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# Storms wreak havoc across Panhandle

Storms that produced tornadoes and large hail raged through the Texas Panhandle, Oklahoma Panhandle and into Kansas on Wednesday night, killing at least two people in Oklahoma.

The fatalities occurred in Beaver County in the Oklahoma Panhandle, according to authorities.

A possible tornado struck about two miles east of Elmwood, a small community in southern Beaver County. According to the Department of Public Safety in Childress, three tractor-trailers were tangled together when what is believed to be a tornado crossed Interstate 40 between Groom and McLean.

According to DPS, there were two injuries out of one of the trucks, one with serious injuries and the other with critical injuries. The westbound lane was closed.

At least six homes were damaged in McLean, according to police, and roofs, barns and power lines were taken down by the storm. No other injuries were reported in the immediate area.

The Hemphill County Sheriff's Office confirmed a tornado on the ground in the southwest part of the county, and the county seat, Canadian, received marble-size hail and rain.

The Hemphill County Sheriff's Office began a search for a man about 10 p.m. The man reportedly lived in a mobile home southwest of Canadian that was blown over by the storm. A ranch house in the county was hit by a tornado, according to police, but there were no injuries.

The Roberts County Sheriff's Office reported a tractor-trailer rolled over on eastbound U.S. Highway 60. Spokeswoman Renee Tyler said the driver refused to be transported for treatment.

Tyler said there were flooded roads and limbs down in the county and deputies are working to contact ranchers, but that no fatalities have been reported.

Randall County and Potter County sheriff's offices did not report any storm-related incidents.

Xcel Energy spokesman Wes Reeves estimated the storms affected 3,000 customers in the area as of 10:40 p.m., Reeves said Wednesday.

The areas most affected were Pampa, Borger, Fritch, Wheeler, McLean, Miami and Sanford, he said.

At 7:16 p.m., the National Weather Service Doppler radar indicated a tornado located near Morse, or about 17 miles west of Spearman, moving north at 65 mph. In addition, large hail of at least the size of golfballs was reported with this storm.

At 10:01 p.m., the National Weather Service Doppler radar continued to indicate a severe thunderstorm capable of producing penny size hail and damaging winds in excess of 60 mph. This storm was located 9 miles southwest of Spearman, moving north at 50 mph. In addition, a second storm was entering into Hansford County from the south, also be capable of producing penny size hail.

# **Rabies Virus Active Again**

# **Ramon Named Best Actor**

Spearman High School competed in the District 1-AA One-Act Play contest on Tuesday, March 27th at West Texas High School in Stinnett.

Spearman performed "Black Elk Speaks," by Christopher Sergel. They are under the direction of Dr. Glenn Robinson and Mrs. Jeannie Robinson.

Spearman was named Alternate to Regionals. Advancing teams were Canadian High School (The Madwoman of Chaillot) and West Texas High School (A Funny Think Happened on the Way to the Forum).

Brian Thomas was named Honorable Mention All-Star Cast and Brett Winegarner was named All-Star Cast. Ryan Ramon was named Best Actor for the contest.

Cast members include: Ryan Ramon, Raul Pena, Meagan Smith, Brett Winegarner, Dylan Sumner, Kegan Garnett, Chasity Thomas, Sutten Garnett, Rosa Ortiz, Haley Smith, Kayla Mortmez and Bryan Thomas. Crew members include:



Ryan Ramon was named Best Actor at the District 1-AA

# Celebrating 100 Years of Service to Hansford County



THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2007

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On February 13, 2007 a case of rabies in a calf was reported from Childress County, and on March 20 a rabid skunk was reported in Randall County. The calf was our first reported case of rabies since August 3, 2006. Because the case was a calf, I would like to remind everyone that we encourage rabies vaccinations for dogs, cats, ferrets and livestock, including horses and other livestock with frequent human contact, such as 4-H or FFA project animals. While we can only recommend that livestock be vaccinated, please remind the public that dogs, cats and pet ferrets are required by law to be vaccinated against rabies.

While our reported rabies activity may be low, we have received reports of at least three animals which exhibited classic symptoms of rabies, but were negative for the disease. Two puppies, one from Borger and one from Childress, and a skunk from Pampa were all submitted for testing and all were reported as negative for rabies. At the request of the submitting veterinarian, one puppy was forwarded to the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory for further analysis. It was reported as a canine distemper case.

In order to help reduce the fear destroyed. However, due to the factor associated with a family pet ability of bats to transmit rabies, we becoming infected with canine distemper and developing symptoms indistinguishable from rabies, as well as to reduce the loss of pets to the disease, it is a good idea to immunize dogs against that disease at the appropriate time, and maintain the recommended schedule of boosters. The only way to be certain an animal is not rabid is to test it. By immunizing the canine population against distemper, as well as rabies, there should be fewer candidates for the laboratory procedures. This will help reduce the cost to animal control agencies, pet owners and our agency by reducing the number of animals that have to be shipped and tested, and also reduce the anxiety that occurs while a person is waiting to find out if exposure to rabies has occurred.

Last year a teenager in the Houston area was bitten by a bat. He was evidently not aware that bats and rabies are highly associated, and failed to seek medical attention. Unfortunately, the individual died from rabies. Bats, which are beginning their spring migration into our area, are ecologically important and are protected, so colonies should not be

do not advocate handling them or encouraging their habitation of a building occupied by humans. If a bat bites someone, it must be tested if it can be captured, and if found to be infected with rabies, the person who was bitten must undergo immediate post-exposure treatment in order to prevent death. If a bat is present in a room with people and a bite cannot be ruled out, testing should be done. If the bat cannot be tested negative for rabies, anyone who may have been bitten should receive treatment. Situations that warrant this consideration include anyone sleeping in a room where a bat is found or the presence of a bat in a room with children, or an intoxicated or otherwise mentally impaired person.

2007 Animal Rabies Statistics for HSR 1:

Counties Reported Childress 1 calf Randall 1 skunk Total - 2 cases

If you are a veterinarian, employee of a veterinary clinic, or an animal control officer, and have not received the pre-exposure series, please give it some serious thought.

### Collin Gillaspie, Destiny Fisher, L.J. Fishburn and Anthony Renteria.

One-Act Play Contest on Tuesday, March 27th at West Texas High School. Ryan is a senior at Spearman High School and the son of Kristi and Tindle Ramon.

# **2007 Elections**

Spearman ISD, the City of Spearman and the City of Gruver will all hold elections on May 12, 2007. Gruver ISD and Pringle-Morse CISD will not hold elections at this time.

Spearman ISD has five candidates vying for three positions. Incumbents Bob Boxwell and Will Jarvis have refiled and Stephanic Crossland has not filed for reelection. Other candidates filing are Dr. Mark Garnett, Travis Patterson and Jimmy Kenney. (Other board members are Dwayne Mitchell, Carol Dunnihoo, Maria Sibley and Glen Ray Mackie.)

The City of Spearman has three positions open. Incumbents Kathy Boyd and Ron Antalek have filed for reelection, but incumbent Sergio Vargas did not file. Other candidates filing include Mike Schnell and Craig Schumann. (Other councilmen are Charles Elliott, Alfred Avila, Jon Garnett, and Mayor Brian Gillaspie.)

The City of Gruver will hold an election for Mayor. Mark Irwin has filed for reelection, with one opponent, Kevin McNett. Johnnie Williams has also filed, with no opponent. (Chad Logsdon is the other councilman.)

Gruver ISD are not having an election. Paul Stavlo, Curt Fitzgearld and Jeff Graves are up for reelection. Fitzgearld and Graves have refiled; Stavlo has not. Jeff Purvines has filed, and will take the place of Stavlo. (Other board members are Lee Bob Harper, Dwayne Thompson, Brent Stedje and Traci Venneman.)

Pringle-Morse CISD has moved their election to coincide with the November election, due to state legislation. The current board consists of Jerry Hart, Jon Mark Tolleson, Robin Wilson, Clyde McCloy, James Lieb, Carolyn Shields and Jerry Crowl.

The election will be held on May 12, 2007. The last day to register to vote for this election is April 12, 2007. Applications for early voting may be filed between April 30th and May 4th. Early voting will be held between April 30th and May 8th.

## Correction

Last week's Reporter-Statesman stated that Alfred Avila had not filed for reelection for City Councilman for the City of Spearman. The correct name should have been Sergio Vargas. Alfred Avila's term has not expired. It also stated that Kyle McNett had filed to run for Mayor of Gruver. It should have read Kevin McNett.

We apologize for these errors and any inconveniences they may have caused. Catherine Smith, Editor



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## Authors Dave and Pat Sargent to Speak at **Gruver, Pringle-Morse Elementary**

Dave and Pat Sargent, authors of children's books including Roy Raccoon, Bill Beaver, and Dike the Wolf and who claim to be America's most famous authors of transitional children's books will be in Gruver Tuesday, April 3, 2007. They will begin speaking to the Elementary in the auditorium at 1 p.m. They will be at Pringle-Morse CISD on Wednesday, April 4, 2007.

Dave and Pat's highly interesting and informative talks are sure to teach each child how books are made and how to get a story and make it interesting. Dave and Pat are story-tellers and they get children interested in reading and writing. They have positive reinforcement for children and help them find their niche in the writing world. Dave and Pat's stories will show the children that anyone can be an author and that authors can be real people, just like them.

They are wonderful with children from kindergarten through the sixth grade level, and students will be given the chance to meet and speak with them.

An opportunity to meet and visit with the authors personally as well as the opportunity to purchase autographed copies of their books will be available for purchase in the elementary teacher's lounge following the presentation in the auditorium.

Everyone is invited to attend.

## LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the apper 30s. South winds 5 to 10 mph. FRIDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s. 40s.

Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

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MONDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s. MONDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s.

FRIDAY NIGHT - Mostly cloudy. Lows in the apper 30s. North winds 10 to 15 mph shifting to the northwest 5 to 10 mph after midnight. SATURDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower SATURDAY NIGHT - Mostly clear. Lows in the lower 40s.

TUESDAY - Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s. TUESDAY NIGHT - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40s.

WEDNESDAY - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper

# **DEADLINE NOTICE**

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Easter Sunrise Service April 8th, 6:30 a.m. Picnic Shelter - Lake Palo Duro hosted by the First United Methodist Church of Spearman Breakfast Burritos and drinks will be provided by the United Methodist Men

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# Lullabies Legends and Lies

by Parson Smith, The Prime Minister of Laughter

The older I get, the more I realize and appreciate the truth in this poetic work by Margaret E. Sangster.

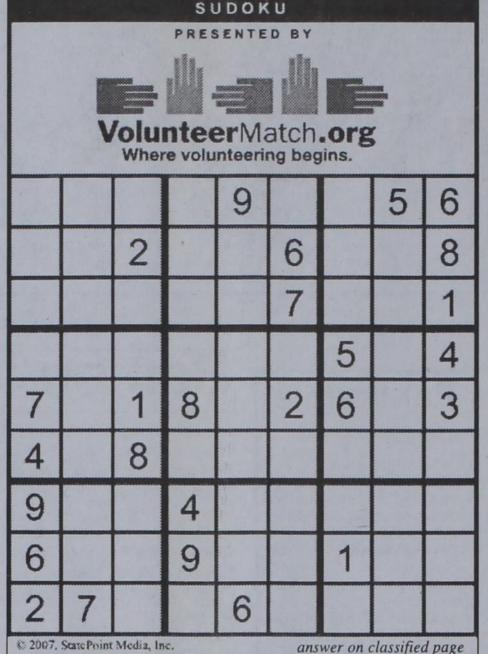
# **The Sin of Omission**

It isn't the thing you do, dear, Its the thing you leave undone That gives you a bit of a heartache At setting of the sun. The tender work forgotten, The letter you did not write, The flowers you did not send, dear, Are your haunting ghosts at night.

The stone you might have lifted Out of a brother's way; The bit of heartsome counsel You were hurried too much to say; The loving touch of the hand, dear, The gentle, winning tone Which you had no time nor thought for With troubles enough of your own.

Those little acts of kindness So easily out of mind, Those chances to be angels Which we poor mortals find They come in night and silence, Each sad, reproachful wraith, When hope is faint and flagging, And a chill has fallen on faith.

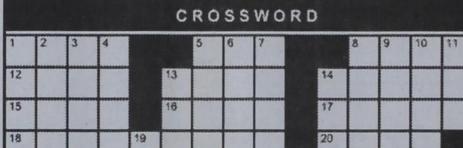
For life is all too short, dear, And sorrow is all to great, To suffer our slow compassion That tarries until too late: And it isn't the thing you do, dear, It's the thing you leave undone Which gives you a bit of heartache At the setting of the sun.



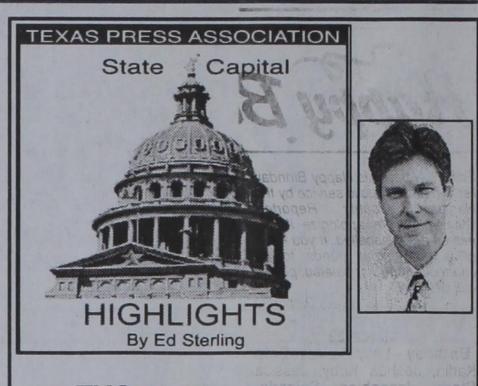
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## TYC MASTER ORDERS REVIEW OF INMATE SENTENCE EXTENSIONS

AUSTIN - The Texas Youth Commission story continues to unfold. It has come to light that the sentences of 93 percent of the agency's 4,700 inmates had been extended at some point, causing questions over the fairness of the process.

Special Master Jay Kimbrough, appointed by Gov. Rick Perry in February to investigate allegations of criminal wrongdoing at the 4,600employee agency, said the inmates' sentences would be reviewed.

Meanwhile, legislation to address and correct problems at the TYC stalled in the House. One reason for the stall is that an objection was raised over a proposal to appoint a special state prosecutor to assist local district attorneys in their efforts to weed out wrongdoers at TYC units. It was argued that to create an office of special prosecutor for the TYC would take away local control and it would cost too much.

Debate was suspended, but there is a lot of public pressure on the House to act swiftly on TYC legislation.

### Veto override idea up to voters

Our state constitution gives the governor a 20-day period during which to veto bills, following the final adjournment of the Legislature. But imagine if senators and representatives could come back to the Capitol after the 20-day period, convene, and take five days to override vetoes.

That's what could happen under a proposed constitutional amendment by Rep. Gary Elkins, R-Houston.

Elkins' HJR 59 passed March 21 on a vote of 109-29.

The people of Texas, of which only 39 percent voted for Gov. Perry in 2006, will put Elkins' idea to the test next fall when they vote on HJR 59 and other constitutional amendments.

The 29 members who voted "no" on the measure were Republicans Charles "Doc" Anderson of Waco; Jimmie Don Aycock of Killeen; Lco Berman of Tyler; Betty Brown of Athens; Warren Chisum of Pampa Wayne Christian of Center; Byron Cook of Corsicana; Frank Corte of San Antonio; Joe Crabb of Kingwood; Brandon Creighton of Conroc; Myra Crownover of Lake Dallas; Dianne White Delisi of Temple; Joc Driver of Garland; Rob Eissler of The Woodlands; and Dan Flynn of Canton. Also, Republicans Rick Hardcastle of Vernon; Patricia Harless of Spring; Will Hartnett of Dallas; Fred Hill of Richardson; Mike Krusee of Round Rock; Jodie Laubenberg of Rockwall; Sid Miller of Stephenville; Anna Mowery of Fort Worth; Ken Paxton of McKinney; Larry Phillips of Sherman; Debbie Riddle of Houston; John Smithee of Amarillo; David Swinford of Dumas; and Beverly Woolley of Houston.

Margaret E. Sangster



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### Full House to debate next budget

Legislation approved by the House Appropriations Committee on March 20 tabs the state's 2008-2009 budget at about \$150 billion.

The proposed budget, about 4 percent greater than the current 2006-2007 budget, is scheduled for debate by the full House on March 29. Plenty of attention will be focused on an estimated \$8 billion in funds that could be used or saved as prevailing temperaments see fit.

### House votes to repeal phone tax

The House voted on March 20 to do away with something Texans see on their phone bills every month: the Texas Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund tax.

The legislation, House Bill 735 by Joe Straus, R-San Antonio, kills a tax brought into existence in 1995 to help fund computers, networks and training for public schools, universities, hospitals and libraries.

Texans were to pay the tax until the fund reached \$1.5 billion. The goal was reached in 2003, but the state went on charging the tax when the state had a budget shortfall. At that point, TIF funds were moved into general revenue. Now, the state has a multi-billion surplus, and the TIF is no longer necessary.

Under HB 735, Texans will go on paying the TIF tax, likely until the end of June.

A Senate version of the bill is being brought by Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands. Differences between the two bills will have to be worked out by a conference committee.

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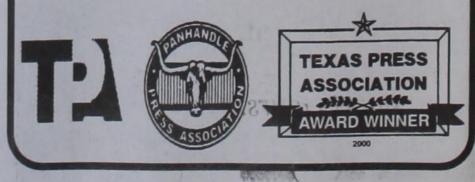
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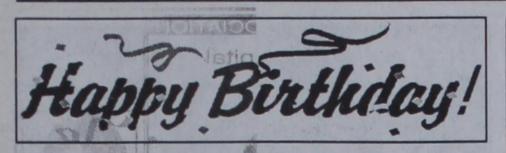
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Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday Noble, Jared Bass, Tracy list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of a name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434.

Thank you, Catherine

### March 29

Birthday - Lacy Barkley, Dixie Karlin, Joshua Kirby, Jessica Stork, Josephine Salgado, Scott Beedy, Melissa Taylor, Wanda Burke, Tiki Farrar, Chad Guthrie, David West, Marg Cook, Janis Maupin, Josh Harris, Jeann Thompson, Scot Martin, Ruth Shields, Ramon Garcia Jr., Greyson Karlin

### March 30

Birthday - Jesus Favela, Loni Lamb, Vi Hornsby, Mrs. Elmer Longley, Nikki Strawn, Grady Cline, Denae Baker, Jimmy Blan, Heather Cline, Krystal Burkhammer, Shane Atwood, Mike Schick, Marvin Sparks, **Dorothy Longley** 

Anniversary - M/M Ruben De Santiago

#### March 31

Birthday - Reaetta Gammon, Crystal Gruver, Ken Jones, Kay Comfort Winders, Patterson, Nellie Buchanan, Dionne Pencille, Santiago Tercero Jr., Johnny Vernon, Cheryl Linde, Jolinda Wilson, David Flowers, Cortney Valdez, Teresa Carter, Weston Castillo, Kenton Johnson

Anniversary - M/M Chuck Sparkman, M/M Daniel Miser, M/M Jim Bass, M/M Dan Carthel, M/M Allan Beasley

April 1 Birthday - Cynthia Henson, Matt Messer, Chris Stork, Wayne Ware, Bob Hohertz, Lorie Acevedo, Jack Duncan, Tanner Brown, Elizabeth Duncan, Ashlynn Miner April 2 Birthday - Margaret Odom, Dorothy O'Connell, Norma Hermosillo, Kyle Keim, Steve Templeton, Pam Barber, Phillip Turner, Amy Schoenhals, Paulene Galvon, Eugeneo Sadler Anniversary - Bob & Debra Dennis April 3 Birthday - Bob Gillispie, Don. Remmel, Brenda Rudolph, Pam Buzzard, Teri Taylor, Bill Gaither, Doris Beck, Jeff Williamson, Eric Varnon, Ryan

Graham Katie Baehler, Betty Davis

#### April 4

### Birthday - Frank Pittman, Sandy TeBeest, Glenn Mackie, Byran Jones, Billy Snider, Lola Salgado, Monte Morris, Randall Schnell, Mark Landon Brown, Carlos Lopez, Midge Mahaffy, Don Ladd, Ramona Reynolds, Violet Lee, Brandon Traylor, Ayana Rosales

Anniversary - Rick & Elanie Morris

April 5

Birthday - Becky Cassady, Jimmy Finley, Carrie Pressley, Vana Stapleton, Carla Brown, W.E. Sparks, Dickie Allen, Juanita Rodriguez, Deann Green, Deanne Ochoa, Paul Welch, Jimmie Davis, Irene Auld, Darla Jenkins, Leon Bagwell, Wendell Ralston, Kelcee Rex, Sara Jenkins, Vanna Reid Anniversary - M/M Jack

Weldon

April 6 Birthday - Margaret Ralston, Trey Roberts, Jerry Sparks, Eddie Rogers, Cindy Patterson, Bailey Lee Patterson, Redonna Moore, Cameron Kunsleman, Douglas Barnes, Tim Wooley, Ann Sheets, Oberto Balderama

Anniversary - Dale & Onie Moyer, Kenny & Brenda Red, M/M Skipper Beal, M/M Emit Schmidt

April 7

Birthday - Margaret Bell, Kallie Cluck, Will Evans, Jeannie (Potts) Dawkins, Slough, Sammie Sharlet Stavlo, Shawn Thompson, Kyle Winter, Kenneth Brown, Jo McLaughlin, Wallace Berner, Jo Grayson, Michael Nell Brogdon, Beth Lesly, Denise Torrea, Tashaia Duncan, Linda Winegarner, Laurie Beth Stedje, Seth Clemmons, Joshua Scott Bullard, Lorene Fulce, Denise Apodaca, Mason Fletcher, Greg Evans Anniversary - M/M Donald Jackson, M/M Monty Cassady April 8 Birthday - Cami Shapley Jenschke, Damon Goodheart, Julie Ortega, Shenell Taylor, Brandon Vanderburg, Barbara Ellsworth, Ramona Garcia, Isaac Herndon, C.A. Davis, Jennifer Laxson, Jim Deakin, **Dalton Ortega** 

Words from Faith & Grace

LIFESTYLE

#### by Cecil R. Biggers, Lutheran Lay Minister

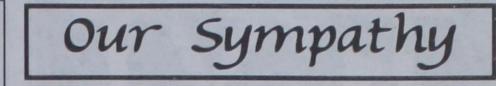
As we approach the season of Easter, we consider the Passion by studying Isaiah 50:4-9, Psalm 31, Philippians 2:1-13, and Luke 23:1-49. Isaiah shows us the suffering servant who as a teacher sustains the weary with a word while he faces his accusers. The servant knows that his persecutors will not prevail as God himself aids him. The Psalmist sings of the Lord who acts as a fortress for the believer, a rock of refuge for the soul. [mindful of the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God].

Paul is pleading with the Philippians to be of one mind. The greatest threat to the church is from within as the forces of selfish ambition, personal prestige, and concentration on self, separates the believer from the love of Jesus Christ and from the faith community. Paul emphasizes that Jesus "emptied" himself of his glory and became man and was obedient to God even to death on a cross. [this is an early, if not earliest, commentary on the triune nature of God]. Paul continues by citing the earliest creed of the Church, "Jesus Christ is Lord". Jesus' humility is rewarded by His name being honored by everything in heaven, on earth, and under earth. Understanding the nature of Christ, then we see that the things that unify the Church are: 1) we share the power of the love of Christ; 2) we share the same Holy Spirit; 3) we share Christ's compassion for others. Thus we learn that only the humble will be exalted. Our challenge, dear Christian, is not to be better than others, but to be better than ourselves. The entire "Passion" is set forth in Luke 22:14-23:56, we will consider verses 1-49. The Sanhedrin has met and Caiphas, the High Priest, has pronounced Jesus guilty of blasphemy. However, as Jesus is brought before Pontius Pilate the Sadducees seem to have communicated the charges as being 1) a seditious agitator, a rebel against Caesar; 2) a person encouraging others not to pay taxes to Caesar; 3) a person claiming to be king usurping Caesar's rightful position. Religious difference becomes a political charge, treason! Note that Pontius Pilate, for all his faults, tries to release Jesus four times and four times, his ploys are reject ed. Pilate sends Jesus to Herod, since Herod was the ruler over Galilee Herod wanted to see some "miracles", when Jesus did not perform Herod sent Him back to Pilate. Pilate not wishing to have another riot on his hands, washes his hands of the matter and condemns Christ to die on the cross. So dear Christian as you read and study this passage, you are at the foot of the cross. Do you ignore Christ as did Herod and Pilate and allow your soul to die, or do you accept His grace and obey his teachings and allow your soul to live? When facing the cross of Christ there are

time of the Passion and forever.



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## EMMETT C. "E.C." JONES

BORGER - Emmett C. "E.C." Jones, 85, died Wednesday, March 21, 2007, in Memphis.

Services were at 10 a.m. Monday, March 26, 2007 in Patterson Greer Funeral Home Chapel in Hollis, Okla., with the Rev. Richard Manning of Corinth Baptist Church officiating. Burial with military honors will be in Gould Cemetery in Gould, Okla. Memorial services will be at a later date in Bunavista Baptist Church in Borger.

Emmett C. "E.C." Jones, a 60-year resident of Borger, went to the Lord on the first day of spring, March 21, 2007, at the Memphis Convalescence Center (Hospice). Born in 1921 in Cleburne to Cliff and Lucy Jones, he attended Gould High School and served in World War II in the Army Air Corps, Signal Corps, in North Africa and Europe. Anna Lois Smith of Hollis became his bride in December 1946.

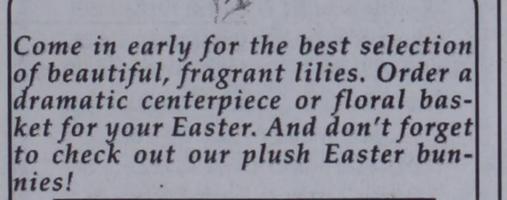
A baseball player in his youth, he remained an avid baseball fan and taught his children and grandchildren to appreciate the sport; he also enjoyed watching college football and basketball. When he retired from Plains Plant, Phillips Petroleum Co. (after 37 years), he was able to devote full time to his true vocation of farming in Hansford County. He was president emeritus of Union AFL-CIO No. 351, where members still call him a "giant" and remember and honor him for his integrity; Phillips Petroleum officials respected him for his negotiation abilities.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 60 years, Anna Lois Jones; three daughters, Anna Earlene Caspersen and husband Roland of Los Alamos, N.M., Paula Teuton and husband James of Borger and Lisa Ridling and husband Jerry of Houston; four grandchildren, Julie Marsh of Los Angeles, Holly Riley and husband Ford of Glendale, Calif., David Teuton of Borger and John Ridling of Houston; two great-grandchildren, Fiona and Quinn Riley of Glendale; three brothers, Glenn Jones and Sterling Jones and wife Glenna of Hollis and Cecil Jones and wife Evelyn of Aberdeen, S.D.; a sister, Joyce Harris of Gould; and numerous nicces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the American Cancer Society, 3915 S. Bell St., Amarillo, TX 79109.

Honorary spiritual pallbearers are co-workers from Plains Plant, AFL-CIO No. 351 members and his many friends from Hansford County.





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First Assembly of God 401 N. Bernice · 659-2295 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:35 a.m. Kid's Church: 10:35 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7 p.m. Wed. Youth: 7 Pastor - Bob Elder

**First Christian Church** (Disciples of Christ) 29 S. Bernice · 659-2036 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Minister -

**First Baptist Church** 123 N. Bernice · 659-5557 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 7 p.m. Men's Bible Study - Wed., 7 a.m. Children's Choir - Wed, 6 p.m. Adult Choir - Wed. 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m. Pastor - Jim Medley

**Church of Christ** 121 S. Haney · 659-3244 Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 901 Roland · 659-2792 Sat. Night Mass: 5:30 p.m. Sun. Mass: 9 a.m. - English Sun. Mass: 11:30 - Spanish 1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo Rendentor Mass - Spanish Rev. Guillermo Morales

**First United Methodist** 407 S. Haney · 659-5503 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday High School: 6 p.m., Sunday Kids Club: 3 p.m. Wed. Pastor - Neely Landrum

Grace Presbyterian Church (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church) 1101 Bernice · 659-2033 Pastor - Beverly Cook Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA) 1101 Bernice · 659-2252 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. (Worships with Grace Presbyterian Church) Pastor - Beverly Cook

> **Union Church** 31 S. Endicott · 659-2644 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship; 6 p.m. Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed Pastor - Dr. Timothy Minor

Fellowship Baptist 1102 S. Archer • 659-2783 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Youth/Adult Service: 7:30 Wed

Primera Mision Bautista 502 E. 7th • 659-3991 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m.; Evening: 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m. Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m. Pastor Joe Garcia Jr.

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**First Baptist Church** 402 E.Broadway \* 733-2411 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:50 a.m. Disciple Training: 6 p.m.. Sunday Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Pastor - Scott Curry

> **Church of Christ** 209 King • 733-2760 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:20 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:00 p.m. Minister - Gaylord Cook

**First Christian Church** 510 King • 733-2960 Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Youth: 7:30, Sunday Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun. Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.

**Gruver United Methodist** Broadway & Garrett 733-2651 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 & 10:50 a.m. Eve. Worship & UMY: 6 p.m. Pastor - George Price

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m. Friday Evening Mass Summer - 8:00 p.m. Fall/Winter - 7:30 p.m



Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA) 6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver 339-7646 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Pastor - Arlen Lloyd

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Morse Baptist Church 733-2757 Pastor - Mike Martin

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

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## LIFESTYLE

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You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group Each year individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addiction make the resolution to quit using drugs. For many of them it is a resolution that they cannot keep. Narcotics Anonymous can help. Open meetings are held on Monday and Thursday nights from 8-9 p.m. at the First Christian Church (29 S. Bernice in Spearman) for the "You're Never Alone" group of Narcotics Anonymous. Anyone interested is invited to attend. Drug addiction can leave you feeling helpless and out of control - we can help.

#### Spearhead AA Group

The Spearhead AA Group meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Pittman-Shieldknight building. Alcoholics Anonymous\* is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. For more information, call 662-1111.

### Panhandle Crisis Center Outreach Office

Panhandle Crisis Center (PCC) has an Outreach Office and Resale Store at 306 Hancock, in Spearman. In case of emergencies, please continue to call the hotline, 1-800-753-5308. To schedule an appointment with a worker in Hansford County, please call 659-3391 to leave a message, or call the hotline number above. Panhandle Crisis Center serves victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Please call for more information regarding PCC's services. Hours for the Resale Store in Spearman are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Spearman Stingrays Swim Team

The Spearman Stingrays Swim Team is hosting sign-ups and a swim suit fitting on Tuesday, April 3, 2007 from 6-8 p.m. in the First State Bank Hospitality Room. If you have any questions, please call Rick Harrell at 659-2630 or Haley Shields at 659-1070.

### **Project Graduation**

The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2007 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises Friday, May 25th. Graduates will be provided with food games, activities, and fun! In addition, to encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates, and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. It you, the community, who supported and encouraged these seniors these past 13 years of school, would be willing to share in the final "Class of 2007" memory, making this project special, please contact Teresa Maestas, 659-1025, or Lynna Renner, 659-3587. Contributions can be mailed to: Teresa Maestas, PO Box 337, Spearman, TX. 79081. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

### **Gruver College Fund**



# Overton, Ferguson Wed

Chani Noelle Overton of Texhoma, Oklahoma and Trevor Lee Ferguson of Amarillo, Texas, were united in marriage on Friday, February 23, 2007 in Amarillo.

Chani is the daughter of Curt and Nancy Overton of Texhoma. She is the granddaughter of Jimmie and Sharon Brown and Wayne and Nelvenia Overton, all of Hardesty, Oklahoma, and the great-granddaughter of Ruby Blair of Liberal, Kansas.

Trevor is the son of Larry and Cindi January of Guymon and Doug Ferguson of Amarillo. He is the grandson of Opal Wallin of Gruver, Bob Ferguson of Sun City, Arizona and Lois January of Guymon, Oklahoma.

Chani is a 2004 graduate of Texhoma High School and is a Nationally Certified Pharmaceutical Technician.

Trevor is a 2000 graduate of Guymon high School and is a machinist for Multiple Systems of Amarillo.

After a honeymoon to Red River, New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Amarillo.

## Thank you

The Charles Dahl family would like to thank everyone for the generous outpouring of support following the fire that destroyed their home on Saturday, March 10, 2007. The Dahl family would like to thank everyone who attended the shower/reception held in their honor at the Oslo Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 25th. They would also like to thank everyone for the many gifts and donations they have received. A fund has been set up at Gruver State Bank and a "Thrivent Matching Funds" account has also been established at Oslo Lutheran Church. If you would like to donate, please contact Arlen Lloyd at 806-339-7646. Charles & Lindeana Dahl



## Snider-Moss Engagement

Bobby and Kay Snider of Dumas wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kylie Snider to Gary Moss. Gary is the son of Mike and Kathy Maciuba of Irving.

Kylie is the granddaughter of Irene Snider and the late Vance Snider of Spearman and the late Steve and Mary Glassey of Perryton.

Gary is the grandson of Vernon and Velma Mayes of Dumas.

Kylie is a 2002 graduate of Dumas High School. She will graduate from college in May in Waxahachie. She is employed by Sylvan Learning Center.

Gary is a 2001 graduate of Dumas High School. he will graduate in May 2008 from college in Arlington. He is employed by Mattress Firm.

The couple is planning an exchange of vows on June 16, 2007 in Dumas

you are invited to a Bridal Shower

The Gruver Lion's Club is in charge of the Gruver College Fund, which raises money for scholarships for Gruver graduates. The gifts are tax-deductible and no amount is turned away. The committee will try to con-tact every potential donor by phone, but some will be missed. So don't wait if you would like to make a contribution send your check today to: Gruver Lion's Club, PO BOx 566, Gruver, TX 79040 or a committee member: Bonny Wilson, Tarry Sherrill, Karmit McKas or Bab Cillippia member: Benny Wilson, Terry Sherrill, Kermit McKee or Bob Gillispie.

### Hansford County Library Spring Sale

The sun is out, the snow is gone, and the temperature is rising, so natu-rally it's spring cleaning time. To celebrate, the Hansford County Library staff has begun to clean the store room and is eager to share its many valuable finds with the public. For an indefinite time, paperback grab bags and individual surplus hardback books will be on sale at the library. Grab bags, sorted into Romance, Fiction and Western categories, are on sale for \$5 cach Fach area bags for \$5 each. Each grab bag contains approximately 20 books. Hardback books are priced at \$1 each. Come by soon for the best selections.

### Adobe Walls Cotton Meeting

Adobe Wills will hold a cotton meeting on March 30, 2007 in the Morse Community Building. 3 CEU's will be given. Registration will be held 8:30-9 a.m. A welcome and overview will be given by Tom Benton, CEA-AG, of Hutchinson County. The schedule is as follows: 9-9:45 a.m. - Cotton Insects and BT Cotton, Carl Patrick, Entomologist, Texas Cooperative Extension; 9:45-10:30 a.m. - Cotton Irrigation Management, Leon New, Irrigation Specialist, Texas Cooperative Extension; 10:30-10:45 a.m. -Break; 10:45-11:30 a.m. - 2007 Cotton Production update, Randal Boman, Agronomist, Texas Cooperative Extension, Lubbock; 11:30-12 noon - Area Update, Gerald Key, Adobe Walls Gin Manager; 12 noon Lunch.



# **DEADLINE NOTICE**

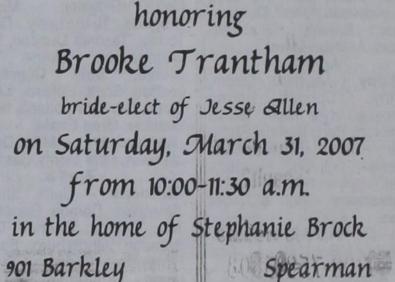
The deadline to submit news and advertising to the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is Monday at 5 p.m. Items submitted after the deadline will be published at a later date, as time and space permit. For more information, please contact Catherine Smith at 659-3434, or e-mail me at cathysmith@antden.com.

you are invited to a Diaper & Gift Shower honoring Mason Miles Turner (son of Brad and Christa Turner) and Elyse Camille Beck (daughter of Brian and Alexis Beck) on Saturday, April 14, 2007 from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon in the home of Kiki Connelly 14185 Co. Rd. 19 Spearman Call 806-733-2557 for directions.

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APRIL FOOL'S DAY, a time for

pulling harmless pranks on gullible

victims, is universally popular.

These hoaxes range from subtle

stunts pulled on unknowing victims

by family and friends to false sto-

ries being spread by media organi-

zations in print, on the air, and on

the Internet. On this one day of the

year, everyone and anyone is con-

Almanac, the history behind April

Fools' Day is a little gray, although

many people agree that the tradi-

tion began in 1582 when France

switched to the Gregorian calendar

and moved New Year's Day from

March 25 back to January 1. Prior

to this change, the New Year's cel-

ebration had lasted a full week,

from March 25 to April 1. Those

who were unaware of the change

children to secretly stick paper

fishes on the backs of victims and

shout "Poisson d'Avril!" ("April

Fish!"). Scots call the holiday

"Huntigowk Day" and send people

to "hunt the gowk another mile" --

a wild goose chase. Worldwide,

people seem to dream up mischief

In New York City, there has been

an April Fools' Day Parade on Fifth

Avenue every year since 1986.

Media hoaxer Joey Skaggs sends

out press releases detailing each

year's theme, and a bevy of camera

In France, the tradition is for

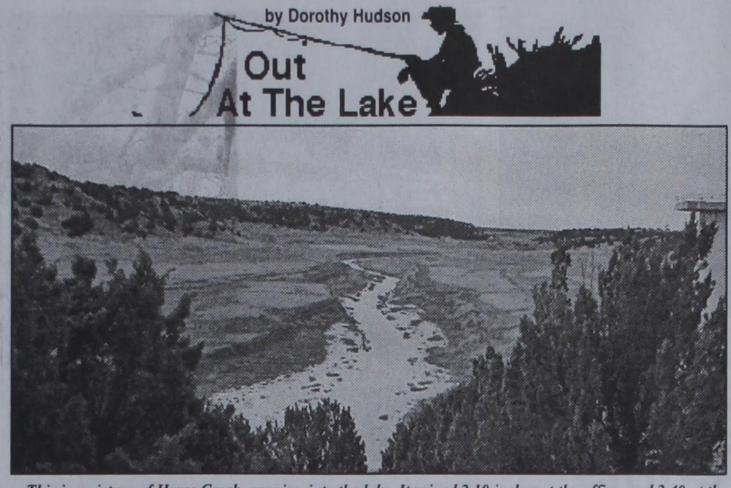
were called April fools.

on April 1.

According to The Old Farmer's

sidered fair game.

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This is a picture of Horse Creek, running into the lake. It rained 2.10 inches at the office, and 2.40 at the shop over the weekend. The lake was up seven inches on Monday morning.

21.28 feet (+0.53)

Monday morning Jim reported a rise in the lake level at just over 6 inches. It all came from Horse Creek. As our family on the Palo Duro just north of Morse had canoed in the creek on late Sunday afternoon, I assured Jim more was coming down the Palo Duro and arranged to call him at 5 p.m. to see how much. In the afternoon at 4 p.m. I crossed the bridge at Old Hansford and saw nothing but a bed of tumble weeds.

The rains were wonderful Friday night and widespread with some of the area getting over 2 inches. Jim can tell us next week in his column if the water ever reached the Lake.

Boy Scouts from Guymon, Perryton, and Spearman camped at the Lake on Friday night. They had their tents on higher spots, and all avoided getting flooded out in the rain. The rain changed their plans

Lake Level--March 26, 2007-- though. They had expected to clean up around the Lake edge, but it was too wet and muddy. They worked around the roads in the Park instead.

> The sweet voice of Lucy Villa did not answer the telephone when I called the office this morning. Jim said she became the mother of a baby boy Friday in Amarillo. Krystal Scribner is filling in for Lucy.

> Jim noticed the first buzzard March 19. Yesterday he saw a kettle of 20. He has been seeing ringbilled gulls out on the water. He more often sees them at the edges of the Lake.

Jim saw a bobcat near his house stared them down.

at 8:30 in the morning last week. Our 17 year old Anna Harris had a bobcat experience, too. She was hiking on the creek with their dog Queenie when she looked ahead and saw Queenie take off like a shot behind an equally fast moving brown animal. For a few moments she felt the dog had flushed an early fawn, but when the pair crossed the creek and the animal streaked up a tree, she knew it was definitely not a fawn. It turned out to be a bobcat. She videoed it with her camera, but I haven't found out if a frame will print in the paper.

Jim said in his experience the bobcats had faced his dogs and

# **April Fools' - A Day for Pranks** Sunday, April 1, 2007

there's no parade.

In celebration of the jests and jesters everywhere. The 2007 Old Farmer's Almanac reports on some of the most famous pranks played over the years. Here are a few:

**Cave of the Treasures** In the mid-1800s, an April Fools' Day article in the Boston Post reported that workmen removing trees from the Boston Common had uncovered a hidden trapdoor leading to a cave filled with treasure. Treasure seekers flocked to the Common, but, alas, no door was found.

See the Spaghetti Grow

In 1957, the BBC aired a newsreel explaining how the mild winter had produced a higher-than-normal harvest for Swiss spaghetti farmers. Swiss women were shown plucking stands of pasta from trees. while a well-known broadcaster noted that the disappearance of the "spaghetti weevil" had also boosted growth. The broadcaster noted that years of careful cultivation had allowed the spaghetti to grow to a uniform length. Viewers were so intrigued that they called the BBC and asked where they might buy their own spaghetti bushes.

Internet Spring Cleaning A flurry of e-mails warned that

the Internet would be out of service for cleaning for 24 hours between March 31 and April 2, 1997. Users were advised to disconnect all devices. This was an updated vercrews and spectators arrive on the sion of an old phone joke, in which scene to secure a spot. Of course, customers were instructed to place

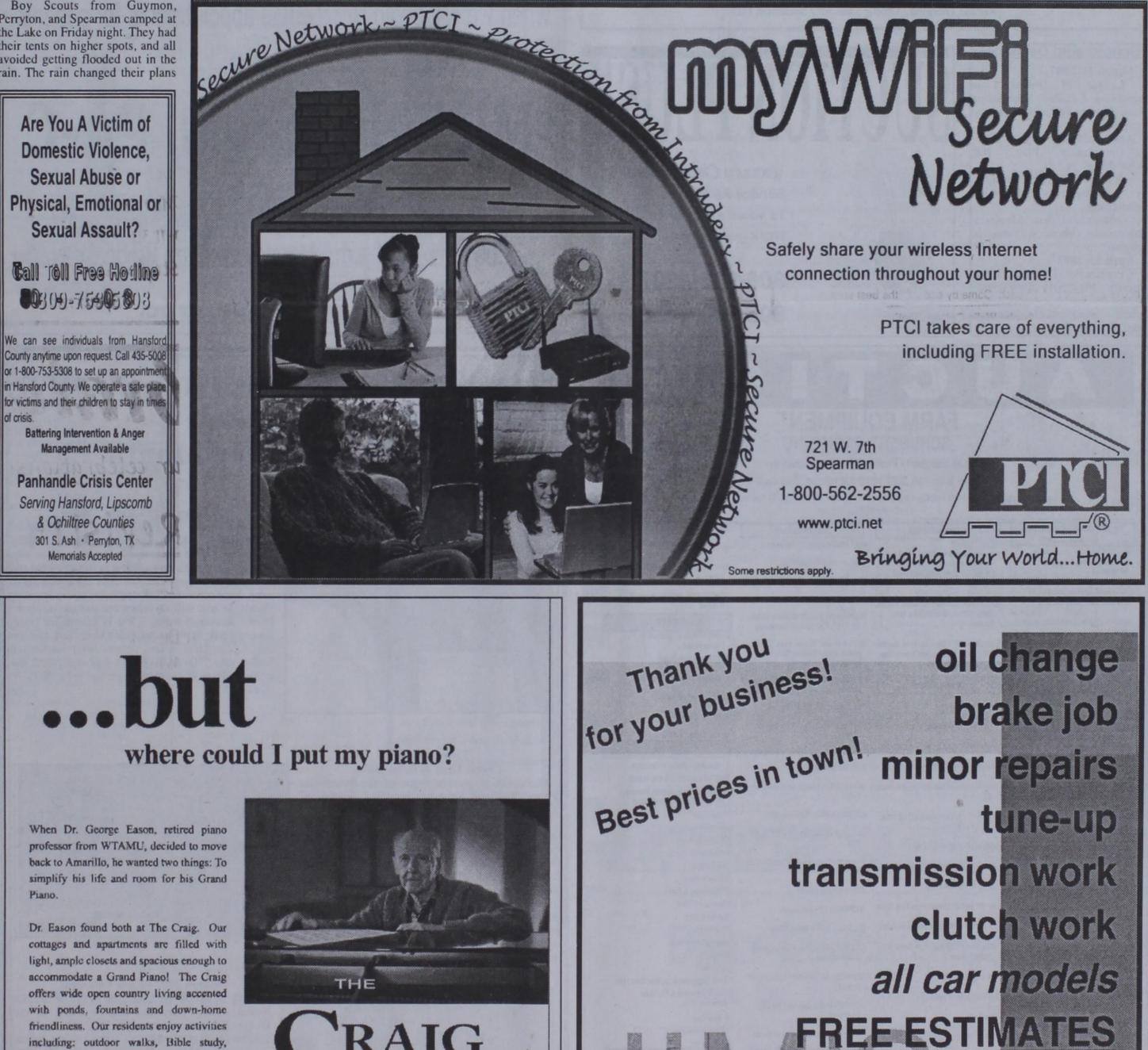
bags over phone receivers to catch dust blown out during phone line cleaning.

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## Thank you

Cub Scout Pack 578 would like to thank all the people who helped make our annual Blue and Gold Banquet a success. Thank you to all the parents and leaders who worked with us to meet our goals. A very special thank you to the following community members, you helped make this year's banquet special.

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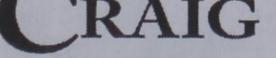
friendliness. Our residents enjoy activities including: outdoor walks, Bible study,

strength training, morning coffee breaks, arts and music of every variety.

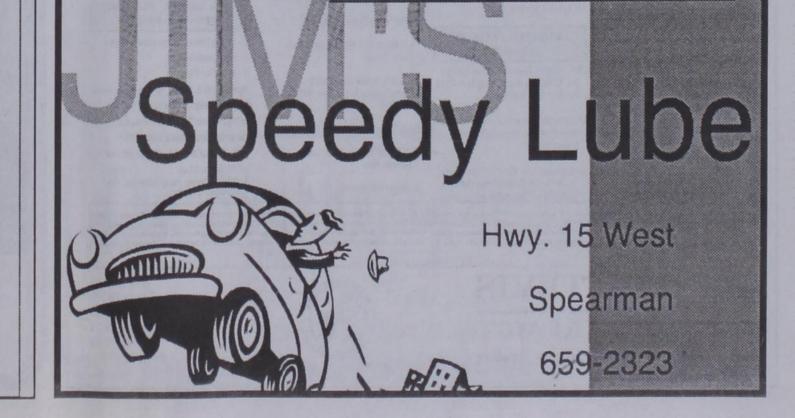
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NEWS

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# **SHS Tennis**

The Spearman Tennis Team in the Finals. Destiny Fisher & Tournament on Monday, March 26th

Following are the results.

Boys Doubles: Casey Cator & Roberto Flores defeated Trejo/Lozoya (Sunray) 8-3 and lost to Fry/Aragon (Dal) 8-5. Elliot Sheets & Jeremy Frost defeated Johnson/Schafer (Canadian) 8-6 and lost to Jones/Jensen (Panhandle) 8-4

Girls Doubles: Kelcee Rex & Kendall Schneider claimed first place in Girls Doubles. They Gallaway/Shrader defeated (Canadian) 8-0, Hipple/Chavia (Highland Park) 8-1, defeated Hicks/Kerfoot (Panhandle) 8-1, Hillman/Fossand defeated (Perryton) 8-1 in the SemiFinals and defeated Barton/Bradley (Spearman) 8-4 in the Finals. Brooke Barton & Brittney Bradley came in second place, behind Rex and Schneider. They defeated Moore/Hathaway (Wheeler) 8-3, defeated Ash/Shrader (Canadian) 8-6. defeated Rodriguez/King (Panhandle) 8-6 in the SemiFinals and lost to Rex/Schneider (SP) 8-4

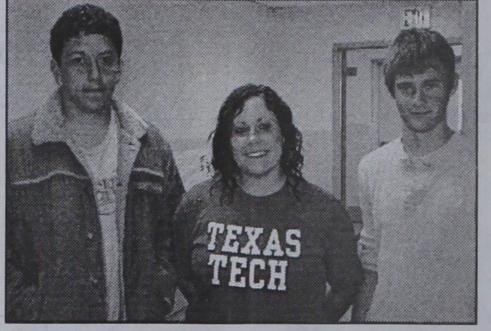
hosted the Spearman Tennis Ashley Close and lost to Ellison/Cates (Canadian) 8-2.

Boys Singles: TJ Worley defeated Aaron Gaines (Wheeler) 8-2 and lost to Bobby Rice (Dalhart) 8-4. Gabriel Moreno defeated Fuentes (Dalhart) 8-5 and lost to Venzor (Wheeler) 8-3.

Girls Singles: Sara Barnes finished in fourth place after defeating Cirzy Gonzales (Perryton) 8-2 and Jorja Brown (Hartley) 8-4. She then lost to Butler (Panhandle) 8-3 in the SemiFinals and to Couts (Perryton) 8-4. Elena Vargas lost to Shackleford (Canadian) 9-8.

Mixed Doubles: Saylee Flowers & Brynr Garnett took first place. They defeated Wilson/Wilson (West Texas) 8-0, defeated Taylor/Menefield (Wheeler) 8-1, defeated Kreis/Dorris (Canadian) 8-1 in the SemiFinals and defeated Lewis/Sherwood (Panhandle) 8-4 in the Finals.

The next tournament will be District Tournament at the Amarillo Tennis Center on Wednesday and Thursday, April 4th and 5th.

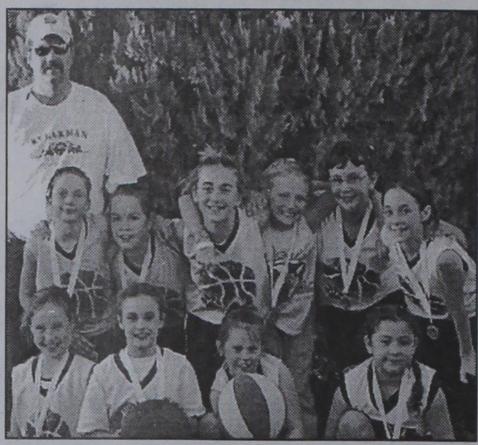


Gruver High School competed in the Panhandle Open Tennis Tournament. Matt Salazar (left) took 2nd place in Boys Singles and Tucker Williams (right) took 1st place. Sydney Bean (center) was the Consolation Champion in Girls Singles.

# **GHS** Tennis

Gruver High School competed in the Spearman Tennis Tournament on Monday, March 26th.

Tucker Williams came in 1st in Boys Singles. Taylor Williams finished 2nd in Boys Singles. Drew Mirelas made it to the Semi-finals, but was defeated.



The 3rd and 4th Grade Girls All-Star Basketball Team won 3rd place in the Texhoma Tournament on Saturday, March 24. They played 6 games on Saturday, playing teams from Dumas, Texhoma and Springfield, CO. Team members are as follows: (Back Row, L-R) Coach Jay Pack, Slade Garnett, Jayme Pack. Hannah Patterson, Cheyene Evans, mgr., Tyann Hight, Brooke Walker; (Front Row, L-R) Payton Harrell, Taylor Varnon, Trea Rice, Marlyn Almanza; Not pictured: Leilana Carrasco

# Track meet volunteers praised

### To The Editor:

Volunteers are everyday heroes who donate their time, effort, energy and caring to help students and employees of Spearman ISD.

Spearman hosted an outstanding track meet during Spring Break for our junior high and high school athletes. We honor and thank all of our volunteers and school personnel who cheerfully gave of their time to make the track meet a positive experience for area athletes and to showcase the Spearman community in a positive way. Several hundred contestants and coaches from eight area schools experienced the wonderful hospitality Spearman has to offer.

We thank all of you involved for your time and love you give to our students and employees. We applaud your desire to make our school district special and we salute you for your support and dedication in helping our students achieve success in Spearman ISD.

Ritchie Thornton, Athletic Director / Spearman ISD

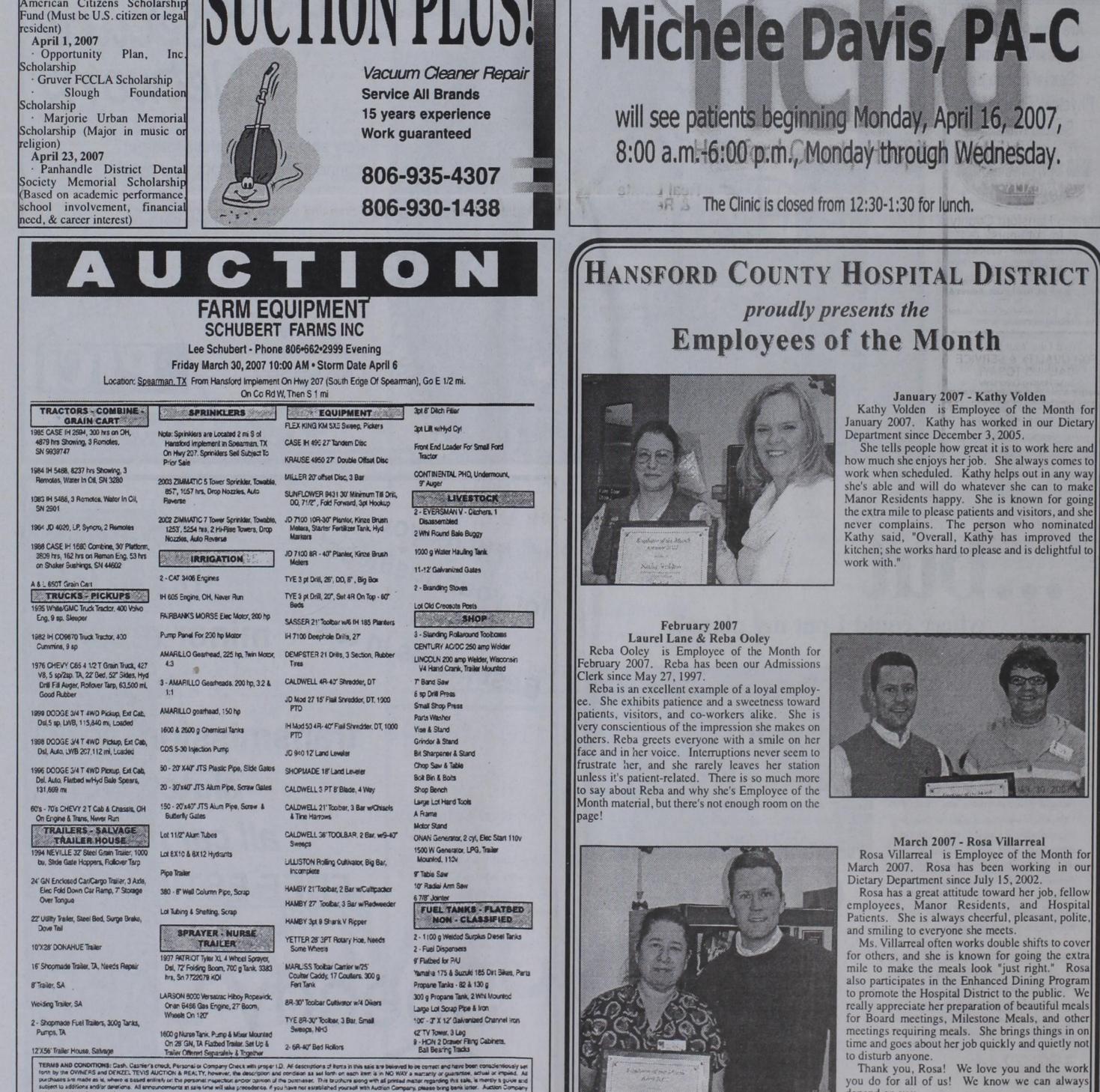
### Scholarship Deadlines

March 31, 2007 · League of United Latin merican Citizens Scholarship

# Family Medical Clinic #1

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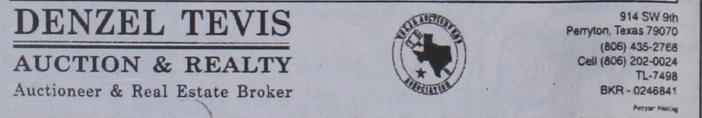
will re-open April 9, 2007, at 8:00 a.m., when we will begin to schedule appointments for patients.



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FOR LEASE: 729 Acres of Land in Ochiltree County - taking offers - dryland or irrigated, section 23, west Ochiltree County. Call 903-725-6733, Howard Swink. TFN(9-28-06)B OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT, SPEARMAN: Pittman-Shieldknight building offers available Call

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LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 116, Local Government Code of Texas Revised Civil Statutes, the Commissioner's Court of Hansford County will select an official depository for County funds handled by the County for 2007-2009 at their regular meeting on May 14, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the Law Library in the Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas.

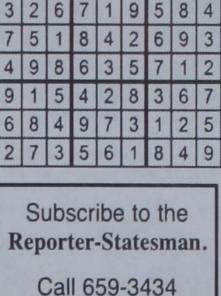
Applications will be received until 1:00 p.m. on May 11, 2007, and will be opened at the May 14, 2007 Commissioner's Court meeting.

Benny Wilson Hansford County Judge 3(03-15-07)B

### PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE Pringle-Morse CISD is accepting proposals for several projects: refinish gym floor and varnish bleachers; paint gym, hallway, 3 classrooms; apply house siding; home bath upgrade; window replacements; and parking lot restoration. Proposals may include one or all repair projects. Contact one or all repair projects. Contact the Business Office for specifica-tions at 100 Fifth Street, Box 109, Morse, Texas 79062 or phone 806-733-2507. Proposals must be received at the above address by April 16, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. Proposals will be opened at that time in the Superintendent's office and considered by the PMCISD Board of Trustees at its regular meeting in April. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject in whole or part of any and all proposals.

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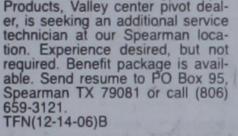
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NEWS

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# **Gorillas Diamonds of the Night**

Myrna Biggers and grandson Alan Biggers were selected to be McFarlin Jewelers "Diamonds of the Night" at the Gorillas hockey game on Saturday, March 17, 2007. As "Diamonds of the Night", Myrna and Alan sat in the New Mexico Penalty Box during the second period of the game. They did share the box with three different New Mexico players during that time. During their time on ice level, the Gorillas scored a goal. Gorilla Trevor Socholotuk handed Alan one of the foam bananas that was thrown on the ice. Alan also received a game-played puck.

Myrna said that the view was great because it was on ice level and there was no glass to obscure the view. She spent a lot of the period visiting with New Mexico's Scott Reid who was the backup goalie for the night. Referee Tom Sterns told them that they had the best seat in the house.

The game was especially exciting because with the 5-4 win over New Mexico, the Amarillo Gorillas secured a play-off berth. This is the fifth year in a row that the Gorillas have made the play-offs.

## Easter

Holy Week Holy Week services will be held at the First Christian Church in Spearman, 29 S. Bernice from 12-1 p.m., Monday-Friday, April 2-6. Soup, sandwiches and dessert will be provided by local churches. Anyone interested is invited to attend. A donation will be taken by the Spearman Ministerial Alliance.

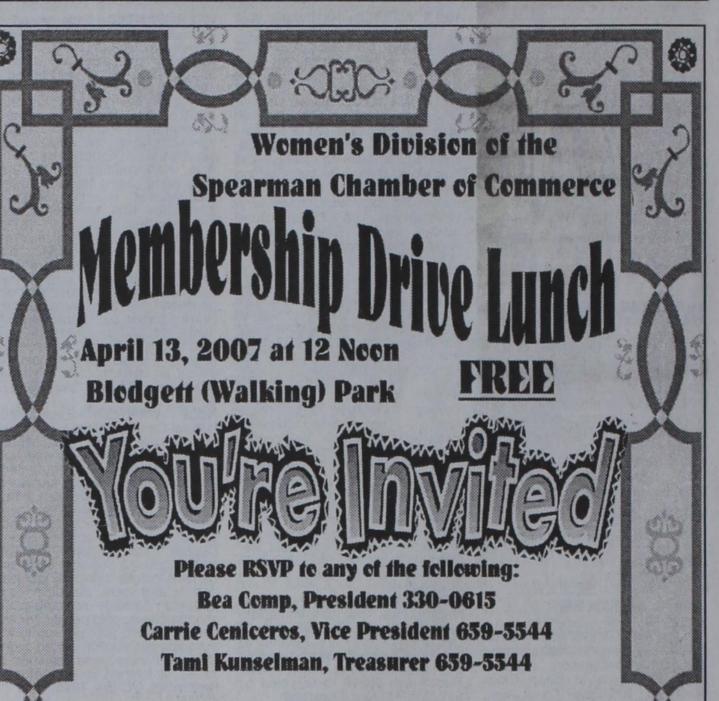
**Sunrise Service** 



Myrna Biggers is shown doing the "Macarena" as Julia Billington from the Amarillo Gorillas office take her and Alan Biggers to the New Mexico Penalty Box during the Gorillas hockey game on March 17.



Are You A Victim of Domestic Violence or Sexual Abuse?



Women's Division was organized in 1969 with eleven charter members. The purpose of Women's Division is to complement the plans and activities of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce for the benefit of the community. It furthers the effectiveness of the women's activities in the community by promoting and stimulating the interest of business, professional, and civic-minded women.

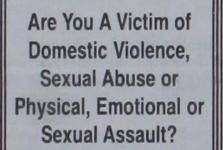
A few of the annual activities include; hosting the Miss Hansford Pageant; playing bingo with manor residents throughout the month of November; banging wreaths at the manor for Christmas; providing gifts, food, and supplies for a needy family in December; and decorating for the chamber banquet. Some of the donations in 2006 are; purchased new tables for the Chamber of Commerce, donated to the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department, Girls Scouts, Project Graduation, and help needy families with their city bills.

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An Easter sunrise service will be held at the Lake Palo Duro Picnic Shelter on Sunday, April 8th at 6:30 a.m. It will be hosted by the First United Methodist Church of Spearman. Breakfast burritos and drinks will be provided by the United Methodist Men.

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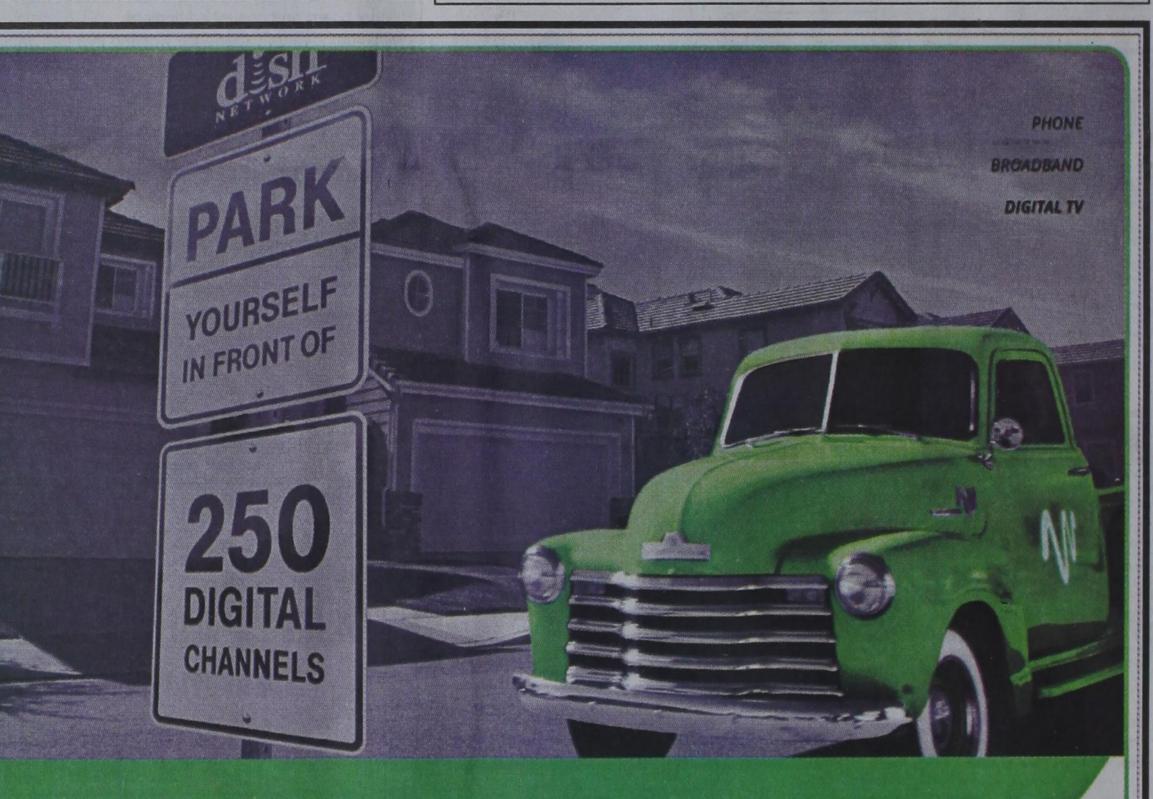
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