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Spearman City Council discusses sidewalk improvements

by Angela Jones Editor

Sidewalk improvements in downtown Spearman were one of the items discussed at the regular Spearman City Council meeting held Tuesday, Dec. 15, in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Spearman City Manager Kelvin Knauf presented a cost estimate prepared by Brandt Engineering. The cost estimates were \$3 per square foot for a new sidewalk, plus \$1 a square foot to remove the old sidewalk. Installing a new curb and gutter was estimated at \$6 per linear foot, while it would cost \$3 a linear foot to remove the old curb and gutter.

After this presentation, the council discussed the high cost of repairs. It was also brought up that the current budget had no funds budgeted for the project. The council asked Knauf to search for grants to apply for that might help with the project. No other action was

Another item on the agenda was the consideration of awarding a contract for 200 residential gas meters. The three sealed bids were publicly opened at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 8. Knauf stated that the low bidder did not meet bid specifications. It was added that the city would have to purchase an inventory of parts is the bid was awarded

He added that Jim McWilliams,

director of public works, recommended that they award the bid to Equimeter for Rockwell R-275 T.C. Meters because they are congruous with the cities supply of meters and inventory of parts. It was motioned and seconded that the city award the purchasing contract to Equimeter for \$69.10 each. The total price for the 200 meters is \$13,820. The motion carried unanimously.

In other business the council voted to renew the cities annual membership to the Texas Innovation Group for \$750. This group provides research services, information and opportunities for involvement with cities that are on the forefront of innovation, stated

The council then appointed Mike Schnell to serve another three year term as a director on the Hansford County Appraisal District Board.

A report was given by Knauf on the Regional Solid Waste Plan. It was reported that the plan addresses the collection and disposal on municipal solid waste, hazardous waste and special wastes in the 26 country Panhandle. It was then stated that the next step is to hold a series of public hearings in the Panhandle to get public input and comments on the proposed plan. The public hearing in our area will be held in Canadian in January.

A public hearing on the parks

improvement plan was held. Mr. Courtney Sharp of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission discussed Knauf's Parks Improvement Plan. He then explained the process of applying for grants from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the grading system on the grants. Mayor Burl Buchanan then declared the public hearing closed. After a discussion, it was motioned to start the grant process for the Swimming Pool Park and to continue the overall park improvement plan. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Mr. Sharp stated that he would start working on the grant application and have it ready for the January meeting.

Travis Wolfe and Monty Blackman of Brown, Graham & CO., P.C., presented the city's 1991-92 annual audit. The audit was then reviewed. The 1991-92 annual audit was accepted unanimously.

Knauf identified some items as surplus equipment and recommended that the council declare itas surplus property and authorize it's disposal. The recommendation was motioned and seconded. It passed unanimously

Regular business at the meeting was the approval of the minutes, approval of the monthly fire, ambulance, police, municipal court and animal control reports, and the payment of the monthly bills in the amount of \$187,515.83.



Floyd Hull of Spearman decided not to use his time wondering from store to store for the perfect gift for his two year old grandson, Tyler Allen Hull. He built this rocking horse instead.

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Hull's ingredients for 'perfect' gift

by Angela Jones Editor

Every year people get caught up in the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. They rush from store to store looking for the "perfect" gift for loved ones, but this year Spearman's Floyd Hull didn't go from store to store. Instead he decided to hand make his great-grandson, two-year-old Tyler Allen Hull of Houston, a rocking horse. Made with love, care, time and craftsmanship Floyd's rocking horse will be a gift that won't soon be forgot-

The rocking horse is made with precise detail from the silver buckle headstall with silver keeper to the flowing mane and tail. Even the saddle is detailed from the saddle horn down to the stirrups.

This project of love began about a year ago when Floyd decided to make the rocking horse, but the actual construction of the horse didn't begin until October. It took him about a month and a half to make the rocking horse. "If I had worked on it everyday it would have taken a week to build," estimated Floyd. But he just worked on it when he could, an hour or two a day, and still got it completed in time for Christmas morning.

Although Floyd had a pattern he'd gotten from Bill Jackson, most of the work was done from scratch. "I used the pattern for a basis, but made changes as I went along," explained Floyd.

"I made every bit of it myself, except the stitching on the saddle.

Other than that I did it all," Floyd said. He added that Elmer Longley did the stitching in the saddle for him. Floyd's wife, Ruby, picked out the color of the paint.

"I started with a pattern. I'd put something on, for example a leg. It didn't quite look right so I'd take it off, reshape it and put it back again," said Floyd. Ruby added that he is a perfection ist-everything has to be just so.

When asked what was the most difficult part of making the rocking horse Floyd paused for a moment. He then replied, "It would be hard to say, probably conforming the body to fit the legs."

He added that even now that he has finished the horse he sees changes he would make if he was to build another one.

Was there ever a time when Floyd wanted to throw down his tools? He says no, but added, "There was a time when I thought 'this is taking longer than I thought (it would)."

The beautiful handcrafted rocking horse was not Floyd's first project. The wood used to make the horse came from a previous project. Floyd explained that the wood used to build the horse came from a cabinet top. When he replaced the cabinet top he used some of the material to make the horse. "You can't find that kind of lumber any more," Floyd said. He added that the lumber was approximately 50 years old.

As other projects, Floyd has made three corner cabinets and restored other items. Ruby commented that her corner cabinet was the last one Floyd had made, but it was also the most beautiful.

One of the items he restored was a table. He explained the project. "I bought it for about \$20 from a garage sale. Now I would guess it's worth about \$100." Ruby added details saying that the table was in pieces. The table now sits in their living room, adding elegance to the

So what is he going to do next? He replied, not a rocking horse. Ruby explained that the family is already teasing him, saying that he is going to have to make two more rocking horse. He then added that he has a love seat. It is in pieces, but he is planning on restoring it.

Though he has made and restored several items he says, "I've never made anything that I've charged anyone for." He added that he enjoys making the gifts. He can hardly wait to see the look on Tyler's

The first thing on their agenda is an old fashion family Christmas celebration in Pittsburg, Texas. They are meeting Allen, and his wife, Donna, and Tyler at Pittsburg. This is where Tyler will receive the rocking horse, explained Floyd.

Others planning to attend the Christmas celebration at the W.R. Miller's home in Pittsburg, are Wilber and Louise Hull, Adam and Valerie Guerra, and Rodney Hull.

After this Floyd and Ruby will take the horse on to Houston.

Schnell leads Texas Masons

by Eck Spahich

BORGER-A Borger bank executive has been installed leader of Texas' 165,000 Masons during a special ceremony held recently in

He is R.O. "Bob" Schnell, senior vice president of First National Bank, who became the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons at a conclave attended by more than 5,000 Masons from throughout the Panhandle area and the state.

Mr. Schnell is a past resident of Hansford County and his two sons, Mike and Clay Schnell, are both residents of Hansford County.

Mike is the executive vice-president at First State Bank of Spearman. He has been a member of the Hansford Lodge for 11 years and is a past Master of the lodge.

Clay is the vice-president at First State Bank of Spearman. According to Mike, his father moved to Borger in 1961

Another Borger man, Charles Beach, a retired Phillips Petroleum Co. employee, was named the Grand Tiler. Guest speaker for the event was U.S. Navy Admiral Gene Sisemore, who spoke on military preparedness.

Schnell has been a Mason since 1948 when he joined Hansford Lodge No. 1040 in Spearman. He served as Worshipful Master of Hansford Lodge 1959-60, District Deputy Grand Master, a member of Scottish Rite and York Rite Bodies, becoming Potentate of Khiva Shrine Temple in 1981.

Schnell was named Grand Junior Warden in December 1989.

Beach, the new Grand Tiler, is the official doorkeeper of the Grand Lodge of Texas. He is past Worshipful Master of Adobe Walls Lodge No. 1355 in Borger.

Freemasonry is the oldest and largest of all of the fraternal orders in the world, according to Schnell.

"The goal of Freemasonry is to encourage a way of living that brings men together for the betterment of mankind for religion, ethnic, social, cultural and educational differences, by teaching the great principles of brotherly love, truth, compassion and concern for others," Schnell said. "That we may serve God, country, family, neighbor and self, and that we may have happiness and enjoyment of life."

Schnell said Masonry is not a religion. "Ours is an organization of good men with a main purpose to

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When travelling for the holidays... DPS advises caution

The Christmas holiday season is just about upon us. This is one of the most celebrated holidays of the entire year. People will be travelling the streets and highways in abundance. With the increase of traffic, there also comes the increase and the danger of more acci-

Major V.J. Cawthon, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, reminds us, 'Christmas is a very special time for all of us. We, the Department of Public Safety, want to urge everyone travelling our streets and highways to use extreme care, so that they will arrive at their destination safely.

Major Cawthon reminded us that the best thing we can do is to adjust our attitudes, as we sit down behind the wheel of our vehicles and as we fasten our safety belts.

Without a good attitude, we cannot be a defensive driver. Defensive driving is the key to arriving at our destination accident free.

Major Cawthon reminds us that a lot of people celebrate the holidays by drinking alcoholic beverages in excess. He stated, "If you drink, don't drive and if you drive, don't drink. Drive friendly, the Texas way.'

We will have all available troopers working this season and they will be especially watchful for those drivers that are driving in excess of the speed limit and those that drink while driving," stated Major Cawthon.

The best defense you can have inside a vehicle is to wear your safety belt. Remember, your chances for survival, if involved in an auto crash, are twenty-five times greater if you can remain inside your vehicle.

Special hours set for holiday

by Angela Jones Editor

With Christmas just around the corner many businesses and government offices are planning special hours for the holiday season.

According to Spearman Chamber of Commerce Manager Cindy Blackman most of the businesses will be open on Christmas Eve. She continued that the businesses will be closed on Christmas Day and added that many will also be closed on Saturday, Dec. 26. She advises anyone who is wishing to do business over the holiday to contact the business to check on their business

While businesses are open, many government offices are planning on closing early for the holidays. Gruver City Hall will be closing at noon on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, and will remain closed until Mon-

day, Dec. 28, said City Manager Spearman and First National Bank A.J. Ratliff. Spearman City Hall is also planning on closing early. They will close at 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve and remain closed through

According to County Clerk Amelia Johnson the Hansford County Courthouse is scheduled to close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday. They will remain closed until Monday at 8:30 a.m., she said.

Both the Hansford County Library and the Gruver City Library are planning on being closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas day. The Hansford County Library is also scheduled to be closed on Saturday, Dec. 26, according to Librar-

ian Sheri Benton. Other business closings that may need to be noted are those of the banks. Both the First State Bank of

of Spearman are planning on closing at 1 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Gruver State Bank is closing at noon Christmas Eve. All three of these banks will be closed on Friday. Business hours will be as usual on Monday, Dec. 28.

Another change for the holidays will be at the post offices. Spearman Postmaster George Finley said that the Spearman post office will close at 1 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Sandie DeLaCruz, PMR at the Morse post office said that they will be closing at 4:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, while Reaetta Gammon, OIC at the Gruver post office said that Gruver would be open on Thursday morning. All three of these offices will be closed on Christmas day. The mail

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by Kelvin Knauf

this past year.

Spearman City Manager

1992 proved to be the year that

we struggled with complying with

new environmental laws, specifi-

cally the Subtitle D regulations is-

sued by the Environmental Protec-

tion Agency. The costs of complying

with these regulations will force us

to close our landfill in 1993. The

City Council and the City Manager

have been exploring ways to dis-

pose of our trash that will have the

least burden on our citizens. This

past year, we signed an agreement

with Perryton to begin hauling our

trash to Perryton's landfill. We are

hoping that Perryton will keep their

landfill open and continue to take

trash from Spearman and Gruver.

Also, Spearman officials have be-

gun exploring the possibility of hav-

ing a regional landfill with the cit-

ies and counties in the Oklahoma

Panhandle. If these talks are suc-

cessful, then it is possible that a

regional landfill will be located in

Guymon, Oklahoma, Should the

Perryton landfill be closed, then we

will most likely haul our trash to

City operations this past year. For

the first time, we were forced to

have regular operating hours at

the landfill. State fees for garbage,

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RADICAL

By Dan Carter, Pastor **Trinity Community Church**

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST Luke 2:8-14

Psychologists report more depression and suicides at Christmas than at any other time of the year. Why all the despair and emptiness? Christmas is praised and sung about as the best of times.

Could it be in all the celebrating, the reason for the celebration has been lost? Perhaps the uncertainty of the future, and a longing or sorrow for the past cause the depression. And just when it's the season that everyone's duty is to be jolly.

Is there a remedy for the holiday blues? Yes, there is a cure, and its roots are to be found in the origin of Christmas. Two thousand years ago an angel of God appeared in a pasture where some shepherds were tending sheep. He said, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which shall be for all the people; for today in the city of David (Bethlehem) there has been born for you a Savior, Who is Christ the Lord.

There's the cause for celebration. Almighty God has become a man. A baby no less. He didn't come to judge us (as much as we deserve it), but to communicate with Him (contrary to new age philosophies, which are actually as old as Eden), He became a Man.

Here then is the solution to despair and anxiety that haunt people in the Christmas season, and any other time: God's love for us is so great that He offers peace through the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

God continues, year after year, generation after generation, to offer the same incomparable gift to everyone who will believe: Peace with Him, and eternal life. If you decide to give real peace a chance this Christmas, ask Jesus to come and live in you. Then you will have the real, the only reason to celebrate Christmas.

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As 1992 comes to an end, I would like to reflect on the accomplishments of this past year and the challenges which lie ahead in 1993. 1992 Accomplishments

For the City of Spearman, 1992 was a very active year in improving our services to citizens. The City Council battled against higher electric rates through monitoring the status of the Texas-New Mexico Power Company rate increase request. More specifically, the Mayor and City Manager, along with several citizens, testified before the Public Utility Commission against increasing our electric rates. Also, the Mayor and City Manager testified at the Sunset Commission hearings about ways to make the Public Utility Commission more responsive to the interests of electric rate payers. While the Public Utility Commission gave Texas-New Mexico Power Company a rate increase of 6.86% overall, this rate increase is less than the 9.63% overall rate increase requested by Texas-New Mexico Power Company officials. However, our economic development efforts will be hardpressed as long as we have to pay one of the highest electric rates in the State of Texas.

In April, 1992 the City Council authorized the sale of \$1,000,000 in Certificates of Obligation. These certificates will provide the money to rebuild the sewer plant, paint the water towers and build a garbage transfer station. The certificates will be paid off through garbage, water and sewer fees over the next fifteen years. To this end, the City Council increased both the Texas Health Department. garbage fees and the sewer fees

However, not all of 1992 was Many positive events happened this to fix the sidewalks downtown past year. The City annexed land for a new Soil Conservation Service building. The City made the last pairs in 1993. payment on land for a future municipal service center. The temporary sewer plant bids were awarded. A new City logo was devised, which will help promote tourism and economic development in Spearman. The City Personnel Policies were updated, providing more guidance to City employees. The City was successful in winning a lawsuit against a painting contractor and settled a lawsuit out-of-court with a consulting engineer. An emergency generator was bought for the fire station in case we lose power in a crisis. The County Commissioners awarded the bids on a new fire truck for the volunteer fire department. Finally, the City Council adopted a parks improvement plan year, we will repair the damage to to provide more recreational oppor- our streets caused by the recent tunities for our citizens.

Challenges for 1993

This next year will provide its share of problems and challenges for the City. The closing of the landfill will certainly be a major problem, particularly if Perryton closes their landfill also. The city will continue to implement the requirements of the Americans With Dis-

up this past year. The rehabilita- abilities Act. Sections of this Act tion of the sewer plant was delayed require the public facilities be acby seven months until the Texas cessible to disabled persons. The Water Commission could straighten City has been studying the ways to out its merger with sections of the make the public improvements, including sidewalks downtown, more easily accessible to the disabled. In filled with problems or negatives. December, we received report that would cost about \$34,000. We will look for funds to pay for these re-

This next January, the City will begin an active process of promoting economic development in the community. Already, an Economic Development Committee has been appointed by the City Council and will begin meeting in January. This next year, the City and the Chamber of Commerce hope to have a lake festival at Palo Duro Lake to promote tourism in Spearman and Hansford County. To be successful in economic development and tourism will require the active participation and cooperation of everyone in Spearman.

This next year the City will be pursuing grants to implement the parks improvement. Also this next

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Police Files

Spearman Police Report

During the reporting period beginning Monday, Dec. 14, and ending Sunday, Dec. 20, the Spearman Police Department filed 33 activity reports. Four of these reports were traffic accidents, according to Police Chief Joe Raper.

On Monday, Dec. 14, a minor accident occurred at 9:12 a.m. The accident occurred on seventh and Townsen. According to Police Chief Raper Barbara Hand stopped her 1990 Oldsmobile at a stop sign on Townsen. Daniel Rios, driving a 1989 Ford, was unable to stop due to the road conditions and struck the Oldsmobile, said Police Chief

The second accident occurred on the vet clinic road on Tuesday. This

Another accident was reported on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 3:27 p.m. This accident occurred in the 200 Block of S. James. According to Police Chief Raper a 1983 GMC pickup drivne by Roman Arnold of Spearman struck a 1990 Chevrolet, a patrol car, that was parked along the street. It was reported that the car was damaged on the left side, but no injuries were report.

The third accident occurred on Saturday, Dec. 19, in the 10 Block calls during the week of N. Hoskins, but was not reported until Sunday, Dec. 20. The accident occurred between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. According to Police Chief Raper the incident is still under investiga-

The department also reported ports. 12 miscellaneous calls, three lockouts, one suspicion call and two suspicious vehicle reports. Other calls during the week were as fol-

On Monday, the department received a traffic complaint. It involved motorcycles snowmoblies on the road by the vet clinic. It is being investigated.

Another traffic complaint was also received on Monday. This one involved snowmobiles on Seventh

Still another traffic complaint was received on Tuesday, Dec. 15. This report also involved snowmobiles, but it was reported from Fifth and Brandt

Then on Wednesday, Dec. 16, accident was referred to the DPS the department responded to an

On Thursday, Dec. 17, the police department received a reoprt of a possible prowler in the 100 Block of S. Dressen.

Then on Saturday, Dec. 19, the department filed a domestic disturbance report. The disturbance occurred in the 900 Block of Dressen.

On Sunday, Dec. 20, the department had an ambulance assist call in the 1100 Block of S. Bernice.

There were four animal control **Gruver Police Report**

During the reporting period running Wednesday, Dec. 2, through Monday, Dec. 21, the Gruver Police Department filed 11 activity reFive of these reports involved

the unlocking of vehicles and two calls were made to deliver messages. Other reports filed during the reporting period were as fol-

On Wednesday, Dec. 2, a harassment complaint was received. This complaint regarded a high school girl finding an obscene letter taped to her steering wheel after basketball practice.

The following day, Thursday, an 18-year-old male was taken into custody for harassment, according to Police Chief Steve Gaines. He added that the charges stemmed from the obscene letter found on December 2.

Then on Thursday, Dec. 10, a complaint was received regarding a mother leaving two small children alone in the 200 Block of East Ninth. A four-year-old and an 18month-old child were found at home alone, said Police Chief Gaines. The mother was located and transported home, and the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services was notified, added Police Chief Gaines.

The next day, Friday, the 911 operator called regarding a hangup call. The address was checked for an emergency, said Police Chief Gaines. It was determined that children were playing with the phone.

On Friday, Dec. 18, the department was able to return the jewelry recovered during the theft/credit card abuse case filed in October, according to Police Chief Gaines.



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We will be closed Friday & Saturday, Dec. 25 & 26 to join all our family and friends in the celebration of Christmas

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Holiday Happening

The First United Methodist Church, 407 S. Haney, Spearman, will have a come and go Communion on Christmas Eve, Thursday, Dec. 24, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The Oslo Lutheran Church is holding a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 24

The Hansford Golf Club is hosting a \$1,000 Giveaway Dinner & Dance on Thursday, Dec. 31 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Activity Center. For Ticket information call 659-2121, 659-2830 or 659-2233.

On Thursday, Dec. 31, the Oslo Lutheran Church will be holding "Wild Game Night" from 6 p.m. to midnight.

The Gruver United Methodist Church will be holding a come and go Christmas Eve Communion service from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Dec.

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Hansford Happening

Money is needed for the Foster Children of Hansford County Fund. This fund was started in 1988. All the money donated goes to help the girls and boys from Hansford County at Girls Town and Boys Ranch to have a little happier Christmas or birthday. To make a donation, stop by First State Bank . Spearman and talk to Larry Trosper or Rhonda North.

Rainbow and Ranglers are having country and western and square dance lessons starting Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the county barn. The country and western lessons will be held from 7 - 8 p.m. with the square dance lessons following

Spiritually Speaking

by Bro. Larry Miller, First Baptist Church, Gruver The spirit of Christmas: "For God so loved the world..."When

you take love out of the season of Christmas, you totally remove the reason, intent, and motivation for the coming of Jesus. Nothing more reflects the love of God for man than the provision He has made for our salvation through His Son.

The Gift of Christmas: "that He gave His only Son..." It is true, Christmas is a time for giving gifts. From genuine love comes the desire to give to the ones you love. The greatest gift ever given is Jesus! God set the standard, we follow His example.

The joy of Christmas: "that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." To receive such a gift as everlasting life, and escape from just punishment for our sin is indeed a gift that cannot be measured by human means. The joy of undeserved grace such as this fills our holidays with praise.

Christmas festivities that exclude the spirit, the Gift, or the joy of that first Christmas, is truly only Xmas. To only see the material, the commercial, the secular side of these holidays, is to celebrate in a pagan manner. But for God's children, this is a most joyous time of the year, a time for remembering God's great love and gift, a time for worshipping the Child who delivered us from death, and a time for reflecting His love to our world about us.

Focus on the gift of Christ this season! Worship Him with His family of believers! Be a part of the Church celebrating these holidays!

Beginning Christmas Evening,

Dec. 25, and showing through Tues-

day, Dec. 28, at the Lyric Theatre

Christmas Carol" on screen 1 at

7:45 p.m. and "Under Siege" on

"The Muppet Christmas

Carol" stars Michael Caine as

Dickens' famous miser Ebenezer

This film also features the fa-

mous muppets, such as Miss Piggy,

Kermit the Frog and Fozzie Bear.

These muppets guide Caine

through a comic retelling of Charles

Dickens' classic Christmas tale. In

"The Muppet Christmas Carol"

Kermit plays Bob Cratchit, while

Miss Piggy appears as Mrs.

"The Muppet Christmas

Carol" is a cute Christmas movie

you'll want to see and so will your

kids. Don't miss it. It begins show-

ing at 7:45 p.m. on Christmas

Carol" is rated G.

"The Muppet Christmas

"Under Siege" stars Steven

Seagal, Tommy Lee Jones and Gary

screen 2 at 7:30 p.m.

Scrooge

Cratchit.

At the movies . . .

in Spearman is 'The Muppet Law" then you won't want to miss

You readers familiar with us may skip this paragraph and start with the next one. The PCC offers services free of charge to men or women who are victims of domestic violence, whether physical or "merely" verbal. We give counseling, support, and information to these victims, plus a shelter to those who feel themselves to be in danger at home. We are available for help 24 hours a day, at 435-5008. If you want information only, call us from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For those who must call us long distance, use the toll-free number: 1-800-753-5308.

Panhandle Crisis Center

November, as usual, was a quiet month for the Shelter. Though we are always glad to be available to persons needing a safe place, it's nice to know that occasional letups can occur in the sad cycle of family violence. The problem is that during these let-ups the victims tend to think, "Good! Things are better! Now I can relax." But, sometimes suddenly, sometimes gradually, "things" always return to their old abusive pattern. And here we go again!

by Mary Frances Ellzy

Sometimes the victims needs only to join a support group where she can be encouraged by others who are experiencing the same things and are learning ways to stop them. There she has access to the many excellent materials that describe situations similar to her own and give suggestions and/or exercises on how to prevent them. Did I say "only?" How wrong that was! The victim must work hard to enable herself to follow the suggestions and exercises to the point of effecting a change, or, that failing, of ending the relationship alto-

Can you imagine what it is like to grow up in an abusive atmosphere, whether physical or "merely" verbal? Possibly yours was similar, but, like those youngsters who are currently growing up, you had no idea that such relationships are not only undesirable, but are actively destructive of wholesome living. You may have thought

Seagal is back in "Under Siege."

If you saw Seagal in "Above the

him in this action packed film. It is

a tightly paced film that is loaded

with high-tech heroics that fans

favor, said a leading review maga-

decorated navy S.E.A.L. who gets

demoted to the USS Missouri's ship

cook for punching out his former

commanding officer. In an early

scene Ryback is imprisoned in a

meat locker by Commander Krill,

Busey. Just a short time later the

(Patrick O'Neal) birthday as a

cover, arranges for a strike force to

board the Missouri. In no time the

strike force, lead by an ex-CIA op-

erative (Tommy Lee Jones), has

the ship 'under siege.' Ryback man-

ages to escape the meat locker, but

most of his shipmates are locked

up. It is up to Ryback. He is the

action packed movie, "Under

"Under Siege" is rated R.

Don't miss Seagal in his newest

only on who can stop them.

Krill, using the ship captain's

fireworks begin.

Casey Ryback, Seagal, is a highly

it normal, just as they do. Not only does a child so brought up express its anguish through such things as alcoholism or an opinionated attitude or one that renders it unable to defend itself, it is almost sure to pass that atmosphere on to the next generation, yet again to pass on the sad tradition. One sees how pervasive is this type of destruction through the many books that present guidelines on how to overcome it. Our schools abound with children who are exposed to some degree of inept parenting. Even if the parents are not warring with each other, they are passing on the negative results of their own parenting. And it is done in utmost innocence! Only the saddest examples of this unconscious destruction of souls come to the attention of such organizations as the Crisis Center. Wouldn'titbe wonderful if we all

should become so teachable as "a little child" as to confront ourselves with the possibility of improving our own parenting techniques and thus "enter the Kingdom of Heaven?" Even if we aren't so much in need of improvement as for us or one of our children to enter a Crisis Center, there's room for improvement for all of us. I am very glad to have had such opportunities myself. I had no idea I had so much to learn. And I'm still learning! What a splendid way for all of us to wish the world a Merry Christmas! If you are interested, call the office!

Oslo Lutheran Church plans service for **Christmas Eve**

Oslo Lutheran Church, 18 miles Northwest of Gruver will have a candlelight service on Thursday evening at 8 pm.

The traditional Christmas Eve lithergy will include a message by Rev. John R. Chandler, entitled "God's Christmas Gift". It will also include time for a "Walk to the Manger" for prayer before the Nativity scene at the alter, and scripture and singing by candlelight.

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"We hope many folks can enrich their celebration of Christ's birth by including worship as a part of their family activities on Christmas Eve." said Rev. Chandler, pastor of the church.



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Chamber Chatter

by Cindy Blackman Chamber Manager



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Christmas winners. This is just one job. way that our local merchants show their appreciation to you.

Looks like the snow is finally going to give us a break. It really hampered us with our Christmas decorations around town. We had new decorations ordered but they did not get here in time for TNM to put them up. We also could not get the burned out bulbs replaced. The retail merchants association had made arrangements with Jane Henton's art classes to paint Christmas scenes on the empty buildings downtown but it snowed on the day we had it scheduled. Thanks to all of you who helped with the house and yard Christmas lights and

COME

Congratulations to all of the thanks to the judges. You did a good

Chamber banquet is January 30. The program will be a surprise from Women's Division and our chamber board. Stan Cobb and the Rev. "Bubba" Bookout will also be there. Tickets will go on sale after the first of the year.

Merry Christmas to all of you. We thank you for your friendship and wish you a wonderful holiday

Pheasant population rapidly

Ring-neck pheasant are rapidly on the increase. Food is plentiful in corn and sorghum producing regions of the High Plains, however undisturbed nesting and wintering cover is still the key.

CRP grasses have given pheasants a chance to get a strong foothold in the Texas panhandle. Mixtures of tall introduced or native grasses have created ideal nesting, roosting, and winter cover. Thus enhancing pheasant populations.

Besides being beautiful to look at, pheasants have economic benefits too. Pheasant - hunting rights typically are leased on a daily basis. Day - lease prices in the area currently average \$70 to \$100 per gun the opening weekend then prorate down the following weekend.

Hansford County Landowners are doing a great job of Wildlife -Management and should be commended for it. Winter is here folks so dress up warm and above all be safe and thoughtful not only of yourself but of all other Hunters as well. GOOD - HUNTING.

increasing by Joe E. Vanderburg. Soil Conservation Technician

Birds raised in captivity are poorly adapted for survival in the wild. Good habitat management remains the key to abundant populations of wild birds.

Programs and services of the Hansford SWCD & Soil Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regards for race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion marital status or handi-

Best Wishes For The Holiday Season!

Time to have fun, time to eat, drink and be merry, and time to make New Year's resolutions. It's a busy time for all of us, but there's plenty of time to celebrate your holiday safely. For example,

- If you use an artificial Christmas tree, make sure it's fire resistant.
- Keep any kind of tree away from walkways and heat sources, such as fireplaces, heaters, stoves and radiators.
- Turn off tree lights overnight or when you're away from home.
- Keep paper decorations away from tree lights.

A little caution and care will add to your holiday fun and enjoyment. And, we wish you happiness and good health in the coming year.

From the Board of Directors and Employees of North Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc.

At The Lyric Theatre . . .

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Friday, Dec. 25 - Tuesday, Dec. 29 Bargain Nights Mon. & Tue. All Seats \$3 Closed Wednesday & Thursday

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The Muppet Christmas Carol

UNDER SIEGE

SCREEN 2 . 7:30 p.m.

Starring Steven Seagal

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On The Go With Joy

Christmas through the Lights of Love

Love Tree burns brightly on the lawn of First State Bank, #1 Court, Spearman, Texas. The tree's red lights were lit through contributions to the hospice program and are given in honor or as memorials for loved ones and friends. These lights and this tree remind us that love lives on in the hearts of people we touch in the daily living of our lives.

You are invited to view the tree in the evening hours as it stands apart even in the beauty of the other lighted trees. A special kind of tree for a "special kind of caring".

May we thank First State Bank officers and staff for their assistance with this project, especially we thank Butch Baker for his extra efforts in making this tree so beau-

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We also say Thank You to those who have already contributed and those who continue to contribute to Hansford Hospice by sending their gift to 707 S. Roland, Spearman, Texas 79081:

Earl & Bobbie Novak in memory of Bob Novak

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Christmas Greetings given

tal and Hansford Manor.

You still have time to make your contribution, and it can be mailed to Mary Fern Terry, 906 Bernice,

Instead of mailing cards, we have donated to Operation Christmas Greeting. We wish everyone a Merry

Jack & Dolly McWhirter Irvin and Susan Delk **Emma Lou Collins** Newell & Dickie Allen **Adalyn Barnes** Enzie and Joe Copeland Dave & Helen Hand Freda Sheets Del & Barbara Cluck Eva Adkison Roy & Ann Flowers **Bob & Ruth Crawford Frances Williams** Bill & Estelle Jackson L.F. & Susie Hand

that they didn't have any of the type she used. I started to tell her that I had some home-grown and blended green tomato mincemeat in my freezer but decided against it until I found out if this was a temporary shortage or if it was soon to be a thing of the past. After all, very few people care for the delicacy and as a rule, mincemeat pie is served twice a year-both times within 4-6 weeks. Bob Ross wrote recently about Lookin' Back - Gruver

Christmas Past - Gruver

I overheard a friend telling of

going to the grocery store just be-

fore Thanksgiving, to buy some

mincemeat for a pie. She declared

5 Years Ago

Christmas 1987 brought a little

bit of fame and a lot of national

recognition for Gruverite Merry

Wright. An ornament that she cre-

ated, part of a 12-year hobby, was

accepted for display at the 11th

annual "Tree of Christmas" exhibi-

tion in the Smithsonian's National

Museum of American History. Her

hand-made and hand-painted rock-

ing horse ornament was one of 30

ornaments which graced the Na-

tional Society of Tole and Decora-

tive Painter's Tree at the

10 Years Ago

As of 1982, the largest tree to

have ever been moved in one piece

was an 86 foot tall Noble fir. Mr.

and Mrs. James Stedje verified that

'86' was not a typo. They shared a

picture of the awesome giant, with

the Gruver Statesman. The pic-

ture did not do justice to the thou-

sands of lights, the six foot star on

top nor the carolers looking very

Smithsonian.

caused Will Rogers to wonder about the wisdom or sanity of that small community when word went around town that grocery stores had run

out of the meat of the mince. The mince you ask? Surely you have heard of the mince. The warm, moist tender juices of the pie-the fragrance of apples and currantsthe aroma of cinnamon and ciderand the tender delicate meat of the American mince.

No holiday celebration over there in Hendersonville is complete with-

tiny around the tree. There was no

doubt it was b-i-g. The tree was on

display in Weatherford, Oklahoma

where the Stedje's visited. It had

been moved from Mololla, Oregon

where the Stedjes had frequently

State Bank 10 years ago, he brought

someone very special along-Mrs.

When Santa visited Gruver

15 Years Ago

December 25th 1977 was known

as Maupin-Day...celebrated in

dream-come-true style by Pete and

Fran Maupin. A private plane trip

to Love Field was only the begin-

ning. Then came taxi's, snow-

storms in the mall, beautiful 80

degree cloudless weather and fi-

nally the destination: Texas Sta-

dium. Watching the Dallas Cow-

boys defeat the Denver Broncos

was the highlight. Pete, Fran and

Micky Maupin along with George

and Debbie Odom were some

Gruver additions to the crowd of

63,752 fans with fun memories of a

visited with the Satrum family.

this same type of shortage over in out mincemeat pie and the first North Carolina that would have class eaters consider this savory pie to be a basic American privilege. When they thought of life without the mince, most of them panicked. But among those who kept cool, calm and collected was Buddy C. and he took charge of the situation and then he wrote the newspaper to set the story straight-no shortage, no endangered species.

"Local hunters and trappers need to study the origin and habits of this shy little creature." The mince is native to Italy and is hunted and trapped for its succulent flesh and for its delicate fur which is used in artists paint brushes. Parts of the Sistine Chapel ceiling, for example, are thought to have been painted with mince-hair paint brushes."

Then Buddy C. coyly disclosed the proper technique for catching those critters, "Italian hunters taught us that the right bait was the key to successful trappingpizza with pepperoni. Heavy on the mozzarella.

That letter began a deluge of letters to the editor from various mince masters with helpful hints on the exact distance that one needs to stand behind the bait in order not to be seen by the mince-or be tempted by the pizza with pepperoni. A.M. wrote that if pizza was unavailable, try chicken soup poured over mashed potatoes which would work just fine. "The mince waddle right into the sack. They go for chicken soup.

Of course like any other town,

we have our troublemakers. P.M. suggested crossbreeding the miniscule mince with the larger nauga. The result, he proposed would be a "delicate meat with a tough nauga hide." His idea died a quick and welcome death. Crossbreeding indeed!

Several other citizens piped up with various other ideas for saving the mince. J.S. thought it possible to make house pets of them but that was not a popular idea due to the fact they were so small the vacuum cleaners would claim a few at each cleaning.

Once again Buddy C stepped in to save the day. "We have formed a local citizen's group," said he. "The Society for the Prevention of the Annihilation of the Mince (SPAM)." So there it is.

Merry Christmas and "Pizza on Earth and Goodwill To All Mince." I may be doing some quick trips out of town and out of state. In fact, if the cold weather continues, we may be headed to the South and maybe to the West, but Lord willing, I'll be back soon.



Christmas Day will be here soon. Time is running out for you to extend greetings to your friends by donating money to Operation Christmas Greeting. This is a fundraising project of the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary. The proceeds are used to purchase supplies and equipment for the Hansford Hospi-

Spearman, Texas 79081.

Christmas and a Happy New Year. Woody & Lois Gibner

John & Sammie Bishop David & Jane Nuckles Max & Dorothy Baggerly

Minding Your Own Business

by Don Taylor, Director, PSBDC

UNLUCKY JIMMY

story with you. Because many of rounded by toys. Jimmy saw a you commented about the column bright red fire engine just like the and because we have added thou- one in the store window. sands of new readers this year, I

want to share it again. It's a story my mother read to me when I was small. It's about a little boy named Jimmy. Jimmy's family was very poor. His little sister was an invalid and had to spend most of her days in bed. Christmas held no hope or joy for either of the chil-

dren. As he trudged home from school each day, Jimmy would stop to look at the toys in the bright store windows. More than anything, he Jimmy knew way down inside that he would never be lucky enough to get one. In fact, his only marble had rolled down a storm drain the previous wee. He felt that he was the Missouri. unluckiest boy alive. He even called

himself Unlucky Jimmy. Christmas, Unlucky Jimmy re- and take part in Association sponceived an invitation to a Christmas sored shows and other national and party for the poor children in the regional events. neighborhood. A nice lady from a

when he saw the Christmas tree. It Last year, I shared a Christmas was covered with lights and sur-

> When it came time for each child to pick out a gift, Jimmy's heart nearly stopped. He was afraid that someone else would pick the fire engine. Fortunately, when his turn came, the little truck was still under the tree. As Jimmy reached for

See Minding page 10

Hometown news

Molly Zimmer of Gruver is a wanted a little red fire engine. new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph,

Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in Then, one night just before the American Angus Association

The American Angus Associa-

nearby church mission promised tion is the largest beef registry as-Jimmy a special gift. Jimmy grew sociation in the world, with over excited as he drew near the mis- 24,000 active adult and junior memsion. He couldn't believe his eyes bers. **EVERY TUESDAY!** SECOND SET OF PRINTS Receive a second set of 3" prints FREE with any exposure roll of 35mm, disc, 110 or 126 color print film left for developing and printing at our everyday prices! C-41 process only. Excludes larger 4" size prints, and photo galaxy.

Stocking fund... still receiving donations

Hansford County residents are invited to get into the holiday spirit by contributing to the 1992 Manor Stocking Fund.

The fund is used to help Hansford Manor residents purchase items which they need but may not be able to afford other-

Jody Harnish, activities director for Hansford Manor, said the Manor Stocking Fund has received several nice contribution recently, which are greatly appreciated by Manor residents.

In the past the fund has been used to purchase such items as eyeglasses, blankets, shawls, slippers, toiletries, sweaters and even haircuts.

Harnish said the fund is used and accepts contributions all year long, because residents needs do not end at Christmas time.

Contributions to the fund are tax deductible, Harnish said, and may also be made as memorial contributions. Donors who wish to remain anonymous can acknowledge that when they contribute.

Christmas past.

Donations can be made to Hansford Manor, 707 S. Roland,

Spearman, TX 79081. These Hansford County residents have made contributions to the 1992 Manor Stocking Fund:

Jodie Don & Marry Allen Irvin & Susan Delk 25 Keith & Jody Hight Si & Bea McCloy 20 25 Rosa Lee Butt 30 Ray & Beth Phelps 100 M/M George P. Odom 50 Freeman Barkley 20 Mary Fern Terry 20 Rho Rho Sorority 25 **Dora Womble** 50 Mary Alice Gibner 25 M/M Harold Larson 50 **Frances Williams** 50 Lee & Dorotha Keys 10 TOTAL \$1,230







make his "house calls" on December 25, 1992 "Best Wishes" for 1993! From the Staff of Hansford Family Medicine Clinic

THANK YOU TO OUR DECEMBER SUBSCRIBERS

We would like to take this opportunity to thank these people for their continued support of the newspaper and to remind them that their subscription expires in December. If you would like to renew your subscription by mail, please cut out the coupon at the bottom of this thank you and return it with a check to the newspaper. Subscriptions cost \$19.95 for Hansford County residents and \$24.95 for residents outside of Hansford County.

Names of people who's subscriptions expire in December:

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Walter Woolley Jim Williams

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Among the Neighbors

Christmas is as Christmas should be for Paul and Adela Lopez as their son, Daniel, whom they hadn't seen for a year arrived this past week. Seaman Daniel is assigned to the frigate U.S.S. McClusky and is stationed in Japan. Daniel has been in many ports in many countries but considers being in Vladistok, Russia the most interesting.

Daniel had planned his leave to be here not only for Christmas but also for the wedding of his brother Chris and Maranda Loomis. Daniel is honing up on his "best man" technique for the wedding on Janu-

He will have to fly back to Japan by January 6.

He is looking forward to next April at which time he will be stationed state side at the naval base at Bremerton, Washington.

A tradition of many years is the Christmas party for the employees of the Dean Cluck Cattle Company of Gruver which was held in Spearman this year. On Friday evening Ivey's Hungry Cowboy catered to all the hungry cowboys, other employees and their fami-



Medical Clinic

lies. A few old friends shared the after a few days here with his parevening, including from Spearman Blanche Greene and Helen Fisher.

It was hosted by Dean and Rita Cluck, Tim and Teresa Cluck and Monte and Mary Jo Cluck. More than 100 attended; with Monte Cluck leading in prayer.

Other than visiting and congenial fellowship, entertainment was watching an interesting video shown on a large screen, installed for the occasion.

The video was taken by Teresa Weldon, an accomplished photographer, of the three day cattle round-up last October.

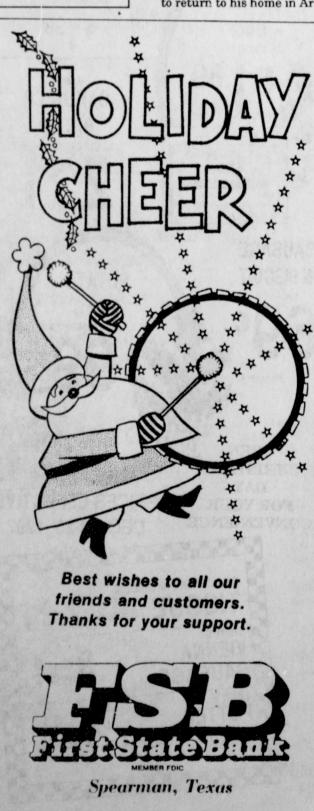
Eight teepees were set up for the small fry for the three nights; meals were from a chuck wagon, and camp fire. The days were long-beginning at first light and ending near sundown as the 3000 head of cattle were rounded up and moved from grass at one of the ranches preparatory to going on wheat or into feed lots.

41 horses were saddled every morning which included the children's and they made pretty fair hands. The youngest was a 13 month old girl who rode with her dad from 5:30 am until 10 one morn-

This unique round-up was featured in the October issue of the Southwest Stockman, and a number of out-of-town friends partici-

Early Christmas guests for Martha and Billy Haden were their sons, who will be unable to be here on that day. Jimmy came from Arlington for four days and Billy Ray and Lynn with Sadie came from Amarillo for a couple of days. Sadie furnished all the entertainment needed.

It was a very complimentary article and an excellent picture of the pretty Krista Kirkland in the Saturday issue of the Amarillo News-Globe. Krista, a Spearman High School graduate of 1989 and now a Junior at Texas Tech is an outstanding basketball player. She is already the all time SW Conference leader in three-point attempts and needs only five more three pointers to be the all-time leader in the three point category.



ents, Wilson and Joan McClellan. He brought four friends with him

pleased that all bagged their limit. The family is looking forward to being together on Christmas as the other son, Ken, will be with them. He is expected to arrive in Dallas from Indonesia on Monday.

for pheasant hunting and were

Bill Partridge and his daughter, Sherisse Martin, of Oklahoma City are visiting in the home of Slim and Mary Cates. They are assisting in the store, Cates Men and Boys Wear, during the holiday season. Sherry Partridge and other family members are expected in time to share Christmas.

Pre-Christmas guests of Ila Mae and J.B. Buchanan for a couple of days last week are Tammy and Chris Hanson and son Mills. They had been in Canada and were driving back to their home in Sun City, California. Tammy is a great niece

Mrs. Irene Baker, in addition to being surprised at reaching the age of 80, was surprised by having a birthday party in her honor.

Her son Thomas and Rita Reed hosted the occasion on Saturday evening at the Plaza in Borger.

Showing their love and devotion to her by attending the dinner, complete with birthday cake, were four generations. In addition to the host couple, from Spearman, was her sister Mrs. Grace Simpson, grandson John Reed, Ken and Joann Schneider with Shane and Kendall; Jackie Bradley with Brittnay; from Dumas came Judy Reed, Jerry Raper with Heather and Dustin; from Gruver-Todd and Janet Williams with Lane.

Local PTA members...

attend annual convention

Marlene Miller of Spearman were First" by presiding at all general among more than 2,000 Texas PTA leaders from across the state who attended the Texas PTA 83rd An- the Texas PTA works for the betternual Convention held at the Westin Hotel in Houston Nov. 21-23.

Delegates from the 18 Texas PTA districts convened in Houston to est child advocacy organization in Chris McClellan left Saturday conduct the annual business of the the state, Texas PTA is affiliated to return to his home in Arlington Texas PTA, to adopt resolutions with National PTA, the largest and legislative positions, to elect new Group I officers, and to attend workshop discussions.

> More than 70 workshops were presented on a variety of topics ranging from self-esteem/discipline to HIV/AIDS, safety, site-based decision making, and trends in educa-

> Keynote speakers included: Dr. Guadalupe C. Quintanilla, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs and associated professor of the Hispanic and Classical Languages Department, University of Houston; Arnold Fege, director of the National PTA Office of Governmental Relations in Washington D.C.; and Justice of the Peace George E. Risner, Precinct 2, Position 2 in Harris County, vice president of Communities in Schools for Pasadena ISD.

Texas PTA President Shirley Igo, Plainview, concluded her two-year

Teresa Kirk, Jan Howard and administration of "Putting Kids

With a membership over 800,000, ment of the environments of home, school, community and place of worship for all children. The largyouth advocacy organization in the

Hometown news

RHEIN-MAIN AIR BASE, Frankfurt, Germany-Tech. Sgt. Joe D. Lewis has been decorated with Air Force Commendation

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Air

It is his second award.

Lewis, a contracting supervisor. is the son of Billy R. and Peggy L. Lewis of 105 S. Mackenzie St., Stinnett, Texas. The sergeant is a 1976 graduate

of Stinnett High School.

********** Mr. & Mrs. Duane Loomis

> and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lopez request the honor of your presence at the marriage Maranda Linn and

Cresencio (Chris)

Friday, January 1, 1993

7 o'clock p.m.

First Baptist Church

123 S. Bernice, Spearman Texas *******

Hometown news

Maria Magali Sumner of Spearman was among the students named to the President's Honor Roll at Frank Phillips College for the fall 1992 semester.

Students must complete 12 semester hours or more and achieve a GPA of 4.00 before they can be placed on the President's Honor

Eight students from Spearman have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Frank Phillips College. Pam D. James, Stephanie Kirk, Deziree Dawn Pearson, Forest W. Reichen, Christa M. Sims, Maria Magali Sumner, Susan Faye Thompson and Cassie Torrez were among the students named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall 1992 semester.

Students must complete 12 semester hours or more and achieve a GPA of 3.00 before they can be placed on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Margaret Yates (Automated Office Technology), Spearman, graduated this fall from Texas State Technical College-Amarillo with a cer-

Texas State Technical College-Amarillo is a non-profit technical college, created in 1970 by the Texas Legislature. The school offers 19 technical programs including three new programs: chemical technology, metrology, and telecommuni-

Christmas Past-Spearman

5 Years Ago

The manor empty stocking fund

A special Christmas lighting

was happy to report \$2,955 as the

ending balance for their 1987 ef-

fully decorated home of Karen Lookin' Back - Spearman

Christmas meeting in the beauti-

Dahlia Flower Club

The Dahlia Flower Clubhad their

promotion was sponsored by the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and Speartex grain. Adela's Flowers took first place in the commercial division with their beautiful window display. Allen Varnon of 726 Steele won first place in the non-commercial contest with his very festive home decorations.

10 Years Ago

The pheasants of 1982 were a smart bunch of birds-they came to town while the hunters went to the country to hunt for them. Billy Miller reported seeing a pheasant flying around Ralph Blodgett's home. Owen Montgomery had a pheasant hen in his yard and Sylvia Robertson saw a pheasant rooster in her backyard.

As for Christmas celebrations in 82. Rainbows & Ranglers, Spearman's square dance club, was having their share of fun. They combined their Christmas dinner with graduation ceremonies. The happy feet had survived lessons conducted by Jimmy Shieldnight.

15 Years Ago Christmas 1977 had good news

and bad news. Farm crops did not bring high yields in Hansford County for that year. The good news...assistance arrived in time for Christmas. Thirty-seven Hansford County farm families received disaster or low yield payments, while 325 farm families received defficiency payments. Deficiency payments were aimed at making up the difference between low market price and determined target price. 1977 was the first year these payments were

Babitzke on December 8. Wanda Smith called the meeting to order. The flag salute was led by Frances Williams and the club collect by Ruth Mary Whitson.

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The minutes were read and approved, and the treasurer's report was given. A card for Hollie Riley was signed by the members present. Wanda Reed demonstrated making and covering beautiful heartshaped boxes. Roll call was answered by "A favorite Christmas

Delicious holiday refreshments were served to: Marjorie Curtis, Cleo Denman, Ethel Ellsworth, Wanda Smith, Jewel Turner, Ruth Mary Whitson, Frances Williams and one guest, Wanda Reed by the hostess, Karen Babitzke.

The first meeting of the New Year will be in the home of Marjone Curtis on April 5.

Rainbows & Ranglers Club

On Sunday, Dec. 13, the Rainbows and Ranglers Square Dance Club entertained the residents of Hansford Manor.

Dancing to the music of Murry Beasley of Texhoma, Okla., were: Joe and Wanda Archer, Ronnie and Vicki Bullard, Benny and Joyce Byers, Alvin Byers, Danny and Debbie Herrington, Dwayne Booth, Sandy Beasley, Kathy Morley, Sonya Tindel, Rusty and Judy Tindel, and Lupe Renteria.

The dancers as well as the residents had a wonderful time!

The Rainbows and Ranglers Dance Club will begin their country and western, and square dance lessons on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the County barn!

The country and western lessons will be held from 7-8 with the square dance lessons following from 8-10.

Your first three lessons are free. If you decide to continue, the cost is only \$5.00 each week.

Come and join the fun!!

The families of Geoffrey T. Kiss wish to thank all of you who gave us comfort in our loss through flowers, cards, food, memorials, contributions, prayers, & visits.

> "Gone from our sight, but never our memories ... Gone from our touch, but never our hearts.

Tammy & Kim Kiss, Mr. & Mrs. Reg Robertson & families, Mr. & Mrs. Imre Kiss & families.



trophies. She placed first in the Denim Wear and Photogenic

categories and was first alternate in the beauty category. Amber

is the daughter of Paul and Julie Moore of Spearman. Her

grandparents are Sonny and JoAnn Kell and Hubert Moore of

Shamrock. Amber was sponsored by Gillaspie's Auto and Truck

Club News

Center, B & B Sales and Moores Construction.

elect new ASCS committeeman

by Keith Martin, ASCS

The Hansford County ASCS office would like to take this opportunity to thank Sonny Windom for his time and devotion to the Hansford County ASCS Committee. Sonny had served as County Committeeman for 3 consecutive terms (9 years), and was not eligible to run for a fourth term. Sonny was always willing to give his time and

Holiday from page 1

will be delivered again on Saturday, Dec. 26.

While businesses and government offices are adjusting their hours, the schools are getting let out for Christmas break.

Spearman I.S.D. let their students out at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 22. A teachers inservice is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 4, and students return to class on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Pringle-Morse C.I.S.D. began their Christmas vacation at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 22. They have a teacher workday scheduled for January 4. Superintendent Beryl Sears said that classes will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Christmas vacation officially began at 3:30 on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Gruver I.S.D. On Monday, Jan. 4, Gruver I.S.D. has scheduled Teacher Staff Development, and Tuesday, Jan. 5, is a teachers workday according to Superintendent Barry Haenisch. Gruver students will return to class on Wednesday, Jan. 6.

energy to serve the farmers and ranchers of Hansford County, and we want to take this opportunity to say thank you for a job well done.

We also want to take this opportunity to announce that Phil Sanders has been elected to serve a three

Masons from page 1

take good men, make them better to help serve society and all man-

He said Masonry is not a secret. but a charitable organization.

The charitable and protective features of the fraternity have been responsible for the establishment of Masonic homes for the care of dependent aged Masons and their widows and orphanages and schools for the children of mem-

Schnell said millions of dollars are spent annually to operate several facilities including the Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, Dallas; Shrine Burns Center. Galveston; Girls' Dormitory, Austin; Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Springfield, Ill.; and for many scholarships.

Schnell defined Freemasonry as an educational society, teaching its members a moral philosophy of life.

He said Freemasonry, as we know it today, had its beginnings in England in the 1700's and came to America with the early settlers. George Washington, who served as the first U.S. President, served as Master of his lodge. Many of the signers of the Declaration of Inde-

County term Committeeperson for the Hansford County ASCS Committee, and Omar Sutton and Ann Marie Pearson will serve one year terms as Alternates.

pendence were active Masons, he

Schnell said there are more than four million Masons nationwide. He said Masons are diverse as movie stars John Wayne and Roy Rogers, and former Presidents Gerald Ford, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, and former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

Schnell attributes success of Freemasonry through the years to the following: belief in the fatherhood of God, belief in the brotherhood of Man, and the method of membership selections.

100 years." Elvin Martin, Charolette's dad,

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Joyce Vanderburg is another important person at Charolette Ford Trunks. She was hired after Charolette's mother, Mildred, past away last year.

also lends a helping hand. "Dad

still comes in and helps seal pack-

trunks, stated Charolette.

ages," Charolette says.

We do everything we can ourselves," Charolette said. But if they do need help cleaning Idella White and Butch Schaefer are often called upon. And some of the cedar work is done by Orville Latham, she said.

So how long does it take to restore a trunk?

According to Charolette it should take anywhere from two to four weeks to restore a trunk from start to finish if you do the job right. "If it takes less than that you are just doing a 'quick fix' and it won't last," said Charolette. She added, "If done right it should last another 50 to

Although Charolette does a considerable amount of advertising in specialty magazines, such as Country Living, a lot of her restoring is from repeat customers.

When I arrived for the interview, Charolette was covering a tray with cloth. She explained that was one of the three ways it would be restored. The other two ways are natural or papered. The tray was from a trunk being restored for Neida Hulsey of Austin. Charolette reported that she had restored three trunks for her and about six or seven for her two sisters.

Charolette said that she had probably restore more trunks for Mrs. Blackburn of Spearman than she had for anyone. Mrs. Blackburn would make the gift of a unique trunk even more unique. According to Charolette, Mrs. Blackburn would fix flower arrangements and put them in the trunk. She would then give them asgifts to her granddaughters or grandsons.

Charolette said that restoring trunks is a lot of hard work. "There have been a lot of happy times and sad times, but I guess it has all evened out, said Charolette. I appreciate all of the customers that have supported me in the past

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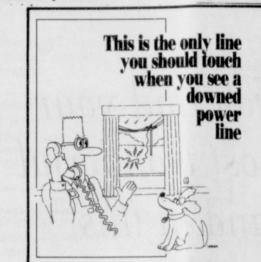
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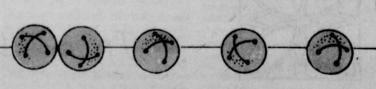
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Boys Ranch, no match for the Gruver Greyhounds, 64-45

by Bob Bort

This past Friday, Dec. 18, the Boys Ranch Roughriders came to Hounds toward the end of the first town to do battle with the Hounds, quarter, 14-9, but then the Hounds and it was a game for the first outscored the Roughriders 30-10 quarter and a half. But then the for a 39-24 halftime lead. It was no Hounds exerted their muscle, and contest. stormed to a 19-point, 64-45 vic-

It was the 17th consecutive victory for the Hounds at Greyhound Parks or the Stratfords, they are Gym dating back to a loss to Borger on Dec. 31, 1990. No one can fault the schedule makers this year for a patsy schedule for the Hounds though, as they just came off an 8game road trip, and hadn't played a district, and Gruver still is commithome game since Nov. 20. This one ting a tremendous amount of turnbreak with a home game is short- overs, and must improve Some of lived though, as the Hounds now go the recent performances by the back on the road for 6 more games, Hounds which were less than before their next home game vs. Houndball-like can be attributed to Stratford on Jan. 8. Pity the poor the sickness this flue season, which Lady hounds, who must suffer has hindered the Hounds for over a through the entire 14-game road week now. They are not playing trip, and will not have played a their best basketball of the season home game between Nov. 20-Jan. at this point.

Boys Ranch actually led the

Like the Gruver ladies, in order for the Hounds to match up with the Spearmans or the Highland going to have to step it up a notch or two in order to win the tough road games in district 1-AA. They played well against Boys Ranch, but the Ranchers are not the class of the

Kevin Spivey had a fine ball game, with 27 points. Carey Kauffman also turned in a notably excellent performance, hitting his short jumper for 13 points and turning a nice job on the boards.

Gruver will next play at Perryton on Tuesday, Dec. 22, and thus they will begin a strange stretch of playing all their road games on Tuesdays, and their home games on Fridays. Another quirk that makes the schedule tough for our athletes, who must travel on school nights.

The ladies also play at Perryton after an off-night for the Boys Ranch contest, and then both Gruver teams will play at Dumas on Dec. 29th, then they end the year and begin the new year with the Stratford Invitational Tournament.

Basketball Roundup 12/18/92

> Varsity Boys vs. Boys Ranch Gru 64-BR 45

3-Pointers: Kevin Spivey 3, Jeffrey Price

Kevn Spivey-27, Carey Kauffman-13, Jeffrey Price-7, Brady Pool-5, Jace Dawson-4, Tek Ferguson-4, Matt Etheredge-2, Will Etheredge-2.

JV Boys vs. Boys Ranch Gru 42-BR 77

Ricardo Soto-10, Kevin McNett-9, Victor Lopez-8, Fabian Salazar-6, Eric Wright-4, Paul Renteria-3, Roma Tomlinson-2.

> 9th Grade Boys vs. Borger Sophs Gru 43-Bor 61

3-Pointers: Phil De La Cruz. Bailey Barkley-10, Sammy Renteria-8, Wylee Maupin-7, Phil De La Cruz-5, Scott Jarvis-5, Max Frick-4, Travis Ferguson-2, Tye Womble-2.



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Originally stocked by private efforts in the Hereford area, these adaptable and delicious birds now have a prime range in an area roughly bounded on the north by Dalhart over to Spearman down to a southern border from Plainview to the New Mexico line. The CRP set aside program has provided huge areas of excellent cover that serve as an ideal nursery for young ring-necked pheasant.

The incredibly long cold spells during the winter of 1989 literally froze many pheasant and even entire coveys of quail in their tracks. For some reason our birds have bounced back while their numbers in our sister states to the north remain low. This year hunters from all over the United States will sample our excellent pheasant

The easiest proof of the economic benefit derived from pheasant season is the absence of available motel rooms during the opening weekend. The airlines serving both Amarillo and Lubbock were full of hunters. I have not seen so many men wearing camouflage since Sadam What's-his-name threatened to start the mother of all wars.

Hunting season is drawing to a close in the northern region of Texas. Our mule deer season is already closed. Hunting for white-tailed deer and turkey ends on January 3rd. In South Texas the deer and turkey hunting end on January 10th. The aoudad season in the Panhandle ends on January 17. Even the dedicated quail hunters must finally stop on February 28th.

SAFETY TIP of the year-a cellular phone can save your life, and one in your spouse's car can put her a phone call from rescue during any emergency. The price has really come down, and the service areas have increased. A cellular phone is the perfect late Christmas gift. Check your local dealers because they are offering some great holiday prices. Some hunters have been seen conducting business while driving to and from their hunt-

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Spearman Basketball Roundup

December 21, 1992 Varsity Lynxettes vs. Perryton Spr 41-Per 36

Jill Lusby-6, Mary Cook-5, Michelle Garnett-4, Kimbre Townsen-3, Kara Townsen-6, Holly Jarvis-6, Laura Pearson-11.

J.V. Lynxettes vs. Perryton Spr 18-Per 38

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Telie OQuin-4, Tiffany Bruning-2, Traci Martin-1, Carey Beaty-7, Tommi Latta-2.

Varsity Lynx vs. Perryton Spr 48-Per 66

Toby Thompson-2, Wes Dyess-3, Brady Reed-8, Jason Varnon-12, Troy Law-1, Cody Pipkin-7, Mike Hagar-4, Russell Shaver-9, Justin Boyd-2

> vs. Miami Spr 78-Mia 53

Thompson-16, Dyess-4, Reed-9, Varnon-10, Law-17, Law-17. Pipkin-6, Hagar-2, Shaver-4, Boyd-

> vs. Memphis Spr 56-Mem 64

Dyess-8, Reed-6, Varnon-11, Pipkin-14, Shaver-17.

3 Pointers: Dyess-2, Varnon,

Charolette Ford Trunks...

celebrating 15 years of business

by Angela Jones Editor

Charolette Ford Trunks is celebrating 15 years, but the treasure's available at this unique, "specialty'

store date back to the 1900's. At Charolette Ford Trunks they restore old trunks, transforming them into a beautiful antique that will add to any room. Charolette Ford, owner of Charolette Ford Trunks, said, "You can't just go into every little shop in every little town and purchase something like this."

But restoring trunks is only a small part of the business at Charolette Ford Trunks. "Most of the business is mail order," said Ford. They send parts and books to people so they can restore their own trunks, explained Ford. Charolette publishes Trunk Talk and sends out news letters upon request.

Although they send do-it-yourself information they still restore many trunks for others. "We get trunks shipped to us from all over, said Ford. She went on to list some of the places such as Saint Louis, New Mexico, California, Pennsylvania and Orlando. "The furthest away was Alaska," she added.

So how did it all begin? Charolette thought for a second and then said that her mother had restored a couple of trunks and she had watched her. She added, "As far back as I can remember grandmother always liked antiques. We just kind of zeroed in on trunks." Charolette has been trunking for



Charolette Ford is helped in her business by her daughters and grandchildren. The daughters seated on one of the shop's trunks (I-r) are Kamala Goodheart and Tammy Benton. Grandchildren are Kenzee and Bray Goodheart and Austin Benton.

17 years. She and her husband, the late Jerry Ford, bought the business from the previous owner, Dorothy Groves, about 15 years ago. Charolette explained that Dorothy started the craft in the 60's. Charolette began working for her in 1974 and purchased the business in 1977. Charolette and her husband worked together in the business. "He helped me make it what it is today," she stated.

"I first started restoring them in my garage," said Ford. But she soon moved the business to the Plains Shopping Center where Adela's Flowers was located and then "across the way" to the store that is currently the video store. Then in

current location, 313 Main. But the changes didn't end there. About two years ago she expanded her business and it now include country gift

Although there have been many changes, Charolette says that it is family ran business. Her daughter, Tammy Benton, does most of the painting. Her other daughter, Kamala Goodheart of Amarillo, runs Trunks N Time out of her home. She also refers customers to me, said Charolette.

Even her son-in-laws, Kent Benton and Darren Goodheart, pitch in and help. They have both been involved in the cleaning of

NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST AND STATEMENT OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that North Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc. (the "Utility") intends to change rates for electric utility service effective March 9, 1993, or as soon thereafter as may be permitted by law. The Utility has not had a rate increase since 1983. Based upon a test year ending December 31, 1991, the increase requested over actual test year revenues is \$369,472 or 4.67%. The changes are applicable to all areas, all customer classes, and all customers served by the Utility.

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Information concerning the proposed rate changes is available at the general office of the Utility, located at Highway 83 North, Perryton, Texas 79070. Inquiries should be directed to Pat McAliston

The Utility is required to give notice of the percentage increase in base revenues which is 10.53%. The percentage increase in base revenues is not an indication of how much your bill will increase. Rather, it is a measure of the increase needed by the Utility for its own operations, excluding payment of the cost of power purchased by the Utility from its wholesale power suppliers

On or about January 8, 1993, the Utility will file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, a Statement of Intent to Change Rates, specifying in detail each proposed change. Requests to intervene must be filed no later than 45 days after the application filing date. Thus, the Utility anticipates the deadline for intervening and objecting to the rate changes will be February 22, 1993. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter





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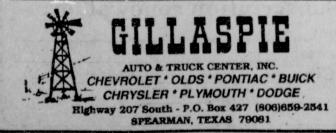
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removal from the site The house and four lots are located at 405 Richardson (Lots 27-30, Blk 61, OT) Gruver, Texas. Property to the north and south is owned by the First Baptist Church. All bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. on

PUBLIC NOTICE

January 5, 1993. Any bid received after that time and date will be returned unopened and not considered. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening at the regular Board Meeting, January 6, 1993, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room in the Gruver High School building. Please mail or deliver all bids to:

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Gruver, TX 79040

The District reserves the right to reject any bid and/or all bids, to make awards as they may appear to be advantageous to the District and to waive all formalities in bidding. The award will be made without regard for race, color, sex, religion, sect, or creed.

Anyone Hunting on the Jarvis Place (at the curve on 281 east of the gas plant) WILL BE CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL TRESPASS-ING AND PROSECUTED. As of 12/07/92 -No One Has Permission To Hunt on the Jarvis Place.

Tom Jarvis

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NEW LOCATIONS. **COMPLETION AND** PLUGGING REPORT Week Ending December 17,1992 Intentions to Drill

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Phillips Petroleum Co., #10 Foxx (80 ac) 630' from North & 1930' from East line, Sec. 36,3,1&GN, 3.5 mi NW from Lefors, PD 3225' (Box 358,

Borger, TX 79008) HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) SNW Operating, #294 C.L. Dial, et al (6005 ac) 9570' from North & 990' from East line, Sec. 25,47,H&TC, 6 mi north from Borger, PD 3100'

(Box 1130, Borger, TX 79008) LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Cleveland) Maxus Exploration Co., #3 John Peil (645 ac) 1500' from North & West line, Sec. 864,43,H&TC, 61/, mi NW from Lipscomb, PD 7700' (Box 400, Ama-

rillo, TX 79188) LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Cleveland) Maxus Exploration Co., #2 Piper (316 ac) 1520' from South & 1720' from East line, Sec. 77,43,H&TC, 5 mi NW

from Lipscomb, PD 7700'. LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Cleveland) Strat Land Exploration Co., #2 Piper (645 ac) 1100' from South & 760' from East line, Sec. 632,43,H&TC, 1 mi north from Lipscomb, PD 8100' (Nine East Fourth, Suite 800, Tulsa, OK 74103)

LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Tonkawa) Unit Petroleum Co., #6A Miles 'A' (650.5 ac) 1775' from North & 1405' from East line, Sec. 553,43, H&TC, 10 mi west-

702500, Tulsa, OK 74170) MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Caprock Energy, Inc., #3 T. Thompson '23' (320 ac) ... South from 23,26,EL&RR, 13 mi south from Dumas, PD 2600' (Box 736, Pampa,

TX 79066) OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & ALPAR Upper & Lower Morrow) Alpar Resources, Inc., #9 Pearson '109' '(640 ac) 660' from South & 1330' from East line, Sec. 109,4-T,T&NO, 8 mi southerly from Waka, PD 8600' (Box 1046, Perryton, TX

79070) SHEARMAN (WILDCAT) Phillips Petroleum Co., #4 Craig 'G' (653 ac) 467' from South & 2150' from West line, Sec. 99,1-C,GH&H, 7 mi south from Texhoma, PD 6950'.

WHEELER (WILDCAT) Cambridge Production, Inc., #1 Duncan (160 ac) 900' from South & 660' from East line, Sec. 24,A-5,H&GN, 2.5 mi SE from Mobeetie, PD 13100' (216 Texas Commerce Bank Bldg., Amarillo, TX 79109)

Applications to Plug-Back (WILDCAT) HEMPHILL Samson Resources Co., #1-12 Markham (640 ac) 1220' from South & 1320' from West line, Sec. 12,Z-1,ACH&B, 7 mi north from Allison, PD 15500' (Two West Second, Tulsa,

OK 74103) OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH Cleveland) Tuthill & Barbee, #2-33 McAgee 'A' (640 ac) 660' from North & 1840' from West line, Sec. 33,13,T&NO. 8 mi southerly from

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Amended Intention to Drill HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & **HEMPHILL** Granite Wash) Enron Oil & Gas Co., #6 Flowers 40 (649 ac) 2100' from North & 1500' from West line, D.P. Fearis, 5 mi south

from Canadian, PD 10900'. Amended to change well location HARTLEY (PROCTOR RANCH Wolfcamp) Corlena Oil Co., #2-64 Proctor, Sec. 64,22, Capitol Sundicate Subdivision, elev. 3835 kb, spud 10-19-92, drlg. compl 11-27-92, tested 11-28-92, pumped 110 bbl. of 42 grav. oil + 6 bbls. water, GOR --, perforated 3990-4004, TD

4138', PBTD 4058' -

Gas Well Completion CARSON (WEST HANDLE) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., #1-22A Poling, Sec. 22,Y-2,AB&M, elev. 3299 df, spud 6-18-92, drlg. compl 7-11-92, tested 11-18-92, potential 2875 MCF, rock pressure 34.83, pay 1956-3250, TD 3250' -- Orig. Form filed in APX

Plugged Wells

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Jiro, #6 Diana Shaw, 660' from South & 510' from East Lease line Sec. 27, Y, A&B, spud 1-20-44, plugged 9-15-92, TD 3069' (oil) --Form 1 filed in Sinclair

HUTCHINSON (WEST PAN-HANDLE) Conoco, Inc., #4 C.S. Carver, 330' from South & West Lease line, Sec. 48,5,Wm. Heath Survey, spud unknown, plugged 11-12-92, TD 3306' (gas) -- Form 1 filed in Continental Oil

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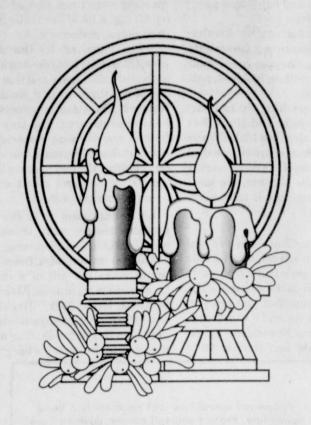
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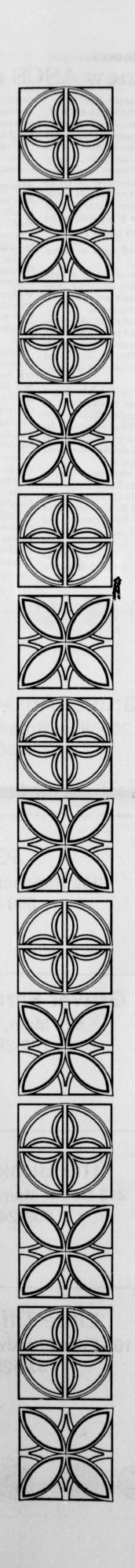


A Merry Christmas to All

We wish all of you and your loved ones the most wonderful Christmas ever and in this coming year of 1993, it is our hope that you may have Enough happiness to keep you sweet Enough trials to keep you strong Enough sorrow to keep you human Enough failure to keep you humble Enough hope to keep you happy Enough success to keep you eager Enough friends to give you comfort Enough wealth to meet your needs Enough enthusiasm to look forward Enough faith to banish depression Enough determination to make each day a better day than yesterday.



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Hope Cemetery with the Rev. LaVern Draper, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Brillhart was born in Ottumwa, Iowa, and had lived in Hansford County for 30 years. She married James Brillhart in Guymon, Okla., in 1976. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; a stepson, Sam Brillhart of Perryton; a sister, Marge Pinegar of Rock Springs, Wyo; and nine grandchilMinding from page 5

the engine, he thought of his frail little sister at home in bed. He stopped and turned to the mission lady. He asked softly if he might pick two gifts, one for himself and one for his sister at home. The lady shook her head sadly and told Jimmy that there were only enough presents for one per child.

Jimmy looked longingly at the little fire engine. Then he picked out the prettiest doll under the tree. It had blue eyes and curly blond hair just like his little sister. As he returned to his seat with the doll, the other children began to laugh and make fun of him. Unlucky Jimmy clutched the little doll and ran from the mission. He stopped

crying by the time he reached home. Jimmy began to feel better when

he saw the look of surprise and delight on his sister's face. As she hugged the doll and cried with joy, Jimmy didn't feel so unlucky after

As Jimmy sat by his little sister's bed, someone knocked on the door. When he opened it, the mission lady was there. In her arms, she held the red fire engine. She explained to Jimmy that the children were sorry they had laughed at him. They had not known about his sick little sister. After she told them why Jimmy had chosen the doll, the children asked her to bring the fire engine to Jimmy.

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Finally, we are hoping that 1993 will bring better economic times. While the City is in good financial condition, if Spearman is to continue to provide the quality of services that our citizens expect, then we have to generate more tax revenues through economic growth.

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