterscheid, Viola Rohmer, and Carolyn Bayer. Altar servers were Willie Fisher, Chuck Bartush, and Alvin Hartman.

Music ministers were Doug Yosten, Diane Grew-ing, Christi Klement, Linda Flusche, and Christy Hesse. Songs included "On Eagle's Wings," "As The Deer Longs," "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman," "Prayer of St. Frances," Songs of the Angels," and "How Great Thou Art."

Bill Blanchard gave the eulogy. He recalled that Betty's long life was characterized by her unshakable Catholic light, perhaps, was playing faith, her love of family and



**Elizabeth Yosten** 

friends, and her commitment to the Muenster community. she was preceded in death she was preceded i and long remembered.

Pallbearers were Michael Yosten, Sam Yosten, Phillip Yosten, Jake McCoy, Josh McCoy, and Nathan Yosten.

Rosary/vigil service led by Fr. Ken was held at 6 p.m., Friday, March 23, at the fu-

Fairview Cemetery.

Gainesville High School and

North Texas State Univer-

sity. After college, he pur-

well recognized and accom-

### **Robert Mosman** 1934 - 2012

Robert H. Mosman was plished golfer.

born Nov. 20, 1934 in Survivors are his sister Gainesville and died March Clara Mae Wiese of Gaines-23, 2012 in Plano. Visitation ville; brother Richard Mosand a brief vigil were held man and wife Dana of Dal-March 27 at Geo. J. Carlas; step-daughters Lauren Ann Cagle and husband Steve, and Carla Gayle roll & Son Funeral Home in Gainesville. Funeral was Smythe and husband Mark; held Wednesday, March 28 at St. Mary's Catholic Church step-son Robert Kyle Moss in Gainesville, with burial in and wife Raquel; five stepgrandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Robert graduated from

Robert was preceded in death by his wife Jane Gayle; father Nicholas and mother sued his career in the real Clara; and brother Nicholas, estate profession. He was a Jr.

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### **Raymond Hesse** 1930 - 2012

Raymond A. Hesse, age 81 of Denison, died Sunday, March 25, 2012 at Hilltop Haven in Gunter. Family visitation and wake service was Tuesday, March 27 at Bratcher Funeral Home in Denison. Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, March 28, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Sherman.

Born April 13, 1930 in Muenster to Joe and Christina Hesse, Raymond married Evelyn Haverkamp on Aug. 16, 1958. They had 53 wonderful years of marriage before he went to be with the Lord.

Raymond served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a quiet and very kind person with a great sense of humor. He enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, and spending time with his family. He was a member of in Sherman. Raymond worked for Johns Manville for 28 years until they dis-

solved the company. Survivors are his wife Evelyn; daughter and son-in-law Donna and Ray Petree of Sadler; son and significant other Darrell Hesse and Ellen Thomas of Denison, son and daughter-in-law Loyd and Becky Hesse of Alexandria,

Louisiana; grandchildren Jennifer Pritchard, Teressa Robinson, Megan Hesse and Ryan Hesse; great-grand-children Emily Hesse and Brecken Robinson; sisters and brothers-in-law Sr. Roberta Hesse of Fort Worth, Chris Sanders of Garland, Caroline and Harry Neu of Sherman, and Jane and Jim Myrick of Lindsay; brother and sister-in-law Bernard and Aggie Hesse of Muen-ster; and sister-in-law Ethel

Hesse of Muenster. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Leo St. Mary's Catholic Church Hesse and Robert Hesse,

> Memorial service for Ben sume the position of district M. Fulton 92, of Myra are conservationist and served set for Saturday March 31 at 2 p.m. in Geo. J. Carroll and ing served with the Soil Con-Son Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Bob Massey officiating. Mr. Fulton died March 28, 2012 in Gainesville.

Born March 22, 1920 in Myra to Issac C. and Mildred Jane Jones Fulton, Ben was a graduate of Texas A&M. He received a BA degree in Agronomy and Agricultural Education in 1947 and his Masters degree in 1951. During World War II, he served in the Marine Corps as a Master Sergeant seeing action in the South Pacific and took part in the invasions of the Solomon Islands, New Georgia, and Bouganville.

He married Janet Scar-bough on March 25, 1948 in



**Raymond Hesse** 

sister Mary Ann Hesse, and brother-in-law Sandy Sanders

Pallbearers were Jeff Myrick, Dale Neu, Neil Hesse, Alan Zimmerer, Bob Luttmer, and Jim Haverkamp.

### **Ben Fulton** 1920 - 2012

there for 20 years after havservation Service (SCS) in Clarksville, Henrietta, and Archer City. Prior to joining the SCS, he taught vocational agriculture for three years in Bonham. Mr. Fulton was employed by MHMR before retiring to ranching. Ben loved to paint, especially landscapes and outdoor scenes.

Ben is survived by son Murray Fulton of Lindsay; daughter and son-in-law Hollie and David Finley of Colleyville; one grandson; and sister Nell Powell of Myra.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife. Memorial contributions

Bonham. Ben then moved may be made to the charity to Quanah in 1967 to as- of your choice.

### **Nellie McDaniel Pritzen** 1917 - 2012

cis McDaniel Pritzen, age of Watauga; son-in-law Cecil 94 of Gainesville, is set for 10 a.m., Friday, March 30 er and sister-in-law Calvin at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Fu- and Vernell Dean of Lake neral Home with burial at Tawakoni; sisters and broth-East Memorial Gardens in er-in-law Marilou Grimmett Texarkana, Arkansas. Visi-tation was held from 7 - 8 p.m. Thursday, March 29, at neth Anthony of Texarkana; the funeral home.

Born Oct. 30, 1917 in Dekalb, Texas to L.L. and great-grandchildren, nieces, Rachael Barnett Dean, Nel- nephews, and cousins. lie died March 26, 2012 in inesville.

Funeral for Nellie Fran- and Gene and Jeri McDaniel Brannon of Arlington; brothnumerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-

She was preceded in death by her parents: husband Survivors are daughters Son McDaniel; husband Pop Pritzen; son James Leonard McDaniel; daughter Joyce Evelyn Brannon; brothers Leroy Dean, Bill Dean, and Byron Orr; sister Sarah Kirkwood; and grandson William Dean.



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and son-in-law Barbara Dean of Grand Prairie, Mary Horneman of Gainesville, and Lula and Jimmy Gonzalez of Dallas; sons and daughters-in-law Leon and Opal McDaniel of Dangerfield,

When restraint and courtesy are added to strength, the latter becomes irresistible. Mohandas Gandhi

The sons and daughters of Elizabeth "Betty" Yosten would like to thank the following individuals and groups for their kindnesses during our mother's illness and after her passing: Muenster Rehabilitation Center for loving care; Muenster Hospital for making her final days comfortable; Fr. Ken Robinson for presiding at Betty's vigil/rosary and funeral; the servers, Eucharistic ministers, and music ministers for making the funeral service both solemn and celebratory; the Catholic Daughters of America for the delicious post-funeral meal; and the many family and friends for cards, flowers, memorial Masses, and memorial donations. You all brought great comfort during this difficult time.

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## LIFESTYLE

### Gehrig named St. Edward Mercy president

Ryan Gehrig has been named president of St. Edward Mercy Health System. He will take over the post April 9, just ahead of the April 30 change from St. Ed-ward Mercy to Mercy Fort Smith. Gehrig replaces Jeff Johnston who was promoted to president of Mercy St. Louis last September.

"We couldn't be happier than to have our new president joining us at such an exciting time in Mercy's history in Fort Smith," said Kim Day, president of Mercy's Arkansas communities and interim president of St. Edward Mercy. "After spending six months on a very deliberate search, it's great to have found a leader that's not only highly qualified but the right fit for this community.'

Gehrig comes to Mercy com Norman Regional Regional from Health System where he served as vice-president of enterprise systems as well as chief administrative officer for Moore Medical Center - one of the health system's hospital facilities. three Gehrig's previous experience includes the position of COO of Wesley Medical Center in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as well as CEO of Bristow Medical Center and COO of Cushing Regional Hospital as part of Hillcrest Healthcare System in Tulsa.

Gehrig holds a Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Science from Texas A&M University and a Master's in Health Care Administration



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**Ryan Gehrig** 

from Trinity University. He Medical Center, critical ac-is also familiar with the Fort cess hospitals in Paris, Wal-Smith area. He followed in his father's footsteps and attended 9th to 12th grades at nearby Subiaco Academy, a across the River Valley. Ef-Catholic boys' college prep fective April 30, St. Edward school. He currently serves Mercy will become Mercy as president of the school's Fort Smith.

Sloan

by family friend Tim King.

with her parents and sib-

Ava, Bruce, and Kimber Yos-

ten, great-grandpa Buddy

Yosten, grandparents Gene

and Linda Yosten and George

and Maurine Erwin, uncles,

aunts, and cousins Tim, Cheri, Brittany, and Chase Erwin, Jeremy, Chelsea, and

Damian Yosten, Josh Yosten

and Llogan Cheaney, Josiah,

**Guests** included siblings

Sasha

lings.

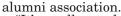
## Sasha has happy birthday

Yosten, Gene Jr., and Benjamin Yosdaughter of Jeff and Valerie ten. Yosten, celebrated her first birthday on March 10 at her home in Gainesville. Her party theme was Pink Mod

Monkey, and guests enjoyed a catered barbecue lunch Sasha also enjoyed her cake and opening gifts. Sasha's actual birthday was March 7 and was celebrated at home

Sasha Yosten





"It's really a pleasure to be moving back to the River Valley," said Gehrig. "I've always admired Mercy's health care ministry. They are both compassionate in their care and innovative in their approach. I'm anxious to get my feet on the ground and get to know the physicians and co-workers as well as become involved in the community."

Gehrig and his wife Kristen have two children - Al-yssa, 6, and Drew, 5. They are expecting a baby girl in mid-March.

St. Edward Mercy Health System employs more than 2,100 people. It includes the 365-bed St. Edward Mercy dron, and Ozark, as well Mercy Clinic with more than 85 providers and 10 locations







### Нарру 100th!

**Thousands of Girl Scouts** packed Six Flags Over Texas on Monday, March 12 to celebrate the Girl Scouts' 100th birthday. Fifteen girls from Muen-ster's Girl Scout Troop 4657 traveled to Six Flags to participate in the cel-ebration. The girls spent the day enjoying the rides and games. At 6 p.m., all former and current Girl Scouts met in the Music Mill Amphitheater for a party of singing, special music performances, and guests. At precisely 7:12, the Girl Scouts across the United States simultaneously renewed their Girl Scout promise. Pictured are, from left, above -Troop 4567 members Traci Corley, Zonya Klement, Victoria Zimmerer, Mackenzie Mason, Becky Klement, Dani Hess. Katherine Klement, Morgan Hennigan, Ќelsey Hennigan, Elizabeth Hennigan, Elizabeth Zimmerer, Angela Hennigan, Natalie Putnam, Brittany Green, Caitlyn Taylor, Megan Rohmer, Charlotte Rondon, and a friend; at left - unknown, Charlotte Rondon, and Caitlyn Taylor; bottom left, back - Katherine Klement, front - Kelsey Hennigan and Traci Corley. **Courtesy photos** 

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TMSCA is under the direc-

tion of Danna Hess. She

coaches the Number Sense

and Mathematics teams.

Nancy Perryman coaches Science, and Carolyn Lut-kenhaus Calculator Applica-

tions. Making the trip to San

As TMSCA winds down,

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tions.

## SCHOOL



Muenster FCCLA students at the Region II Leadership meeting in Abilene are pictured, from left, back - Lauren Rohmer, Jori Magee, Shelby Klement, Brooke Walterscheid, Shelbi Sicking, Kendi Bayer, Adrien Rohmer; front - Mariah Rocha, Rachel Mouring, and Makayla Pumphrey.

### **FCCLA** members prepare for State

Muenster FCCLA chapter was recognized at the Region II Leadership Meeting at Abilene Christian University March 2-3 for the Most Outstanding Project Award. The Service Learning Proj-ect "Warm A Troop's Heart" resulted in the accumulation



U.S. troops.

Three STAR Events teams Children event. Shelby Klement, Jori Magee, and Ma- Nominee. riah Rocha placed 1st with of "Teens with Dreams" in as a timer in STAR Events Chapter Service Project. The and voting delegate for the Life Event Planning team chapter. of Kendi Bayer, Adrien Ro-

of 91 pounds of items sent to play and oral presentation of Day of the Dead."

Brooke Walterscheid precompeted and advanced to sided over the Region II State competition. Rachel Executive Council, House Mouring and Makayla Pum- of Delegates, and the final phrey placed 1st with their General Session as Region II presentation of "Addicted President for 2011-12. In the To Oxygen" in the Focus On House of Delegates, Brooke was voted as State Officer

Lauren Rohmer particitheir scrapbook presentation pated in the two-day meeting

The State Meeting is being hmer, and Shelby Klement held at the Anatole Hilton in placed 5th with their dis- Dallas on April 12-14.

### Lindsay advances to Area in OAP competition March 23, the named Best Actress. Jacob

Friday, Lindsay OAP cast and crew level and several individual acting and tech awards. Stephanie Zwinggi was

PRE-KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Pre-Kindergarten registration for Muenster ISD will be April 2-5, 2012. Registration folders may be picked up at the elementary office. Children must be four years old by September 1, 2012. A copy of the child's immunization records, social security card and birth certificate must be filed with the school secretary, Deborah Sanders, prior to school starting.

Parents who wish to transfer their children into the Muenster Independent School District must complete a transfer request in addition to the registration card. The MISD School Board must approve all transfer requests. For more information about transfer requests call Lou Heers, Principal, at 759-2282, extension 620.

El Registro de Pre-Kindergarten para Muenster ISD sera abril 2-5, 2012. Las carpetas del registro se pueden recoger en la oficina elementaria. Los ninos deben cumplir cuatro ante de septiembre 1, 2012. Una copia de los de la immunization: tarjeta social de seguro y certificado de nacimiento oficial se deben presentar a la secretaria de la escuela, Deborah Sanders, antes de que los estudiantes empiesen la escuela. Los padres que desean tranferir sus ninos en el Muenster Distrito Independiente de Escuela debe completer una peticion de la transferencia ademas de la tarjeta de matricula. El Comite Ejecutivo de la Escuela de MISD debe aprobar todas transferencias solicitadas. Para mas informacion acerca de la transferencia solicitada llame Lou Heers, la Directora en 759-2282, la Extension 620.

Kessler, Jeremiah Hogan,

Area competition will be Friday, April 13 at the Grayson College Cruce Stark Au-ditorium. The shows start at 2 p.m. and will run backto-back. Lindsay will be the third show of the day and could take the stage as early as 3:30.



### **Muenster finishes 4th in State TMSCA**

Muenster High School Overall Sophomore; Jay Patraveled to San Antonio over Spring Break to compete in the Texas Math and Science Coaches' Association (TM-SCA) State competition held at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Nine students had the chance to compete among the top students in the state. Out of 20 Class 1-A schools, Muenster finished 4th overall.

Each student competed with others in their grade level, and the top four from all grade levels made up a team score. Team and individual awards were as follows:

Science Team - 1st, Number Sense Team - 2nd, Math-ematics Team - 5th, Calculator Applications Team - 10th

**Sophomores:** Mason Binder - 3rd Number Sense, Mason 10th mathematics; Clayton Hess - 5th Number Sense, 8th Mathematics, 3rd Scitel - 4th Mathematics, 1st Science, Top Physics 10th Grade.

Juniors: Hunter Klement - 4th Number Sense, and 9th Mathematics; Lauren Rohmer - 3rd Calculator, 7th Mathematics, and 6th Overall Junior.

Seniors: Andi Hess - 8th Number Sense, 13th Math, 7th Science, and 8th Overall Senior; Emily Hellman - 14th Math, 9th Science; Rishi Patel - 15th Number Sense, 6th Mathematics, 11th Science; Landon Presnall - 9th Number Sense, 10th Math, 1st Science, 4th Overall Senior.

Overall Seniors placing 1st through 6th are called the "Top Guns" and awarded scholarship money. Landon was 4th Overall Senior and was awarded an \$800 scholarship!

rship! Antonio were Danna Hess, TMSCA was established and Jeff and Cheryl Presnall ence, and Clayton was 4th in 1981 to help high schools



February "Teachers and Students of the Month" at Muenster ISD were announced. They are pictured with their principals, from left, front - 4th Grader Roger Looyé and 7th Grader Bryce Herr; back - Elementary Principal Lou Heers, 2nd Grade Teacher Lisa Pagel, Šophomore Austin Creswell, High School English Teacher Martha Koesler, and JH/HS Principal Sharon Browning. MISD photo



### presented this year's con-test show "Distracted" at the District contest. Their performance resulted in the the District contest. Their the District contest. The District contest. The District contest contest. The District contest contest contest. The District contest contest contest contest contest. The District contest contes show advancing to the Area ing Tech award.

#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION MISD

Kindergarten registration for MISD will be held on Tuesday, April 3, from 3:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the PreK-2 building.

Parents registering children for the 2012-2013 school year must complete a registration card. A copy of the child's immunization records, social security card and birth certificate must be filed with the school secretary, Deborah Sanders, prior to school starting.

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Muenster Élementary's full day kindergarten, a child centered program, develops pre-academic skills. The kindergarten teachers use a combination of centers, discovery and direct instruction in a language-rich environment to maximize each child's potential. Students discover the fun of learning as they prepare for future academic and social success. The teachers will be on hand at registration to answer questions.

We look forward to seeing you. If you are unable to attend on April 3 please contact the school for a convenient time to register.

#### La MATRICULA del JARDIN DE LA INFANCIA MISD

La matricula del jardin de la infancia kinder para MISD sera martes, el 3 de abril a las 3:45 p.m. hasta las 5:30 p.m. en el PreK-2 edificio elementaria.

Los padres que registran sus ninos para el 2012-2013 ano escolar deben completar una tarjeta de matricula. Una copia de los registros de la immunizatrion: tarjeta social de seguro y certificado de nacimiento oficial se deben presentar a la secretaria de la escuela, Deborah Sanders, antes de que los estudiantes empiesen la escuela.

Los padres que desean tranferir sus ninos en el Muenster Distrito Independiente de Escuela debe completer una peticion de la transferencia ademas de la tarjeta de matricula. El Comite Ejecutivo de la Escuela de MISD debe aprobar todas transferencias solicitadas. Para mas informacion acerca de la transferencia solicitada llame Lou Heers, la Directora en 759-2282, la Extension 620.

El Kinder de Muenster Elementaria es para el dia entero para desarollar las destrezas necesarias para entrar en el primer grado. Las maestras de Kinder usan muchas differentes estragedias para sacar el maximo desarollo del nino. Los ninos desubren el gozo de aprendizaje mientras preparan para su futuro educacional. Las maestras de Kinder estaran dispuestos a contestar cualquiera pregunta.

Esperamos con ansia verlo. Si usted es incapaz de asistir en el 3 de abril avisa por favor llame la escuela para un tiempo conveniente para el registro.

Wed. - Ham, turkey, and cheese sub, lettuce, tomatoes, baked chips, carrots, apples, animal crackers.

Thurs. - Steak fingers, creamed potatoes w/gravy, corn, peaches, wheat hot rolls.

#### Fri. - No school LINDSAY ISD

Mon. - Corn dog, fresh carrots, corn, mixed fruit.

Tues. - Roasted chicken, potatoes, green beans, pineapple. Wed. - Frito chili pie, ranch

style beans, strawberries, chocolate muffin.

Thurs. - Chicken on a bun w/ trimmings, tator tots, ice cream. Fri. - No school.

#### ERA ISD

Mon. - Chicken egg rolls, mixed veggies, Asian rice, fruit.

Tues. - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit. Wed. - Chicken spaghetti, green

beans, bread sticks, fruit.

Thurs. - Hamburgers, cheese, trimmings, chips, fruit, ice cream.

Fri. - No school.

terscheid, Claire Schneider, and Kimber Walterscheid. **MISD** photo



2012-13 Muenster Junior High cheerleading squad, from left, back - Allison Haubold, Macie Pagel, Haiden Shook, Morgan Eldridge, Bailey Klement, Amy Luttmer; front - Lexie Blassingame, Paige Saucer (mascot), Sterling Walterscheid, Alaina Kubis, and Megan Rohmer. **MISD** photo





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### Hornets add two wins to standing

Last week, the Hornet Hennigan, Blake Voth, Cole baseball team took two District victories to better their Styles. standings to 5-0.

On Friday, Muenster hosted the Savoy Cardinals in a 9 hit, 1 error, 12-0 final score. After getting 2 runs in the 1st, the Hornets dominated the game with 8 runs in the 2nd inning.

Scoring for Muenster were Trevor Hess, Steven Flusche, Trevor Cheaney, Garrett Hanes, Clint Sidwell, Austin and Walterscheid.

Walterscheid, and Blayne

Saturday, Muenster faced the 7-3 Ector Eagles. The Hornets got 12 hits including a home run by Clint Sidwell, and had 2 errors. An early 4 point 1st inning fueled Muenster's 7-1 victory.

Making it home were S. Flusche, Hess, Mark Jones, Sidwell, Andy Flusche, Voth,

#### **Hornet Baseball Break Down**

Valley View W 10-0 Mar. 6 Durant L 3-4 Collinsville W 4-1 13W 10-0 Lindsay 14 Wolfe Čity L 5-7 Wolfe City W 7-2 1617Wolfe City W 5-3 1723Savoy W 12-0 24 Ector W Overall 13-4-0 District 5-0-0

The week of March 18, Max-Preps named Andy Flusche their Player of the Week.

"Andy had a great Spring Break by going a combined 7-14 at the plate with a home run and 5 RBI," noted the site. Andy helped the Hornets in a 4-1 record over the break.

### Sacred **Heart Golf** Tournament

Sacred Heart hosted their 2nd Annual Invitational Golf Tournament Monday at Turtle Hill Golf Course under beautiful, sunny 80° conditions.

Oakridge won both the boys and girls divisions. The boys team total was 340, with the medalist scoring 74. The Oakridge girls won with a 428 score with their medalist posting an 81.

The Sacred Heart Tigers finished in 3rd place, led by Austin Springer's 84 score. AJ Miller hit a 92, Cooper Eddleman 105, Michael Davis 107, and Isaac Barnhill 109.

Also competing were Tigers Brady Endres 105, Darian Peters 124, and James Cochran 125.

The Tigerettes had only three on the course. Devan Henry scored a 105, Eliza-beth Turner 121, and Madi-

son Dugger 129. Sacred Heart will compete in the District Tournament

At right, Paige Herr run-

### **Meals on** Wheels sets golf tournament date

If you would like to help support Cooke County Meals on Wheels and enjoy playing golf, mark your calendar for Sunday, April 22! The Meals on Wheels 7th Annual Golf Tournament will have a 1:30 to 2 p.m. shot gun start at Turtle Hill Golf Course in Muenster. The four person scramble is \$70 per person and includes a hot dog luncheon to be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Also included is a barbecue dinner for the golfer and a guest to be served during awards, at approximately 6 p.m. The first hole-in-one on #11 hole will be awarded \$1,000. Participation is limited to 36 teams.

For more information, call Giles Walterscheid at 940-736-3823 or Merle Curries at 940-665-2006. Send checks to Cooke County Meals on Wheels, Giles Walterscheid, P.O. Box 66, Muenster, TX 76252-0066.

Meals on Wheels is a nutrition program for senior citizens. This past year, 40,240 meals were home delivered and 6,681 dine in meals were served. Monies raised at this tournament help support the mission of Meals on Wheels.

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Cole Walterscheid and Andy Flusche. **MISD** photo

### Flusche, Walterscheid named to All-Region Basketball team

Andy Flusche and Cole Walterscheid were chosen for the 2012 1A Div. 1 All-Region Team for Region 2 in Basketball. Flusche, a junior, averaged 13 points per game and over 9 rebounds per game. Walterscheid, a sophomore, averaged 12 points per game, including 18 points per playoff contest. The Muenster Hornets were able to advance to the Regional Quarterfinals behind the two post players. Both players have been starters for two years.

I am very proud of both of these guys. Andy made huge strides from last year to this year, improving his offense by 5 points per game. He is one of the best rebounders in 1A. Cole picked up where he left off after a great freshman season. His playoff performances this postseason were a huge part of the success we had," said Coach Courtney Christenson. "These two guys are two of the hardest working kids we have in the entire athletic program. And the best part is that they will both be back next year!" concluded the coach.

### **Young Muenster Champions**



The Muenster girls 11 & 12 year old team that played in the Boys & Girls Club of Cooke County Basketball League finished the season with a 13-1 record and placed first in the final tournament. Team members are, from left, back - Sterling Walterscheid, Erin Schniederjan, Natalie Dangelmayr, Alaina Kubis; front - Megan Rohmer, Bailey Anderle, Savannah Hermes, and Jenna Sicking. **Courtesy photo** 

### Walk Across Texas to start April 1

Get ready, Get Set, Let's go is responsible for reporting Walk Across Texas. The eight

Junior High Track Meet



**Photos by Pat Springer** 

Monday at Turtle Hill.

ning a relay at the Ponder Meet last week. Photo courtesy of The Lindsay Letter

### Game Warden Reports Lady Knights pick up District wins

#### High velocity camp prank not so funny after all

Val Verde County Game Wardens Kirk Clendening and Mike Durand responded to a call of shots fired at a hunting vehicle on Oct. 5. When the wardens arrived at the hunting camp, they found a large group of extremely intoxicated hunters. Apparently a hunter who had left the scene before the wardens arrived thought it would be entertaining to shoot at a truck occupied by several people. The wardens took statements and documented the bullet holes from a high-powered rifle that went through the passenger side window and exited the driver side windshield. Luckily, no one was hurt, but the wardens are hoping to file deadly conduct charges against the trigger-happy hunter when he's identified.

#### Warden nabs felon with sawed-off shotgun

On Nov. 4, while patrolling the desert for hunting violations, El Paso County Game Warden Hallie Dacy came across a man armed with an illegal sawed-off 12-gauge shotgun with pistol grip. When asked why he was in possession of a shotgun like sure happy to see one.

this, he said he was out target that the individual had two violent offenses pending, including aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. The warden confiscated the firearm. Felony charges pend-

#### Wardens save two duck hunters

Nov. 5, while returning to the boat ramp after checking duck hunters, Tarrant County Game Warden David Vannoy noticed a large amount of debris in the main body of a lake. As the warden drew closer, he could see the bow of a flat-bottom boat sticking up out of the water. Warden Vannoy rushed to rescue two hunters whose boat sank just five minutes prior to the warden's arrival. The two hunters and a dog were pulled from the water and safely returned to their vehicle. Both hunters were wearing personal flotation devices when the boat suddenly went down, which probably saved their lives. The two were the last hunters out of the hunting area, and no other boats were around due to the high winds. One hunter said this was his first encounter with a game warden and he was

The Lindsay softball team got its first District win last shooting. A check determined Friday over Muenster by a score of 19-0. The Lady Knights pounded out 17 hits and Tara Atkins pitched a no-hitter. All nine Lady Knights scored runs.

Lindsay lost their District opener to Chico earlier.

On Monday, Lindsay hosted the Lady Pirates of Collinsville, taking a 16-0 win. Seven Lady Knights scored in the game, which included 8 hits.

In the Texas Girls Coaches Association softball poll, the Lady Knights dropped down to #24. Other area teams include #10 Blue Ridge, #12 Chico, #14 Perrin, and #21 Windhorst.

### Lady Knight Junior Varsity Update

The JV Lady Knights brought home a 12-8 win over Howe last week, then hosted a tournament, in which Lindsay finished in 2nd place.

Argyle won the tournament by number of runs scored. Each team beat each other, so it went to a scores tie-breakr. Lindsay needed 2 more points to win the tournament.

Tournament final scores included Lindsay 9, Nocona 10, and Lindsay 13, Argyle 9.

In a combined stats for all the games last weekend, Chandler Herr hit a home run and scored 6. Philicia Vogel also had 6 runs. Scoring 3 each were Kailei Klement, Shea Garner, Nicole Popp, Sarah Clark, Sarah Fuhrmann, and Briley Fleitman. Taryn Stringfellow and Stormie Schofield each added a run. Chloie Tackett and Maddie Zimmerer also got on base.

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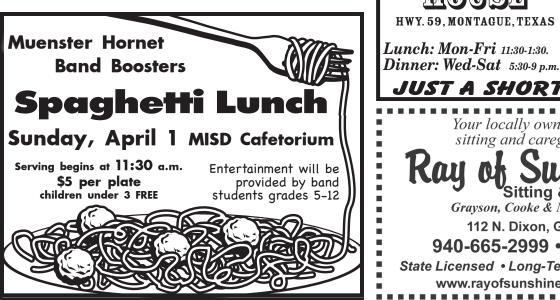
The goal of the program is to walk 830 miles across the state. Of course, participants can also get from Texarkana to El Paso by jogging, swimming, biking, and using cardio equipment. Even dancing and gardening count too.

Here is how it works. Participants form teams of up to eight people and keep track of their physical activity for an eight week period. Each team will have a team captain who

e team's activit The goal is to collectively log at least 830 miles, around two miles per person per day. Solo walkers are welcome to join too.

There is no cost involved to participate. For more information or to register for the program, you can contact Angel Neu, County Extension agent, Family and Consumer Sciences at (940)668-5412 or email adneu@tamu.edu. You can also go to http:// walkacrosstexas.tamu.edu and register there as well. You can also find us on facebook under Walking in Cooke County.





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### **Prescribed fire can help fireproof** land before droughts hit

After the record-breaking 2011 wildfire season in Texas in which more than 30,000 fires burned nearly four million acres and destroyed more than 3,000 homes, viewing prescribed fire as a benefit during drought might sound like an unsound practice.

The use of prescribed fires, however, can lessen the impact of wildfires that occur during drought, according to Roel Lopez, Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources associate director.

Many of the devastating fires were especially dangerous because volatile fuels or underbrush had accumulated in forests and rangelands, he said.

Prescribed fires—the controlled application of fire to the naturally occurring build-up of fuels in a predetermined area—can be used to "fireproof" the landscape, he said.

"Prescribed fire minimizes the amount of fuel in the area that is likely to burn during wildfires," Lopez said. "With

prescribed fire, you can actually control what the end result might be. Frequent use of prescribed fire will result in less intense fires and minimize the devastating effects of wildfires, like the killing of over story trees.<sup>3</sup>

Since the probability of wildfires is higher with drought, the use of prescribe fires when appropriate and convenient can help during droughts, he said.

For areas that didn't burn in 2011, Lopez recommended that landowners can better prepare those areas or fireproof them against wildfires with use of prescribed fires. 'Right now is the time, with all the rain, that prescribed fires could be applied safely and minimize fuel loads into the future," he said.

The institute recently assisted 11 prescribed burn associations throughout Texas form a statewide Prescribed Burn Alliance of Texas. These associations are typically non-profits owned and operated by more than 1,000

private landowners.

"Experience has shown that locally run burn associations are more efficient in accomplishing prescribed burns because they can organize the required labor and support quickly within the often narrow window of desired weather conditions,' Lopez said.

There are rules and regulations concerning prescribed fires and who can conduct them, Lopez said, and people need to be aware of these rules and regulations. The institute is developing informational materials and webbased training for individuals to attain burning certification through an NRCS-funded grant.

"Many private landowners understand the benefits of prescribed fire, but lack the experience or confidence to frequently apply prescribed burns," Lopez said in reference to the need for train-

ing. For more information about prescribed fires, he suggested interested individuals visit the Prescribed Fire Portal at pbatexas.org.



Sold at Friday's sale MARCH 23 there were **750** cattle sold, compared to **1038** the previous sale. Sold at Tuesday's sale MARCH 27 were **139** Goats, **193** Sheep, and **119** Hogs, compared to last week - **75** goats, **122** sheep, and **98** hogs. Calf & yearling market steady be Packer cows 2 higher • Stock cows steady to 40 higher • Numbers lower due to massive amounts of well appreciated rainfall

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L.60; <u>400-500 lbs.</u>: No. L, 1.70-1.90; Nos. 2 & 3, Sows (per lb.) Feeder, 400 or less: .35-.50; Light wt., 400-500: .45-.53; Med. wt., 500-700: -.50-.52 <u>Slaughter</u>: \$105-\$140. Boer Goats (per head) Full Nanny: NT. <u>Full Billy</u>: N/T 40-1.55; <u>500-600 lbs.</u>: No 1.55-1.72; Nos. 2 & 3, Boars: (per lb.) 300 lb. up: N/T 200-300 lbs.: N/T Light wt.: N/T .30-1.40; <u>600-700 lbs.</u>: No. , 1.40-1.50; Nos. 2 & 3, .20-1.35; <u>700-800 lbs.</u>: No. , 1.30-1.40; Nos. 2 & 3, See your at the sale! 10-125 Sheep (per lb.) Slaughter Cattle (per lb.) Feeder lambs: 1.65-1.95 laughter Bulls: Yield rade #1-2, 1,200-2,050 ight lambs: 1.40-1.75 (940) 665 - 4367Fat lambs: lbs., .94-1.11; <u>Slaughter</u> <u>Cows:</u> #1&3, .82-.94; <u>Cut-</u> Ewes (per lb.) <u>Stocker</u>: - N/T <u>Thin</u>: N/T. **1920 Refinery Road** Gainesville, TX ter: .70-.79.

Regulations could raise meat input cost 25%

Paying more for food may not be out of the question for consumers if regulations on the U.S. poultry and livestock sectors increase.

In fact, consumers could pay up to \$16.8 billion more annually for meat, milk, and eggs if regulations are imposed that could raise input costs by 25%.

That's according to Consumer and Food Safety Costs of Off shoring Animal Agriculture, a recent study funded by the soy checkoff.

The study indicates that potential regulations could raise consumer costs. For example, requiring cage- free housing for laying hens would increase the cost of eggs from \$1.68 to \$2.10 per dozen, a total cost of \$2.66 billion per year to U.S. consumers.

Source: Farm Bureau



**Costliest Texas drought** ever—and still not over

All of us here in the Texas Farm Bureau office were guessing at what the new drought damage number released by Texas AgriLife Extension would be. None of us guessed high enough. Recently AgriLife pegged the damage resulting from the epic drought of 2011 at a record shattering \$7.62 billion. Breaking it down—the big losers were the livestock sector, at \$3.23 billion and cotton at \$2.2 billion. However, there was not a crop anywhere in Texas that did not suffer from drought in 2011.

This may be the most damaging drought that any U.S. state has ever endured. The Lone Star State, in some regions, has been blessed with generous amounts of rainfall this winter. On March 22. for the first time in well over a year, parts of North and Central Texas were removed from drought status.

Much of the state, however, is not so fortunate. Little or no rain has been recorded this year according to the USDA Drought Monitor in broad expanses of Texas. Much of West Texas still shows up on the monitor as the ugly dark red of exceptional drought or the slightly lighter red of extreme drought. Much of South Texas, including the Rio Grande Valley, remains in extreme drought.

For these parts of our state, 2012 still looks a lot like 2011: little grass for livestock, selling off herds due to lack of feed, and grim planting prospects.

Those farmers fortunate to receive ample rainfall for the first time in a long time face this planting season with renewed hope. Many realize an efficient federal farm program called crop insurance is the only thing that allowed them to put seed in the ground this spring. This importance of this vital safety net must be conveyed to Washington as lawmakers consider new farm legislation under serious budget constraints.

However, the damage of the drought will linger. Texas

Just a thought I'm retired - I was tired

yesterday and I'm tired

If you can't snort, why

again today.

even laugh?

much higher beef prices. The land will recover if it keeps raining, but it will take many months before it can carry normal numbers of livestock. Most Texas farmers and

cattle numbers are at the

lowest level since the 1950s.

Eventually, that will bring

ranchers will tell you that everything looks better after a rain. Some of them have that feeling now. Others are still in the grip of the worst drought any state has ever faced. Sadly, it's still not since 1997.

### Government payments decline

Government payments paid directly to agricultural producers are expected to total \$10.6 billion in 2011, a 14.4% decrease from the estimate of \$12.4 billion paid out in 2010.

The largest decreases in payments are expected in disaster relief payments and Average Crop Election Program (ACRE) payments.

Whether expressed in nominal dollars or constant dollars, the 2011 forecast of government payments, if realize, will represent the lowest amount paid to producers

Source: Doane's Ag Report

### **County Agent's Report**

#### **Understanding landscape fertilizers**

The three numbers on fertilizer containers are the fertilizer analysis. Common types of fertilizers may be 13-13-13 or 10-20-10; there are many more. They indicate the percent of nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium in the fertilizer, respectively.

These figures are always listed in the same order. So, a 100-pound bag of 10-20-10 fertilizer contains 10 pounds of nitrogen, 20 pounds of phosphorus, and 10 pounds of potassium. This equals a total of 40 pounds of nutrients. The rest of the fertilizer, or 60 pounds in this example, is a carrier or filler such as sand, perlite, or rice hulls. A complete fertilizer is one that includes all three elements.

All parts of a plant need nitrogen for growth-the roots leaves, stems, flowers, and fruits. Nitrogen gives plants their green color and is needed to form protein. A lack of nitrogen causes the lower leaves to turn yellow and the whole plant to turn pale green. On the other hand, too much nitrogen kills plants.

Phosphorus is essential for plant reproduction. Phosphorus deficiency causes stunted growth and poor flowering and fruiting.

Plants need potassium for many of the chemical processes that allow them to live and grow. A potassium shortage shows up in various ways, but stunted growth and yellowish lower leaves are common symptoms in many plants.

Soils with pH levels below 5.7 need lime. Lime adds calcium to the soil and makes it less acidic, raising pH to an acceptable level. Usually, addition of lime must be done by itself, as lime is not part of most commercial fertilizer blends.

When you buy fertilizer, consider the cost per pound of the nutrient(s). Generally, higher analysis fertilizers and larger containers are less expensive. For example, a 50-pound bag of 10-20-10 may not cost any more than a 50-pound bag of 5-10-5 fertilizer, but the 10-20-10 bag contains twice the nutrients.

Do not use lawn fertilizers on gardens. They contain too much nitrogen, and many have chemicals for lawn weed control that can injure or kill vegetables. Similarly, fertilizers designed for vegetable production have too much phosphorous. This can lead to excessive runoff of this nutrient into streams and lakes, which causes algal blooms.

Whatever you are growing, the only way to be sure that ou are applying the correct amount of nutrients is to use the results from a soil test. A soil test will clearly indicate the level of nutrients in the soil and recommend the amount of each nutrient to add. Gardeners should have their soil tested about every two years. This is especially important for beginning gardeners who are unfamiliar with growing plants.

#### **Dates to remember**

April 10 - Marketing Club Meeting, Gainesville Farm Bureau Building, 7 p.m.

April 27 – Regional, "Basic Ag" Field Day and Expo; Myers Park (McKinney).

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### The power of human connections **Krahl wins CCECA Youth Tour Contest**

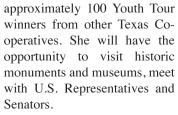
Lucinda Krahl, a Lindsay High School Senior, has won an all-expense paid week long trip to Washington, DC, by entering the Cooke County Electric Cooperative's Government-in-Action Youth Tour Contest.

Lucinda is the daughter of Damian and Lucy Krahl of Gainesville. She will go to Washington on June 14-22, 2012 with

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Lucinda will join hundreds of young people from across the country to meet and mingle with students from many states on Rural Electric Day.

This is the 22nd year Cooke County Electric Cooperative Association has sponsored the Youth Tour Contest.

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juniors and seniors from local area schools that live in homes served by Cooke County Elec-This contest is open to all tric Cooperative Association.

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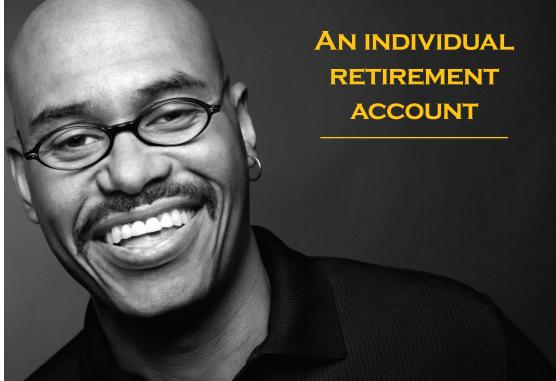
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It just makes sense.



Sacred Heart Catholic School students interested in Robotics gave up a portion of their Spring Break time to benefit from CAD classes taught by Darell Walterscheid. Pictured are, top photo - Darell Walterscheid standing, from left, Aaron Davis, James Proctor, Juan Orocio, Michael Weinzapfel, and James Corcoran; below left - Mike Davis; below right - Anthony Bayer. **SHCS photos** 



Muenster FCCLA students who were named Class Champions for the Youth Fair, Grand in Art or Reserve in Clothing, included, from left, front - Adrien Rohmer, Hannah Bayer, Kendi Bayer, Kristen Reiter, Jori Magee; back - Amber Walterscheid, Demi Koelzer, Erin Hess, Payton Sanders, and Lauren Rohmer. **MISD** photo



**Elementary** Student **Council spreads** Valentine cheer

Muenster Elementary

Student Council visited

the residents of Muenster

Health and Rehabilitation

on Valentine's Day hoping

to make it extra special for

them. There, they made cards and other artwork.

Student Council members got to meet the residents

and hear of their interesting stories of past experiences. The room was decorated with red and pink hearts, other decorations, and smiles which led to a great time. The students enjoyed seeing

goodie bags made for the res-

idents and felt the love that

was shared by all. It was a

delightful day for everybody

By MESC Reporter Alex Batha

involved.

### **CAD** training held for Robotics team

ly the last place one would expect to find students during Spring Break, such was not the case for 15 members of next year's Machina-tors Robotics Club. Monday through Friday, these eager learners could be found intently at work in the Sacred Heart High School computer lab. Their days in the lab afforded the opportunity for Robotics Coach Darell Walterscheid to instruct them in the use of Computer Aided Drafting/Design (CAD).

In the process of designing a robot, CAD is the most efficient way to refine and define the rough ideas emanating from the preliminary brainstorming sessions. Since the Class of 2012 had handled most of the CAD work for the Boosting Engineering, (BEST) Robotics competi-exported to a Computertions for the past couple of Aided Manufacturing/Ma- tion to the 2012 robotics sea-

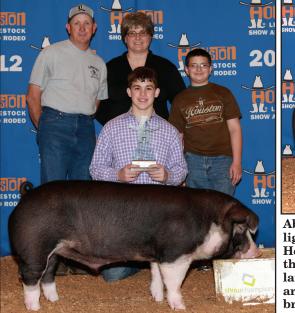
underclassmen to use CAD.

To this end, a five-day, three-hour morning CAD training session was devoted to Three Dimensional (3D) Solids Modeling. At its conclusion, the students were able to take a rough, handdrawn part sketch and transform it into a computer-generated, 3D model that could be quickly viewed, shared, modified, or printed. To underscore the importance of this capability, attendance at the morning CAD class was made a prerequisite for the 2012 Robot Build Team.

The five-day, three-hour afternoon class sessions were spent using a separate 2D drawing program that produced usable Drawing Exchange Format, or DXF, years, the continued success chining, or CAM, program,

Whereas school is normal- of Team Machinators will de- where tool paths were gen-the last place one would pend in part on the ability of erated and an executable Numerical Control (NC) file was produced. These NC files controlled the Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) 3-Axis milling machine as it produced the desired part. In layman's terms, students took a rough sketch and, by means of an automatic milling machine, turned it into an actual machined part, precise in size and shape to one-thousandth of an inch.

The 2011 robotics season saw Team Machinators bring home the First Place trophy for the North Texas (NT) BEST Award, as well as the Second Place Game Award and Most Robust Award from the Texas BEST Regional Robotics Championship. With a new crop of team members proficient in the use of CAD, Team Machinators is looking forward with great anticipason next fall.





Above - Dalton Metzler with his 3rd place lightweight Hampshire barrow in the Houston Livestock Show. At left - Matthew Huston with his class champion Poland China Barrow. Standing, from left, are his parents Tom and Kelly Huston and brother Nathan. **Courtesv photos** 

### Lindsay FFA reports on Houston Livestock Show

Sixteen Lindsay FFA students competed in four dif- cia Hellinger, Travis Whitferent areas of the Houston craft, Campbell Williams, Livestock Show and Rodeo and Claire Williams; recently. They were:

Sheep - Amber Hess, Ali- Alex Harrell;

Breeding - Beef Heifers:



Pigs (market barrows) -Ty Mauldin, Ashton Reyn-olds, Cassidy Clark, Nathan Huston, Matthew Huston, Katelyn Neu, Kyleigh Duke, Stetson Duke, and Dalton Metzler

Tractor Restoration - Benjamin Zimmerer.

There were several from Lindsay FFA who won in their events. Alex Harrell's heifer was Reserve Champion Senior Maine Anjou Heifer. Dalton Metzler took 3rd in his class of lightweight Hampshire barrows, qualifying him for the sale in which his animal sold for \$1,750. Matthew Huston's lightweight Poland China barrow was Champion of his class. Huston sold his animal for \$4,000. Benjamin Zimmerer's 1929 Twin City 21-32 Tractor was named Grand Champion in the trac-

Muenster FCCLA Sweethearts 2012 are Senior members Lana Heers and Landon Presnall shown with a giant chocolate chip cookie made by Muenster FC-CLA Foods students and presented as their shared prize. Members voted for them during National FC-CLA Week Feb. 17. MISD photo

### MISD Honor Roll addition

Lana Heers, a Muenster ISD senior, was on the "A" Honor Roll for the 4th six weeks.

Peace begins with a Mother Teresa smile.





Muenster Elementary Student Council members, from left, Nathan Hacker, Colby Endres, and Major Eldridge share Valentines with Muenster Health and Rehab resident John Knabe. **MISD** photo

tor restoration contest. Ben earned various prizes with a combined value exceeding \$12,000.



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