## Quilts Mean Many Things

by Jean Ann Behney Reporter's note: Because the
Amarillo Little The Amarillo Little Theater's play "Quilters" is coming to Spearman good time to meet some of Hood time County's own quilters and see for myself exactly how this folk art is created. I inter-
viewed the five quilters in this viewed the five quilters in this
story at the Golden Spread Senior story at the Golden Spread Senior
Citizens' Center during their regular Monday afternoon quilting bee. In the following article I also use actual quotations from quilters featured in Quilters:
Women and Domestic Art, the Women and Domestic Art, the
book by Patricia Cooper and Norma Bradley Buford on which No play "Quilters" is based.
"Back when I was a girl, quilts was something that a family had
to have. It takes a whole lot of co have. It takes a whole lot of
cover to keep warm in one of them old open houses on the plains." [p.72]


Scout's Pinewood Derby.

## Pinewood Derby Held

The Boy Scout Pinewood Derby participated in the competition
was held at the County Barn in were presented ribons $\begin{array}{ll}\text { was held at the County Barn in } & \text { were presented ribbons. } \\ \text { Tpearman on Tuesday, March } 6 \text {. } \\ \text { The District Pinewood Derby for } \\ \text { The } 36 \text { entries were weighed end } & \text { the Lone Wolf District will be held }\end{array}$ The 36 entries were weighed and the Lone Wolf District will be held
last minute "tune-ups" were on Saturday, March 24 in taken care of before the cars were $\begin{aligned} & \text { Panhandle. Registration will be } \\ & \text { judged on appearance. The three } \\ & \text { open from } 9 \text { a.m. to } 10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} \text {. All }\end{aligned}$ judges were Larry Trosper, I Im
Brown and Loyall Turner. The five are eligible for this event.
There were many winners in this division were 1st grandparents and scout leaders Landon Miller, 3rd place - Clint Pinewood Derby an exciting event Goodman, 4th place - Evan Cudd
and fifth place - David Parker. After the appearance judging
was completed, the race began. The cars competed four at a time on the professional track
complete with timed lights. The
cars were eliminated one by one until the five finalists were place- - Evan Cudd, 2nd placeCreel, 4th place- Phillip - Creel and The winners in both divisions were presented medals and they
will receive individual trophies at
the Blue and Gold banquet to be the Blue and Gold banquet to be
held later in the year. All boys that

## Airport Board Meets

Runway lights, grass seeding
and a pilots' lounge were all on
the agenda for the agenda for the Monday,
March 5 meeting of the City of Spearman Airport Advisory Board.
$\underset{\text { Jim Murray, city manager, }}{\text { explained to board members that }}$ explained to board members that
heavy dust problems had caused early deterioration in the voltage regulator that controls the runway lights. The regulator which is now being used is on loan from Ray Electric, and in their opinion it replace the regulator than repair it. Murray also stated that the regulator is located inside a t-hangar now, but city staff would around the wogulen building control its environment help Murray told boand members that the Spearman City Council has approved the replacement of the voltage regulator, and they
also voted for the replacement Replacement of the voltace regu. lator will cost $\$ 6,650$ and will be contingent upon approval of the
According to Murray, the FAA
has agreed to pay for grass
seeding at the airport. He told board members that Bobby Ar-
cher has agreed to provide the cher has agreed to provide the
grass of the board's choice, the tractor, drills, driver and guarantee for $\$ 21$ per acre. In addition, Reagan Baker has quoted a price of $\$ 672.50$ to fertilize the newly
constructed 50 acres of grass with constructed 50 acres of grass with
manure. The airport board voted to recommend acceptance of these offers to the city council.
Ralph Blodgett, chairman, trial Foundation has agreed to pay for part of the cost of constructing a pilots' lounge at the airport.
After discussion, the board instructed the city manager pilots' lounge building and sent the estimate to the board at a later date.
Attending the meeting were Chairman Ralph Blodgett; board
members Kerry Henton, Clark Bridges and Mike Schnell; City Manager Jim Murray; and City

Quilting and quilts mean many
things to many people. When
settlers first came to settlers first came to Hansford County, hese thick covers with
the decorative tops and cotton
batti batting sandwiched in between
the top and bottom layers provided warmth to pioneering families during rough Panhandle
winters. These same quilts were winters. These same quilts were
brought to new homesteads and towns in trunks and were as
important an item as the plow that ceme along with them in the
covered wagon. covered wagon. warmth, quilts quickly came to be prized in this place of stark beauty they brought into the simplest dugout home. They also
became a record of family life and became a record of family life and activities for the women (and
sometimes men and children) Quilting is, by definition, "the
action of sewing together layers of
material using the back stitch or
running stitch" running stitch" [Quilting, by
Averil Colby]. There are two main
typion types of quilts: the "pieced" quilt
and the "patchwork" qued" quilt. Pieced quilts, more commonly made in this area th
the other kind made from pieces of material
stitched together stitched together, mosaic-fashion,
to form patterns and borders. Pieced quilts usually have a
geometric design and are put or "pieced" together using scraps of fabric in "blocks," or squares. to form the quilt top. Appliqued
quilts are those in which the top of quilts are those in which the top of
the quilt has stitched forms, again the quilt has stitched forms, ag ain
made of fabric scraps, applied to made of fabric scraps, applied "I remember that patch. That

> was a dress that my grandmother

See Quilt Page 3


## $\square$ The Hansford Plainsman $\stackrel{25}{25}$ <br> Volume 21, No. 19 YOUR HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER Sunday, March 11, 1990

## County Youth Ready For Show

## Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher Spring break was a pleasant
interlude for Ora Lee Blackburn though it has been quite a spell since she was in school. She
acocompanied Zetha and Adrian Blackburn for several days with family members
They first went to Canyon for a
stay with Zetha's daughter stay with Zetha's daughter.
Denise, who is taking some post graduate work at West Texas Dimmitt for They drove on to parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ivy.
From Dimmitt they went to Lubbock for a few days' visit with another daughter. Sara. They watching the Tech and $\mathrm{SN}^{\wedge} \mathrm{U}$ girls basketball game. They were par-
ticularly interested in watching ticularly interested in watching
Christi Kirkland, a member of the Christi Kirk
Tech leam.
Tech team
yon for another stay with Denise and did some shopping in Ama-

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sherlock some visiting done. In Plainvie they visited his parents, the Gayle Sherlocks. as well as her parents.
the Bruce Clines. They went to

## Club News

OTH CENTURY CLUB
The Twentieth Century Club Abstract Office.
Anita Anthony gave a report on
the purchase of the door prize to be donated for the Spring Conven ion. The group will also give
donation for a gift to be given to Lisa Kuhlman, district president,
and a donation toward the purand a donation toward the pur-
chase of "Munchies" for the pring Convention. Ebstracts and work at the Abstract office.
His discussion included a geo graphic index of property and
different kinds of abstracts and different kinds of abstracts and
how they have changed through the years from typewritten to

## Ms. P's Boutique <br> 601 W. 3rd eif? <br> Borger, Texas




J oyce and Harold Frost re-
turned late Wednesday from Olelahoma City. He had undergone ear Hnopital there on Monday. He

The long article in the Sunday Amarillo paper concerning Mike
Holt and Bill Hand and their
industrial venture was extremely industrial venture was extremely
interesting and informative. Cer tainly all the neighbors extend their congratulations, admiration be following the progress of th
endeavor with great interest. endeavor with $\underset{\substack{\text { grat }}}{\text { great }}$ interest.

May and David Gonser were May and David Gonser were
guests of her sister, Mary Schu-
mann, several days this week.
They arrived from Farmington, They, arrived from Farmington
N.M. on Monday. On Tuesday N.M. on Monday. On Tuesday
Mary accompanied them to Alva nisited other relatives. They returned home on Thurs-

## toured the fire-proof room where

the records are kept.
Refreshments were served to
guests Emmett Sanders and
guests Emmett Sanders and
Donna MoCubbin and members Mariorie Curtis, Frances Stump,
Anita Anthony, Karen Babitzke and Dorothy Wooley. 20TH CENTURY CLUB
The Twentieth Century Club met with hostess Dorothy Wooley hursday, Feb. 8 .
President Marjorie Curtis presided over the business meeting.
She announced that the Spring Convention will be held at the Harvey Hotel in Amarillo March 23-24. K aren Babitzke was elected ate. She stated that the pine tree or the city had been purchased and pictures will be taken when it is planted.
She also
She also announced that Steve MoCauley will give a program
tornadoes Thursday, March 8 . Verna Gail Keim gave a book review "Trail of Tears." There
were many questions after the were many questions after the
review, for which she had ready review, for which she had ready
answers. Roll call was answered with a personal Indian tale. Refreshments were prepared by
Myrna Biggers and served by Dorothy Wooley to members Anita Anthony, Karen Babitzke,
Kathleen Sutton, Verna Gail Keim
Kathleen Sutton, Verna Gail K ein


## ELECT JOYCE VANDERBURG

## Hansford County Justice of the Peace

## Democratic Primary

Tammy Kay Nollner became the Tammy Kay Noller beca..ethe
bride of Stephen Charies Batton
Saturday. March 3 at 7 p.m. in the
First United Methodist Church in
Spearman. Parents of the bride
are J eanie Nollner of Spearman
and Sonny Nollner of Spearman. and Sonny Nollner of Spearman.
The groom's parants are Mr. and
W. Batton from Mrs. James W. Batton from Mobeetie, Texas Pre-nuptial music was pre-
sented by Mrs. Robert Meek,
pianist, and Eddie Martin,
organist. Special music selections pianist, and Eddie Martin,
organist. Special music selections
were sung by Misty Savage, were sung by Misty Savage,
Spearman and Ted Miller, Spear-
man. They were "J ust you and I I man. They were ust you and, ,
"The Wedding Prayer." and
"Theme from Ice Castles." "Theme from Ice Castles."
Greeting and registering guests Greeting and registering guests
was Sandi McLeod, cousin of the bride, from Amarillo.
Rev. Todd Dyess performed the Revemony in a uniniquely decoratered
sanctury. Aisle pews were marke sanctury. Aisle pews were marked
with peach bows. The elter was with peach bows. The ater was
decorated with an array of spring
flowers. Spiral candelabra flanked flowers. Spiral candelabra flanked on a table covered with a cro-
cheted cloth made by the bride's
randmother, Mrs. Roy Nollner grandmother, Mrs. Roy Nollner.
Miss Nollner. escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her
father, was attired in a soft white father, was attired in a soft white
matte taffeta dress. A V-neckline
was framed with scallops of was framed with scallops of
embroidered alencon lace. Iri-
descent sequins and seed pearls descent sequins and seed pearls
lightly scattered the wedding
dress. The Basque waist bodio dress. The Basque waist bodice
was heavily beaded with sequins and pearls, puffed sleeves were
draped with pearl strands and scalloped lace. The sleeve tapered
to a point where the caps wer adorned with pearls and alencon

 watch. Something blue was a lacy
new garter. A penny was placed in
her shoe by her father. Matron of honor was Michele
Goodheart of Spearman; maid of honor was Mary Anne Evans from Amarillo; and the bridal attendant
was Jo Lynn Griffin of Spearman, was uiyis dresses were iride-
Atendianis
scent green taffeta. The design scent
included short sleeves, a dropped waistune and large bow at the
waistline. The tea length skirt had a high-low hemline. Ashley Hamilton, niece of the
groom, of Elk City, Okla. was the flower girl. Ring bearers were
Keilie Goodheart from Spearman and J aremy Gudget of Andrews.
Ashley and Keilie wore dresses Ashley and Keilue wore dresses
patterned after the bridal atten-
dants'. Jeremy, nephew of the groom, wore a black tuxedo. Best man for Mr. Batton was
Ross Kelso of Mobeetie; grooms-
men were Billy Pat Underwood, men were Billy Pat Underwood,
cousin of the bride, and Damon
Goodheart, both of Speerman Goodheart, both of Spearman.
Tuxedos for the men were black
with white shirts. The groom wore with white shir
Greeting guests and ushering them to their seats were JJamie
Hamilton, cousin of the bride, of Spearman; and Justin Hurhes and
Cory Cornette, both of Wheeler. Candlelighters were Cody Mcleod
and Mathew Gafford, both cousins of the bride from Spearman.
The mother of the bride The mother of the bride w
outfitted in a teal moire taffe skirt and matching jacket. The
groom's mother wore a blue
chiffon dress. Both mothers were crifmon dress. Both mothers were
given rose corsages.
All guests were invited to a All guests were invited to a
reception in the fellowship hall of
the Church. The bride's table was graced with a whide s cable was that
towered over a flowing fountain. towered over a flowing fountain.
Brass appointments comple-
mented the bride's table. Servers for the bride included Carrie Ann
Guthrie and Jill McLain of Lubbock; Kim Keiber of Amarillo; and
Cheryl Evans of Spearman. For his table, the groom chose a chocolate cake. Decorations for
the table included a large floral the table included a large floral
centerpiece made from all the centerpiece made from all the
bridal attendants' bouquets. $A$
colorful arrangement of frit colorful arrangement of fruit
sticks rounded off the table. sticks rounded off the table.
Servers included Stephanie
Anderson of Amarillo and Kelly Servers of Amarillo and Kelly
Anderson of Amar.
Sabbe of Wheeler. Sabbe of Wheeler.
For a wedding trip to Taos, denim skirt and jacket trimmed in pink, green and purple leather.
After their honeymoon, the couple will return to Spearman.
The bride attended Amarillo College and is presently attending Panhandle State University,
Goodwell. Okla. The attending Panhandle State Uni-
versity with a major in math.

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## Spiritually

## Speaking

 is Suifering the wiil of God?You and I are standing before
the Cross of Christ asking tions, not only about the chross buesquestions that the Cross brings These are not not in our minds. questions, except that two of them have to do with God. They are
questions that humans ask in all walks of life. They can be asked by
those who profess no conventional religious faith.
Do we see a sign of God's love? At one extreme threre is a positive answer that says yes, God did will
the cross and He does will suffering. It was part of his plan for Jesus and it's part of his will for us. God not only wants us to
suffer, He causes us to --perhaps as a punishment for our sins, perhaps as a discipline to refine our characters and make us You and I are surprised how
many people find comfort in that conviction, and they are not being hypocritical or pious. The writer of
the Epistle to the Hebrews says the Epistle to the Hebrews says
that in causing us to suffer, God is treating us as our earthly parents
treated us when we were children. Many people want to believe that suffering is the will of God. That belief explains their suf-
fering, gives it meaning and fering, gives it meaning and
purpose, and keeps alive their
faith in the integrity of the universe.
We need to "STOP BLAMING there is a negative answer that says that God has nothing to do
with suffering and He certainly with suffering and He certainly
did not cause the Cross. That wos did not cause the Cross. That was
the work of sinful men. The ministry of Jesus seems to deny the Divine origin of suffering. As a
servent of God's will He bring every form of suffering under His sovereign control? That is the picture of God that emerges from
the Gospels. Yet, having said that we are still thrown back on our Lord's prayer in Gethsemane.
Beyond any doubt he took the cup Beyond any doubt he took the cup
of suffering from God's hands of suffering from God's hands and
drained it to its bitter dregs because he believed that was the Do we have a meeting place

## Hometown News

Steele of Gruver and Brian Watley
of Spearman are among 39 Pan-
handle State University students and has been on the
National Dean's List.
Watley, agronomy major, is the handle State University students chosen for Who's Who in American College
major, is the wife of Craig Cooper of Gruver and daughter of Duane and Yvonne Pittman of Stratford. She is a member of SEA and has been on the Pre Dean's Honor Rolls Sleele, elementary education of Gruver and the daughter of Watley, agronomy major, is the
son of Glenn Watley of Dalhart and Elsie Watley of Spearman. He is a member of science club and
has been on the Dean's Honor Roll at PSU.
Each year students are nomi-
nated for Who's Who by nated for Who's Who by faculty
and staff at PSU, and a committe and staff at PSU, and a committee
decides on the best students decides on the best students
nominated. The nominees are evaluated on grade point averages, academics and participation

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Spearman choir students competed in UIL Vocal Solo and Ensemble
Contest in Canyon Saturday, Feb. 24. Receiving excellent ratings in Class III Solos were Cinda Turner, Myrna Lopez and Jeri Evans. Receiving superior ratings in Class III Solos were Holly J arvis, Brad utler, Syvia Rosaes, Camis Strawn received Cates, Regina Abston Class II Solos. Receiving superior ratings in Class II Solos were Misty Savage and Rosa Ortiz. Rated as superior in Class I Solos were Michelle Cook and Jessica Woolley. Ross Jarvis received a superior rating in piano solo. An excellent rating was conferred on the Class III Ensemble
competitor, "Abston Ensemble," comprised of Regina Abston, Adrian Quilt From Page 1wore to church. I sat beside he singing hymns and that dress was so pretty to me then. I ${ }^{\text {just }}$,
remember her in that dress." $[\mathrm{p}$. remember her in that dress. Citizens' Center, there is a group of women who gather on Mondays to eat dinner and then spend the afternoon quilting together. On
the afternoon of my visit, the the afternoon of my visit, the
women are taking out the quilt locks of their current project, mult-colored marvel called "The
Fan" after the fan-shaped form in each block.
"It's amazing how many people here in Spearman are involved in as she smooths the blue satin cloth which will become this quilt's border. She and her friends will spend three to four month of Monday afternoons on this intri240 "quilter" hours.

## Prior to this meeting, Anita and

 the others used templates, or plastic cut-outs, of the fan pattern used in the quilt to cut out dozensand dozens of scraps. Quilting patterns can be fround in special books and magazines or designed by the quilter herself. These
shapes were then sewn together by hand, as indeed the entire quilt
is done by hand, although some women use a sewing machine
today. In the case of "The Fan" quilt, fancy stitches are used in
 each fan shape together The quilting group will begin sewing strips of the blue satin border around each block today end then all the blocks will be attached to one another to form
one big top piece. "In a few weeks, we'll lay the backing of the quilt down on ti.a floor and put the filler on top of it and then put the pieced top on top of the filler and aste it on using big stitches
across the quilt,"' explains Anita. At this point, the quilting frame will be brought out and set up to hold the quilt taut while the women take tiny stitches, about
eight or ten to the inch, through eight or ten to the inch, through
all the layers, following the tiny fan pattern shapes. This will cause the fan pattern to be repeated on the very back side of the quilt in a plain outline. According to quilter
Mabel J ameson, "Some quilts are Mabel J ameson, "Some quilts are
just as pretty on the back as on the just as pretty on the back as on the
"In the summer we'd put up the frame on the screened porch... that was the signal for good time
and laughin'." [P.76] As she sorts through quilt blocks, Anita muses, "I've made so many and they're all so pretty. I
didn't ever start a quilt I didn't didn't ever start a quilt I didn't
like. My favorite patterns and colors change over the years.
Right now I like country blue and mauves and yellow." Anita began quilting over 50 years ago be

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Blackburn, Amber Cates, Holly Jarvis, Rosa Ortiz and Sally Puentes. The "Evans Ensemble," comprised of Jeri Evans, K arla Kunselm an, received Lopez, Sylvia Rosales, Sophia Salgado and Suzanne Sanders, "Blan Madrigal" received a superior rating In Elass In Ensemble, "Blan Madrigal" received a superior rating. The Blan Madrigal is made up of Amy Blan, David Boese, Carla Burton, Brad Butler,
Michelle Cook, Sammy Graham, Anna Hutchison, Ross I arvis, Karla Kunselman and Melissa Schumann. Michelle Cook, Jessica Woolley and Ross J arvis will perform their Class I solos at the State UIL Solo and Ensemble competition in Austin in June. The Blan Madrigal will also
compete in this competition. compete in this competition
make something nice for her and I I wanted to create some hing!", she says. Tewel Turner also began quilt-
ing in the late 1920 s . ."These ing in the late 1920s. "These Club because we had to have something to do. It was the Dust Bowl days and quilting was an escape from the dust storms!" ewel lived a few miles west of
Gruver and she and her neighbors met once a week to quilt and eat together. "The men liked us getting together to quilt and they were invited, too, because they couldn't do any farming --all they with a laugh.
Her favorite quilt is an appliqued "memory quilt" called Bow Tie" which was made when one block and "signed" her name to it in stitches. These quilts are also called "friendship quilts." Friendship quilts were given as gifts of welcome as well as
farewell During the Dust Bowl, it was
not unheard of for a quilt to be M. Wee Quilt Page 8


## THE ISSUE FACING THE COUNTY JUDGE

## Higher Costs Versus Less Tax Revenue

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fats in the diet
Recent publicity during the past
two decades has encouraged peotwo decades has encouraged peototal fat and saturated fatty acids The reason for the interest in reduction of these fats has been because diets high in total fat, terol play a major role in the high levels of blood cholesterol found in
millions of Americans. Saturated

## Karen's Kozy Korner

fatty acid is the key dietary factor contrast, dietary cholesterol has a smailler effect on blood cholesterol Many health organizations such as the American Heart Education, National Cholesterol Education Programs, National
Cancer Institute and now recommending a reduction of the total fat content of the American diet, around 40 percent

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 made more seturated by a process
called hydrogenation. carbo
and
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rbohydrates (starch and fiber) -Reduce your weight, if you are
overweight. overweight.
Communicating About Sexuality
Teenagers indicate they want more information from parents
about sexuality. Talking with about sexuality. Talking with
teens about sexuality allows parents to communicate thei
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mation, strengthen the teen' mation, stringthen the teen
skills in resisting peer pressure dispel the twisted viows of sex-
uality depicted in the media, foster healthy attitudes, and en
courage mutual honesty and trust. Retirement Age of Males Retirement
Continues
The average age of retirement
for U.S. male workers has been steadily declining, according t
data from the U S. data from the U.S. Department o
Labor. In 1960, 33 percent of

## WEDDITITBPFORE ADD WECADDOIT AGAII

- REVITALIZE RURAL AMERICA STARTING NOW
- RETAIN FAIR \& EQUITABLE TARGET PRICES ON ALL CROPS
- RETAIN FAIR \& EQUITABLE LOAN RATES ON OUR CROPS
- SECURE PROFITABLE PRICES FOR AGRICULTURE CROPS AND LIVESTOCK
- DEVELOP ADEQUATE NATIONWIDE \& INTERNATIONAL MARKETS
- HAVE A WORKABLE, AFFORDABLE FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE PROGRAM
- LOWER TAXES AND LOWER INTEREST RATES
- KEEP OUR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC WATER RIGHTS

Dick Waterfield was the only West Texas legislator to votefor a bill that would give our underground water rights away to a State Water Commission. This bureaucratic committee would have the authority to tell us how much water to pump, where, when and if we could drill a water well and have the power to levy a tax of $10 \$$ per $\$ 100$ valuation.

- STOP WASTING OUR TAX MONEY ON SALARY INCREASES FOR LEGISLATORS

Dick Waterfield voted to give himself a $300 \%$ increase in his salary. Congress voted to give themselves a $\$ 30,000$ increase in pay. These actions do not reflect the wishes of this district and must be stopped. Represenatives should not be obligated to anyone but the people of this district

WE DID IT BEFORE, AND WE CAN DO IT AGAIN
 seniority will allow Price to immediately start working for this district.

## SEND BOB PRICE TO CONGRESS VOTE MARCH 13 <br> Headquarters; Bob Price for Congress, 2400 Lakeview, Suite Political Adv. Paid for by Beb Price for Congress Committee

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 1990 males 65 and older remained in the workforce: in 1980, the per cent, and by the year 2000 only 10 percent of men 65 and older am expected to be working.
Why People Keep Working
Pleasure and the need for morking, according to the to Department of Labor. In a Gallup stuay for the American Associaof employees between the aqes n 40 and 49 said they worked for the enjoyment, while 84 percent said
they worked for the money. Eight percent of surveyed workers
between the ages of 50 and 62 said between the ages or the pleasure,
they worked for the
while 76 percent said they worked because they needed the monkey.

## A Centerpiece

 1990 is flying by and here weare into March with thoughts of spring on our minds. We know we can very well have plenty of winter
yet, but lawn mowing time will be here before we are ready for it. I was in Wichita Falls this pas weekend and saw plenty of spring
flowers blooming. It was refresh. ing to see mother nature showing her colors.
Our quilting ladies are coming right along on their embroidery work on the pretty quilt, which hey work on each Monday after luncheon at noon. Our Thursdeys are busy with the interesting crafts we are working on for our :30 p.m. There will be March 8 at dish dinner, then progressive 42 and Pitch, and don't forget our and third we have nigh, the first ave snacks and game We want to thank the First State Bank for underwriting our presen-
tation of "The Quilters" to be presented March 24 by the Amarillo Little Theatre and starring andy Boxwell. Don't forget to us and have a very enioyable evening and help the center, as all proceeds will go to help keep us oing. off that was maded a quilt adies here at the center. Tickets will be $\$ 2$ donation for one, or 3 hances for a $\$ 5$ donation. If you the center at 659-3521 659-3866, we'll see that you get nything you need.
Come down, have a cup of
coffee, visit and see some of the things we're doing.

Panhandle Events
Pancake Day - Borger The 32nd annual Kiwanis Pancake Day will be held from 6 a.m. 2 p.m. Saturday, March 10 in Borger Middle School Cafeteria. The menu will include oldbutter, homemade sausage. bacon, coffee and milk.
Tickets are $\$ 3$ per person. Proceeds will be used to benefit a number of community service Kiwanis Club.

## CONCERT-BORGER

The Frank Phillips College yrass Ouintet in concert at $7: 30$ p.m., Monday, March 12, in the PC auditorium. This presentaion is partially supported by on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts and is onsequently free to the pubic. resides in the Midland-Odess area and perform in the MidlandOdessa Symphony. Their repertoi cal composition. Members of the quintet will be available to answe questions concerning their exper ise after the performance.
For more information, contact any of the following Lyceum Committee members; Dr. Roge Brown (chair), Marlin Adams
Judy Hart, Sharon Lane, or Mitz Stevens.

Hansel \& Gretel - Perryton Hansel and Gretel," a one famous Grimm brothers fairy tale will be presented Wednesday March 14 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. in the Perryton High School uditorium. The play will b performed by Penguin Propany.
Admission is $\$ 1.00$ for childre and adults. Proceeds from the play will go to defer the costs of ber of Texas Federated Women's Clubs. Any profit will be used for ars. charitable causes.


Showing the Reserve Champion Lamb at the Feb. 10 Spearman
practice livestock show was Tommi Latta [left]. She received her trophy practice livestock show was Tommi Latta [left]. She received her trophy
from Lani Kay Martin [right].


Receiving honors in the Spearman practice livestock show held Feb. 10 was K acee Sm

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Rack To Small Torn Traditions Passage To Manhood
boys try other more humorous
ways.
experiences my friends and I had
in proving our manhood. There
there was a threat or danger to
overcome. One of our threats was
Mrs. Foster, the fourth grade
Mrs. Foster, the fourth grade
teacher. Mrs. Foster was a well
respected teacher in our town;
however, a "no nonsense" kind of
lady. She was widow in her fifties
lady. She was widow in her fifties
with short, wavy, silvery white
hair. I had a lot of respect for her.
What better person to challenge
What better person to challenge
on the journey to manhood.

## building with four rooms, one in each corner. A hallway ran down

the center of the building, divid-
ing two rooms on one side from
two rooms on the other. When the
building was first built, there were
Later, as plumbing became avail-
Later, as plumbing became avail-
able, restroms for boys and girls
were built on to the rear of the building. The hallway ended at
the back of the building. Since the the back of the building. Since the
bathrooms were added to the
back it was necessary for the boys back, it was necessary for the boys
to go out the back of the buildin via there restroom and girls
through their restroom. The only
way to the play ground was
through the way to the play ground was
through the restrooms. It became the test of manhood
to see if we could run through the girls' side of the restrooms without getting caught by Mrs. Foster.
I remember the first day I tried it. I remember the first day I tried it. The boys had been During that time. I would
weet my nerve up then "chicken get my nerve up then chicken
out." Some of the guys had
already made attempts. A few had already made attempts. A few had
made it but not many. Mrs. Foster made it but not many. Mrs. Foster
was wise to what was going on and Was wise to what was going on and
showed no mercy on those caught. Because of this, attempting the run bestowed even greater laurels on the successful participant. My buddies told exciting stories
of what they saw as they ran of what they saw as they ran
through the restroom. Unknown to me was the fact that there was a
wall that ran along the path that divided the real restroom from the corridor to the outside. The only way one could actually see into the thet anlo
restroom

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## Doty On H

PLAINVIE W.-The fall 1989
Dean's Honor Roll at Wayland Dean's Honor Roll at Wayland
Baptist University includes Baptist University includes
Pamela Doty Whelchel of Spear-
man. Doty, a senior early chilahood
major, posted a perfect 4.00 grade point average (GPA) for the recently-completed term The Dean's Honor Roll is

## ELECT JOYCE VANDERBURG

## Hansford County Justice of the Peace

Democrafic Primary


Brandon Vanderburg received the Steer Stowm anship award
Spearman practice livestock show, held Feb. 10 in Spearman.

## School Tax Base

## Steady In 1989


#### Abstract

school districts stabilized in 1989 after declining in each of the previous three years, according to the State Property Tax Board (SPTB). The agency's preliminary 1989 Property Value Study estimates the taxable value in Texas' 1.053 school districts at $\$ 644.3$ 1,053 school districts at $\$ 644.3$ billion as of January 1, 1989 -- a billion as of January 1,1989 a drop of less than three-tenths of percent from the year-earlier level. lots recovered by 3 percent after a sharp drop in the previous year sharp drop in the previous year. "Industrial and commercial personal property values went up personal property values went up for the second year in a row,." for the second year in a row, Robinson noted. "reflecting the improvement in Texas factory output, exports, and retail sales. Values for industrial real property are up because of firming conditions in this segment of the real estate market, and more new estate market, and more new construction. Also, the recovery of vacant lot values and insignificant


"Our study indicates that the erosion of the statewide school tax base was arrested last year," said I im Robinson, the SPTB's executive director. This occurred mainly because of improving bus-
iness conditions and the gradual iness conditions and the gradual
recovery of Texas real estate recovery of Texas real estate
markets from previous overbuilding.
State law requires the SPTB to
State law regle SPTB to estimate taxable property values
for each school district annually. The Texas Education Agency uses these value estimates among other factors to determine the amount of state aid allocated to school districts for the upcoming
school year. school year
Preliminary study results show that 1989 taxable values rose in
479 school districts and fell in 574 479 school districts and fell in 574
Some property types increased in value in 1989 while others declined further, resulting in a flat trend in total taxable values. Industrial personal property (business equipment and inventories)
registered the biggest jump, up 13 percent. Industrial real property, commercial personal property, and utilities were up 6 to 7 declines in residentiai and commercial real estate values, indicate that the market for residential and commercial property may have bottomed.
At the same time, the study found continuing declines in the
value of oil, gas, and minerals (down 5 percent), and of rural real property (acreage plus farm, ranch improvements, down 4 percent). The drop in mineral property values was roughly the same in
1989 as in 1988. "Even though oil and gas prices were firming in early 1989," Robinson explained, "the size and value of existing reserves shrank further because additions to reserves continued to lag behind production."
The SPTB conducts its annual
study of school district taxable study of school district taxable appraisal levels achieved by appraisal districts. The agency will certify inal results of the 1989 study of May 31, following school and appraisal district ap
the preliminary findings.

> the preliminary findings. For more detailed infor on the study results, contact the on the study results, contact the
SPTB Tax Information Section at percent, while the value of vacant (512) 329-7901.

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Engineering, Inc., \#2 Betty ( 80 ac ) Engineering, Inc., \#2 Betty (80 ac
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SHAPLEY Morrow) Strat Land Exploration Co., \#2 Fletcher (640 ac) Sec. 233,2,GH\&H, PD 7200'.
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## Application to Plug-Back LIPSCOMB (PERRY

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LIPSCOMB (SKUNK CREEK Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., \#1 Schultz ' 716 ', Sec. 716,43 , H\& TC,
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compl $2-12-90$, tested $2-12-90$,
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$\qquad$ en Energy Co., $11-48-\mathrm{T}$ Santa Fe , Sec. 488, 45,H\& TC, elev. 2849 gr ,
spud 11-20-89, drlg. compl 12-9spud 11-20-89, drlg. compl 12-9-

## Tax Appraisals Improved

Statewide property tax ap-
praisal levels improved for the praisal levels improved for the
fourth consecutive year in 1989 , according to a study by the State according to a study by the State
Property Tax Board (SPTB). The agency's preliminary 1989 Property Value Study showed that the
typical property on appraisal rolls typical property on appraisal rolls
statewide was appraised at 97 statewide was appraised at 97
percent of its market value, up percent of its market val
from 96 percent in 1988 .
On the other hand, appraisals
were slightly less uniform in 1989 were slightly less uniform in 1989
than in 1988, the study found. than in 1988, the study found.
That is, similar properties in some categories were more likely to be appraised at different percentages
of their actual market value.
State law requires tax
appraisals to be equal, uniform and at market value, so that all property owners pay their fair
share of texes. share of taxes. The annual SPTB study measures how closely coun-
ty appraisal districts come to ty appraisal districts
meeting these standards.
meeting these standards.
The 1989 study showed that 199 of the state's 253 appraisal districts achieved a median appraisal level between 90 and 100 percent. Appraisals in 33 districts exceeded market value more often
than not, while appraisal levels in than not, while appraisal levels in
another 21 districts fell below 90 percent. 1.00 or 100 percent of market value, is not 'perfect,' '/ said J im
Robinson, the SPTB's exective Robinson, the SPTB's executive director, "since by definition, an
appraisal district with this median appraised half its properties at appraised half its properties at
more than their market value. The
appraisal profession generally considers that a district whose median falls between 0.90 and
1.00 is doing an excellent job--and his range applies to four-fifths of all districts in the state.
"In practice, appraisal districts cannot be expected to achieve perfection," ${ }^{\text {F }}$ Robinson added. 'For one thing, the market itself is imperfect; not all property sales
occur at market value. Also, appraisers working for appraisal districts often do not have accesss all the property information (including sales pricos) that may be available. Nor do they have
sufficient staff to perform lengthy and detailed appraisals on each property.

3229-3234, 6671-6680, TD 6800',
PBTD $67577^{\prime}-$-Dual Completion PBTD 6757'--Dual Completion
HANSFORD (PALO DURO Wolfcamp) Bracken Energy Co., 11-48-C Santa Fe. Sec.
$48,45, \mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{TC}$, elev. 2849 gr, spud $11-20-89$, drlg. compl 12-9-89,
tested
$1-26-90$, MCP, 10ck prisisure 723, pay
$3229-3234,6671-6680^{2}$, PBTD 6757 -- Dual w/\#1-48-T
HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) H \& L Operating Co., \& 22
Unschel. Sec. TTRR elev. 2505 rkb, spud 12-4-89, drlg. compl 12-21-89, tersted $2-7-90$, potential
12500 MCF , rock pressure 1619 , pay 6986-7067, TD 7300', PBTD
ROBERTS (SHREIKEY Granite Wash) J.M. Huber Corp., \#1
 compl 12-22-89, tested $2-15-90$,
potential 1450 MCF , rock pressure 1868, pay 1018-10338, TD
$11200^{\prime}$, PBTD 10880' .- Plug-Back Plugged Wells
CARSON (PANHANDLE) DCW
Production, \#1 S.B. Bumet Production, "1 S.B. Burnett ' $C$ ',
Sec. 117,4, $1 \approx$ GN, plugged 2-6-90, TD 3250' (dis-
posal) -- Form 1 filed in Continental Oil Co. CARSON (PANHANDLE) OXY USA. Inc. \#3D Burnett Ranch 'B',
Sec. $3,5, \&$ GN, spud $4-1-60$, plug sec. $3,5, \& \mathrm{GN}$, spud 4 4-1-60, plug-
ged 2-9.90, TD $3078^{\prime}$ (disposal) -Form 1 filed in Cities Service Oil GRAY (PANHANDLE) Phillips B-2, H\&GN, spud $9-26-63$. plugged 10-25-89, TD 3211' (oil)--
LIPSCOMB (S.W. LIPSCOMB Cleveland) Maxus Exploration Co., \#2-371 George Earl Tubb ' D ', Sec. 371,43,H\&TC, spud 7-17-81,
plugged 2-14-90, TD 8350' (gas)--
Form 1 filed in Diamond Shamrock.
MOORE (PANHANDLE) Sun-ray-Taylor, Inc., Shawna, Sec.
$364,44, \mathrm{H} \& \mathrm{TC}$ (oil)--Form 1 filed in Gordon Taylor for the following wells:
H2, sp 90, TD $3800^{\circ}-$ \#3, spud 10-11-83, plugged 1-18-90, TD $3805^{-}-$,
\#4, spud $2-29-84$, plugged 12 -16-89, TD 3758'-
OCHILTREE OCHILTREE (WILDCAT) Jones nergy, \#1-58 Gramstorff, Sec.
58,10, HT\&B, spud $1-17-90$, plug 58,10, HT\&B, spud 1-17-90, plug-
ged 1-25-90, TD $4300^{\prime}$ (dry)-The Spearman Ex-Students Association is busy planning the all
school reunion for I uly $6 \& 7$ weekend. (So keep that weekend open for
lots of fun). Since there are numerous ex-students who are planning on coming "home" and do not have family here if you have an extra room or two and wouldn't mind having guests for a couple of nights please call Nell Patterson at 659-2144 or Pearl Pierce at 659-3866 or 659-3505.
A baseball organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, March 13 at 8:30 p.m. at the Hansford County Activity Center. The meeting is open
to all parents, coaches and anyone else having new ideas for the program. Baseball is open to kids from kindergarten up. Both boys and girls are invited to play.
The Hansford County Stock Show is set for Friday, and Saturday March 16 and 17 at the County Barn in Gruver. Weigh-in will be from
8:00 to $10: 00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Friday for steers and lambs, and at 6:00 p.m. for 8wine. Steer judging will begin at noon on Friday, and lamb judging will begin at 2:00 p. m ., immediately following the steer show. Swine judging will start at 8:00 am. Saturday. At $1: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Saturday will be
the judging contest, and at $6: 00$ p.m. Saturday will be the auctions and the judging contest, and at 6:00 p.m. Saturday will be the auctions and motant -

A special fund has been set up at First State Bank in Spearman for injuries in of Verlin and Edward Beck, area residents who sustained incurred during treatment for their injuries. Deposits can be made at First State Bank, or by contacting Mae Wofford at $659-5233$ or
$659-2018$.
"Quilters," starring Candy Boxwell of Spearman, will be presented Saturday. March 24 at $7: 30$ oxwell of Spearman, will be presented auditorium. The Golden Spread Senior Citizens Center of Spearman is sponsor for this Amarillo Little Theatre production. Palo Duro Players theater group will provide assistance with a stage crew and ushers for
the play, and the Palo Duro Players, along with the Thirtysomething the play, and the Palo Duro Players, along with the Thirtysomething
youth group, will be selling tickets. The production is underwritten by First State Bank of Spearman.

The Bureau of the Census still needs applicants for jobs taking the census, especially in Spearman and r. al Hansford County. For
information contact the Bureau of the Census, 3501-H W. 45th, information contact the Bureau of the Census, 3501-H W. 45th,
Amarillo, TX 79109, telephone $354-3700$.


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## Hansford County Judge (Para Juez del Condado Hansford)

## Eddie G. Martin (Eduardo G. Martin)

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Quilt From Page 3
terested in this folk art when she watched the ladies quilting there.
Mabel learned to quilt about six Mabel learned to quilt about six
years ago when Marilyn Blodgett came to the Center to teach quilting lessons.
always mother quilted. There was always one in the frame my interest wasn't really there then," explains Ernestine, who grew up doing other kinds of handwork instoad. Now she quilts with her friends each week and home called "The Spool." "I got my on-the-job training up here, though," she says with a mile. "These women will help you with anything!" Ernestine confesses that the group camra-
derie is a big part of her interest in quilting and the other quilters hasten to agree. "Sharing common quilt" makes for fast and strong friendships, she claims. Ernestine cherishes the trunk many years ago, particularly one called Japanese Lanterns which she plans to pass down to her own amily. Asked how her mothe would react to her new-found love or quilting, Ernestine laughs. proud...but surprised! I think she'd say, 'Daughter, did vou

## inally get some sense?!". "He was always in favor of my "He was always in favor of my quiltin'. I was strong and able and could have worked all the time in

 the house or fields, but I needed to take time out for my quilts. Theygive me so much pleasure and relaxation." $[\mathbf{P} .96]$ When asked how their families especially their husbands. react to all this quilting. Mabel says, "My husband really likes for me to work on any kind of hand work. think he likes to see me busy and he enjoys our quilts. Mabel has been part of the
Center quilting group since the Center quilting group since the
women began meeting there two years ago to piece and stitch and says they have completed 13 or 14 quilts in that time. (Most of these finished projects are raffled as moneymakers for the Golden "Clay's Choice" will be during the intermission of the "Quilters'" play on March 24. 'Clay's Choice" is the name of the quil
Mabel and her friends at the Center made last fall and is s called because of the many earth tones in its geometric pattern.) "Quilting and arts like that will
never pass," quilter Susan Delk never pass," quilter Susan Delk
says with conviction. "It kind of handed down from one generation to another." Susan quilted from

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the time she was a young girl, and
with her mother and a circle of with her mother and a circle of
women helped make quilts at women helped make quilts at
church for "'everybody that 8 raduated and every girl that got
married." maried."
Susan remembers the quilts her
mother made out of old overall mother made out of old overalls
and jeans out on the family farm and jeans out on the family farm.
"We needed those quilts in the wherteime!!" The first quilt she made to keep for herself was a
baby baby quilt and then after being
married for a few years sh married for a few years, she made
an appliqued quilt with a butter an appliqued quilt with a butter-
fly and flower pattern. ..I like to visit over a quilt,"
Susan adds quietly. When asked as a group what they talk about, one quilter responds merrily, Anyming from weather poli-
tics, and we can always find tics, and we can always find
something to laugh about, even ourselves!
The wom
The women agree unanimously that the time spent together
creating beautiful quilts is the creating beautiful quilts is the
best part of quiling. "You won't believe it to look at me now, but I married me the
finest-looking man for three counties around when I was eighteen. And Ididn't meet him at no dance neither. I don't reckon I could have stood a chance there... Any-
ways, what I was doin' was settin' ways, what I was doin was settin
there under that quiltin' arbor one
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Dismissals: Caroline Murphy Admission. March 8 Admission: Marie Crawford
Dismissals: Nannie Goldsmi and Ruth Skinner

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Leslie Latta [right] receives a trophy from Lani Kay Martin [left] for her Grand Champion Lamb, exhibited at the recent practice livestock show.

Ashley Brown, Spearman 4-H member, had the Grand Champion Steer and the Reserve Champion Steer at the Spearman practice livestock show, held Feb. 10 in Spearman.


Mark Brown displays the plaque he received Feb. 10 at the Spearman practice livestock show. The plaque is for Swine Showmanship.


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