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## Spearman Charity Limousine

## Big Fun Run 5K Race & Family Fun Walk Benefits Big Brothers Big Sisters

Have you seen the big white Mercedes Benz limousine here in town?

There is a Mercedes Benz Limousine in Spearman now and it is available for use. It will be available for use as a way to raise funds for local churches and area non profit groups. The limo seats up to four and can be used for weddings, parties, special events or just for the fun of it. A minimum donation of \$50 or more per half hour will be required for use of the limousine with net proceeds going to the local church, charity or area non profit group of your choice. A driver will be provided.

Owner, Tex Kopke, said that he found the car on the Internet last sum-

mer. The car was located in the Los Angeles, Hollywood area. After a few phone calls he and family members made a quick drive out to L.A. and drove the car back to Spearman. Since then the car has been undergoing restoration work and updates to the stereos, air-conditioning, heating and other systems.

After appearing in the recent Perryton car show it has completed the final air-conditioning work and is now ready for use.

The limousine can be viewed at the Country

Market store at the mall on Fridays and Saturdays while the store is open or you can call Tex at (806) 270-0640 for more information.



## Spearman Police Department News

by Chief Robert G. Baker

During the early morning hours of June 10, 2012, three Spearman businesses were burglarized. Several thousand dollars worth of tires and associated tools were stolen from these businesses. Farm Supply & Service, Golden Spread Sales, and the Spearman Police Dept. are asking for the community's help in solving these crimes.

At this time a two thousand five hundred dollar (\$2,500.00) reward has been offered for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for these burglaries.

Tips and information can be sent to the Spearman Police Department by e-mail to rbaker601@spearmanpd.com, or by calling 806-659-3708. All information can remain anonymous, but when calling you may have to leave a message, so a return contact number will have to be supplied.

These businesses are locally owned and operated by your friends and neighbors, who need your help to solve this crime or any other crime that occurs in Spearman.

Please keep vigilant and be aware of your surroundings. Complacency of the law abiding public is what criminals rely upon to be profitable.

Please contact the Spearman Police Dept. or the Hansford County Sheriff's Office with any information regarding any criminal offense. The person you help just may be yourself!

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Pictured is: Back Row L-R: Zach Heflin, Jackie Cannon, Ben Butler and Cameron Wolf Front Row L-R: Jenny Barnes, Stacy Moseley, Tylo Farrar, and Payton Harrell.

The 3rd Annual Big Fun Run and Family Fun Walk to benefit the Wheatheart Satellite of Big Brothers Big Sisters, was held in conjunction with Spearman's Heritage Days on Saturday, May 19th. The event raised over \$1,300 to benefit the local program.

Runners from Perryton, Spearman, Gruver, Amarillo, Hardesty, and Booker participated in the 5K race. The overall first place winner was Cameron Wolf with a time of 20.05 and second place overall was Tylo Farrar with a time of 20.18.

Prizes were awarded to male and female first and second place winners in each of four divisions. 14 & Under: first male, Clay Jackson, second male, Peyton Garnett; first female, Payton Harrell. 15-25: first male, Cameron Wolf, second male, Javier Caro; first female, Tylo Farrar, second female, Macy Hubbard and Alina Spescia. 26-40: first male, Ben Butler, second male, Zach Heflin; first female, Jenny Barnes. 41+: first male Jackie Cannon, second male, Chris Liebman; first female, Stacey Moseley, second female, Connie Dumcum.

For the last four years, races have been held in Perryton in August during the Wheatheart Celebration. The Spearman event was added to form a race series. Runners who participate in both events will receive a medal and discounted entry fees. The Perryton race will be on Saturday, August 25th prior to the parade.

Event sponsors helped make the fundraiser a success. BP America was the major event sponsor. Lowe's Supermarket of Perryton supplied the finish bottled water. Nabors supplied the refreshment line. First National Bank Spearman gave pens for runners' bags and Lane's Locker Room supplied coupons for all participants and supplied t-shirts at a discounted rate. Southwest Fun Time Runners supplied the race clock. Lemon Law underwrote the awards.

Event organizers recognized the following for their support: Ed Hansen and the City of Spearman, Spearman Police Department, Starla Whiteley, Bonnie Bergan, Lone Star Runners Club, and Southwest Fun Time Runners.

Race coordinator was Matt Bartosiewicz. The event was staffed by Big Brothers Big Sisters' Advisory Committee members and employees. Volunteers from Spearman High School helped throughout the morning as well.

The local Big Brothers Big Sisters office serves Perryton, Spearman, and Gruver. Over 150 children have been matched with caring mentors in school and community based programs this year. For more information about the program or to register for the August 5K call BBBS at 806-434-0016 or LIKE us on Facebook at Big Brothers Big Sisters Wheatheart Satellite.



Pictured above is the recent Horsemanship Clinic held in Gruver by the Hansford County 4-H Horse Club on June 4-6, 2012. The two instructors are students from Texas A&M University. Eighteen 4-H members attended.

Photo taken by René Bagley

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# Student Athlete of the Week Xcel Energy Offers Summer Energy-Saving Tips

Each week during the fall and spring semesters, Oklahoma Panhandle State University recognizes Student Athletes of the Week—an honor based upon leadership, academic accomplishment, athletic performance and citizenship. Christy Lang, a member of the OPSU cheer team, recently received this honor.

Lang, from Spearman, Texas, started her college athletic career on the women's basketball team and enjoyed great success. She joined the cheer team and has been an enthusiastic and committed leader at home games.

Lang also is a serious student, earning honor roll honors. This hardworking senior graduated on May 12, 2012 with a degree in biology and a minor chemistry.



Although Xcel Energy's generation resources are sufficient to meet increased demand anticipated from another hot summer, customers are encouraged to find ways to reduce electricity usage, especially on hot days. This not only reduces potential strain on the regional power grid, but also helps customers save money and lessen their environmental impact.

Recent news about potential power shortages within ERCOT (Electric Reliability Council of Texas), the power grid serving downstate Texas, has elevated concerns about system reliability among Xcel Energy customers and stakeholders. Xcel Energy's Texas and New Mexico service areas are part of the Southwest Power Pool in the eastern electrical grid, which is a separate electrical grid from ERCOT. More generation and transmission facilities have been and are being added in the Xcel Energy service area, increasing the utility's ability to meet growing demand all year long.

"We nevertheless want to help customers better manage their electricity usage, while lessening the overall strain on our system," said Riley Hill, president and CEO of Southwestern Public Service Company, an Xcel Energy company.

Tips on conserving power can be found at [xcelenergy.com](http://xcelenergy.com) under the "Save Money & Energy" tab on the home page. Those tips include:

Raise the thermostat setting from 72 to 78 degrees, providing a savings of up to \$25 per month.

Turn off unnecessary lighting and install compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs. CFLs use 75 percent less energy than traditional bulbs, they last longer, and can save up to \$55 over the life of the bulb.

Run washing machines, dishwashers and clothes dryers with full loads.

Change air conditioning filters.

Use ceiling fans to cool the home.

Use a whole-house or attic fan to draw in cool nighttime air and push out hot air during the day.

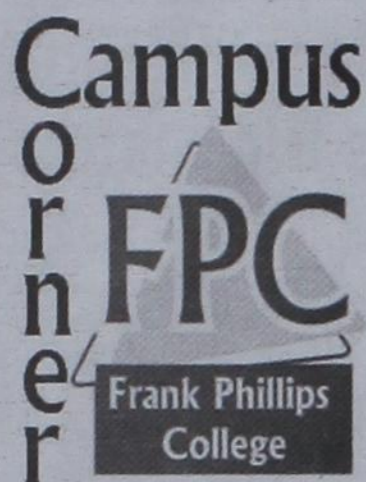
Plant trees for shade. Shading the home with deciduous trees can save up to 8 percent on cooling costs.

In addition to these tips, customers can access online resources at [xcelenergy.com](http://xcelenergy.com) such as the Home Energy Analyzer and Energy Calculators to better manage energy usage in the home.

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## Allen Campus News and Information

Start Here...  
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Greetings from the Northernmost Facility of Higher Education in the Great State of Texas! Summer Session 1 classes are well underway, but it is not too late to register for Summer Session 2 classes so come by and see us at the campus.

So far this academic year (2011-2012), the Allen Campus has served 4,235 students and others from Perryton and the surrounding area. Academic classes account for 232 of these students, while Continuing Education classes have served 1,669 and Community Service classes and events have served an additional 2,334 people.

There is a new addition to the Allen Campus family. Katy Williams joined us at the end of May as Director of Extended Studies. Katy is responsible for all Continuing Education and Community Service classes and events. She is originally from Bryan, Texas and received her Bachelors of Arts in Communications from Southwestern



Oklahoma State University. She moved to Perryton in 2006 and has made it her home with husband Ryan and children Tate and Tana.

Katy has hit the ground running and we are excited about the future of Extended Studies with her at the helm. She will concentrate on discovering the workforce needs in Perryton and the surrounding area and developing programs to fill those needs. She wants to hear from you! If your company or organization needs safety or other business training, give Katy a call. She will also be developing the "fun" classes, that is the Community Service classes, so if you have always wanted to teach a class in your area of interest, call (806-648-1450) or come by (2314 South Jefferson in Perryton) and let Katy know.

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- 2016 Olympics host
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- Arabian chieftain
- Toymaker
- Social class
- "Street of Number 10 fame"
- "England's official language, 1066-1362"
- Romantic destination
- Antonym of hero
- School support org.
- It means lights out
- Skylight, e.g.
- Fleshy hindquarters
- Army beds
- Approximately
- "Simon Cowell's gig, 'Pop \_\_\_'"
- State of danger
- Immaterial part of person
- Pouting grimaces
- Actress \_\_\_ Kunis
- "Great Britain, e.g.
- Misprint
- Person, place or thing
- Bro's sibling
- Highly excited
- Petrol

#### DOWN

- Like some cheeses
- Visual presentation
- Afresh
- Dignified bearings
- Actor's guide
- Residue amount
- Be ill
- Very successful
- Ahmadinejad's home
- Reduced Instruction Set Computer
- Illegal lab product
- "It's Bitter, Brown, Mild or Old in England"
- Type of acid
- Civil rights org.
- Like one who needs improvement
- Type of thong underwear
- \_\_\_ Minister
- Elizabeth I's last name
- Frenchman's love
- "Lord Byron's 'She Walks In Beauty,' e.g.
- Not final or absolute
- Worthless impurities
- Round openings in architecture
- "Prince Charles' domain"
- Attorney's bargain
- Silage holder
- "Live, Love, \_\_\_"
- Reproductive structure of a flower
- "Victorian \_\_\_ or Era \_\_\_"
- Complete failure
- Twig of willow tree
- Expression of contempt
- People in general
- Homer Simpson's deficiency
- Golden Fleece ship
- Wrap up in cerecloth
- Not any
- Pulitzer Prize winner \_\_\_ Ferber
- Banned paint substance
- "Oftentimes" in poetry
- \_\_\_, the Beloved Country

## Dollar General Literacy Foundation Awards Grant to Hansford County Library

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation announced today that it has awarded a \$ 600 grant to Hansford County Library in Spearman, TX. The funds will be used to further Hansford County Library's summer programs for children and teens.

"The Dollar General Literacy Foundation appreciates the work Hansford County Library is doing to help students improve their literacy skills over the summer," said Rick Dreiling, Dollar General's chairman and CEO. "Summer reading helps children continue their education while discovering the joy of reading."

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation awards grants to organizations in communities where its customers, employees and their families live and work. The summer reading grant helps libraries and nonprofit organizations implement or expand summer reading programs.

For more information on the Dollar General Literacy Foundation and a complete list of grant recipients, visit [www.dgliteracy.org](http://www.dgliteracy.org).

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### These games are brought to you by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman

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# Happy Birthday!

**June 28**  
**Birthdays** - Carson Womble, Rowland Don Allen, Ernie Vanderberg, Terril Brummet, Helen Hand, Mrs. A.F. Loftin, Trent England, Meghan Jade Snider  
**Anniversary** - Harvey & Sandra Proffitt, M/M Cecil Biggers, M/M Jim Derington, M/M Bruce Knight

**June 29**  
**Birthdays** - Ira Gross, Hazel Taylor, Scott Strawn, Gary Johnson, Sandra Gumfory, Monica Blackman, Rajan Traffen, June Tucker  
**Anniversary** - M/M Charles Bell, M/M Amadeo Cazares

**June 30**  
**Birthdays** - Mike Minter, Ricky Thompson, Esmeralda Vela, John Snider, Margarette Evans, Kyle Brock, Jeff Hohertz, Keri Lou Schneider, Willie Vera, Paige Burgin, Daniel Crug, Ed Cook, Austin Benton, Katelyn Villarreal, Shari (Smith) Githens  
**Anniversary** - Ishmael & Anna Vela, M/M Claude Sheets Jr., M/M D.A. Clator, M/M Walter Murrell, M/M Paul Stavlo, M/M S.J. Wells, M/M Carl Kunselman, Joe & Elvia Avila

**July 1**  
**Birthdays** - Ida Hendrick, Pauline Lopez, Pauline Jackson, Rosa Rojas, James Cunningham, Manlene Cook, Maverick Keith Burch  
**Anniversary** - M/M Dee Mayfield, M/M Jerry Hart, Kevin & Ronda Bynum, Clay & Pam Schnell

**July 2**  
**Birthdays** - Lou Chapman, Janet Irwin, Luis Hermsillo, Keri George, Channing Burgess, Gary Ellsworth  
**Anniversary** - M/M Jimmy Valandingham, Burt & Lynell Williams, Ron & Loretta Cook, John & Debbie DeLaRosa

**July 3**  
**Birthdays** - Julie Gumfory, Randy Lowe, Todd Williams, Charlie Lopez, Audene Beck, Lynn Sheets, Trudie Gordon, Meredith Benton, Ronda Gibson, Gene Reynolds, Trevor Shipley, Debra Galimore, Verlin Behne, Bill Porter, Cheryl Salgado, Henniretta Andrews  
**Anniversary** - Bill & Verna Strawn

**July 4**  
**Birthdays** - Barry Barkley, Donna Been, Gene Duncan, Mary Weldon, Farene Williams, Faye Cunningham, James Umphress, Ofelia Vela, June Patterson, Melvyn Bradley, Kim Swink  
**Anniversary** - Mike & Kathy Peck, M/M Walter Postoak, M/M Jerald Ray Scribner

**July 5**  
**Birthdays** - Sydney Clawson, Kent Benton, Mrs. George Rook, Mack McLain, Linda Walker,

Jamie Davis, Tom Dortch, Dawn Bridges, Connie Gibson, Dixon, Blayne Schrader, Alfonso Martinez, Melanie Elliott  
**Anniversary** - M/M Bill Been, Mike & Kathy Brown, M/M Anthony Wilkerson

**July 6**  
**Birthdays** - Alan Biggers, Scott Atwood, Monte Beck, Rickey Shields, Gene Dennis, Kimberly Ann Vasquez, Cody Benton, Jill Hall Smith

**July 7**  
**Birthdays** - Pat O'Connell, Steve Benton, Brenda Sue Bowling, Greg Meisner, Steve Lesly, Virginia Reyes, Magda Rivera, Brian Sparks, Justin Bowman, Daniel Ward, Karen Pierce, Mattie Davis, B.J. Hughes, Reid Swan  
**Anniversary** - M/M Kenny Bratton, Kelly & Johnie Fuller

**July 8**  
**Birthdays** - Buddy Benton, Janna Nickles, Aaron Hart, Craig Morris, Gay Pipkin, Luis Martinez, Jody Fowler, Samantha Prouty, Loree Espinosa, Kathy Lindsey  
**Anniversary** - M/M Rodney Clawson, Leo & Phyllis Cummings, M/M Rod Fulce, M/M Greg Miesner

**July 9**  
**Birthdays** - Edith Smith, Donna Farris, Johnny Jo Roach, Sally Swan, Kyle Kirk, Sean Travers Baker, Donna Custard, Sharolyn Finley, Darlene Hoel  
**Anniversary** - M/M Richard Booth, M/M Dewey Taylor, M/M Jimmy Finley, Joanna (Moore) & Wayne Pierson, Kevin & Ann Rook, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bagwell

**July 10**  
**Birthdays** - Steven Greever, Donna Sheets, Lorene Kunsleman, Carolyn Shields, Cathy Gafford, Mitch Gillian, Belinda Francis, Felex Lopez, Jolynda Vasquez, Justin Bass, Jerrill Key, James Sursa  
**Anniversary** - M/M Randy Kirk

**July 11**  
**Birthdays** - Louis Schnell, Marvin Jones, Danny Pope, Juanita Paul, Sharon Archer, Scott Russell, Kenneth Schaeffer, Debbie George, Zeke Henson  
**Anniversary** - M/M Carolyn Fletcher, Larry Hicks, Justin Horton, Jenie Kirkland, J.W. Jenkins, Cheryl Long, Glenda Guthrie, Olga Gafford, Lucas Biggs, Stan Josephson, Dustin Irlbeck, Charlie Spencer, Madison Schad, Colton Meek, Melinda Tidwell, Mandie Hunter

**July 12**  
**Birthdays** - Carolyn Fletcher, Larry Hicks, Justin Horton, Jenie Kirkland, J.W. Jenkins, Cheryl Long, Glenda Guthrie, Olga Gafford, Lucas Biggs, Stan Josephson, Dustin Irlbeck, Charlie Spencer, Madison Schad, Colton Meek, Melinda Tidwell, Mandie Hunter  
**Anniversary** - Harold & Joyce Crooks

**July 13**  
**Birthdays** - Mary Schroeder, Ron Clark, Gary Burke, Rounder Jackson, Clay Schnell, Claude (Junior) Crossland  
**Anniversary** - Allen & Margie Alfred

## FSA County Committee Nominations Have Begun

Hansford County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Rick Hargrove, announced that county committee election nominations begin June 15, 2012. Farmers, ranchers and landowners are encouraged to nominate farmer and rancher candidates to serve on their local FSA county committee by the August 1, 2012 deadline.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity, and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues.

"County Committees are unique to FSA and are a valuable resource that gives locally elected farmers and ranchers who participate in FSA programs the opportunity to impact farm programs at the local level," said Hargrove. "I hope to see a high level of participation during the nomination and election process," he said.

Producers may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Organizations that represent minority and women farmers and ranchers may also nominate candidates. Nominees must participate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area (LAA) in which the person is a candidate. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and more information about county committee elections are available online at: [www.fsa.usda.gov/elections](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections).

"In order to have fair representation of the demographics and agricultural interests in the community, I encourage all producers, including women, minority and beginning farmers and ranchers to participate in the nomination and election process," said Hargrove.

County committees are comprised of three to five members elected by local producers. All newly elected county committee members and alternates will take office January 1, 2013.

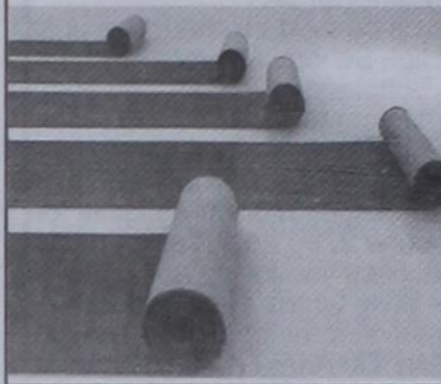
Nomination forms must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on August 1, 2012.

For more information about county committees, please contact the Hansford County FSA office at 806-659-3036 or visit [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

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| <p><b>Oslo</b></p> <p><b>Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)</b><br/>             6 Miles West &amp; 12 Miles<br/>             North of Gruver<br/>             339-7646<br/>             Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.<br/>             Worship: 11 a.m.<br/>             Pastor - Arlen Lloyd</p>  | <p><b>Gruver</b></p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b><br/>             402 E. Broadway • 733-2411<br/>             Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.<br/>             Worship: 10:50 a.m.<br/>             Disciple Training: 6 p.m. Sunday<br/>             Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday<br/>             Pastor - Scott Curry</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b><br/>             209 King • 733-2760<br/>             Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.<br/>             Worship: 10:20 a.m.<br/>             Evening Worship: 6 p.m.<br/>             Wed. Worship: 7:00 p.m.<br/>             Minister - Gaylord Cook</p> <p><b>First Christian Church</b><br/>             510 King • 733-2960<br/>             Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.<br/>             Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.<br/>             Youth: 7:30, Sunday<br/>             Adult Bible Study: 7:30, Sun.<br/>             Wed. Bible Study: 8:00 p.m.<br/>             Pastor - Gary Gumfory</p>  | <p><b>Morse</b></p> <p><b>Morse Baptist Church</b><br/>             733-2757<br/>             Pastor - Gary Stevens</p>   | <p><b>Waka</b></p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b><br/>             300 Rogers Ave.<br/>             202-7126<br/>             Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.<br/>             Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. &amp; 6 p.m.<br/>             Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.<br/>             Preacher - Ed Jenkins</p>   |

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**Spearman Food Bank 1st Thursday**  
If you would like to help the Spearman Food Bank, they need help unloading the truck at 11:30 each 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Cecil Biggers for more information.

**Farmer's Market**  
The local Farmer's Market will begin July 11th and will be held every Wednesday afternoon. Anyone interested is asked to contact Linda Venneman at 806-898-0969.

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**Golden Spread Senior Center Radio Auction**  
Donations are now being accepted for the Golden Spread Senior Center Radio Auction. The Radio Auction will be held: July 14, 2012 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on KXDJ 98.3. Remember to join us the week of July 10th for pre-bidding and tune in on July 14th for the GSC Auction! Pre-bidding and viewing will be: July 10th, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; July 11th, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; July 12th, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; July 13th, 9 a.m.-12 Noon. Call The O'Loughin Center at 806-659-3300 for more information.

**Willy Lopez Memorial 5K**  
The Willy Lopez Memorial 5K will be held on Saturday, July 7th at 8:30 a.m. at Perryton High School. All proceeds benefit the Willy Lopez Memorial Scholarship at Perryton High School. Entry Fee: Everyone welcome to walk, run, bike, cheer or just donate!!! 5K Fun Run - \$20 (if registered before June 27th); 5K Fun Run - \$25 (if registered after June 27th or on race day); Family Fun Run Package: \$70 (only eligible for family package if registered by June 27th) (Includes 4 t-shirts). A donation of \$15 or more qualifies you for an additional t-shirt. Make checks payable to: Willy Lopez Memorial Scholarship. Mail payment and registration form to: Allan or Debbie Herbert, 1402 S. Drake, Perryton TX 79070. Call (806) 435-3453 or (806) 228-0157 for more information.

**Gruver Gym Hours**  
The Gruver Gym will be open in June and July for the following hours: Monday - Girls Night (JH-HS Girls) 7-9 p.m.; Tuesday - Boys Night (JH-HS Boys) 7-9 p.m.; Wednesday - Adult Night (HS "Old") 7-9 p.m. (closed July 4th); Thursday - Elementary Night 6-8 p.m. (closed July 5th). 3-on-3 Tournaments, \$30/team (4 players max/team) will also be held on the following dates: June 22nd-23rd - Men & Women Divisions; July 13-14 - Elementary-JH Tourney Boys & Girls. Email entries to wade.callaway@region16.net with "3-on-3 Tourney" in the subject line. There will be 1 adult supervisor and 1-3 student workers each night (3 for elementary nights). All participants will need a signed release (students 17 or under will need parent/guardian signature). Out of town guests are welcome with signed release.

**Second (Indianhead) Division Association, Inc.**  
The Second (Indianhead) Division Association is searching for anyone who ever served in the 2nd Infantry Division at any time. For information about the national association and our annual reunion in Reno, Nevada from August 23-26, 2012, visit our website at www.2ida.org or contact the association's secretary-treasurer, Bob Haynes, at 2idahq@comcast.net or (224) 225-1202.

**Hansford Co. Library Thrift Shop Accepting Donations**  
Alley Katz (Library Thrift Shop) is accepting donations of quality items. You may ask for the key to the Thrift Shop at the library desk during regular hours (9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday). Alley Katz is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. each Wednesday.

**Firefighters Wanted**  
The Spearman Volunteer Fire Department is actively recruiting new members. Both men and women age 18 and over are welcome. The number of volunteers has dropped to dangerously low levels and the roster needs to be increased. If you have an interest in helping to keep your community safe, the SVFD would like to talk to you. All new candidates will have access to the best training available. All interested parties should either come to the fire station located at 513 S Hazelwood or call Kimmi Rivera at 806-202-6374. The SVFD meets every Thursday night at 7 PM. Bring a friend and come join the team.

**Hansford Hospice**  
Volunteering for Hospice is very flexible and easy to work into your schedule. Our volunteers provide important services to the people we serve, whether it is: providing companionship to patients and their families; helping with clerical duties in the office; helping with special projects such as cooking food, baking, running or helping with community outreach. If you are interested in being a Hansford Hospice Volunteer, please contact us at 806-659-5811.

**Texas SNAP Benefits Assistance**  
Need help applying for SNAP benefits? We can help! High Plains Food Bank is providing application assistance for Texas SNAP benefits (Food Stamps) in your area. Telephone application assistance is available. If you need to apply for benefits, please call us today at 806374-8562 or 1-800-774-8564.

**Don't Text and Drive Decals**  
If you would like to purchase a lime green 'AMT 1994-2009 Don't Text and Drive' window decal in memory of Ali Tyler, please contact Stephanie Tyler at 806-736-0019. All proceeds go to the Ali Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund. Decals are also available at Hansford County Floral Company on Main Street in Spearman.

**Help Available for Breast Cancer Survivors**  
Any woman who has had breast cancer surgery and cannot afford undergarments and prosthetics can get help from the American Cancer Society through a grant from Susan G. Komen for the Cure®. The Amarillo Area Breast Prosthesis and Lymphedema Accessory Program will provide financial help to women in need of breast forms or prostheses, mastectomy bras and accessories to help with lymphedema, which is swelling of the arm caused by a build-up of lymph fluid. For more information, call the American Cancer Society office in Amarillo at (806) 353-4307 or 1-877-227-2345.

**Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild**  
The Friendship Quilter Quilt Guild of Perryton, Texas would like to invite you to their meetings. The Day Guild meets the 2nd Wednesdays of each month at 9 a.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. The Night Guild meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Community Worship Center, 2210 SW 15th, Perryton. Annual dues are \$15. (To receive only the newsletter \$7.50/yr.) Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Cynthia Shattles at 806-435-2765 or Marilyn Robins at 806-624-2691.

**Fire Department Donations**  
Persons wishing to make donations to the Fire Departments in Hansford County may do so at the following addresses: Spearman Fire Dept., Box 37, Spearman TX 79081; Gruver Fire Dept., Box 947, Gruver TX 79040 or Morse Fire Dept., Box 28, Morse TX 79062.

**Take Off Pounds Sensibly**  
Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church in Gruver. For more information, contact Marilyn Been at 806-733-2087.

**SPWA Seeks Volunteers**  
The Southwest Pioneer Windmill Association is seeking the next generation of volunteers to continue the work of restoring and maintaining the windmills of the SPWA. If you have an interest in windmills and their upkeep, and/or maintenance of the park, you are needed. For information, call Dwayne Mitchell, 270-0291 or Don Reed 330-0745.

# USDA Announces Results for Conservation Reserve Program General Sign-Up

## Interest High in the 26-year-old Conservation Program

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture will accept 3.9 million acres offered under the 43rd Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up. During the extended five-week sign-up, the Department received nearly 48,000 offers on more than 4.5 million acres of land, demonstrating the CRP's continuing leadership as one of our nation's most successful voluntary efforts to conserve land and improve our soil, water, air and wildlife habitat resources. Under Vilsack's leadership, USDA has now enrolled nearly 12 million acres in the CRP since 2009. Currently, there are more than 29.6 million acres enrolled on more than 736,000 contracts.

"For more than 25 years, lands in CRP have helped to support strong incomes for our farmers and ranchers and produce good middle-class jobs throughout the country related to outdoor recreation, hunting, and fishing," said Vilsack. "As the commodities produced by our farmers and ranchers continue to perform strongly in the marketplace—supporting 1 out of every 12 jobs here in the United States—it is no surprise that American producers also recognize the importance of protecting our nation's most environmentally sensitive land by enrolling in CRP."

Enrollment of the new 3.9 million acres will allow USDA to continue important targeting of CRP acres through continuous sign-up initiatives—including those announced earlier this year for highly-erodible land, as well as grasslands and wetlands—while also maintaining and enhancing the significant benefits that the program has already achieved. The two continuous sign-ups announced earlier this year will target an additional 1.75 million acres in total.

For the first continuous sign-up program, USDA encourages landowners with land that has an Erosion Index (EI) of 20 or greater to consider participating in the Highly Erodible Land initiative. Lands

eligible for this program are typically the least productive land on the farm. In many cases the most cost-effective option to reduce erosion is to put the land into a wildlife friendly cover, which will improve habitat and reduce sediment and nutrient runoff and reduce wind erosion. For the second continuous sign-up program, landowners with sensitive grasslands, wetlands and wildlife habitat are encouraged to participate. The grasslands and wetlands initiative increases acres set aside for specific enrollments that benefit duck nesting habitat, upland birds, wetlands, and wildlife, and provides benefits for specific conservation practices, including new benefits for pollinator practices.

CRP is a voluntary program designed to help farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers protect their environmentally sensitive land. Eligible landowners receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland throughout the duration of 10 to 15 year contracts.

CRP has a 25-year legacy of successfully protecting the nation's natural resources through voluntary participation, while providing significant economic and environmental benefits to rural communities across the United States. Under CRP, farmers and ranchers plant grasses and trees in crop fields and along streams or rivers. The plantings prevent soil and nutrients from washing into waterways, reduce soil erosion that may otherwise contribute to poor air and water quality, and provide valuable habitat for wildlife. Plant cover established on the acreage accepted into the CRP will reduce nutrient and sediment runoff in our nation's rivers and streams. In 2011, as a result of CRP, nitrogen and phosphorus losses from farm fields were reduced by 623 million pounds and 124 million pounds respectively. The CRP has restored more than two million acres of wetlands and associated buffers

and reduces soil erosion by more than 300 million tons per year. CRP also provides \$1.8 billion annually to landowners—dollars that make their way into local economies, supporting small businesses and creating jobs. In addition, CRP is the largest private lands carbon sequestration program in the country. By placing vulnerable cropland into conservation, CRP sequesters carbon in plants and soil, and reduces both fuel and fertilizer usage. In 2010, CRP resulted in carbon sequestration equal to taking almost 10 million cars off the road.

USDA selected offers for enrollment based on an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) comprised of five environmental factors plus cost. The five environmental factors are: (1) wildlife enhancement, (2) water quality, (3) soil erosion, (4) enduring benefits, and (5) air quality. The minimal acceptable EBI level for this sign-up was 209. The average rental rate per acre for this sign-up is \$51.24.

In 2011, USDA enrolled a record number of acres of private working lands in conservation programs, working with more than 500,000 farmers and ranchers to implement conservation practices that clean the air we breathe, filter the water we drink, and prevent soil erosion. Moreover, the Obama Administration, with Agriculture Secretary Vilsack's leadership, has worked tirelessly to

strengthen rural America, implement the Farm Bill, maintain a strong farm safety net, and create opportunities for America's farmers and ranchers. U.S. agriculture is currently experiencing one of its most productive periods in American history thanks to the productivity, resiliency, and resourcefulness of our producers.

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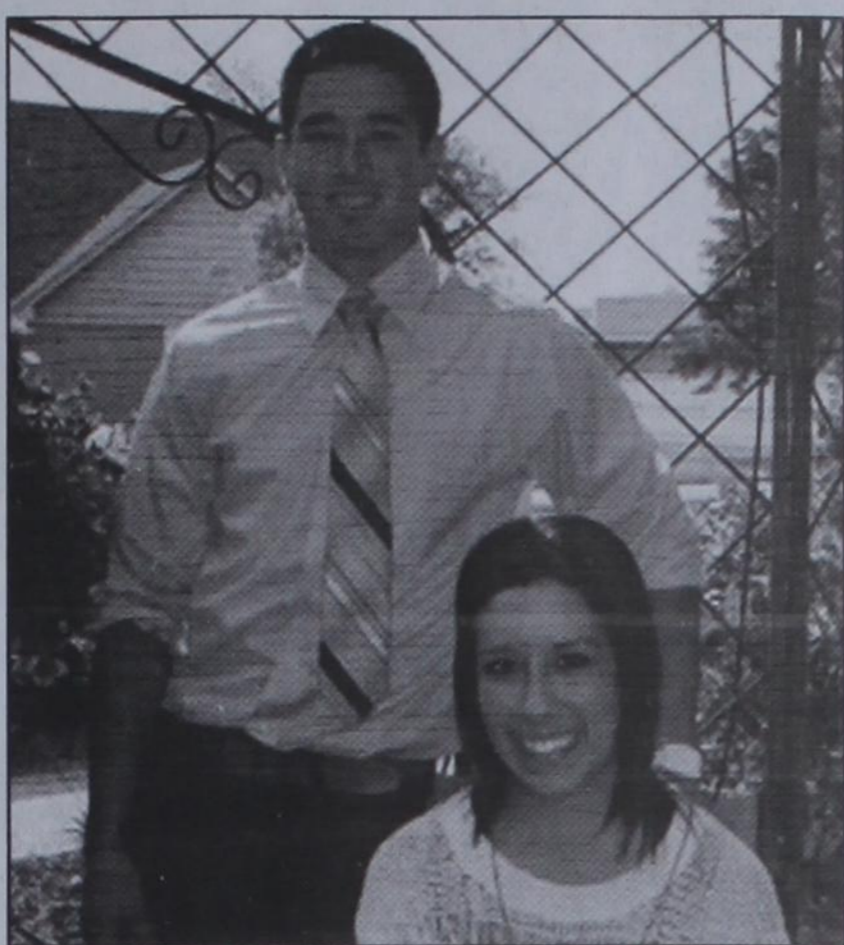
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## Spearman High School April Students of the Month

The April Students of the Month at Spearman High School are seniors, Cassie Bowers and Stefan Cook.

Cassie is the daughter of Charles and Christina Bowers. She has two older sisters, Krystal Ferguson and Emily Delagarza. Cassie has been active in Spearman Varsity cheerleading for four years, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle, National Honor Society, FCCLA, and Student Council. Cassie served as the Sophomore Class President, received the Texas Student Achievement Award from ACT, was a Visual Arts Scholastic Event (VASE) gold medal recipient, placed first in the Spearman High School Art Show, and was named an All-American cheerleader through the Universal Cheerleading Association. She was also named Top Student of the Year in Pre-AP World Geography and Biology. In her spare time, Cassie enjoys cheerleading, spending time with family, and hanging out with friends and close ones. Her future plans include attending Texas Tech University in the fall and majoring in general studies and nursing. She plans on attending nursing school at Texas Tech and receiving her bachelor's degree. She then plans to continue her education by pursuing her master's degree in nursing. Cassie states the best thing about Spearman is, "I really enjoy the small town community because you always feel welcomed. Everyone is always there for you and you always feel supported." The best thing about Spearman High School is, "I love how involved and spirited the student body is. Everyone comes together and makes sure to involve everyone." Cassie's most influential teacher during her school years is Mrs. Kristi Ramon.

Stefan is the grandson Lynn and Sharon Cook and the son of Lyndee Stone. Stefan is active in Spearman Lynx Varsity Football, Basketball, Track, National Honor Society, FFA, FCCLA, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle. Stefan is also a



member of the First Baptist Church. While in high school, Stefan has been named 2nd Team All-District wide receiver and defensive back, Sophomore Class Favorite, Academic All-District in football, basketball, and track, and was named the 2011 Spearman Lynx football homecoming king. Stefan was also named Academic All-State in football this year and was a Regional Track Qualifier in the triple jump. In his spare time, Stefan enjoys all sports. He also likes to skateboard and he enjoys riding dirt bikes. Stefan's future plans include attending West Texas A&M University and studying sports management. He would

eventually like to become a coach in a small town. Stefan states the best thing about Spearman is, "I enjoy the overall environment. Everyone knows everyone and I believe that pushes kids to have a good reputation." Stefan says the best thing about Spearman High School is, "All of the teachers at SHS care about their students and will push them to be their best. They all take time out of their day to help their students." Stefan's most influential teacher during his school years is Coach Lee Brandon.

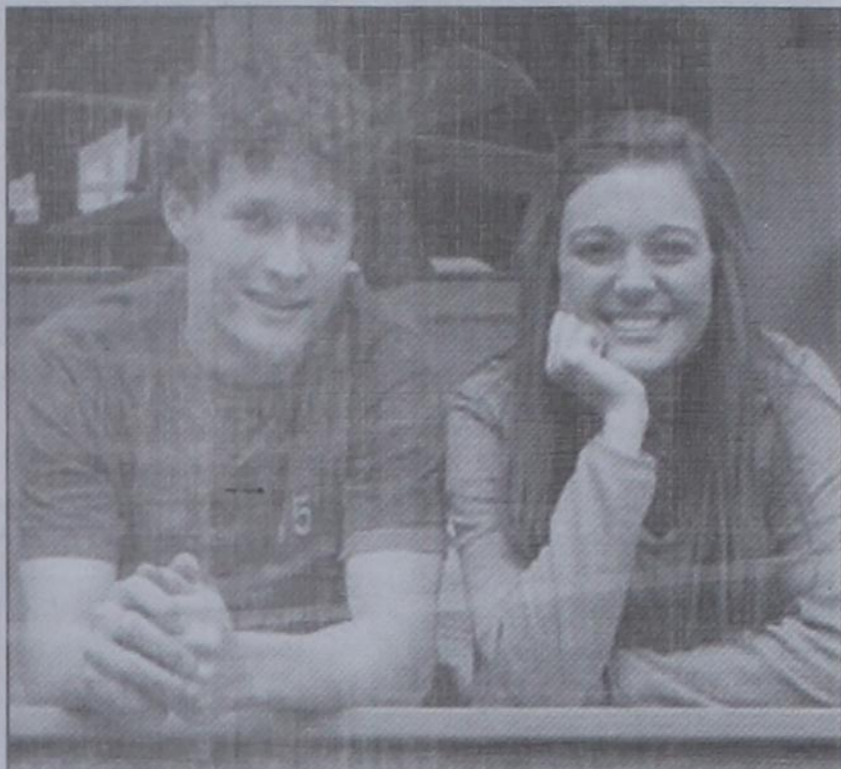
Congratulations to Cassie and Stefan on being named the Spearman High School April Students of the Month.

## Spearman High School May Students of the Month

The May Students of the Month at Spearman High School are seniors, Lauren Patterson and Colton Close.

Lauren is the daughter of Travis and Lana Patterson. She has two younger brothers, Trace and Zane Patterson. Lauren has been active in Future Farmers of America, Gruver Rodeo Club, Region One High School Rodeo Team, Tri-State High School Rodeo Team, and National Honor Society. Lauren was named the 2011 Gruver Rodeo Queen, 2009 Tri-State Rodeo Rookie of the Year, 2011 and 2012 Tri-State and Region One Rodeo Pole Champion, 2012 Tri-State and Region One Reserve Champion Barrel Racer, and had the 2012 Breed Champion York at the San Antonio Stock Show. In her spare time, Lauren enjoys reading books and riding horses with her family. Her future plans include attending Tarleton State University and majoring in Biochemistry. Lauren states the best thing about Spearman is, "It is small and you know almost everybody." The best thing about Spearman High School is, "It is a small school where all of the teachers care." Lauren's most influential teacher during her school years is Mr. Josh Brockman.

Colton is the son of Danny Close and Tanya Kimbrough. Colton has



been active in Oklahoma High School Rodeo Association - bareback riding, and Future Farmers of America. Colton placed third in the UIL Academic Bowl in the Area, and 4th in the UIL Academic Bowl at State. He also has placed 2nd and 5th with his swine projects in FFA. In his spare time, Colton enjoys working as a mechanic, music, dancing, rodeo, and riding four wheelers. Colton's future plans include attending Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology and graduating in the top of his class. He also plans on getting a great job and making a great living for himself. Colton states the best thing about Spearman is, "It's a small town and everyone is willing to help each other." Colton says the best thing

about Spearman High School is, "You can keep your friends close and you will see them." Colton's most influential teachers during his school years are Mrs. Sherry Johnson and Mrs. Cheryl Whitefield.

Congratulations to Lauren and Colton on being named the Spearman High School May Students of the Month.

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### Texas Comptroller Reminds Businesses of Tax Amnesty Period

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs is reminding businesses they can soon begin clearing up their tax records without penalty and interest when the state's Fresh Start tax amnesty period began June 12.

The tax amnesty covers taxes and fees that were originally due before April 1, 2012. Businesses can file missing tax reports and pay the overdue taxes, or amend and pay previous reports in which they had incorrectly stated a lower amount than was due. The amnesty does not apply to underpaid tax returns (tax that was reported but not paid) or filing periods that businesses have in audit.

The amnesty runs through August 17, 2012. The Fresh Start amnesty applies to sales tax, franchise tax and other state or local taxes or fees administered by the Comptroller's office, except Public Utility Commission gross receipts assessments.

Taxpayers can get details on the Fresh Start tax amnesty at [www.freshstart.texas.gov](http://www.freshstart.texas.gov), or by calling 1-800-252-1390.

A podcast is also available at: <http://wosgacc/news-info/podcast/transcripts/TaxAmnesty2012.html>.

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Notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Appraisal Review Board of the Hansford County Appraisal District will convene at 9:00 am on July 13, 2012, at the conference room in the appraisal district offices located at 709 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Spearman, Texas.

The board will hear and determine taxpayer and taxing unit appeals on all matters permitted by TEX. PROPERTY TAX CODE.

The Appraisal Review Board will be in session, notice for which will be duly posted, until all timely filed appeals are heard and resolved.

This notice is given pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

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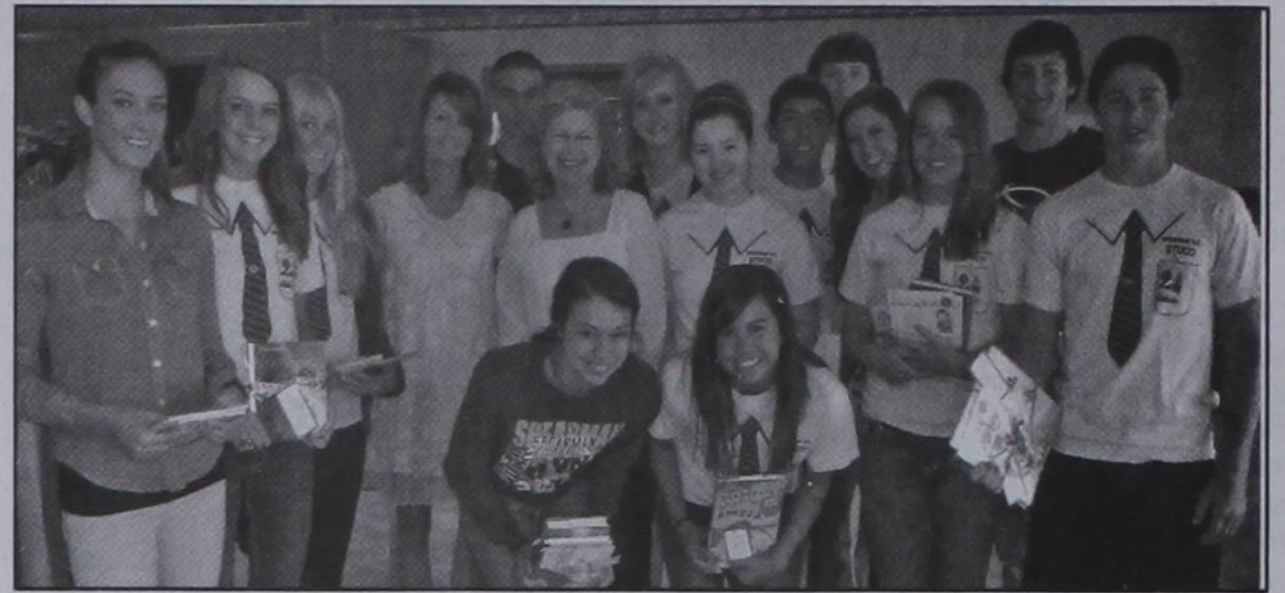
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# Student Council Completes Pennies for a Purpose Literacy Campaign



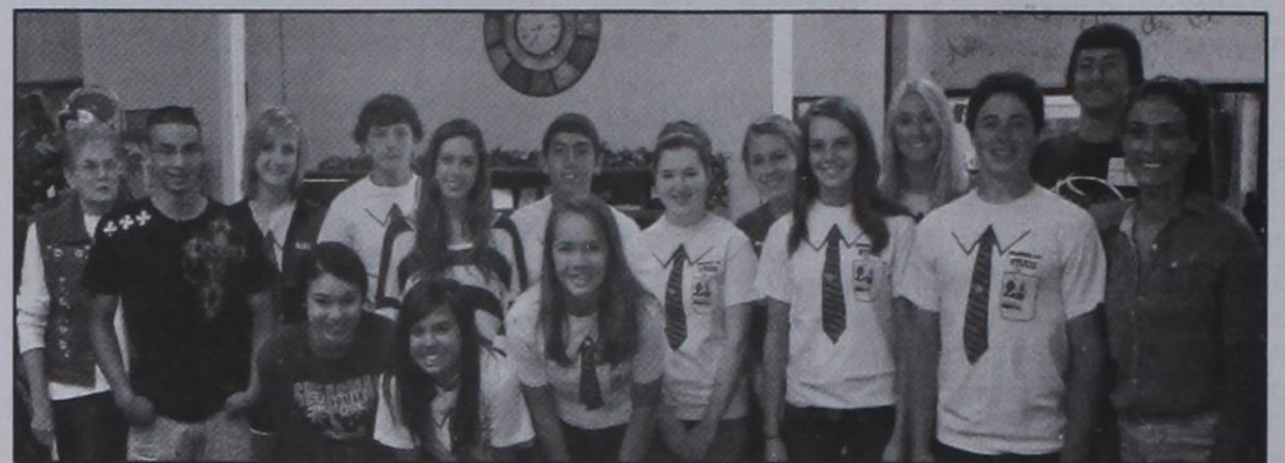
Delivering books to Gus Birdwell Elementary to BIGS in School leader, Christa Turner.



Delivering books to Candy Boxwell and Charlotte Jasper at the Panhandle Crisis Center.



STUCO members present Spearman High School librarian, Denise Harbour, with a variety of study guides in which the student body will be able to check out next year.



Margaret Ruttman is shown receiving the \$100.00 donation to the Love Our Library campaign.

The Spearman High School Student Council recently completed its 2011-2012 Service Project - Pennies for a Purpose Literacy Campaign. As a student organization, STUCO members decided it was important to promote literacy within our school and community. Therefore, the Pennies for a Purpose project was developed.

Beginning first semester, Student Council challenged the high school students and faculty to collect change to be used towards the purchase of books for different school and community organizations. The students and faculty not only met the challenge, but exceeded it.

After collecting the Pennies for a Purpose, the STUCO members set out selecting and purchasing the books. The freshman and sophomore members purchased books for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Texas Panhandle - BIGS in School program and junior and senior members purchased books for the Panhandle Crisis Center. STUCO members had voted earlier in the year to also make a donation to the Love Our Library Campaign at the Hansford County Public Library and to purchase a variety of study guides for various tests including ACT, SAT, AP, ASVAB, and Accuplacer, for the Spearman High School library.

In May, the STUCO members delivered all of

the books to representatives from the different organizations within the school and community.

The STUCO members would like to thank all of the Spearman High School

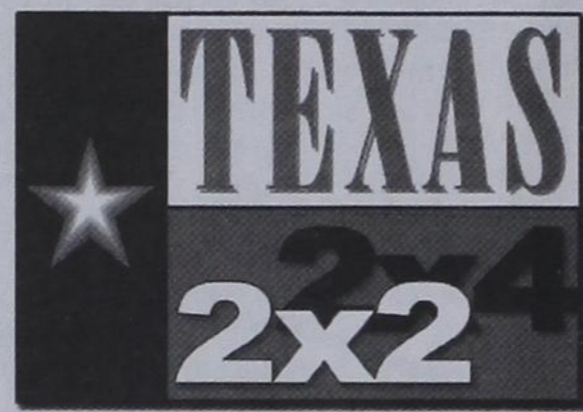
administration, students, and faculty for helping support this literacy project. They would also like to thank all of the school and community organizations that helped them with ideas

for purchasing books.

STUCO members for the 2011-2012 school year include: 9th Grade: Tanner Baird, Slade Garnett, Jayme Pack, Cameron Wolf; 10th Grade: Gena Gillispie, Ash-

ley Keim, Eulises Mendoza, Connor Willimon; 11th Grade: Cynthia Mendoza, Itzel Meza, Paige Pierson, Luis Vela; 12th Grade: Malory Martin - STUCO President, Sarah

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# USDA Celebrates 150th Anniversary



On May 15th, 2012, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) commemorated the 150th anniversary of its founding in 1862, when President Abraham Lincoln signed into law an act of Congress establishing the United States Department of Agriculture. President Lincoln established the USDA because he recognized the potential of America's farmers to find new ways to cultivate the land with advances in research and technology, allowing them to provide a safe, ample food supply for our nation and the world.

In one of President Lincoln's only speeches on agriculture at the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society in 1859, he said, "...no other human occupation opens so wide a field for the profitable and agreeable combination of labor with cultivated thought, as agriculture." Two years later, in what would be his final annual message to the Congress, Lincoln called USDA "The People's Department." At that time, the population of the United States was about 31.4 million, and about half of all Americans lived on farms. Today, with a population of almost 313 million people, 2.1 million farms are operating in the US.

Over the past 150 years, USDA's work with food

science, agriculture, economic development, science and research, natural resource conservation, community development and alternative energy sources fulfills Lincoln's vision "to touch the lives of every American, every day." The success of the agency can be shown daily as Americans benefit from the safety, security and maintenance of our food and water supply, land and forest resources, advancing school systems, and continually evolving rural communities. Twenty million Americans are employed through our food, fuel and fiber industries, and almost 1 million jobs have been created through agricultural exports. USDA maintains a strong farm safety net to help keep American agriculture secure from the market and weather, and is leading the way on renewable energy projects, implementing funding for energy-saving technologies to farms, ranches and businesses.

In Texas, the mission of the USDA is upheld through the work of the Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Rural Development (RD).

In 2011 alone, NRCS worked with Texas farmers and ranchers to invest

\$121.4 million in conservation programs authorized through the federal Farm Bill, to help protect water, soil and air resources, wildlife, forests and rangelands throughout the state. NRCS has provided conservation-related products and service that enable people to be good stewards of the Nation's soil, water, and related natural resources on non-Federal lands since 1935.

"The USDA- Natural Resources Service (NRCS) in Texas continues its commitment and work in protecting Texas' natural resources by working one on one with private landowners to resolve their natural resource issues," said Salvador Salinas, NRCS Texas state conservationist. "In a state where more than 90 percent of the land is privately owned, our farmers and ranchers are the leading stewards of the land and water, and USDA supports their work through technical assistance and conservation programs - applying the most effective programs in the best places to achieve the best possible result. The NRCS mission remains Helping People Help the Land, as we celebrate this historic anniversary."

Throughout Texas, Rural Development provided over \$1.55 billion in funding to recipients in 2011 through programs designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers and ranchers and improve the quality of life in rural areas. Rural Development administers and manages housing, business and community infrastructure and facility programs through a national network of state and local offices.

"We are pleased to be an agency within the USDA that has provided assistance to the heart of America; our rural communities, farmers and residents, for 150

years," said Rural Development Texas State Director Paco Valentin. "Rural Development offers over 40 programs that provide the resources and assistance needed to essentially build an entire rural community from the ground up, and we will to continue to provide support to thousands of rural Texas residents and communities in the coming years."

Texas FSA promoted American agriculture by delivering nearly \$1.4 billion in federal farm program payments and loans to Texas farmers and ranchers during fiscal year 2011. FSA farm programs include price support, commodity operations, conservation and disaster programs that provide assistance and re-

lief for producers. FSA also helps family farmers and ranchers by offering direct and guaranteed farm ownership and operating loans as well as emergency loans to producers who cannot obtain commercial financing from a traditional lender.

"USDA agencies realize farmers and ranchers work hard year-round in a risky, sometimes unforgiving industry; but, for the most part, the rewards outweigh the risks. FSA considers it an honor and a privilege to work with Texas producers and we look forward to working to meet the changing needs of agriculture and rural America for many years to come," said James Douglass, Acting FSA Texas state director.

As we commemorate 150 years of accomplishments, USDA is learning from past experiences while looking to the future. In the years to come, there may be challenges for the economy, agriculture and the Department. However, the USDA will remain focused on the mission to strengthen Americans rural communities, continue to help create jobs, and build on the success of America's farmers, ranchers and small businesses. For more information on the 150th anniversary of the USDA or programs and services offered through the agency, visit <http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome>.

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