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Hansford County Extension Agency To Honor Veterans

Ross Renner will be the keynote speaker at the Veterans Day Program scheduled for Monday November 11, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the Spearman Varsity

The program, sponsored by the Extension Education Clubs of Hansford County, will feature The National Anthem" played by the Spearman High School Band and a rendition of patriotic selections presented by the Spearman school choirs and

Renner joined the United States Marine Corps following his graduation in 1987 from Gruver High School. His time of active duty was spent stationed in Washington, D.C., where he was one of four Marines selected to serve at the West Wing of the White House in 1992.

Renner is also a graduate of Abilene Christian University, with an agricultural degree in Range Science and Agronomy, the Amarillo Police Academy. He served as a police officer in Amarillo from 1996 until 1999, when he was hired by the Secret Service. He was stationed in the Dallas field office of the Secret Service for two years. He is currently active in the US Marine Corps Reserve.

All veterans are invited and encouraged to attend this program being presented in their

Hansford County Eligible for Livestock Compensation Program

Hansford County has been desgnated a Primary Disaster Area due to drought in 2002. As a result of this designation, the Hansford County Farm Service Agency (FSA) has begun accepting applications for the new Compensation Program (LCP). According to Steven Orr, County Executive Director, LCP will only be available to counties within the state that were designated primary disaster areas for drought in 2001 or 2002. LCP provides direct payments, per head to producers who suffered livestock losses as a result of severe drought condi-The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to provide approximately \$752 million

in LCP assistance nationwide. "Eligibility for LCP is not a pasture loss issue, but rather a livestock loss program that provides financial assistance to farmers and ranchers who would otherwise have no opportunity for loss compensation," said Orr. "We recognize that individuals who raise livestock only, and those who raise livestock in conjunc-

tion with row crops have suffered devastating losses on both accounts due to severe drought conditions," he said. "LCP provides assistance to eli-

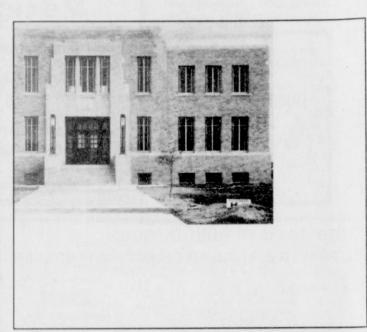
gible livestock producers who owned livestock for at least 90 days as of June 1, 2002," said Orr. "Livestock meeting these requirements that have been sold or died after June 1, 2002 and prior to LCP sign-up would still be eligible for payment"

Eligible livestock under LCP provisions are beef, dairy cattle, sheep, goats as well as buffalo and beefalo when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle. However, swine, poultry, feedlot livestock and equine animals used commercially for human food or kept for the production of food or fiber on the owner's farm are not eligible for LCP pay-

For more information regarding Livestock Compensation Program provisions, payment rates, eligibility criteria, or to make an appointment contact the Hansford County FSA Office at 806-659-3036.

Library Celebrates 70th Anniversary

SERVING HANSFORD COUNTY SINCE 1907



Pictured above is the Spearman City Hall building where the first library was housed in Hansford County. Below is the courthouse, the second home for the library. At right is the current library building



An idea, a few coins, and sixtyfive books marked the beginning of the Hansford County Library, located at 122 Main Street in Spearman.

In 1932, when the town of Spearman was fifteen years old, and there were no paved roads in town, a group of dedicated women decided to sponsor the beginning of a library. This group of women were members of the Spearman Twentieth Century Club. That year they had a junior division of the club. Mrs. Delan Kirk was in charge of this group of young women called the Prairie Girls Club. The girls went to every home in Spearman asking for books for the library. They were able to collect sixty-five books. The girls also helped plan a silver tea, hoping the good people of Spearman would bring their silver coins and help the library get started. Unfortunately, November 1, the day of the tea, a dirt storm rolled through town. The girls, their mothers, and their leader provided the tea, the cookies, and, because of the storm, the silver coins that day. However, this event marked the beginning of the first library in Spearman and Hansford County.

The Spearman Public Library officially opened on December 14, 1932 in a small room in the City Hall. In addition to City Hall, this two-story building housed the new library and the Masonic Lodge. It was located at the present site of the law office of Britt Jarvis. The City of Spearman provided the room, Hansford County provided Mrs. Pearl Reed to work in the library, and the Twentieth Century Club provided the operating cash from donations. The Lions Club donated their yearly 'Tail Twister Fines" to the library.

The first librarian was Anna Lee Morton (Mrs. Raymond Kirk), a high school student. Ethel Deakin, the high school math teacher and librarian, helped get the library organized. The Twentieth Century Club invited the City of Spearman Board of Commissioners, the

more spacious quarters in the basement of the courthouse. Gladys Richardson was the librarian at the courthouse location with help from

Frances Kilgore and Kate Massey. Others who have served as librarian are Celestine Thompson and Rita Curtis. The Twentieth Century Club

Superintendent of Spearman

Public Schools and the Lions Club

of Spearman to join them as origi-

nal sponsors. The organization

papers were formally recorded in

the Hansford County Deed

In 1960, the library moved to

Records on January 16, 1935.

continued to be active helping with summer reading programs and fundraisers. Even though the courthouse location was better than the one room in city hall, more space was needed to allow the library to grow.

Another landmark year for the Hansford County Library was 1967. That year, the Library Board, with Emmitt Sanders as president, decided to purchase a two-story brick building owned by Erlis Pittman. It had previously housed Excel Chevrolet-Olds, owned and operated by the Shieldknight and Pittman families. This building, located on the corner of Main and Hancock Streets, was purchased at a cost of \$31,000.

Extensive remodeling had to be done on the building before it could be occupied. Max Banks of Baker & Taylor took on the responsibility for the repairs of the cement floors. Magda Garnett, at her own expense, brought the architect of the Texas State Library to Spearman to counsel the Twentieth Century Club members and the Library Board on the correct organization of the library.

In November of 1967, the name of the library was officially changed from the Spearman Public Library to the Hansford County Library. In the fall of 1968, the Hansford County Library moved from the courthouse into its present location.

Once again, the citizens, clubs, organizations and businesses of Spearman contributed their time and money to the new building fund. The Twentieth Century Club, under the direction of people like Mrs. Frank Davis and Frances Stump, was instrumental in planning bazaars, art shows, stew dinners and book sales for fundraisers. Private donations were also very plentiful. Proceeds from the local Thriftshop (created to raise funds for the library) poured into

the building fund. In 1970, only three years following purchase of the new building, enough money had been raised to pay off the loans. A mortgage-burning party was held at the library on November 15, 1970 with approximately 300 people joining in the festivities. The

library was now debt-free! The Thriftshop, which is located in a back portion of the library building, originated as a Twentieth Century Club project. The club members decided to hold a onetime rummage sale to help pay off the building debt. However, so many quality items were donated by the good people in the community that the club members chose

to continue the rummage sale for a "few more weekends." Those few weekends extended into years, and the Thriftshop is still an integral part of the library and the community. Even though the Twentieth Century Club started it, current volunteers (headed by Jo McLaughlin) are dedicated community members who care about the library's upkeep. These volunteers sort, price and sell the items which are donated with all proceeds going to the library.

The Hansford County Library became a non-profit corporation on August 31, 1972. In that year, it also joined the Texas Panhandle Library System. Becoming a mem-ber of TPLS has enabled the library to extend far beyond its four walls to offer the citizens of Hansford County many more services. Those services include interlibrary loans from other libraries and circulating audio and large print book collections. Collection development monies through TPLS have enriched the library's book budget each year and have provided open public access computer. Consultation and continuing education for staff members are other programs available through the system.

In 1987, Hansford County Library became a part of the Harrington Library Consortium, a computer network linking the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle with online catalog and circulation systems. Two public access com-puters were added in 1996, provid-ing the library's first connection to the Internet.

In 2000, three public access computers and a server, as well as several other related items were added through a collaborative TIF grant. That year the library also received two public access computers - one of which is a Spanish language computer - through the and Melinda Gates Foundation. At that time, all were connected to the Internet via a T-1 line, but 2001 brought a conversion to a wireless connection and the addition of five more public access computers. Ron Antalek donated all of these computers and the library's wireless connection to the Internet.

The Hansford County Library, under the excellent direction of Librarian Sheri Benton, presently houses approximately 24,000 volumes with an annual circulation of

Cecilia Foster, Assistant Librarian, and Margaret Ruttman, Circulation Clerk and Technical Assistant, help provide quality service to library patrons. Some of the services offered by the library include a story hour at a local daycare center, a very successful sum-mer reading club for ages three through eight and various informative programs presented to adult organizations in the community.

The library has a paperback book exchange, a microfilm reader, public access computers, audio books, a fax machine, a copier, a scanner and meeting rooms available for clubs and organizations or

Spearman I.S.D. has rented one of these rooms as a location for an alternative education program. This program allows students who

are not successful in a traditional classroom setting to either graduate with their class or receive their GED through a self-paced, computer-based program.

Today, the operating funds for the Hansford County Library are provided by the City of Spearman, Hansford County, the Thriftshop, and donations from individuals and organizations. In 2000, Stinson Gibner established the Mary Alice Stinson Gibner Endowment fund for the library. The community raised over \$25,000 in six weeks. Mr. Gibner and his employer, Corporation, each matched \$20,000 of that amount two-toone, giving the library an endowment of over \$100,000. An endowment committee was established to oversee the distribution of interest amounts accrued by this fund for special projects in the library that are not covered by the annual

The Hansford County Library has come a very long way from an idea in the 1930's to a vital part of a thriving community in the 21st century. Through all of these years there have been very special patrons of the library who have donated \$1,000 or more. These patrons are recognized on a plaque in the library and include Mr. and Mrs. George Buzzard, Jenna V Owenbey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fisher, Family of J.R. Stump, Spearman Rotary Club, Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Shedeck, Spearman Art Class, Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Stump, Dr. R.L. Kleeberger, Mary Alice Gibner, Roy & Harriet Wilmeth Estate, Mrs. Carrie Clement, Twentieth Century Club, Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Anthony, Vera Beth Hicks Estate, Family of Frances Stump, Stinson Gibner, Enron, Bill & Ginger Pittman, First National Bank, First State Bank, Irvin & Betty Jean Davis, Clay and Pam Schnell and Chris & Leeann Schrader.

Reporter-Statesman Seeking Names of Military Personnel, Veterans

The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman is seeking to update our list of veterans and active military personnel and reservists from Hansford County.

Please call the newspaper office at (806) 659-3434, fax to (806) 659-3368, or e-mail information

CathyRSmit@aol.com.

The names of military personnel will printed in the newspaper if they are submitted with rank, address, branch of service and the name of relatives who live in Hansford County, and can be verified.

Names must be submitted by November 4, 2002.

The Hansford County Library and the Twentieth Century Club of Spearman cordially invite you to attend an Open House celebrating the

70th Anniversary

Hansford County Library

on Sunday, November 3, 2002 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. 122 Main Street • Spearman, TX

Laugh



by Catherine R. Smith CathyRSmit@aol.com

My friend Deborah Jacops sent me the following prayer. I hope you enjoy it.

Heavenly Father, Help us remember that the jerk who cut us off in traffic last night is a single mother who worked nine hours that day and was rushing home to cook dinner, help with homework, do the laundry and spend a few precious moments with her children.

Help us to remember that the pierced, tattooed, disinterested young man who can't make change correctly is a worried 19-year-old college student, balancing his apprehension over final exams with his fear of not getting his student loans for next semester.

Remind us, Lord, that the scary looking bum, begging for money in the same spot every day (who really ought to get a job)! is a slave to addictions that we can only imagine in our worst nightmares.

Help us to remember that the old couple walking annoyingly slow through the store aisles and blocking our shopping progress are savoring this moment, knowing that, based on the biopsy report she got back last week, this will be the last year that they go shopping together.

Heavenly Father, remind us each day that, of all the gifts you give us, the greatest gift is love. It is not enough to share that love with those we hold dear. Open our hearts not just to those who are close to us but to all humanity. Let us be slow to judgment and quick to forgiveness and patience and empathy and love.

May God bless and keep you; May He make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

Catherine:)

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Mrs. Doug Reynolds

Miranda Vernon and Doug Reynolds exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, September 14, 2002 at 3 p.m. at St. Stephen's United Methodist Church in Amarillo. Officiating was Rev. Rusty Seick. The bride is the daughter of

Spearman. The groom is the son of Roberta Reynolds of Perryton and the late Edward Reynolds, and the grandson of Betty Thrasher and the late Bill Thrasher. Matron of honor was Regina

Amarillo and granddaughter of Frosty and Liz Hickerson of

Tubbs, mother of the bride. Serving as best man was Tom Reynolds. Ushers were Jared Brown and Lane Loomis.

Cory Schantz sang "A Parent's

Miranda's formal bridal gown of white delustered satin featured a V neckline and delicately beaded straps. The princess-lined bodice was lavishly decorated with Alencon lace with the motif car-

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Bobby and Regina Tubbs of ried throughout the skirt and chapel-length train.

The bride is a graduate of Spearman High School, and is a senior at Oklahoma University where she is majoring in criminal justice administration. The groom s a graduate of Perryton High School and Liberal Area Vo-Tech. He is employed with Ford Motor Company, Inc.

Special guests included Ron and Kim Westbrook of Austin, Roth Martin of Houston,

Schroder of Youkan, Bret and Paige Burgin of Spearman, and Jennifer Schrader of Lubbock.

A wedding reception was held at St. Stephens United Methodist Church following the ceremony, attendants were Reception Stephanie DeLaCruz, Kyla Ortiz

and Tonya Tubbs. The couple honeymooned in Grenada, an island off the coast of South America. They are making their home in Oklahoma City.

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Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Minister - Gary Smith

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Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.
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Minister - Leonard Harper Church of Christ

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Pastor • Beverly Cook

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Bible Study: 7 p.m. Wed
Pastor - Bill Sparks

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Pastor - Scott Curry

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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. Pastor - Gary Gumfory

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Happy Birthiday! Our Deepest Sympathy

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

October 31

Birthday - Chris Kaufmann, Nicholas Slough, Teague Winger, Rick Randall, Dan Kunselman, Peggy Ferguson, Gregg Phillips, Eddie Clemmons, Hector Flores Gregg Roach, Rita Lesly, Natasha Burch, Rebecca Browning, Betty Pugh, Dale Hodge, Bonnie Gross

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cochran

November 1 Birthday - Rhonda Holt, Mary Wright, Keith Kelp, Joseph Santos Rivera Jr. Jennifer Duggan, Juan Lara, Ernie Sandavol, Stephen Burke, Brad Guthrie, Rusty Tindell, Don Lane Whitefield, Kristi Heddins, Chris Newman, Maria Garcia, Juan Lara

Anniversary - Dale & Pat Randall

November 2

Birthday Christy Cooper, Florence Debby Mayhew, Kyle Beedy, Stella Cummings, Beverly Jenkins, Kim Vanderburg, Raymond Barns, Carolyn Savage, Tamra Wright, Julia Williams, Jared Brown, Amanda Adams, Jordan Brock, Jim Shirley

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs John Sutterfield

November 3

Birthday - Elva Cooper, Lisa Kaufmann, Green, Dean Schubert, Burton Denny Brown. Joe Bob Wrinkle Robinson, Colton Lopez, Steve Morales

November 4

Birthday - Justin Armes, Peggy Dillow, Clayton Henson, Winders, Lee Wilhelm Julie Jones, Matthew Stewart Tony Herndon, George Rex Carlos Mendoza Sr., Rhett Leona Stavlo, Stedje, Matt Dunnihoo

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Soapes, Mr. & Mrs. John

November 5 Birthday - Fred Davidson, James Dorman, Vireta Knight, Fabian Salazar, Jerry Holton, Dixie Smith, Lisa Price, Christopher Salazar, Ora Lee Blackburn, Richard Mackie, Nicole Fox, Debbie Trejo, Karen Paschel, Lola Mendoza, Lydia DeSantiago, Roz Duncan, Beverley Mireles, Eric

Anniversary - David & Mary C. Harbour, Mr. & Mrs. Butch Noble, Mr. & Mrs. Bryant Layton

November 6 Birthday Paige Speck, Zachary Johnson, Renner, Jill Watson, Don Kjos, Santiago Tercero, Rosa Lee Butt, Calvin Bodey, Virginia Martin, Joan Hawkins, Rosa Alvarez Flores, Kiersan Lopez, Beth Dortch, Jill Lusby, Cindy Holton, Doug Connelly, Linda Wilkerson, Tonya Mahaney, Tony Edwards, Tom Kirk, Stuart Martin, Raquel Arjona, Williams Stacey Dakota Lopez, Blake Burgess Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. David Collins, Fred & Brenda

November 7 Birthday - Dr. Earl Novak Gerald McBride, Gary McCalman, Cleo Cotter, Kurt Bynum, Megan Woolley, Lee Roy Mitchell, Jerry Tope, Haley Lombard, Pam Largent Ortega, Matthew Jarvis

Shieldknight

Anniversary - Victor & Debbie Schumann, Ruben & Veronica Gomez

November 8

Birthday - Donnie Davis, Polly Jones, Tara Gardiner, Manda Winger, Sharon Reed, Santiago DeLaCruz, Kaylee Nathan Hanson, Wheeler, Linda Burke, Megan Stedje, Kristi Medford, Manda Simmons, D.A. Cator, Corey Fletcher, Amanda Wells Anniversary

Delinda McLaughlin November 9

Birthday - Mark Deakin, Tracey Chisum, Gloria Alicia Charolette Ford, Bravo, Samuel Shanna Hanson, Jessica Nicole Vela, Eloise Renner, Joe Mayo, Alfredo Mendoza, Forrest Acker, Alfred Bayless, Shonna Gammon, Irasemo Soto, Pat Cudd

DAVID ELLIS TURNER

GRUVER - David Ellis Turner, 61, died Friday, October 25, 2002, in

Church with the Rev. Gary Gumfory officiating. Burial was in Gruver Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman.

Mr. Turner was a member of First Christian Church of Gruver. He

and husband, James, of Sunray and Shelene Jines of Stratford; a son, Floyd Jason Turner of Satanta, Kan.; an adopted son, Chad Kelley of Sublette, Kan.; two sisters, Floyce Corcoran of Pampa and Carolyn Hardesty of Rock Springs, Wyo.; four granddaughters, Cortney Walker, Roni Turner, Riki Jines and Randi Jines; and four grandsons, Cameron Walker, Kade Turner, Colter Walker and Rhiley Turner.

The family suggests memorials be to American Arthritis Foundation.

TOMMY MICHAEL "MIKE" SCHAEF

GUYMON, OK - Tommy Michael "Mike" Schaef, 44, lifelong Guymon resident, passed away Monday night, October 28, 2002 at his

The son of Tommy Lee and Bonnie McFadin Schaef, Mike was born on September 19, 1958 in Guymon, Oklahoma. He attended the Guymon school system, graduating with the Class of 1977. Mike received the Tom Schaef Memorial Award, established in memory of his father. He then attended Panhandle State University on a football scholarship,

He is preceded death by his father, Tom Schaef, and father-in-law, Bill

Survivors include his wife, Kim Schaef; a daughter, Lacy; a son, Cody; his mother, Bonnie McFadin Schaef of Oklahoma City, OK; his grandmother, Lucile Knutson of Amarillo; sisters, Melanie and husband Johnny Moore of Guymon and Michelle and husband Steve Logan of Bay City, TX; a brother, Rhett Schaef and wife Roxanne of Perryton; mother and father-in-law, Jeanne and Darrel Long of Guymon; brotherin-law Fred Edens and wife Becky of Enid, OK; sister-in-law Diana and husband Jim Lynch of Beaver, OK: aunts Linda Knutson and Carolyn Johnson of Amarillo and Christine Sleeper of Texhoma; uncles Bobby McFadin of Covelo, CA and Joe and Don Schaef of Canadian; and nieces and nephews Johnathan Moore, Samantha & Rhett Schaef, Dakotah Logan, Jonathan & Amanda Lynch, Elizabeth Lynch, Rebbecca & Craig Yates, Jeremy Lynch and Jason & Jarrod Edens.

Funeral servieces will be conducted Thursday afternoon, October 31, 2002 at 2 p.m. at the Victory Memorial United Methodist Church in Guymon with Rev. Mike Chaffin, pastor and Rev. Paul Fiske, pastor of the Oslo Lutheran Church officiating. Interment will follow in the Elmhurst Cemetery under the direction of Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home

A Mike Schaef memorial has been established to help the family with expenses or memorials may be given to a favorite charity. Memorials will be accepted at the Bunch-Roberts Funeral Home, PO Box 1112,

Tuesday evening, October 29th, 2002 at her

The daughter of Gladys Ora (Scott) and William Roy (W.R.) Cullison, she was born August 15, 1931 in Gewhitt, Texas. Rita spent her early years in the Lefors/ Pampa area and graduated from Lefors High School. She was united in marriage to Dean Cluck on April 20, 1951 in Clayton, New Mexico. The Cluck fam-

mother, grandmother and friend. She was a member of Gruver First Her husband, Dean Cluck preceded her in death on

She is survived by her children, Teresa Sue Cluck Weldon of Gruver, Deanna May Cluck of Austin, TX and Monte Dean Cluck and wife, Katsy of Gruver; a brother, Jack Cullison and wife, Christine of Burkburnett, TX; grandchildren, Taos Weldon, Colby Weldon, Lindy Weldon, Kaysha Cluck, Kallie Cluck, Colt Cluck and Monte Dean Cluck, II; sister-in-law, Olena Cluck and family; and brother-in-law,

husband, Dean Cluck, a sister, Blanche Green and a brother, Roy

10:30 AM at the Gruver First Baptist Church with Rev. Gary Gumfory of Gruver First Christian and Rev. Scott Curry, pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Gruver Cemetery under the direction of Henson-Novak Funeral Directors of Guymon.

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always put others' feelings and concerns before his own.

Survivors include his wife, Hershelene; two daughters, Connie Walker

where he was actively involved in the OPSU Aggies football team.

Mike and Kimberly Edens were united in marriage on May 30, 1986 in Guymon. He worked as a cowboy for Larry Jeffus, T.C. Perkins and Hitch Feeders. He had a love for horses and enjoyed roping. He was a member of the Oslo Community Lutheran Church.

RITA JO CLUCK

GRUVER - Rita Jo Cluck, 71, passed away

ily have been involved in farming, ranching and

the feedlot industry. Rita was a faithful, loving and hard working wife, December 10, 1999.

Donnie Thoreson and family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Gladys and W.R. Cullison,

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday morning, November 1st at

A memorial has been established for the Hansford County Hospice and

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

Gruver First Christian Church Cookbooks

The First Christian Church in Gruver now has additional cookbooks for sale. The price is \$12.00 and you can pick one up at the Gruver Cablevision or contact Alice Peddy, Pat Bratton, Reba Hunter, Pat Morley, Margaret Ralston, Sandra Gumfory or any other church member. They are going fast so be sure to get yours soon. All proceeds are going o David and Hershelene Turner to assist with their medical expenses.

Careers In Agriculture Scholarship Program

The Careers in Agriculture scholarship program sponsored by Agriliance, CROPLAN GENETICS and Land O'Lakes Farmland Feed annually awards \$1,000 scholarships to 50 high school seniors interested in livestock or agronomy-related studies. Candidates should be a high school senior planning to enroll in a two- or four-year livestock or agronomy-related curriculum in the fall following high school graduation demonstrate leadership and academic performance; and write an essay describing why he or she is interested in an agricultural career. To apply print and complete the application form and mail it to the address on the form. Applications must be postmarked by March 3 of the student's sen-ior year. Winners will be notified a few months later in early May.

College Financial Program

Gruver and Spearman students and parents are invited to a new colege financial program known as the 529 College Plan. The program will be held on November 4th, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Gruver School

Hospice Memorial Service

Hansford Hospice cordially invites you to attend a Memorial Service on November 10, 2002 at 3 p.m. in the afternoon at the Faith Lutheran Church, 1101 Bernice in Spearman. Friends and family are welcome to

Ministerial Alliance Thanksgiving Service

The Annual Community Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Spearman Ministerial Alliance, will be held on Sunday, November 24th at p.m. in the First United Methodist Church. The speaker will be Rev. Bil Sparks. The offering from this service will go to the Angel Tree and Crisis

20th Annual Pumpkin Patch Festival

The 20th Annual Pumpkin Patch Festival of Arts and Crafts will be held Saturday and Sunday, November 2nd and 3rd. The event will be held at the Texas County Activity Center in Guymon, Oklahoma. The public is nvited to attend Saturday from 10 a.m.to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be no admission fee. The Guymon Fire Department will provide refreshments at the concession stand

You're Never Alone - Narcotics Anonymous Group Open meetings will be held on Thursday night from 7-8 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

Registration Deadline Is November 8th For Next ACT Test

College-bound high school students who want to take the ACT Assessment have two chances to register before the December 14th test date. The postmark registration deadline is Friday, November 8th. There is also a late registration postmark deadline on November 21st (an additional fee is required for late registration). Students can get information from their high school counselor or register online at www.act.org. The

Benefit Craft Bazaar

The 5th annual Benefit Craft Bazaar will be held in Guymon, OK on Saturday, November 2nd. The show will be held in the Commons Area of the Guymon High School, a new location this year. The Bazaar will be one day only, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fonda Clumsky and Sandy Mauldin, co-organizers of the event, estimate about 50 booths filled with handcrafted items, food and retail merchandise. A concession stand will also be available. All proceeds will be donated to help with medical bills for Vickie Duncan, a single mom with cancer, and to one-year-old Darian Mackey, who is having seizures. Chances will be sold for an afghan, made and donated by Dee Anderson, with proceeds also going to Vickie and Darian.

Christmas in November

The Annual Christmas in November, sponsored by the Ochiltree County Extension Education Clubs, will be held on Thursday, November 7th at the Expo Center in Perryton. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the program will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The feature program will be a Christmas Trunk Show by Freddie Seamann and Cynthia Shattles. They will show a variety of Christmas decorating, gift and clothing items. Other presentations will include a snowman decoration, travel shoe bag, game board gift, along with other ideas. Cynthia Shattles, County Extension Agent will also present a food program with healthy holiday ideas. The clubs will offer a salad lunch for \$4 at noon. Working women may come for lunch and browse at the tables of gift and decorating ideas brought by members. For more information, contact the Ochiltree County Extension office of the Texas Cooperative Extension at 806-435-3831.

Morse Lions Club Trap Shoot

The Morse Lions Club Trap Shoot will be held on Sunday, November 10th at 2 p.m. in Morse (north of elevator, past arena). Cash prizes will be awarded. On-site entry will be available, or call 733-2323 for more

Gus Birdwell Elementary PTO Meeting
Gus Birdwell Elementary in Spearman will hold al PTO (Parent Teacher
Organization) meeting on Thursday, November 14, 2002 at 7 p.m. in the ibrary. The agenda includes the 3rd grade music class, election of officers and Title I information.

"Holiday Hints" Lunch & Learn
"Christmas in November" will be the topic of Lunch & Learn on Thursday, November 14, 2002 from 12-1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Spearman Church of Christ. Various guests will present decorating hints, gift ideas and festive foods. Donations for lunch will be accepted. Call Peggy Winegarner, County Extension Agent, for more information (659-4130 or 733-2901).

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Golden Wedding Anniversary

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Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Benton's grandchildren - Salina and Nick Johnson of Plano, Meredith and Kirk Leseman of Bedford, Nicholas Benton of Lubbock, Macy Harbour, Dane Harbor, Austin Benton and Cody Benton, all of Spearman. Only one of their grandchildren was unable to attend - Kellie and Travis Francis of Montgomery. Kellie and Travis are the parents of the Benton's only great-grandchild, Lauren

Both Mr. and Mrs. Benton were teachers with the Spearman Independent School District before their retirement. They moved to Spearman in 1964 to accept teaching positions here. Mrs. Benton taught first and third grades, and Mr. Benton taught high school English. Today, they enjoy traveling and spending time with their family.

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Happy 70th Anniversary Hansford County Library from the Twentieth Century Club



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Not Pictured: Charlsie Baker, Jonell Grayson and Donnie Mitchell

SHS Band Competes

The Spearman High School Lynx Band traveled to Amarillo to Dick Bivins Stadium on Saturday, October 19th to participate in the Region I UIL Marching Contest. This was the first time the Lynx Band has participated in this event in several years. They received a Division III (Good) Rating (the highest rating they have received in the recent past). The band is made up of 8th, 9th and 10th grade students, with one junior and one senior participating. They are doing a great job for the age

level and are determined to surpass the benchmark they set for this year. According to Ms. Anna Marie Holland, band director, "The band and the community know how far the students have come this year. It is the result of a team effort by the band. We are learning that fundamentals must become habits so we can better concentrate on the execution of the drills and the playing of the music. The band will have the opportunity drills and the playing of the music. The band will have the opportunity to advance toward the state contest next year. (This only happens everyother-year.) We want to learn everything we can this year in preparation for next year. As for the students, I am very proud of the performance they did this year. It is a very good beginning!"

Band members who participated in Marching Contest this year were: Senior: Megan Dorton; Junior: Bertha Ortiz - Drum Major; Sophomores: Carlos Hernandez, Jessica Blan, Eric Diaz, Jerry Anaya, Gerardo Ruiz, Adrianna Mendoza and Jr. Devilla; Freshmen: Steven Vaguera, Josh Chambers, Jarick Howard, Aleiandro Rios, Melissa Lesly.

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Thank You!

The staff of Gus Birdwell Elementary would like to thank the follow ing people for helping make Red Ribbon Week a success: Cindy Blackman, Texas Resource Prevention Center in Lubbock and the following Partners in Education who donated Red Ribbon Week items: 1st Grade - First State Bank, 2nd Grade - First National Bank, 4th Grade Gary Ellsworth. We appreciate all the help and support.

We would also like to thank all of the parents who encouraged their children to participate in the activities each day. It takes a community to help stop drug, alcohol, and tobacco abuse.

Sincerely, Susan Kelly, Principal and Krista Baird, Red Ribbon Week Coordinator

Thank You!

I would like to thank Danny, Pam, and Sandy Marr, Steven and Samantha, and Kay, Jeannie and Dina, and all the other girls at Palo Duro Supper Club who helped me to recover from my broken shoulder. Many thanks,

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Among The Neighbors

A recent issue of the Amarillo Globe-News had a detailed article relating to various scholarships and their recipients. Among the listings was the Max and Dorothy Baggerly Scholarship, established in 2000 by the former residents of Spearman. The article listed the details of the fund and this year's selections together with their pic-

One of the four was a Spearman graduate, the handsome Chad Scarborough, son of Andy and

Out

Chad entered Dallas Baptist University in August. He is majoring in Biblical Studies and intends to enter the youth ministry field.

Recent word from the family of Elizabeth Holton is that she is in IHS in Amarillo for rehab and doing well.

Last Sunday at the Spearman Methodist Church she tripped and fell and was taken to Hansford Hospital by ambulance. Later she was transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital for surgery of a

Caroline Kenealy recently spoke by phone to Lawrence, her hus-

band, who is stationed in Kosovo, Yugoslavia. He was sent with a Police Task Force by the United Nations. His task force is training the local men for police work. The force consists of several nationaliconsultant also.

Lawrence had served in that general area for two years previously. Before embarking, the group had trained for a week in Virginia, in early October.

He told Caroline that the force had been well received by the native public. Their conditions are much improved. He is stationed in the mountainous region where it is expected that the winter will be severe, but so far has been fine. Members of the force have access to telephones and computers.

Caroline, his daughters and little granddaughter, enjoy talking with him but miss him.

The sports section of the Sunday Globe-News carried a picture of the two winners of the essay contest sponsored by the Safari Club International. One of the winners was Jacob Jones of Spearman. The subject was "2002 Youth Grand Prize Hunt."

Jacob is the son of Jim and Martha Jones and the grandson of Hershal and Wanda Jones, all of

Shelia Mundy of Trinidad, Colorado, visited relatives and friends this week. She was also transacting some business. Her aunt, Bennie Beeson, and cousin Jimmy and Linda Beeson, were among those she visited.

Shelia is the daughter of the late Mozelle and Aubie Sparks.

J.L. and Mary Brock returned from a restful three weeks in and around Eureka Springs, AR. Driving about in their comfortable mobile home enabled them to spend time in various areas. They rested, took walks, and attended one county fair. It was very interesting with fully 2000 attending

They had three days of rain, but





Max Taylor with a 16.5-pound catfish caught on Saturday, October 12th.

Lake Level--October 28, 2002--30.87 feet

The five days of rainy weather put 1.80 inch in the office rain gauge. At least the level went up a

Bird watchers can drive out to the Lake with a good chance of seeing some of the migrating birds back. Ramon has spotted a bald eagle at different times this week. Jim said he usually tells people that the eagles come around the first of November and stay until the mid-dle of March. The lovely little mountain bluebirds are being seen around the office, and a single white pelican is hanging out on the east side of the Lake. This bird can be seen from the office.

The regulars are still fishing without much luck. Red Byrd, after a long dry spell of not catching the big ones, landed a 16# blue catfish on shad. I hope someone got his picture.

Jim's dog, Scooter, has has a runin again with the bobcat that uses a path near the office or just likes to tantalize the dog. Jim heard the dog give the yelp that sounds as if a monster had him and went to investigate. When the dog saw Jim, he took after the bobcat, Jim thinks to protect him.

He finally went around the building and waited to see if Scooter would come back--which he did,

The Turkey Track ranch on the Palo Duro south of Gruver is up for sale. I frequently drive by the historic old rock house that has been kept up by the various owners, and I have wondered many

times when the first part was built and then when they added the major part on.

Now Joel Lee Lackey has given me a copy of a letter that Donald McKay, son of Guy and Allie Pierson McKay, dictated and his wife wrote to Gwenfred Lackey in 1957, and I have some answers. Donald had been blinded in a hunting accident at the age of 10.

Don had talked to his Uncle Wallace McKay and gotten some of this early history before Don was born in 1891.

"When Father was with the Cator boys, Jim, Less, Bert, and Bob they built the south end of our old Ranch House. That was in the early 80's. They were all camped at McGill Springs for quite a time. My father came there in the Spring

After being with the Cator boys awhile, he and Bob went down on the Turkey Track and on to the Canadian River where they did some hunting and trading."

Guy McKay hired a man named Taylor to help him and the Cators build the 3 south rooms--a bedroom, dining room, and half dugout kitchen. When Wallace came out on the Mail Hack to join his brother in the spring of 1888, the two of them batched there for a year. Then in February of 1889, Guy and Allie Pierson were mar-

"In the late summer of '93 and spring of '94 they quarried the rock out of the hill back of the old school house we went to (Pleasant Hill) and built the 4 rooms on the north end of the three, being the sitting room, north bedroom, and the 2 bedrooms upstairs.

otherwise very pleasant weather.

Delinda McLaughlin and Stephanie Brock joined other consultants for Creative Memories at an all-night scrapbooking party one night last week. It was held at the John and Kris Erickson's ranch on Wolf Creek. Mrs. Erickson is a

Christy Jarvis and children spent a recent weekend with her parents in Brownwood, TX.

Burl and Nellie Buchanan spent a week away from their duties, work and any other activities at their cabin near Eagles Nest.

Walking, resting, and eating filled the days. They did take time to visit his cousin who lives at Red

Burl, in his meditation and memories, probably regretted all those temptations he resisted in his youth. He still turns out the lights early - though, for reasons of economy rather than romantic.

Jordan and Kelci Brock of Abilene came up for the weekend to visit his parents, Stephanie and Kim Brock. Jordan and Kelci are students at Abilene Christian University.

During their stay, all observed his birthday (November 2nd) and Stephanie's (November 4th).

The public is encouraged to attend the 70th anniversary observance of the Hansford County Library in Spearman at the library on Saturday.

The history of it will be most interesting. It was one room in the old city hall - now spacious quarters with modern equipment.

Spearman is fortunate to have the capable staff under the direction of

Finally! Next week will be the end of the politically barrage newspaper, radio and TV. An end to all those noises from the chest that sound like important mes-

The tornado at Corpus Christi last week seemed to by-pass the homes of those who have Spearman connections. Jim Nicholson spoke with their son Jimmie, who reported he and his wife escaped the path, and were accustomed to the hurricane that followed it.

Dorothy Nollner was unable to

contact her relative, Betty Dean, so felt sure she had no damage.

Weather for the week of October 21st through 7 a.m. on October 28th: the high was on the 21st at 72; the low was on the 24th at 31; total rainfall for the week was



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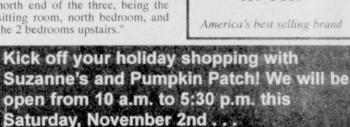


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The Gruver Grapevine

Finalists Named in Superintendent Search

Three finalists have been named in the GISD superintendent's search They are Gary Higgins, superintendent of Merritt ISD in Elk City, OK; David Teal, middle high principal in Johnson City, TX; and Steve Zurline, superintendent of Gustine ISD in Gustine,

After dinner meetings and further interviews with the each of the three applicants and their families, October 28, 29, and 30, school board members will meet at 5:30 p.m., October 30, to discuss the superintendent's contract and then vote on the approval of an offer to one of the finalists.

Last week school board members interviewed the narrowed field of six superintendent candidates.

Meeting in a special board meeting Wednesday, October 23, the GISD Board of Trustees entered into executive session for two hours and six minutes before voting on the three finalists

All members of the GISD Board of Trustees were present for the interviews of the six candidates.

In a memorandum from interim superintendent Joel Lynch, he stated that the new superintendent would be voted on October 31, but would probably not begin duties before the Christmas break.

Early Voting Continues

Registered Hansford County voters may continue to vote in early balloting at City Hall through Friday, November 1.

Light voting was noted in last week's balloting with only 11 reported

City Reports Rain, First Freeze

The City of Gruver reported the first freeze of the autumn season with 30 degrees posted in the early hours of Thursday, morning October 24. The average freeze date for the northern Panhandle is October 14.

Last year's first autumn freeze date was on October 6 with freezing temperatures also recorded on October 12 and 13

In the rainfall department, Gruver registered .38 inch of rain on October 24, .51 inch of rain on October 27, and .03 inch of rain on October 28.

Gruver Schools Celebrate Red

Students and faculty at Gruver schools are celebrating drug free

wore sweats and their drug-free red ribbons. In grades grades K-2, students were given a lesson on

being drug free Tuesday which was deemed "Sock It to Drugs Day" called for students to wear crazy or mismatched socks with a drawing for prizes. Elementary students received coloring pages to color and display. Wednesday was red, white, and blue day with students dressing according. Drug-free bookmarks were distributed with high school and junior high students signing drug-free banners.

Drawing for prizes continued. Thursday was set as "Say Boo to Drugs' with students wearing costumes and receiving drug-free themed lollipops. A parade of cos-tumes in elementary and

Halloween are also slated. Friday will be "Team up against Drugs" with students wearing red and black with a drawing for prizes during the day.

Drug free stickers will be distrib-

The high school cheerleaders will throw drug-free theme items to the crowd during the pep rally.

FFA Students Attend

Convention Six Gruver FFA students and their sponsor, Weston Born, left on Tuesday to travel to Louisville, Kentucky, for the National FFA Convention.

Those making the trip are Katie Jones, Lori Swink, Colby Red, Timber Barkley, Cesar Ortiz, and Sheldon Atwood.

Senior Night Slated

Senior members of the GHS football team and their parents will be honored in pregame introductions Friday night, November 1. Introductions will begin at 7:10 p.m. preceding the White Deer/Gruver clash at 7:30 p.m. Eight Hounds will be playing their final game in Greyhound Stadium that night.

Veterans Day Program Set

Veterans will be honored in the third annual Veterans Day Program, Monday, November 11, at 9:00 a.m. in the Gruver Schools

The program, under the direction of the GHS Student Council, will feature musical selections by the fourth grade choir and the high school choir.

Veterans are asked to report to the left front section of the auditorium where they will be seated as

Rocket Launching Set

The annual fifth grade launching of their handcrafted rockets has been set for Thursday, October 31, weather permitting.

Deeds To Compete

Roy and Debbie Deeds left Wednesday for College Station where Roy will compete on Thursday in the state competition of the Texas Department of

Deeds scored the most points in competition at Gruver and then bested 24 other drivers in district

competition in Amarillo. Drivers are tested on how well they can spot safety defects on equipment and on driving through an obstacle course designed to simulate truck maneuvers encountered during a normal workday.

Games Canceled

Both the junior high and high school football games were canceled last Thursday due to the icy

Knight to Compete

Junior Meagan Knight will be competing in the regional cross country meet Saturday in Lubbock. Knight advanced to the competition by virtue of her placing in the district meet.

Condolences Expressed Sympathy is expressed to the family of Hazel George, whose memorial service was in Amarillo last Thursday.

Rounder Douglas, the younger brother and last surviving sibling, of Marie Bell died last week.

Glenda Sneed accompanied Her parents, Hugh and Marie Bell to the memorial service.

Services were held Monday for David Turner who had a lengthy and valiant battle with illness. The community's sympathy is extended to his wife Hershey and the Turner family.

H,M. Frazier passed away Tuesday.

GISD Weight Room Options Considered

Interim superintendent Joel Lynch has been collecting information and costs for the building of a weight room for Gruver ISD. In a memo released by Lynch, the current weight room fund through contributions to the Coach Doug Frick memorial fund is \$18,500. Individuals and businesses of the Gruver community and beyond have donated to the fund of building a weight room, a personal dream of Coach Frick.

According to figures gathered by Lynch, the projected cost of the facility is between \$35,000-\$40,000 dollars, and he feels the goal is now within reach. He encourages those who have not had the opportunity, to consider making a contribution to the fund. Contributions may be made in person at the Gruver Schools

Business Office located in the high school, just to the left of the main entrance, or by mailing donations to Box 650, Gruver,

Get Well Wishes

Don Evans had surgery last week in Amarilio.

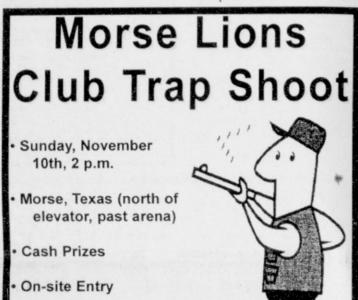
Marilyn Been, who has been recovering from gallbladder surgery, is now preparing for knee surgery on November 12th.

Kirby Johnson, 2001 graduate of GHS and a football player at his alma mater Waxahachie, suffered a torn ACL in his knee and had corrective surgery October 18.

Jose Rodriquez, a member of the GHS football team, was scheduled for surgery Monday, October 28 to repair a punctured lung sustained in the Gruver/Vega game on Friday night.

Reader Is Rewarded

Zach Logsdon served as water boy for the Hounds during Friday night's game with Vega. Zach won the privilege by achieving his accelerated reader goal.







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THE STATE OF TEXAS
O: Peterson & Ervin, Defendants GREETINGS

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation same heing Monday, the 18th day of November, 2002, before the Honorable 84th Judicial District Court, #1 Courthouse Square, at the Courthouse of said Courty in the Courthouse of said County in Spearman, Texas 79081. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 2nd day of October, 2002, in this cause, numbered 4584 on the docket of said court,

and styled, JONES ENERGY, LTD. Plaintiff PETERSON & ERVIN and ROBERT STEMMONS, JR.

Defendants A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit. See PLAINTIFF'S APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER as is more fully known by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Petition on file in this suit.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is: Mr. Jeff G. Shrader, PO Box 15008, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

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Kim V. Vera, District Clerk
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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL DISTRICT 10 CASE NO. 0232468

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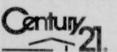
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and jurisdiction of Title 3, Oil and Gas, Subtitles A, B, and C of the Texas Natural Resources Code, Chapters 26, 27 and 29 of the Texas Water Code, and TEX. GOV'T.CODE ANN. art. §\$ 2001 et seg. (2002), the RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS will hold a hearing on NOVEMBER 20, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis State Office Building 1701 hearing on NOVEMBER 20, 2002, at 9:00 a.m. at the William B. Travis State Office Building, 1701 N. Congress Avenue. Austin, Texas. This hearing will be conducted in conformity with the TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. art. §§ 2001 et seq. (2002). For room assignment, on the date of the hearing please check the bulletin board in the 1st Floor lobby. Persons planning to attend this hearing are urged to contact the applicant (see service list) immediately prior to the hearing will proceed on the scheduled

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The Commission will consider the application of Devon Energy Production Co., LP for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of 16 Texas Administrative Code §3.37 (Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37) and a density exception permit under the provisions of 16 Texas Administrative Code §3.38 (Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38) to drill Well No. Statewide Rule 38) to drill Well No. 2, Anna Cooper Lease, 639.65 Acres, Section 16, Block P, H&GN RR Co./P,M. Woodring Survey, A-908, Gruver, N. (Hepler), Gruver, North (Morrow 6985), Gruver, North (Mississippian) and Wildcat Fields, Hansford County, being .5 miles north from Gruver, Texas. The location of this well is as follows: 1200' from the south line and 2327' from the west line of lease and survey.

lease and survey.

This well is to be completed at an approximate depth of 8,000 feet. you have questions regarding sapplication, please contact the Applicant's representative. Cathy S. Roark, at (405) 552-4527. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel, at (512) 463-6848.

6848.
IF A CONTINUATION IS NECES-SARY, this hearing will proceed at the William B. Travis State Office Building, Austin, Texas, and, to the extent possible, on subsequent working days. The room number and exact time of the continuation will be appropried on the record in will be announced on the record in this proceeding and recorded with Docket Services, Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of

exas. PURSUANT TO SAID HEARING the Commission will enter such rules, regulations, and orders as in ts judgment the evidence present ed may justify, including placement of the proposed well at a different location from that requested by applicant, and the establishment of the amount of acreage on the applicant's tract that can reasonably be considered to be productive of bydrogarbons for the pur-

tive of hydrocarbons for the purpose of assigning an allowable.

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and services in order to have an equal opportunity to effectively communicate and participate in this hearing must request such aids or services at least two weeks

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All bids shall be sealed and marked on the outer envelope of the type of bid being submitted.

Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from City Hall, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, Texas 79081.

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Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding all local con-

themselves regarding all local conditions.

Contract Documents are on file and amy be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Spearman, 30 Southwest Court, Spearman, Texas 79081, phone (806) 659-2524 and the offices of Brand Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner:

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City of Spearman ing date.

City of Spearman Robert Patrick, City Manager 2(10-24-02)B

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JULIAN MENDOZA Administration of the Estate of Julian Mendoza, Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of original Letters of Administration to the undersigned on the 22nd day of October 2002, by the County Clerk of Hansford County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 2381, styled In the Estate of Julian Mendoza, Deceased, in which Court the matter is pending.

All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Elvira Gaspar Mendoza

% David M. Russell

P.O. Box 15010

Amarillo, Texas 79105-5010

Dated this 23rd day of October, 2002.

Elvira Gaspar Mendoza, Administrator
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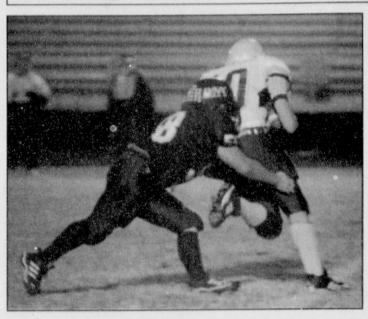
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Spearman Blanks Boys Ranch, 33-0



Dustin Mackie makes an unassisted quarterback sac during Friday night's game against the Boys Ranch Rough Riders. Photo by Gary Smith

by Kevin McDonald
The Spearman Lynx turned in another dominating performance last Friday night, overpowering the Boys Ranch Roughriders, 33-0.

Playing in their final home game of 2002, Spearman relied on a smothering ground game and picked up their third straight victo-

Spearman pounded out 350 yards rushing and was led by tail-back Colton Miller. The Lynx senior racked up a gaudy 251 yards rushing on 15 carries and added

four touchdowns.

The Lynx (7-2 overall, 3-2 in District 6-2A) jumped out to an early lead as miller scored from three yards out in the first quarter.

Boys Ranch was forced to punt on their opening series of the game but managed to pin Spearman back on their own six yard-line.

Miller got the ball on first down and, with great blocking and effort. took the 94 yards for a score. Kevin Beedy ran in the two-point conversion for a 14-0 lead.

end of the first quarter, on a oneyard scoring plunge by Miller.

In the second quarter, Lance Baker provided the lone Lynx touchdown. The four-yard run, coupled with a point-after kick by Clete Vanderburg, gave Spearman 27-point cushion at halftime.

The Lynx defense finished out the shutout of the Roughriders, allowing only two first downs in the second half.

Boys Ranch managed only 109 yards of total offense and logged five turnovers. Miller intercepted two passes and recovered a fumble while Jeremy Vera had an intercep-tion and John Thomas, a fumble recovery

The only scoring of the second half came by way of a 14-yard scamper by Miller in the third

Baker had 45 yards on seven carries and one touchdown and lead all Lynx receivers with two receptions for 36 yards. Ricky Garcia added one catch for 16 yards.

seven times for 26 yards, followed by Gerardo Hernandez, four carries for 20 yards and Beedy, two rushes for 10 yards.

Beedy completed three passes in nine attempts for 52 yards and two interceptions.

The victory, along with a loss by West Texas High, set up a "win or go home" scenario for Spearman. Simply put, if the Lynx defeat the Sanford-Fritch Eagles Friday, they are in the Class 2A playoffs.

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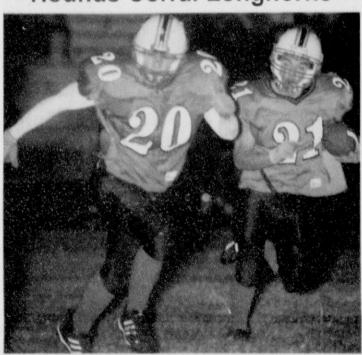
An "All School" pep rally will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday to send off the Lynx gridders. Kickoff is 7:30 p.m. in Fritch.

Game at a Glance Spearman B.R.

irst Downs	26	8
ards Rushing	350	27
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Ryan Winger (20) clears the way for David Puebla (21) during Friday night's game against Vega. Photo by Charlie Johnson

by Harletta Carthel

The Hounds savored their first victory of the season with a 35-7 district win over the Vega Longhorns on Friday night.

While the first quarter ended in a 7-7 tie, the Hounds scored an unanswered pair of touchdowns in the second and fourth periods to trounce the Longhorns.

Gruver opened the scoring with David Puebla breaking lose for a 17 yard run early in the first quarter. Nick Slough tacked on the first of his three PAT kicks for the night to put the Hounds up by 7.

Late in the second quarter, a Vega drive netted a first and goal at the seven yard line. After Hound Salvador Luciano put an abrupt stop to Vega's ground effort on first down, the Horns scored their lone touchdown of the night on a ten yard pass from Keith Pingel to Colby Westbrook.

Vega's only threat to take the lead came early in the second quarter, but the drive ran out of downs on the Gruver 29, leaving the Hounds in command for the remainder of the game.

After an exchange of downs, the Hounds chalked up a double whammy midway in the second period with Hunter Bevill rambling 45 yards for pay dirt, and teammate Carlos Borunda scooping up a blocked Vega punt and returning it 20 yards.

Borunda upped the Hounds advantage with a two-point PAT pass from Puebla.

In the scoreless third quarter, the Longhorns' deepest penetration to the Gruver 35, fell victim on downs while the Hounds most sustained drive in the period began on the their own 1 1/2 yard line and was aided by a trio of carries by Ryan Winger before stalling.

Although a roughing the kicker call gave the ball back to the Hounds on their own 43, Gruver was unable to make good on their

If the Hounds have been lukewarm in the third quarter, they sizzled in the fourth. Recovering a Vega fumble on the Gruver 42, Bevill launched a 40 yard rocket on first down to Luciano for a touchdown.

An ensuing Vega drive halted on fourth down by Borunda, gave Gruver the ball moments later on

With Bevill breaking lose to the Vega 25 yard line. a block in the back call pushed the Hounds back to the 35. Puebla stepped in to take up slack with a dash to the Vega seven yard line to give Gruver a first and goal. David Hernandez finished the mission with a five vard touchdown run two plays

The Hounds' domination of the game was punctuated with a pass interception by Garrett Miner in the waning seconds of the game.

The rejuvenated Hounds will host White Deer Friday night in their final home game of the year. Both teams come to the game with 1-2 records in district play. Pregame ceremonies at 7:10 p.m. will honor the senior Hounds and their parents before the 7:30 kickoff.

Game at a Glance

	Gruver	Vega	
First Downs	12	11	
Yards Rushin	g 231	50	
Yards Passing	61	170	
Total Yards	292	220	
Comp-Att-Int	2/7/0	12/28/1	
Punts/Avg	4/35	5/30	
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Hansford County Commissioner's Court will conduct a public hearing at its next regularly scheduled meeting to consider the application by GREAT PLAINS WINDPOWER, L. L. C. for designation of certain property located in Hansford County as a Reinvestment Zone eligible for property tax abatement under Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. The property is intended for use as a wind power facility by GREAT PLAINS WINDPOWER, L. L. C., and it consists of:

Sections 102 103, and 138 of Block 2 of the GH & H RR Survey, Hansford County, Texas

206 acres of the northwest quarter of Section 150 of Block 2 of the GH & H RR Survey, Hansford County, Texas

Section 10, Section 11 and approximately 272 acres of the northern portion of Section 12 of Block 1 of the PSL survey; Section 30, Section 31, approximately 300 acres in the western portion of Section 29 and approximately 240 acres in the western portion of Section 28 of Block P of the H & GN RR Survey, Hansford County, Texas

Section 61 and the east 150 acres of the northeast quarter of Section 57 of Block P of the H & GN RR Survey; Sections 1, 2 3, 4, and 5 of Block 2 of the PSL Survey; Section 19 of Block 2 of the SA & MG RR Survey; Section 21 and Section 22 of Block 2 of the H & OB Survey; and Section 52, the southwest quarter of Section 51, approximately 206 acres in the northwest portion of Section 48 and 27.25 acres in Section 49 of Block 1 of the WC RR Survey, Hansford County, Texas.

Section 36 of Block P of the H & GN RR Survey, Hansford

In determining whether to designate the Reinvestment Zone, the Commissioners Court will consider whether such designation would contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment in the Zone that would benefit the land to be included in the Zone, and would contribute to the economic development of the County. The Court will also consider and act on whether to approve and execute an abatement agreement between the county and GREAT PLAINS WINDPOWER, L. L. C. allowing for property tax abatement. The public hearing will take place at 10:00 a.m. on November 12, 2002 in the Law Library of the Hansford County Courthouse in Spearman, Texas. All interested persons may appear and present testimony regarding designation of the Reinvestment Zone.

f further information is needed, please contact the office of Judge Jim D. Brown, County Judge, Hansford County, P. O. Box 367 Spearman, Texas 79081, 806-659-4100.



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