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Scholarships 2003

The following local scholarships are available to Spearman High School 2003 graduates: Karl Nielsen & Sister Karen J. Nielsen; Garrett Rex Memorial - Athlete, Manager or Cheerleader; CTA - Education Major Preferred; Evelyn Gilpatrick - Major in the field of pre-medicine, nursing, pharmacy, related health fields, earth science or natural science; Spearman Foundation - Attend Texas state-supported university, college, junior college, approved trade school, or any out of state or church school that will waive or equalize tuition to the level of the Texas schools; Holt Club; Spearman Ex-Students Association; Prairie Garden Flowers; Gladiola Flower Club - Major in an area connected to the health field; Lynx/Lynettes Booster Club - Athletes, Managers and Cheerleaders; Lloyd Lynn Buzzard.

The deadline for these scholarships is May 1, 2003 at 3 p.m. For more information, please contact Glenda Guthrie, Spearman High School Counselor, at 659-2584.

USDA Rural Development Announces Grant For Rural Economic Development in Texas Panhandle

USDA Rural Development State Director, Bryan Daniel announced today the awarding of a grant for an economic development project in Texas, as part of the Bush Administration's ongoing commitment to invest and bolster programs for rural America.

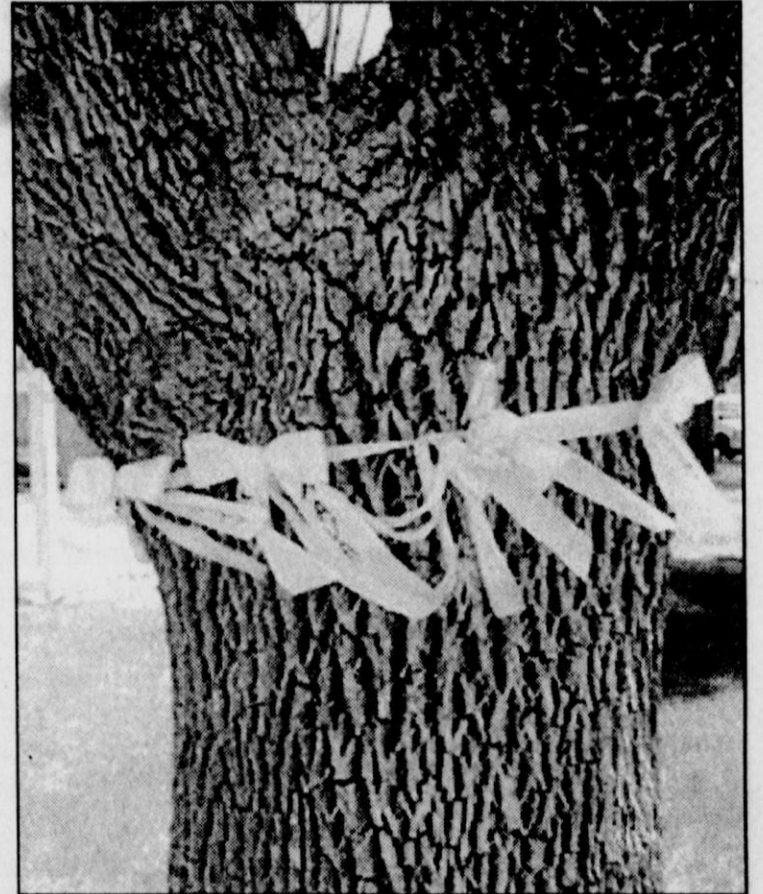
Texas A&M University received a Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) for \$48,936 to document, in conjunction with the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, the growth of the Texas cattle feeding industry and the need for additional packing plant capacity in the Texas panhandle.

The Rural Business-Cooperative Service, an agency that falls under the USDA Rural Development mission area, administers programs designed to strengthen the economy and infrastructure of rural areas. Through its support of the sustainable development of communities, USDA Rural Development works to improve the quality of life in rural America.

The purpose of the RBOG program is to promote sustainable economic development in rural communities by making grants to pay the cost of providing economic planning for rural communities, technical assistance for rural businesses, or training for rural entrepreneurs or economic development officials.

To be eligible for a RBOG applicants must be a public body, nonprofit corporation, Indian tribe, or cooperative with members that are primarily rural residents (any area in Texas that is not within the boundaries of a city with a population in excess of 10,000 inhabitants). Availability of funds is \$2.1 million. The size of grants approved is limited by the amount of program funds available but are generally \$50,000 or less.

For more information regarding the RBOG program, please call Mr. J. Pat Liles, Director, Rural Business-Cooperative Service at (254) 742-9780. The regulation for this program is available at: http://rdinit.usda.gov/regs/regs_1oc.html (click on Part 4284 - Grants, click on 4284-G).



Above: Yellow ribbons bearing the names of Hansford County's sons and daughters serving in the United States military adorn the trees on the lawn of the court house.

Left: Yellow ribbons flutter near the war memorial on the lawn of Hansford County Court House.

Johnson Named To All-State Basketball Team



Gruver High's Lisa Johnson, a senior post and four-year letterman on the state silver medalist Lady Hound basketball team, was selected to the first team of the Texas Girls Coaches Association's all state team.

Johnson was also named to the first team of the Texas Association of Basketball coach's all region team.

Playing in the Golden Spread All-Star Classic this past weekend in Amarillo, Johnson will play in the (TABC) All Star game in San Antonio May 9.

She was voted the most valuable player in District 1-A, Division 1 and was a member of the academic all district team.

Watley Named All-Region, Academic All-State Basketball



Amy Watley

Amy Watley of Gruver has been named to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' all region second team.

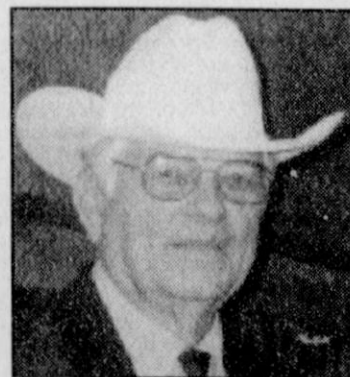
The senior is also an alternate to the Texas Girls Coaches Association's all star game in July.

Watley was selected to the academic all-state team by the Texas Girls Coaches Association, and was an all-district pick of District 1-A, where she was also a member of the all-district academic team.

Lady Hounds Christi Clift and Ashleigh Sherill were also named to the all-state academic team. Both players were members of the all-district academic team.

Those named to the list must be seniors with a 90 or above average who had demonstrated leadership in their schools. Clift was also selected all-district, honorable mention.

Former Resident Receives State Award



John Sloan

Former Spearman resident Troy Sloan has been honored with the Top Hand Award by the Texas Rural Chief Appraisers (TRCA) at the association's annual convention in Austin.

Sloan, who currently serves as chief appraiser of the Stephens County Appraisal District, was cited for this contribution and unselfish service to improving rural issues in Texas.

Sloan was instrumental in organizing the Texas Rural Chief Appraisers. The idea began with a meeting of a handful of chief appraisers December 10, 1991 to discuss the organization of a rural appraisal group.

In the past 50 years, Sloan has engaged in general appraisal practice for seven cities and 21 counties and appraisal districts, various insurance companies, corporations, individuals, estates, attorneys, and banks, as well as being associated with the Spearman Independent School District for 30 years.

FCC Launches Enhanced "Calling Home" Program for Military Servicemembers

by the Federal Communications Commission

The recent deployment of U.S. troops in the Middle East has highlighted once again the need for rapid, reliable communications between servicemembers abroad and their families waiting anxiously for news back home.

Often enough, difficulty in accessing telecommunications services or just the cost of calling can prevent men and women serving away from home from keeping in touch with their friends and family. To help provide members of the Armed Forces with information on telephone services that are available to bridge the gap back to the States, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has launched an enhanced version of its "Calling Home" program, originally begun in May 2002 during Armed Forces Appreciation Month.

"Given the great increase in the number of service personnel stationed abroad, the Commission felt that it was important to expand and reemphasize this important program at this time," according to K. Dane Snowden, Chief of the FCC's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB). CGB is responsible for implementing the Commission's traditional role as the military's federal consumer telecommunications advocate and maintains a Web site that focuses solely on issues of interest to the military at www.fcc.gov/cgb/military.

"We appreciate the sacrifices made by members of the services," says Snowden. "It's our purpose to make their lives a little easier by helping them keep in touch with loved ones while they're serving our country."

In particular, the FCC is distributing packets of useful materials to approximately 300 Relocation Offices and Family Services Centers throughout the United

States and to approximately 70 U.S. military bases abroad. Much of the information is available in both English and Spanish.

The information packet contains five brochures, including: "Calling Home: What You Should Know - A Guide for the U.S. Military"; "Get Connected: Afford-A-Phone"; "About the FCC: A Consumer Guide to Our Organization, Functions and Procedures"; "International Long Distance Calling"; and "What You Should Know about Wireless Phone Service." These brochures provide useful information on telephone service options for military families, such as dial around, international callback, toll-free numbers and prepaid calling cards; phone subsidies available to low income families; and tips on wireless services.

In addition, the packets contain a number of FCC Consumer Alerts that warn consumers about telephone scams and frauds and several FCC Fact Sheets that provide information on important issues such as slamming, cramming, and telemarketing abuses.

Snowden notes that distributing this information will help military personnel and their families stay in touch as inexpensively as possible and will allow them to take advantage of low income assistance programs, and avoid scams. "Above all, we want our service personnel and their families to know that the FCC is here to offer advice and information involving many types of telephone services and products."

(This article is an unofficial announcement. Only release of the full text of a Commission order constitutes official action. For information, consult the FCC web site at www.fcc.gov or call 1-888 CALL-FCC or (TTY) 1-888-TELL-FCC.)

Railroad Commission Offers Tips To Cut Energy Bills

The cost of all fuels - including propane - has been rising nationwide. According to Railroad Commission Chairman Michael L. Williams, "Along with natural gas prices, wholesale propane prices have more than doubled from what they were last year. As a result, propane marketers across the country are paying more for the fuel they provide their customers."

"During these times of high energy prices, it is important for Texas consumers to know how they can lower their energy bills," said Commissioner Charles R. Matthews. "Due to recent global events, all fuel prices have increased."

Commissioner Victor L. Carrillo pointed out that this winter's weather was also a factor. "This winter was colder than normal statewide. As we head into spring, the winter price spike has already begun to ease."

The Commission offers consumers the following tips to cut their energy bills.

Home Heating

- Residential heating systems need regular tune-ups by your licensed propane supplier.
- Change your furnace filter monthly. Clean filters will save you money on your heating bill.
- Consider investing in a furnace thermostat timer that can save money by lowering your home's temperature when you are not at home.
- Protect against drafts around windows and doors by caulking and weather-stripping.
- Consider installing a propane-fueled fireplace or space heater as a supplemental heating source. Propane fireplaces and space heaters burn more efficiently and distribute heat more evenly throughout a room.
- If you're building a new home, you may be eligible for a rebate on more efficient propane appliances. Contact your propane supplier for details.

Water Heating

- You can save more than 10 percent on your water-heating bill by

turning down your water heater from the standard 140 degrees to 130 degrees.

Regularly drain a few gallons of water from the water heater to remove sediment from the bottom. Follow the manufacturer's instructions regarding how to do this and how often. If this has never been done, call a service representative.

Repair leaky faucets. A leak that fills a coffee cup in 10 minutes wastes 3,200 gallons of water a year.

When purchasing a new water heater, pay particular attention to the Energy Guide Label. This bright yellow sticker will tell you how much it will cost to run the water heater for one year. Propane water heaters cost substantially less to operate than electric models.

For more information on propane, contact the Railroad Commission's Alternative Fuels Division at (800) 64-CLEAR or www.rrc.state.tx.us and click on "Propane/LP-Gas."

COMMUNITY

Laugh and Live



by Catherine R. Smith
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Several people have sent me the following letter entitled "Wear Something Red." It is credited as being written by Jim Butler, of the Special Forces Association.

Wear Something Red

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention that quite a few Americans support our troops but as usual we are the silent majority. We are not organized to really reflect who we are. I would like to start a grass roots movement using the membership of the Special Operations Association and the Special Forces Association to recognize Americans who support our troops. My idea is not to stand on street corners once or twice, not to carry stupid signs in a rally, not to carry our flag in parades. Its much simpler than that. We need to inform the local VFW's and American Legion, our local press, local TV, and even up to the national levels as we start to get this going. My idea of showing our solidarity and support for our troops is that starting Friday and continuing on each and every Friday, that we and every red blooded American who supports our young men and women.

Word of mouth, press, TV - lets see if we can make the United States, on any given Friday, a sea of red much like a home football game at the University of Nebraska. If every one of our memberships share this with other acquaintances, fellow workers, drinking buddies, country club friends, I guarantee you that it will not be long before the USA will be covered in Red much to the disdain of the un-American ralliers.

Lets get the word out and lead by example, wear RED on Fridays. Thanks for your time and consideration of my proposal. When I get home, I intend to send this out to everyone on my e-mail list, hopefully, you will too.

Jim Butler, SFA #1461 SOA #1

This effort is supported by The Special Forces Association: Wayne Lawley, President; Jimmy Dean, Secretary/Administrator; Special Forces Association; PO Box 41436; Fayetteville, NC 28309-1436.

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 :)

PANHANDLE PLANNER

Panhandle's Town Hall Meeting
The Panhandle's Town Hall Meeting for the Public Library Development Study for the Texas State Library and Archives Commission will be held at Amarillo Public Library, 413 E. 4th, Rooms A&M on Friday, April 11, 2003 from 10:30 a.m.-12 noon. All persons interested in public libraries are invited to attend. For more information, call 806-378-4216 or 1-800-627-2124.

Grantsmanship Workshop To Be Held In Amarillo
Want to learn to write competitive grant proposals? Plan to attend the Grantsmanship Training Program to be held April 21-25 in Amarillo, co-hosted by the High Plains and North Rolling Plains (RC&D) Councils. The purpose is to give non-profit organizations in the High Plains an opportunity to take world class grant writing training close to home. To maximize personal attention, this workshop is limited to 27 participants. Tuition is \$775, and will include a one-year membership in The Grantsmanship Membership Program, providing training participants with an array of benefits and services. A limited number of half-tuition scholarships are available to agencies with annual budgets of less than \$300,000. To register and apply for scholarships, contact The Grantsmanship Center directly at (800) 421-9512. You may register online at www.tgci.com

Prairie Rivers Musical
The Prairie Rivers Musical is featured on the 3rd Saturday of each month at Canadian Middle School. There is no admission charge. For more information, call (806) 323-6213.

Spring Bridge Tournament

When: Saturday, April 12, 2003

Where: The O'Loughlin Center
502 S. Brandt
Spearman, Texas

Time: Registration and Coffee at 9:00 a.m.
Play begins at 9:30 a.m.
Play ends at approximately 3:30 p.m.

This day of fun can be yours for only \$15.00, including a wonderful lunch at the center. All proceeds will go to The O'Loughlin Center. Great door prizes as well as cash prizes... Don't miss this fun-filled day!

For more information, call Kathy Bryant at the Center 806-659-3030 or Judy Nelson 806-659-3608

RSVP: On or before April 10th please

Come Play Bridge With Us!
Please share this invitation with your friends...

"Rock Around the Clock"

Presented by Women's Division Spearman Chamber of Commerce

Miss Hansford Scholarship Pageant
June 3, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.
Spearman High School Auditorium

Age Divisions:
Little Miss (4-6) Junior Miss (7-9)
Miss Preteen (10-12) Miss Teen (13-16)
Miss Hansford (17-21)

Entry forms available at Spearman Chamber of Commerce Office, Lady Fair, Kids' Stuff, Dreamer's Salon, and in Gruver Main Street and Little Tiffanys.

Deadline for entries is MAY 2, 2003. Questions contact Jodie Hight 659-3720 or the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at 659-5555.

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HANSFORD HAPPENINGS

"One on One" Computer Classes
Spearman ISD Community Resource Program has implemented "one on one" computer classes. When a customer needs a specific type of computer training, we simply match them to one of our computer instructors. Clients who cannot attend a regular class will appreciate the flexibility and focus. Call Cindy Blackman, Community Resource Coordinator, at 659-3233, to set up a meeting at your convenience with an instructor. Class time can range from 1 hour to seven-eral sessions, depending on your needs and/or skill level. The cost for a 1-hour session is \$15.00. Instructors will be Lisa Short or Mandy Derington.

Beware of FAFSA Web Scam
Seniors, senior parents, and parents of college students should use the web site www.fafsa.ed.gov when filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. There is currently a website that has found an interesting way to get in the college-bound's pocket. Known as fafsa.com, the website charges a fee for submitting the application. There is no fee for submitting the fafsa form on the www.fafsa.ed.gov site.

SHS Class To Write Veterans' Biographies
The Spearman High School AP-English III class would like to write the biographies of Hansford County Veterans who have fought for their country in any war. The 16 students need 16 participants who are willing to be photographed and video taped as they tell their stories. If you would like to participate, please contact Sandra Blankenship at 659-2584, or 733-2210, as soon as possible.

Rushing Wind Emmaus
Rushing Wind Emmaus gathering will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Canadian on Saturday, April 12th, starting at 6 p.m. with a potluck dinner, followed by a service of praise and worship. Members of the area churches, families, and friends are welcome. A nursery will be provided. Emmaus is ecumenical and encourages leadership in local churches. A sponsor's training will follow the worship service.

AARP Offers Free Tax Help
AARP Tax-Aide is in Spearman at the Hansford County Library, 122 Main Street, every Tuesday from 1-5 p.m. AARP Tax-Aide is a free, quality and confidential service that prepares tax returns and answers tax questions from through April 15th. Services are available to all taxpayers with middle- to low-income, with special attention to those age 60 and older. It is administered through the AARP Foundation, in cooperation with the IRS. For more information, call 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669), or visit their web-site at www.aarp.org/taxaide/ or contact Richard Gaines at 659-2853.

Auxiliary To Host Luncheon
The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary will host a salad luncheon Thursday, April 17, 2003 at 11:30 p.m. in the First Christian Church. Members are asked to bring a salad. An orientation film will be shown at 1:00 p.m. for all members. All those interested in the Auxiliary or in joining are invited to attend the luncheon.

Gus Birdwell Elementary to Present "This Is America"
"This Is America" will be presented Thursday, April 17, from 2-2:45 p.m. in the Activity Gym of Gus Birdwell Elementary School. The program will feature kindergarten through fifth grade students.

North Plains Electric Cooperative's 59th Annual Meeting Set
North Plains Electric Co-op (NPEC) General Manager Randy Mahannah and the Board of Directors invite all Cooperative members to the 59th annual meeting on Monday, April 21st. This year's meeting will be at the Ochiltree County Expo center located on the fairgrounds off of Jefferson Street and Highway 15. The meeting will begin with a barbecue meal at 6 p.m. An official business meeting will follow at 7 p.m., which includes business and financial updates, election of directors, services awards, and door prizes. There will also be reports on the Youth Tour, and presentation of the North Plains Electric Cooperative Member Scholarships. Those planning to attend and represent members of the Cooperative whom are not individuals (i.e. Companies, etc.) are asked to bring an official voting credential. Make plans to attend and participate in the business of your Cooperative.

Aggies Unite For Muster
Former students and friends of Texas A&M University will assemble on April 21st. for the annual Texas Aggie Muster in honor of all Aggies who have passed away within the past year. The tradition of Muster will be observed in over 380 locations around the world this April 21st. A Muster, sponsored by the High Plains A&M Club, will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jon and Johnette Jarvis near Morse. All Aggies and their families, friends of Texas A&M University, and prospective students are invited to attend. For information or directions, please call Cody Pipkin, Muster chairman, 806-733-9439 or Jon Jarvis 806-878-2240.

"Memories of the Heart" Gala
"Memories of the Heart" will be the theme of the 2002 Hansford County Heart Association Banquet. The banquet is slated for Saturday, April 26, at 6:15 p.m. in the O'Loughlin Center. An auction with a variety of items, large and small, including items from celebrities such as Emmitt Smith, Roger Staubach, and Mike Hargrove will follow the banquet. Tickets for the event may be purchased from any Hansford County Heart Association member or by calling Kay Hobbs, 733-2876, or Darlene Pierce, 659-2673.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in conjunction with Hansford County Hospital will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at 712 S. Roland, in Spearman on May 27, 2003. Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All examinations are done by appointment only. Call (806)-356-1905 or toll free 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Project Graduation
The parents of the Spearman High School Senior Class of 2003 will sponsor and host a "Project Graduation Party" following commencement exercises on Friday, May 23rd. To encourage the graduates to stay the entire night, door prizes are awarded throughout the evening. In addition, graduates can earn paper monies through their participation in various games so that prizes can be purchased. The graduation party will culminate with the distribution of grand prizes. Prizes, gift certificates and cash are needed for the evening's gifts. If you would be willing to share in the final "Class of 2003" memory, making this project special, please call Kristi Ramon, 659-3086 or Colleen Burkhammer, 659-2616.

Golden Spread Senior Citizens To Make Memorial Wreaths
Orders are now being taken for Memorial wreaths to be made by the Golden Spread Senior Citizens ladies. A large variety of silk flowers to be used on the wreaths are now available for selection at 502 South Brandt. For more information or to place an order, call 659-3030 or order in person at 502 South Brandt.

Boy Scout Fundraiser
Harry Stumpf, financial chairman of the Spearman Boy Scouts, began the annual Boy Scout Fundraising Project on Monday, March 3, 2003. Donations may be mailed to: Boy Scouts, 301 W. 12th, Spearman, TX 79081.

Breast Cancer Survivors
In cooperation with the Amarillo Breast Health Coalition, Texas Cooperative Extension has a tremendous opportunity to increase awareness about the importance of breast health and early detection of breast cancer. If you are a breast cancer survivor and are willing to share your story, please call Peggy Winegarner, Hansford County Extension Agent, at 659-4131 or 733-2901. We will share with you plans being made for "Modeling the Cure" and how you can be a part of this educational opportunity in Hansford County.

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SISD Prekindergarten & Kindergarten Screening

Pre-Kindergarten Registration for 2003-2004

Spearman Elementary School is now accepting applications for the 2003-2004 school year. We would like to invite all parents with children who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1, to come by the elementary school office at 511 S. Townsend April 1 through April 30 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to complete registration information. Office staff will be available to answer any questions. You will need to bring the following items for registration:

1. Your child's social security card
2. Your child's birth certificate
3. Your child's updated immunization record
4. Some form of proof of income such as a pay check stub or income tax record

For more information please contact the elementary school office at 659-2565.

Registracion para Pre-Kinder 2003-2004

La Escuela Elementaria de Spearman esta aceptando Aplicaciones para el aña escolar 2003-2004. Queremos invitar todos los padres de los niños/as que tienen o van a cumplir 4 años en o antes del día primero de Septiembre, que vengan a la oficina de la escuela elementaria en la calle 511 S. Townsend del 1 de abril hasta el 30 de abril durante las horas de 8:30 a.m. a las 3:30 p.m. para completar una informacion de registracion. Nuestras trabajadoras de la escuela van a estar alii en la oficina para contestarles cualquier pregunta que usted tenga. Usted necesita traer los siguiente documentos para registrarlos/as.

1. El segura social de su hijo/a
 2. La acta de nacimiento
 3. La tarjeta de vacunas
 4. Un talon de cheque
- Para mas informacion par favor de llamar a las oficina de la escuela elementaria al 659-2565.

GISD Prekindergarten & Kindergarten Screening

Gruver Elementary will be conducting the 2003-2004 Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Screening and Preregistration on Thursday, April 17 2003. This will be held at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 209 King Street, due to space limitations at the elementary school building.

In order to be eligible for prekindergarten (four-year-olds) program, children must be four years old as of September 1, 1999, and speak a language other than English or be educationally disadvantaged. In order to be eligible for kindergarten, children must be at least 5 years old as of September 1, 2003.

Parents are encouraged to bring their prekindergarten and kindergarten-aged children to this screening, as well as the child's birth certificate, immunization records, and Social Security Card. However, if you have questions about any of the forms, personnel will be on hand to help you complete the forms and answer any questions you may have.

The children will be given a pre-school screening assessment which will help determine their readiness level in three areas. The assessment will require approximately 60-75 minutes. Parents are asked to bring their children to 209 King Street according to the following schedule:

Pre-Kindergarten - Last Name: A through P, 8:30 a.m.; Q through S, 9:30 a.m.; T through Z, 10:30 a.m.
Kindergarten: 2 p.m.

Gruver Elementary estara conduciendo la evaluacion y preregistracion de 2003-2004 para Pre-Kindergarten y Kindergarten el dia Jueves, 17 de Abril, 2003. Estos exámenes debido a las limitaciones de espacio que tenemos en nuestra escuela.

Para que un niño sea elegible para Pre-Kindergarten, debe tener 4 años de edad que los haya cumplido hasta Septiembre 1, 2003. Y que no habla o comprenda ingles o tenga alguna desventaja educacional o en el hogar. Para que sean elegibles para Kindergarten, el niño debe tener 5 años de edad para Septiembre 1, 2003. Se les avisa a los padres cuando traigan sus niños a tomar sus exámenes por favor traigan Acta de Nacimiento, Tarjeta de las Vacunas y el Seguro Social.

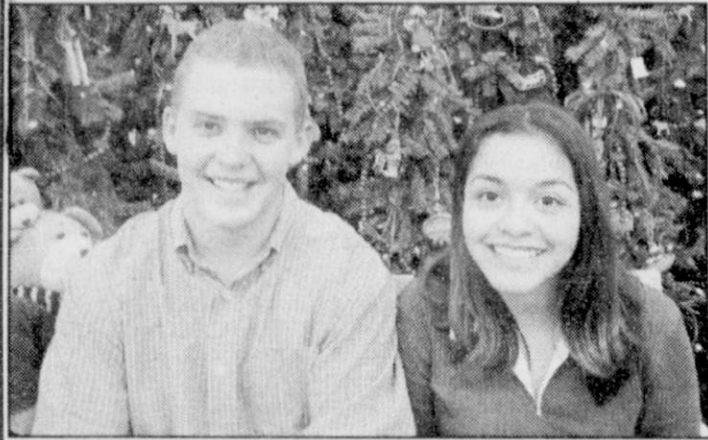
Se les dara un examen Pre-escolar a los niños para ayudar a determinar su nivel de preparacion en tres areas. Este examen llevara aproximadamente 60-90 minutos. Se les pide a los padres que lleven sus hijos a esta direccion: 209 King, de acuerdo al horario escrito abajo.

Pre-Kindergarten - Apellidos: A a la P, 8:30 a.m.; Q a la S, 9:30 a.m.; T a la Z, 10:30 a.m.
Kindergarten: 2 p.m.

April School Calendars

Spearman	Gruver
April 10 - Regional One-Act Play Contest, Abilene; Crawford AP Class trip to Texas Tech; DEIC meeting, 4 p.m.	April 10 - Regional academic meet at Levelland
April 11 - Regional One-Act Play Contest, Abilene	April 11 - Regional UIL academic meet at Levelland
April 12 - Regional UIL Academic Competition, Abilene	April 12 - Junior High District Track meet at Sunray
April 14 - District Track Meet, Panhandle, 3 p.m.; SISD Board meets, 7 p.m.	April 15 - Area Track meet at Panhandle
April 16 - First day to vote absentee in school board election; District Track Meet, Panhandle, 9 a.m.; HS Choir Contest, West Texas A&M	April 16 - First day to vote absentee in school board election
April 17 - Girls Regional Golf Qualifiers Meet, Guymon; UIL Banquet, HS Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.	April 18 - Early dismissal (12:30) for Easter holiday
April 18 - 2 Hour Early dismissal for Easter holiday; Boys Regional Golf Qualifiers Meet, Guymon	April 20 - Easter
April 18-19 - NHS Trip to Dallas	April 21 - School holiday
April 20 - Easter	April 22 - Senior banquet at United Methodist Church
April 21 - School Holiday (Bad Weather Day); Regional Golf Tournament	April 23 - Top of Texas District FFA meet at Pampa
April 22 - Regional Golf Tournament	April 24 - State FFA Land judging at Stephenville; Spring band trip
April 23 - Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene	April 25 - Spring band trip; Regional track meet at Levelland
April 24-26 - Regional Track Meet, Abilene; Regional Tennis Tournament, Abilene; Band Trip	April 26 - State FFA horse judging at Lubbock; Regional track meet at Levelland; Band spring trip
April 28 - Methodist Church Senior Supper, 6:30 p.m.	April 27 - Spring band trip
April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing, 3rd-8th, and 11th math; TAAS Exit Level Writing Retest	April 28 - Senior supper at First Baptist Church
April 30 - TAKS testing, 4th-8th grades, and 10th math; TAAS Exit Level Math Retest	April 29 - Last day for absentee voting in person; TAKS testing, 3rd-8th, and 11th math.
	April 30 - TAKS testing, 4th-8th, and 10th math.

SHS December Students of the Month



The Spearman High School December Students of the Month are Dustin Mackie and Elsa Vargas.

Dustin is the son of Glen Ray and Laura Mackie.

He has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years, currently serving as treasurer. He played football, receiving academic all-district for two years and all-district honors on offense and defense. He has been on the honor roll all four years of high school. He is a member of the Methodist Youth and 4-H, currently serving as president of 4-H. He recently received the Gold Star Award.

Dustin stated that Mrs. Ramon was the teacher who was most influential in his school years.

Following graduation he plans to attend Texas A&M and major in Ag Business or Finance.

Elsa is the daughter of Sergio and Norma Vargas.

She has been in the National Honor Society for three years. She has participated in basketball, cross country and lettered in tennis for two years. She is currently the Senior Class Secretary and is the youth vice president for the Catholic Church. He has been on the honor roll all four years of high school, receiving academic recognition for three years. She received the Algebra I award and the Outstanding Junior Bandmember award.

Elsa named Mr. Orr as the teacher who was most influential in her school years.

Following graduation she plans to attend Texas A&M and major in Business Management or International Business.

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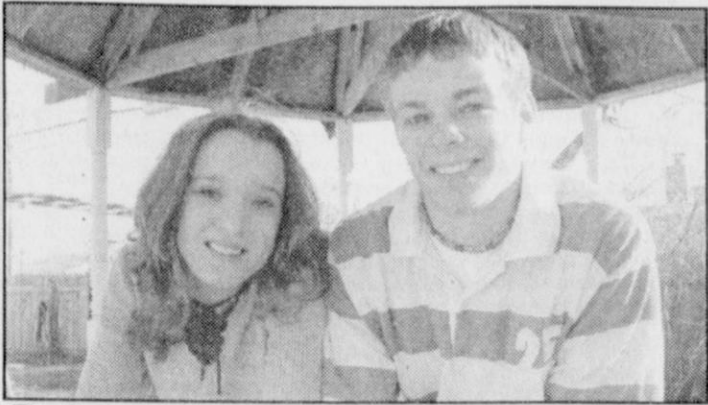
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SHS January Students of the Month



The Spearman High School January Students of the Month are Brianne Burkhammer and Lance Smith.

Brianne is the daughter of Colleen Burkhammer. She ran cross country for two years, played basketball for one year and ran track for one year. She was in FFA for one year and has been a member of the National Honor Society for three years. She is also a member of the Bigs in School program and loves spending time with her "little sister."

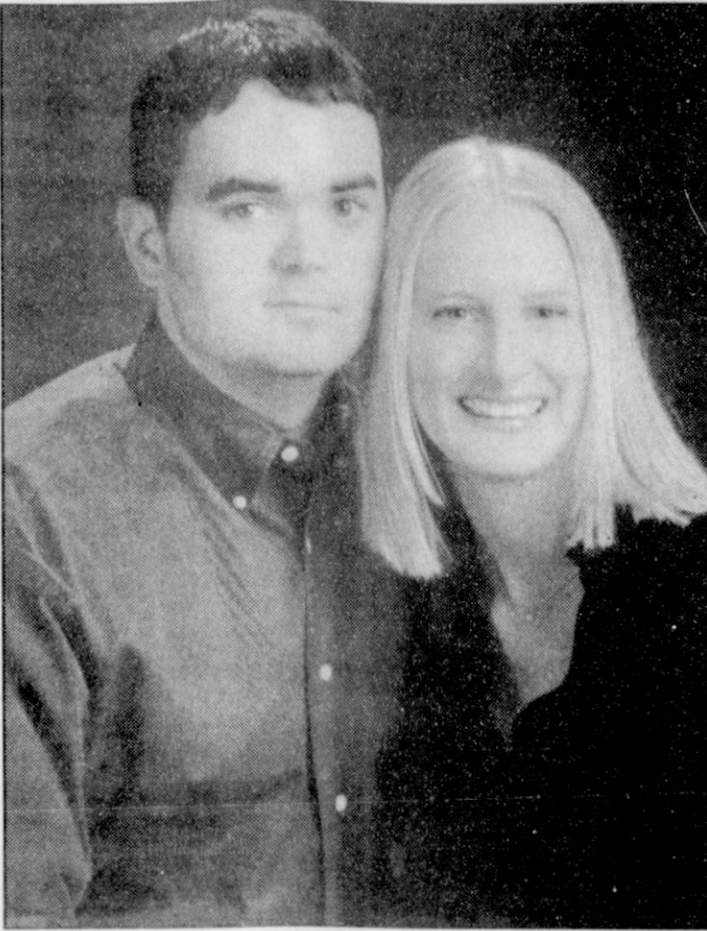
Brianne stated her most influential teacher was Mrs. Short. Following graduation she plans to attend Frank Phillips College and West Texas A&M University, and major in computer science. She hopes to learn to design software.

Lance is the son of Bobby and Dixie Smith.

He participated in varsity football, basketball and track. He has been a member of the National Honor Society since his sophomore year. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students for 2002-2003, and the National Honor Roll for 2000-2001. He attended Camp Ryla during the summer of 2002, and was named Mr. SHS for 2003.

Lance said Mrs. Orr was the teacher who was most influential in his school years.

After graduation he plans to attend Texas Tech University to major in business administration.



Engagement Announcement

Steve and Mollie Holton of Spearman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Leslie Merritt to John Sullivan Green II. John is the son of John and Jan Green of Georgetown.

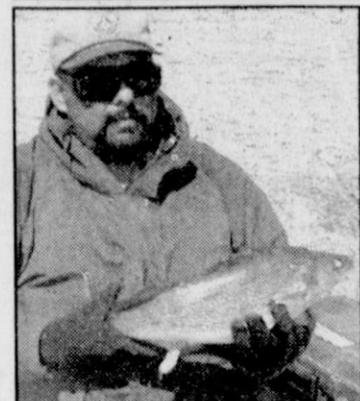
The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Spearman High School. She will receive a bachelor of business administration degree in management in August from Texas Tech University. While at Texas Tech University, she was a member of Chi Omega sorority and the Texas Tech Women's Tennis team.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Georgetown High School and a 2002 graduate of Texas Tech University. While at Texas Tech University, he was a member of Kappa Alpha order fraternity. He is currently employed by Penske Corporation in Austin.

The couple is planning an August 16 wedding at the Lakeridge Methodist Church in Lubbock. They will reside in Austin.

Out At The Lake

by Dorothy Hudson



David, with Texas Parks and Wildlife, holds a Walleye, during a survey last week.

Lake level--April 7, 2003--28.29 feet, 52 degrees

The fishing was just fair the past week. Jim did see a 13-pound catfish caught by a man from Hardesty.

Jim enjoys going out with the Texas Parks and Wildlife men on their fish surveys of the Lake. This past week they were setting gill nets on one day and checking them the next.

The big find was all the walleye on the north side of the lake. One net held 26 of these fish. In another net they found a walleye that was 29

inches long and weighed a little over 11 pounds. Another one was 32 inches long, but they didn't get a weight on it.

They all seemed to think if someone catches this fish they will have the state record for a walleye. At present one that was caught in Lake Meredith in late February of 1990, weighing 11.31 pounds and with a length of 31.75 inches, holds the record for the state. Here at Palo Duro one weighing 9.34 pounds with a 28.5 length, has the Lake record.

Lowe's Grocery Store in Spearman is the place to get a certified weight. Jim or the state game wardens would then help with the paperwork to go for a record.

The 20 pelicans are still with us, and they are still using a temporary island for their base.

Elmon Jacobs wrote that he has around 12 pairs of purple martins now, but until they settle down and start building nests he won't know for sure. In answer to my question on whether purple martins eat mosquitoes, he said he rarely found a mosquito in his backyard. He had seen advertisements saying they ate up to 2000 mosquitoes a day. His fruit trees had some damage from the cold snap with the apricots and plums getting hit the hardest.

Small Business Administration Loan Assistance

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The loan application deadline is April 22, 2003.

For further information call SBA at 1-800-366-6303.

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peratures that occurred from January 1, 2002, and continuing. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. Nurseries that are victims of drought can apply.

The loan application deadline is June 23, 2003.

For further information call SBA at 1-800-366-6303.

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- Stacy DeLaCruz & Scott Vantine - May 2
- Erika Salmons & Scott Stedje - May 3
- Jennifer Lopez & Thomas Torres - May 3
- Ashley Brown & Adam Lowe - May 10
- Amanda Smith & Josh Brown - May 10
- Leslie Holton & John Green II - June 7
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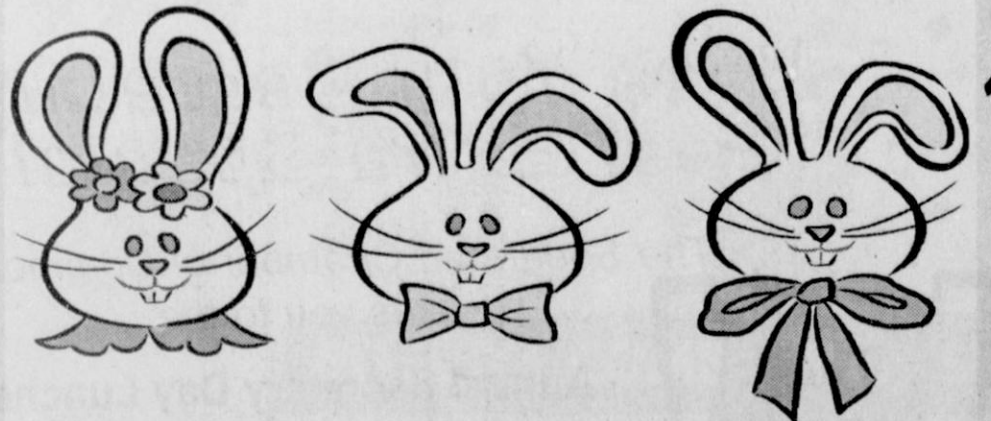
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The Gruver Grapevine

by Harletta Carthel

Griffin, Johnson Play in All Star Tourney

Brandi Griffin and Lisa Johnson showed the Civic Center crowd the basketball skills that guided the Lady Hounds to the state tourney.

Griffin scored 19 points in the North's win at the Golden Spread All Star Classic last week in Amarillo. Five of her points were in the final four minutes of play.

Johnson tied for the most rebounds in the game with eleven. Johnson will play in the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC) game in San Antonio May 2.

Gruver Grads Inducted into Honor Society

Three Gruver grads were inducted into the Mortar Board honor society of West Texas A&M University.

Annie Mayhew, Lacie Osbourne, and Holly Hart were honored with membership to the academic and leadership society.

Welcome Mat

Jeremy Sipes, who hails from McAlister, OK, is welcomed to the Gruver community.

Sipes is employed by the City of Gruver and will be working mainly as a utilities operator.

Sipes is familiar with the area as he has spent many summers here visiting his grandmother Velma Sipes and his great aunt Coretta Ralston.

School Board Has Special Meeting

In a special meeting of the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees on March 25, the board received Rod Been, Craig Cooper, Randy Reid, Todd Williams, Paula Williams, Ty Williams, Jerry Williams, Rita Williams, and Debbie Chisum.

After reviewing the 2003-2004 budget workshop, the board entered executive session for one hour and 10 minutes before returning to open session and adjourning.

Board members present were Benny Wilson, Terry Sherrill, Mike Yanke, Jody Irwin, Paul Stavlo, Buddy Lowe, Jr., Davin Winger, and Superintendent David Teal.

City Managers Compete Training

Gruver City Manager Linda Weller and Spearman City Manager Robert Patrick have been announced as graduates of the 2003 Certified Public Manager program.

The two city managers have spent an average of 10 days every six weeks of the past two years completing the course requirements.

The curriculum which was provided by Texas Tech University Center for Public Service included eight sections: personnel administration, managing for quality, organizational communications, finance and budgeting, productivity, and program evaluation, information systems, policy analysis and applied project and individual management development plans.

Both Weller and Patrick will receive official recognition in June ceremonies at Austin.

Absentee Balloting Begins in School Board Election

In-person absentee balloting

will begin Wednesday, April 16, in the Gruver ISD Board of Trustees election.

Those wishing to vote early may do so at the school business office in Gruver High School.

Community Care Concerns

Former Resident Glenda Hoel Riley was injured in a traffic accident. Her injuries included a broken hip and toe.

Verna Finley, now a resident of Hansford Manor, suffered a fall recently.

Marlene Winger will leave for Cincinnati, Ohio Thursday, April 19, where she will be having heart surgery. At the present time, she and husband Val plan to return home April 24.

Gruver Welcomes Miss Babbs

Julie and Kevin Babbs proudly announce the birth of their daughter Kearnstin Emyle Babbs.

The sweet little miss was born Monday, March 31, 2003, in Amarillo. She weighed 7 pound, 5 ounces and was 20" long.

Kearnstin's grandparents are Nancy and Larry Babbs of Gruver and Bobby and Debbie Barnett of Perryton. Great grandparents include Ruby McCullough, formerly of Spearman and now of Sunset, Texas, Bob and Evelyn Barnett of Perryton, and Doris Queen of Oneida, TN.

School Announces Easter Holidays

Gruver schools will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. Friday, April 18th, for the Easter holidays. There will be no school Monday, April 21st. School will resume on Tuesday, April 22nd.

GJHS to Compete in District Meet, GHS in Area Meet

Gruver Junior High thinclads will compete in the district junior high track meet Saturday, April 12, in Sunray.

GHS are track qualifiers will compete in the area track meet April 15 in Panhandle.

Egg Hunt Slated

The annual alpha Mu Psi Easter Egg hunt is set for 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 13, at the Gruver City Park.

There will be areas marked for ages groups three and under, pre k and kindergarten, and first and second grades.

Community's Sympathy Expressed

A portion of the history of Gruver closed last week in the passing of Beulah Ben Bort.

Graciousness, kindness, and compassion were qualities for which Mrs. Bort was known.

One of my first stories to cover for the Reporter Statesman was the that of Ralph Bort and his contributions to the Gruver community, and I remember my thoughts as I interviewed Mrs. Bort were similar to the age old cliché - behind every good man is a good woman.

Gruver mourns the passing of this lovely lady while remembering her contributions to the community.

Stavlo Cited for Efforts

Leona Stavlo has made a bit of history by being the only repeat winner of the Gruver Good Guy Award.

Stavlo was nominated by several Gruver citizens who expressed their appreciation to her efforts in beautifying Gruver. Many have observed Stavlo picking up litter on Gruver streets and are grateful for her efforts.

Congratulations, Leona Stavlo, a Gruver Good Guy, again!

This and That

Joe Millionaire Update

Sally (Holt) Meek and her husband in whose wedding Joe Millionaire (Evan Marriot) was a grooms man recently heard from their friend.

According to the Meeks, Marriot says he is enjoying not having to worry where his next meal is coming from. He states, though, that he has been getting very little sleep as his newly-hired manager is keeping him busy on numerous personal appearances.

Zora, the young lady chosen by Marriot, was not mentioned in the conversation which was centered around Marriot's family.

Return to Sender

Local florist, Mary Moore, was admiring two spools of red, white, and blue ribbon she had ordered for Memorial Day use and for use in patriotic bows of support for the American troops.

Her admiration quickly changed to disgust when she discovered on the ribbon's label "Made In France."

Moore states the ribbon will be promptly returned as she will use only ribbon made in the USA to honor our soldiers.

Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

Logan Jon Hutchison arrived March 5th, 2003 in Des Moines, Iowa. He weighed 8 lb. and 14 oz. His parents are Alan and Melisa Hutchison of De Moines. He joins a sister Audrey and brother Danner. Grandparents are John and Jolinda Hutchison of Spearman and Tanayn and Susan Upchurch of Lubbock.

There was a special treat for about 130 people at the Church of Christ in Spearman Fellowship Hall on Saturday night. Edwin Peary furnished much of the fish and helped cook them. He passes credit for some of the catch to his grandson, Logan Fry of Dalhart. Other fishermen assistant cooks were Vic Schumann, Bill Turner, Wayne Ware, and Gregg Odegaard.

Ladies of the church prepared the delicious slaw.

Alton and Peggy Ellsworth, accompanied by son Gary, attended the wedding of Alicia La Rochell in Dallas on Saturday, March 22, 2003. The wedding and reception was held at Los Colinos Country Club. Alicia received her degree as an attorney at law. The maid of honor was her friend, Korney Henton and bridesmaid was sister Amber La Rochelle and usher Albert La Rochelle III. The Ellsworths also visited granddaughter Kacey Smith. She is employed at Michaels.

Mr. and Mrs. James George received a telephone call from their daughter, Sarah George on Tuesday. She had arrived with her unit north of Kuwait City. Sarah is

an M.P. with the supply department.

Many friends were pleased to have a visit with Christy Brown Conrad and to be entertained by the 16 month old son, Caden Brown Conrad. The Conrads live at the Woodlands north of Houston. Christy is an in-house attorney for the Anadarko Petroleum Co. She is in the transactional section. She is the daughter of Diane and Randy Brown and a native of Hansford County.

Word is received by friends of Velma Evans, former resident of Spearman that she is to have heart bypass surgery on April 14. She was scheduled to have the surgery a week ago, but suffered a stroke. She has recovered enough now to reschedule it.

Betty Pipkin Clifford from Ingersol, Ontario is here visiting her mother, Edith Pipkin. Mrs. Pipkin of the Hansford Manor is very ill.

Betty plans to be here two weeks. Many callers came over the week end including her daughter Pauline Mayes and granddaughter Tracy Klimek, Sparta, New Jersey, her son, Tom Mayes of Houston, another of Edith's daughters, Yvonda and Larry Stokes, their daughter, Krystal and Kevin Hare, son Chris and Jill Stokes, all of Amarillo. Richard and Lisa Pipkin hosted the family for lunch and dinner. Joining the family at Hansford Manor Saturday in the afternoon, their Aunt Ouida and Ira Harbour of Spearman, Betty and Robert Graves, from Perryton and

Elma Miller, her grandchildren Brooke and Austin Miller of Woodward. The prior week two of Edith's sisters were here for a few days. Ethel Fullbright Depew and her husband, Jay, from Fayetteville, Ark. and Edna Fullbright Owens and her husband, Ed, from Tulsa, Okla. and sister, Edith Smith, also of the Manor. This past Saturday they all gathered in the living room of the Manor and sang and played music for all the residents. All were lavish with their praise of the family.

Ila Mae Buchanan was transported to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital on Saturday with a bone infection. As of this writing there has not been any other news.

Thank You

On March 14 and 15, 2003, the 4th Annual Garrett Rex Memorial Basketball Tournament (the 12th Spearman Invitational Jr. Lynx and Lynxettes Basketball Tournament) was held in Spearman. We would like to thank the following people for helping make this a successful Tournament: Spearman ISD for the use of the facilities, and Ronnie Cogdill, Arthur Cantu, Virginio Ortega and Charlie McIver for all their help; all the parents who brought food, worked shifts and for all the support of the youth; all the coaches who gave of their time (Tim Harper, Darryl and Kelly Chambers, Kelly Garnett, K.C. Garnett, Don Schroeder, Luke Pittman, Stephen Batton and Jim Jones). Thanks to Cindy Avila and Verlin Winegarner for all of your help. Many thanks to everyone who came out to support the youth. Spearman is a great community and we are so fortunate to live in such a place!

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SHS Sports

Lynx Track Bobcat Relays

The Spearman Lynx placed fourth in the Bobcat Relays in Sunray on February 28th.

Event results are as follows:
400 M. Relay: 1. Spearman (A); **110 M. Hurdles:** 5. Garrett Martin; **800 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman (A); **400 M. Dash:** 3. Fernando Flores; **300 M. Intern. Hurdles:** 3. Scott Sauer, 4. Garrett Martin; **200 M. Dash:** 1. Daniel Kern; **1600 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman (A); **Discus:** 2. Clete Vanderburg; **High Jump:** 3. Garrett Martin; **Long Jump:** 1. Colton Miller; **Shot Put:** 3. Wayne Gibson, 6. Clete Vanderburg; **Triple Jump:** 3. Colton Miller

Canadian Relays

The Spearman Lynx placed second in the Canadian Relays in Sunray on February 28th.

Event results are as follows:
Shot Put: 6. Eric Flores; **Discus:** 3. Clete Vanderburg, 5. Wayne Gibson; **Long Jump:** 1. Colton Miller; **Triple Jump:** 1. Colton Miller, 4. Ricky Garcia; **High Jump:** 3. Garrett Martin; **400 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **100 M.:** 2. Paul Bynum; **110 Hurdles:** 4. Garrett Martin; **800 Relay:** 2. Spearman; **400 M.:** 5. Fernando Flores; **300 Hurdles:** 4. Garrett Martin; **200 M.:** 3. Daniel Kern; **1600 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **Pole Vault:** 4. Lance Baker

Booker Relays

The Spearman Lynx placed second in the Booker Relays.

Event results are as follows:
Shot Put: 5. Wayne Gibson; **Discus:** 4. Wayne Gibson; **High Jump:** 1. Garrett Martin; **Long Jump:** 1. Colton Miller, 3. Ricky Garcia; **Triple Jump:** 1. Colton Miller, 2. Ricky Garcia; **400 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **100 Hurdles:** 3. Garrett Martin, 4. Jeff Brock; **800 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **300 Int. Hurdles:** 2. Garrett Martin, 3. Jeff Brock; **1600 Relay:** 1. Spearman

Lynx Relays

The Spearman Lynx placed first in the Lynx Relays.

Event results are as follows:
Discus: 6. Clete Vanderburg; **Long Jump:** 1. Colton Miller, 2. Paul Bynum, 3. Ricky Garcia; **Triple Jump:** 1. Ricky Garcia; **High Jump:** 1. Garrett Martin; **Pole Vault:** 2. Lance Baker, 3. Caleb Gillaspie; **400 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **110 Hurdles:** 3. Garrett Martin; **100 M.:** 2. Paul Bynum; **800 Relay:** 2. Spearman; **400 M.:** 1. Fernando Flores; **200 M.:** 1. Lance Baker, 2. Daniel Kern; **1600 Relay:** 4. Spearman

Stratford Relays

The Spearman Lynx participated in the Stratford Relays.

Event results are as follows:
3200 M.: 2. Jerry Anaya; **400 M. Relay:** 4. Spearman; **800 M.:** 4. Carlos Moreno; **110 Hurdles:** 1. Garrett Martin, 3. Jeff Brock, 5. Caleb Gillaspie; **100 M.:** 4. Scott Sauer, 5. Daniel; **400 M.:** 1. Fernando Flores, 2. Scott Sauer; **300 Int. Hurdles:** 2. Garrett Martin, 5. Jeff Brock, 6. Caleb Gillaspie; **200 M.:** 1. Daniel Kern, 3. Fernando Flores; **1600 M.:** 6. Jacob Jones; **1600 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman; **Discus:** 3. Wayne Gibson; **High Jump:** 1. Garrett Martin; **Long Jump:** 1. Scott Sauer, 4. Daniel Kern; **Pole Vault:** 2. Caleb Gillaspie, 4. Jacob Jones; **Shot Put:** 3. Wayne Gibson, 4. Eric Flores; **Triple Jump:** 1. Lance Smith, 4. Scott Sauer, 5. Jacob Jones

Lynxette Track Bobcat Relays

The Spearman Lynxettes placed 2nd at the Sunray Track Meet, behind Sunray on February 28th.

Event results are as follows:
3200 M. Run: 3. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Tabatha Shields, 5. Rossilyn Bulls; **400 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman (Vaquera, Parker, Cazares, Harbour); **800 M. Run:** 4. Melissa Lesly, 5. Cayla Smith; **100 M. Run:** 3. Claudia Vaquera; **800 M. Relay:** 4. Spearman (Harbour, McLaughlin, Lesly, Parker); **200 M. Run:** 6. Sonny Parker; **1600 M. Run:** 3. Ashlee Flowers, 5. Tabatha

Shields; **1600 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman (Harbour, Lesly, Vaquera, Smith); **High Jump:** 1. Cayla Smith, 2. Sonny Parker; **Long Jump:** 6. Sonny Parker; **Shot Put:** 5. Jenna McElroy; **Triple Jump:** 2. Cayla Smith; **Pole Vault:** 2. Jentry Edwards, 3. Macy Harbour

Canadian Relays

The Spearman Lynxettes placed second in the Canadian Relays.

Event results are as follows:
High Jump: 2. Cayla Smith, 6. Sonny Parker; **Long Jump:** 5. Sonny Parker; **Triple Jump:** 2. Claudia Vaquera, 3. Cayla Smith; **Pole Vault:** 2. Jentry Edwards, 4. Macy Harbour; **3200 M.:** 2. Tabatha Shields, 3. Ashlee Flowers, 6. Rossilyn Bulls; **400 Relay:** 3. Spearman; **800 M.:** 6. Cayla Smith; **100 M.:** 4. Claudia Vaquera; **800 Relay:** 4. Spearman; **400 M.:** 2. Melissa Lesly; **1600 M.:** 2. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Tabatha Shields; **1600 Relay:** 2. Spearman

Booker Relays

The Spearman Lynxettes placed first in the Booker Relays.

Event results are as follows:
High Jump: T3. Cayla Smith, T3. Sonny Parker; **Long Jump:** 3. Sonny Parker; **Triple Jump:** 1. Claudia Vaquera (34'00": Meet Record), 5. Callie Cazares; **3200 M.:** 2. Adriana Mendoza; **400 Relay:** 2. Spearman; **800 M.:** 3. Cayla Smith, 4. Christen Ferguson; **100 Hurdles:** 2. Miranda Paul; **100 M.:** 4. Claudia Vaquera; **800 Relay:** 2. Spearman; **400 M.:** 1. Melissa Lesly, 5. Christen Ferguson; **300 Hurdles:** 3. Miranda Paul; **200 M.:** 6. Sonny Parker; **1600 M.:** 4. Rayna Ruiz; **1600 Relay:** 1. Spearman

Lynx Relays

The Spearman Lynxettes placed third in the Lynx Relays.

Event results are as follows:
Shot: 6. Jenna McElroy; **Long Jump:** 4. Sonny Parker; **Triple Jump:** 1. Cayla Smith, 4. Claudia Vaquera, 6. Callie Cazares; **High Jump:** 3. Cayla Smith, 5. Sonny Parker; **Pole Vault:** 4. Macy Harbour, 5. Jentry Edwards; **3200 M.:** 3. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Tabatha Shields, 5. Rossilyn Bulls; **400 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **100 M.:** 3. Claudia Vaquera; **800 Relay:** 5. Spearman; **400**

M.: 2. Melissa Lesly, 3. Macy Harbour; **300 Hurdles:** 6. Miranda Paul; **1600 M.:** 3. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Tabatha Shields; **200 M.:** 6. Sonny Parker; **1600 Relay:** 2. Spearman

Stratford Relays

The Spearman Lynxettes participated in the Stratford Relays.

Event results are as follows:
3200 M.: 2. Tabatha Shields, 3. Ashlee Flowers, 4. Rossilyn Bulls; **400 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **800 M.:** 3. Cayla Smith, 6. Aleisha Sweat; **100 Hurdles:** 2. Miranda Paul; **100 M.:** 1. Claudia Vaquera, 4. Adriana Mendoza; **800 Relay:** 4. Spearman; **400 M.:** 1. Melissa Lesly, 2. Macy Harbour; **300 Hurdles:** 3. Miranda Paul; **1600 M.:** 4. Tabatha Shields, 5. Adriana Mendoza, 6. Rayna Ruiz; **1600 Relay:** 1. Spearman; **Discus:** 5. Abby Winegarner; **High Jump:** 2. Cayla Smith, 3. Sonny Parker; **Long Jump:** 3. Sonny Parker, 5. Britta Vanderburg, 6. Callie Cazares; **Pole Vault:** 1. Jentry Edwards, 3. Macy Harbour; **Shot Put:** 3. Jocilyn Baca, 5. Jenna McElroy, 6. Abby Winegarner; **Triple Jump:** 1. Claudia Vaquera, 2. Cayla Smith, 3. Callie Cazares

Lynx Track Bobcat Relays

The JV Lynx placed second in the Bobcat Relays in Sunray on February 28th.

Event results are as follows:
3200 M. Run: 1. Jerry Anaya; **400 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman JV (A); **800 M. Run:** 2. Jacob Jones, 6. Hernando Perez; **110 M. Hurdles:** 3. Caleb Gillaspie, 5. Jeff Brock, 6. Jarrick Howard; **800 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman JV (A); **400 M. Dash:** 6. Hernando Perez; **300 M. Intern. Hurdles:** 3. Jeff Brock, 6. Caleb Gillaspie; **200 M. Dash:** 4. Jonathan Mendoza, 5. T.J. Gallegos; **1600 M. Run:** 1. Jerry Anaya, 5. Junior Davila, 6. Prieto; **1600 M. Relay:** 3. Spearman JV (A); **Discus:** 1. Chase Schubert, 3. Isaac Herndon; **High Jump:** 3. Josh Chambers; **Long Jump:** 5. Jonathan Mendoza, 6. (Tie) J.J. Gilleges and Jimmy Johnson; **Pole Vault:** 1. Jacob Jones, 2. Caleb Gillaspie; **Shot Put:** 5. Chase Schubert, 6. Mark Navarette;

Triple Jump: 5. Josh Chambers, 6. Jacob Jones

Booker Relays

The Spearman JV Lynx participated in the Booker Relays.

Event results are as follows:
Discus: 2. Brock Town; **Shot:** 3. Brock Town; **Long Jump:** 2. J.J. Gallegos, 5. Isaac Herndon; **High Jump:** 3. Jarrick Howard; **Pole Vault:** 1. Jacob Jones; **3200 M.:** 1. Jerry Anaya, 6. Junior Davilla; **400 Relay:** 3. Spearman; **800 M.:** 2. Jacob Jones, 3. Justin Parker, 5. Hernando Perez; **100 Hurdles:** 4. Jeff Brock; **100 M.:** 5. J.J. Gallegos; **800 Relay:** 3. Spearman; **400 M.:** 5. Hernando Perez; **300 Hurdles:** 4. Jeff Brock; **1600 M.:** 3. Jerry Anaya, 5. Carlos Baca; **1600 Relay:** 4. Spearman

Lynx, Lynxettes Golf Borger Invitational

The Spearman Lynx placed 2nd, behind Borger, in the Borger Invitational Golf Tournament on February 28th and March 1st.

Those participating and their scores were: Tanner Hand, 143, 1st place overall; Tracy Brown, 166, 5th overall; Brodie Savage, 173, 7th overall; Justin Parker, 196; and Wade Evans, 204.

Booker Golf Tournament

The Spearman Lynx took first place in the Booker Golf Tournament on March 6th.

Those participating and their scores were: Tanner Hand, 74, 1st place overall; Travis Brown, 2nd place overall; Tracy Brown, 80; Brodie Savage, 83; Lance Baker, 95.

The Spearman Lynxettes recently participated in the Booker Golf Tournament, placing third.

Those participating and their scores were: Sonny Parker, 118; Emily Longoria, 138; Nicole Ramon, 140; and Mandi Hunter, 143.

Dumas Golf Tournament

The Spearman Lynx placed fifth in the Dumas Golf Tournament on March 21st & 22nd.

Those participating and their scores were: Travis Brown, 72+68=140 - 1st place medalist; Tanner Hand

74+85=159; Tracy Brown, 83+85=168; Brodie Savage, 85+80=165; Wade Evans, 107+100=207

Sunray Golf Tournament

The Spearman Lynx placed first in the Sunray Golf Tournament held in Dumas on March 24th.

Those participating and their scores were: Travis Brown, 70 - 1st place medalist; Tanner Hand, 71; Tracy Brown, 86; Brodie Savage, 82; and Lance Baker, 85.

The Spearman Lynxettes placed third in the Sunray Golf Tournament held in Dumas on March 24th.

Individual results are: Tiffany Hand, 118; Sonny Parker, 123; Nicole Ramon, 124; Emily Longoria, 131; and Mandi Hunter, 134

District Golf Tournament

The Spearman Lynx competed in the first round of the District Golf Tournament on March 31st at the Phillips Golf Course in Borger.

Team Standings for the first round are: Spearman 315, Canadian 347, Panhandle 353, West Texas 379, Fritch 386, Panhandle B 389, Spearman B 391, Canadian B 409, Boys Ranch 432, Fritch B 440, Highland Park 495.

Scores after the first round are: Spearman A - Travis Brown 74, Tanner Hand 80, Tracy Brown 82, Brodie Savage 79, Lance Baker 94; Spearman B - Justin Parker 91, Wade Evans 109, Caleb Gillaspie 93, Mark Thomas 98, Orie Cooksey 124; Individuals: Chris Cudd 138, John Thomas 123

The second round was played on April 7th, also at the Phillips Golf Course in Borger.

The Spearman Lynxettes competed in the first round of the District Golf Tournament on April 1st at the Phillips Golf Course in Borger.

Scores after the first round are: Sonny Parker, 123; Tiffany Hand, 130; Emily Longoria, 132; and Nicole Ramon, 140.

The second round was played on April 8th, also at the Phillips Golf Course in Borger.

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GHS Sports

GREYHOUND TRACK Panhandle Relays

The GHS Hounds finished eighth in a field of 11 teams at the Panhandle Relays over the weekend.

The meet was the Hounds final competition before the district track meet which was held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 1 and 2 at Randall High School in Amarillo.

Results of the Panhandle meet were as follows: **Pole Vault:** 3. T Jay Sherrill; **200 M. Dash:** 5. David Hernandez; **400 M. Dash:** 3. Hutch Reed; **800 M. Run:** 4. Manny Lopez, 5. David Puebla; **400 M. Relay:** 6. Team of David Hernandez, Salvador Luciano, Hutch Reed, and Jose Rodriguez; **800 M. Relay:** 6. Team of Hunter Beville, David Hernandez, David Puebla, and Manny Lopez; **1600 M. Relay:** 4. Team of Salvador Luciano, David Puebla, Hutch Reed, and Jose Rodriguez; **Long Jump:** 6. David Hernandez

Canadian Relays

The Gruver Hounds participated in the Canadian Relays. Results were as follows.

Varsity Hounds: **800 M. Run:** 3. David Puebla; **800 M. Relay:** 4. Team of Salvador Luciano, David Puebla, Jose Rodriguez, and David Hernandez; **400 M. Dash:** 6. Salvador Luciano; **200 M. Dash:** 5. David Hernandez; **1600 M. Relay:** 6. Team of Salvador Luciano, David Puebla, Jose Rodriguez, and David Hernandez

Wildcat Relay

The Varsity Hounds took fifth place at the Wildcat Relay in Boise City with 61 points. Placing above the Hounds were Boys Ranch with 155 points, Stratford with 92 points, Boise City with 89 points, and Texhoma with 72 points.

Long Jump: 2. David Hernandez, 18' 7"; **Pole Vault:** 3. Brock Irwin, 9' 6"; **400 M. Relay:** 3. Gruver, 47.35; **400 M. Dash:** 3. Hutch Reed, 55.04

District Track

The Hounds placed third, overall, behind Sunray and Stratford in the district meet held in Randall last week.

The top four athletes in each event will compete in the area track meet in Panhandle April 15, where the top four placings at that meet will advance to regional competition April 25 and 26 in Levelland.

Placings were: **400 Meter Relay:** 4. team of David Hernandez, Salvador Luciano, Hutch Reed, and Jose Rodriguez* (46.95); **800 Meter Run:** 2. David Puebla* (2:22.58), 3. Manny Lopez* (2:12.63); **800 Meter Relay:** 5. team of Hunter Beville, David Hernandez, David Puebla, and Manny Lopez; **1600 Meter Run:** 1. Manny Lopez* (5:15.58); **1600 Meter Relay:** 3. team of Lavidor Luciano, David Puebla, Hutch Reed, and Jose Rodriguez*, (3:43.48); **Long Jump:** 6. David Hernandez; **Pole Vault:** 2. Brock Irwin* (10' 10")

*Denotes Regional Qualifiers

LADY HOUND TRACK Canadian Relays

The Gruver Lady Hounds participated in the Canadian Relays. Results were as follows.

Varsity Lady Hounds: **Pole Vault:** 3. Blythe Finley

Wildcat Relay

The Lady Hounds took second place



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in the Wildcat Relays at Boise City, OK over the weekend.

Boise City girls captured first place with 158 points while Gruver had 98 and 1/2 points with Boys Ranch Ranch tallying 95 points.

400 M. Run: 2. Blythe Finley, 52.87; **110 M. High Hurdles:** 5. Madeline Reed, 23.50; **800 M. Run:** 2. Meagan Knight, 2:44.57; **100 M. Dash:** 2. Christi Clift, 13.11; **High Jump:** 3. Samantha Myatt, 4'8"; **200 M. Dash:** 3. Christi Clift, 27.15; **1600 M. Run:** 5. Cassie Myatt 7:08.19; **1600 M. Relay:** 4. Team of Allison Reid, Samantha Myatt, Meagan Knight, and Liz Lopez 4:40.19; **800 M. Run:** 5. Liz Lopez ; **Shot Put:** 1. Christie McDowell, 31' 11 and 1/2"; 2. Lisa Johnson, 31' 9"; 5. Jessica Vela 27' 2 and 1/2 " ; **Discus:** 1. Lisa Johnson: 103'; **Pole Vault:** 2. Blythe Finley, 8' 0"

District Track

The Lady Hounds placed fourth behind Sunray, Clarendon, and Shamrock in the district meet held in Kandall last week.

The top four athletes in each event will compete in the area track meet in Panhandle April 15, where the top four placings at that meet will advance to regional competition April 25 and 26 in Levelland.

Placings were: **200 Meter Dash:** 3. Christi Clift* (26.74); **1600 Meter Relay:** 5. team of Liz Lopez, Laci Fitzgearld, Meagan Knight, and Lindsay Clift; **High Jump:** 6. Samantha Myatt; **Shot Put:** 3. Lisa Johnson* (35' 4 3/4"); **Pole Vault:** 2. Blythe Finley (8"); **3200 Meter Run:** 1. Meagan Knight* (13:51.37); **400 Meter Relay:** 3. team of Blythe Finley, Lindsay Clift, Lisa Johnson, and Christi Clift* (54.79); **100 Meter Dash:** 2. Christi Clift* (12.48); **800 Meter Relay:** 5. team of Allison Reid, Laci Fitzgearld, Blythe Finley, Lindsay Clift

*Denotes Regional Qualifiers

GREYHOUND JV TRACK Panhandle Relays

Gruver's junior varsity Hounds were the leaders of the pack as they took first place honors in the Panhandle Relays.

Results were as follows: **Discus:** 6. Reid Winger; **Triple Jump:** 4. Tyler Lane, 6. Sammy Pena; **Pole Vault:** 1. Matt Messer; **400 M. Dash:** 1. Tyler Lane, 2. Ivan Briones; **800 M. Run:** 1. Sammy Pena; **1600 M. Run:** 3. Brad

Clawson, 4. Ceasar Ortiz; **3200 M. Run:** 2. Ceasar; **400 M. Relay:** 4. Team of Sheldon Atwood, Stephen Salazar, Tyler Lane, and Ivan Briones; **800 M. Relay:** 5. Team of Cody Mac Been, Sammy Pena, Stephen Salazar, and Matt Messer; **1600 M. Relay:** 1. Team of Sheldon Atwood, Sammy Pena, Ivan Briones, and Tyler Lane; **110 M. Hurdles:** 2. Matt Messer; **300 M. Hurdles:** 1. Matt Messer, 4. Cody Mac Been, 5. Lance Williams; **Long Jump:** 4. Tyler Lane, 5. Sammy Pena; **Shot Put:** 2. Oscar Medina

Canadian Relays

The Gruver JV Hounds participated in the Canadian Relays. Results were as follows.

Junior Varsity Hounds: **Triple Jump:** 1. Tyler Lane, Sammy Pena; **Pole Vault:** 5. Matt Messer; **3200 M. Run:** 1. Brad Clawson, 2. Cesar Ortiz; **400 M. Relay:** 5. Team of Sheldon Atwood, Reid Winger, Stephen Salazar, Rufino Gonzalez; **800 M. Run:** 2. Sammy Pena; **400 M. Dash:** 1. Tyler Lane, 2. Ivon Briones, 3. Sheldon Atwood; **1600 M. Run:** 2. Brad Clawson, 3. Cesar Ortiz; **1600 M. Relay:** 4. Team of Tyler Lane, Stephen Salazar, Ivon Briones, and Sammy Pena

District Track

The GHS boys junior varsity took first place honors with 175 points in the district meet held in Randall last week. Sunray junior varsity with 158 points clinched second place.

Placings were: **3200 Meter Run:** 1. Brad Clawson (12:26.61), 2. Cesar Ortiz, 2nd (12:44.82); **400 Meter Relay:** 4. team of Sheldon Atwood, Stephen Salazar, Tyler Lane, and Ivan Briones; **800 Meter Run:** 1. Sammy Pena (2:19.61), 3. Cody Mac Been (2:30.03), 6. Roberto Hernandez; **110 Meter Hurdles:** 1. Matt Messer (18.75), 5. Lance Williams; **800 Meter Relay:** 3. team of Cody Mac Been, Sammy Pena, Salvador Luciano, and Matt Messer (1:46.75); **400 Meter Dash:** 1. Tyler Lane, (55.71), 2. Ivan Briones (56.81), 4. Sheldon Atwood; **300 Meter Hurdles:** 3. Matt Messer (46.82), 5. Cody Mac Been, 6. Lance Williams; **1600 Meter Run:** 1. Brad Clawson (5:40.94); **1600 Meter Relay:** 1. team of Sheldon Atwood, Sammy Pena, Ivan Briones, and Tyler Lane (5:40.94); **Discus:** 6. Reid Winger; **Long Jump:** 3. Sammy Pena (17' 10" 3/4"); 6. Tyler Lane; **Pole Vault:** 1. Matt Messer (11"), 3. Cody Mac Been (9"); **Shot Put:** 1. Oscar Medina (38' 3 3/4"); **Triple Jump:** 4. Tyler Lane, 6. Sammy Pena

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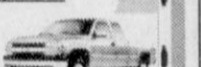
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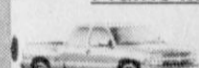
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SHS, GHS Students Take UIL Academic Honors

Eleven Spearman High School students and two Gruver high School students earned trips to the regional UIL Academic meet by virtue of their district wins March 27.

Students placing first, second, or third in events will compete at the regional meet in Abilene for Spearman and in Levelland for

Gruver this weekend. Spearman regional contestants and their district placings are as follows:

Lincoln Douglas Debate - Russell Sheets, 1st; and Michel Huffaker, 2nd.

Computer Applications - Garrett Martin, 1st.

Spelling team of Jeff Swan, 1st

and Kallie Smith, 2nd, and Tabatha Shields, 6th; alternate Maribel Moreno.

Social Studies - Ashley Hernandez, 1st.

Poetry - Cristal Alvarado, 2nd.

Prose - Linzi McCubbin, 1st.

Persuasive Speaking - Russell Sheets, 3rd.

Gruver regional contestants will

be Mark TeBeest who placed third in calculator applications and Eric Cruz who placed third in ready writing.

Other Spearman students placing at the district meet were Number Sense - Dustin Mackie, 4th; Computer Applications - Brianne Burkhammer, 4th; Current Issues and Events - Homer

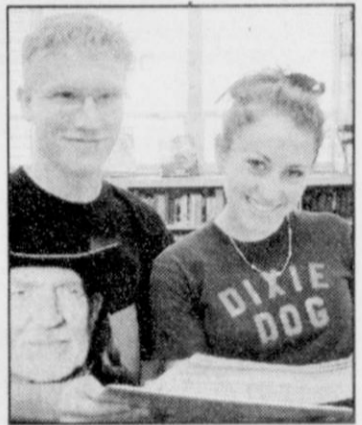
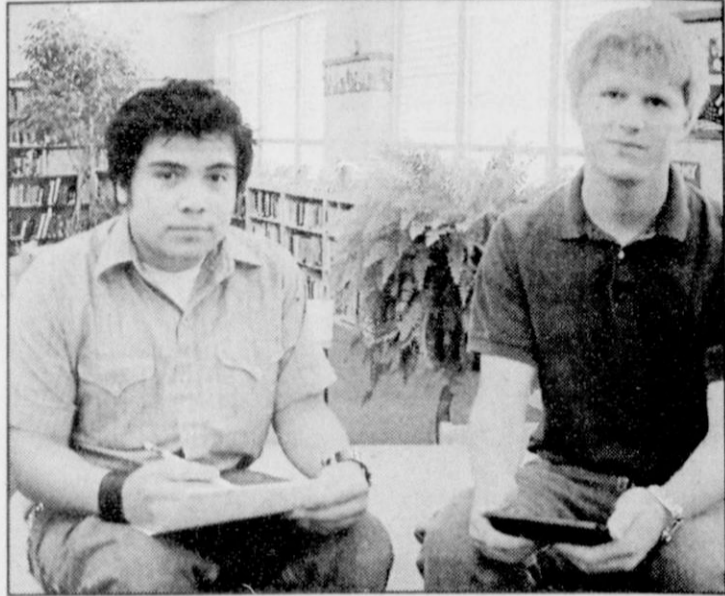
Martinez, 6th; Literary Criticism - Katie Baehler, 4th and Lucy Villa, 5th.

Headline Writing - Nicole Ramon, 5th; Feature Writing - Dana McLaughlin, 4th; Jeff Brock, 6th; News Writing - Justin Parker, 5th and Nicole Ramon, 6th; Editorial Writing - Dana McLaughlin, 5th; Informative

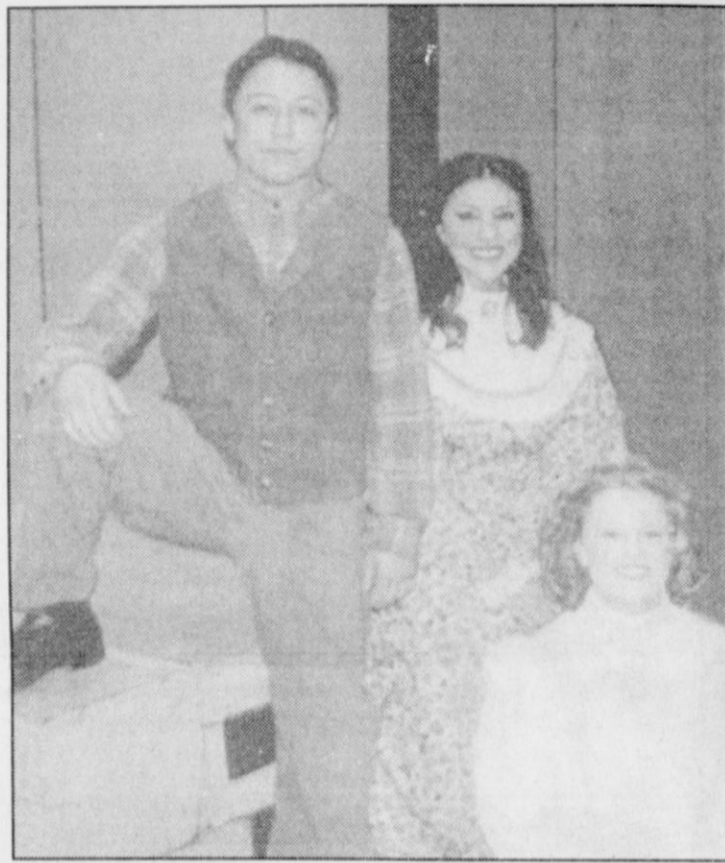
Speaking - Ashley Hernandez, 4th.

Other Gruver students placing at the meet were Current Events and Issues - Christie McDowell, 4th; Literary Criticism - Samantha Myatt, 4th; Poetry Interpretation - Callie Hargis, 4th; and Headline Writing - Ben Williams, 5th.

Right: Gruver UIL Regional Academic contenders Eric Cruz (left) and Mark TeBeest brush up on their calculator and writing skills to prepare for competition this weekend. Mark will compete in Calculator Applications, and Eric will compete in Ready Writing.



Gruver one act play cast members Ben Williams (left) who was named to the district all star cast and Allison Reid, who was named to the honorable mention list, rehearse their lines together.



Three Spearman one act play cast members received individual awards at the Area competition held last Saturday, April 5th at West Texas A&M University. They are: (L-R) Michael Lozano was named Honorable Mention All-Star Cast, Cristal Alvarado was named Best Actress, and Linzi McCubbin was named All-Star Cast. The play, under the direction of Tony D. Sidwell, was selected as alternate advancing play.

Thank You
As most of you all know, we recently had a fire in our home. Luckily, we were all gone. Dwayne and I had gone to see the NASCAR Races in Fort Worth with some dear friends from the Spearman Fire Department, and our four girls stayed with family. Although we have lost our home, we know that we have not lost our family or friends.
We are hoping to be able to stay in the same location, but it will take time to get things situated. We would like to tell the community as a whole "Thank You!" from the bottom of our hearts. We have truly been blessed to live in such a Big-Warm-Hearted Community!!
We would also like to tell the Spearman Volunteer Fire Dept that they are the VERY BEST!!! You don't know how great they are until you have something like this happen; they have been such a great support to us all. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.
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Dwayne, Bea, Amber, Ashton, Allysa, and Anne Marie

Thank You
Thanks to all my wonderful friends and family, from the bottom of my heart clear to the top, for all the birthday cards, phone calls, food, flowers, gifts and good wishes delivered to me. Thanks also for the fun and laughter we shared.
Love,
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